

## MOTIONS FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2010

The following motions have been submitted for consideration at the GA Annual Meetings 2010. Amendments may be submitted at any time prior to the final vote on a motion. However, it is in the best interests of clarity for amendments to be advised as far in advance as possible.

### 1) FROM – Westgate Chapel, Wakefield

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches, mindful of the recent criticisms by the Prince of Wales and others, affirms that the cultural change known as “The Enlightenment” has been of immense benefit to humankind in its seeking out of knowledge old and new, and that its emphasis on wisdom being derived from many sources, including science and reason, must be maintained.

### 2) FROM – Executive Committee

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches notes that the Heads of Agreement for the Accord with the Non-Subscribing Presbyterian Church of Ireland was approved by the General Synod of the Non-Subscribing Presbyterian Church of Ireland on 10 June 2009 with the exception of clause 6.6, and agrees to the removal of this clause from the Heads of Agreement.

### 3) FROM – Executive Committee

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches sends congratulations and best wishes to its sister denomination The Non-Subscribing Presbyterian Church of Ireland, to its presbyteries and member churches on the occasion of the Church's centenary. The Assembly records with thanksgiving our common allegiance to the principle of Non-Subscription, our shared but different histories and the many ministers who have served both in Great Britain and in Ireland; and looks forward to many future years of co-operation.

### 4) FROM – Executive Committee

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches recognises the considerable contribution of David Dawson to Unitarians in the UK by naming him as an Honorary Member.

## PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

- 1) That the Report of the General Assembly Executive Committee and the Accounts of the General Assembly be received and adopted.
- 2) That Shaw Gibbs LLP be reappointed as Auditors.
- 3) That Huw Thomas be appointed Honorary Treasurer for the year 2010-2011.
- 4) That the thanks of the Assembly be given to Derek McAuley and Huw Thomas for their services as Honorary Treasurers, to Reverend Dr Ann Peart for undertaking the position of Acting Honorary Treasurer, and to district association and local officers for their invaluable services.
- 5) That greetings be sent to kindred churches and societies abroad.
- 6) That the thanks of the Assembly be given to the Reverend Michael Dadson for preaching the Assembly Sermon.
- 7) That the thanks of the Assembly be given to the Reverend Stephen Lingwood, worship leader for the Anniversary Service, and to all those who provided music and other content for the Anniversary Service and on other worship occasions during these Meetings.
- 8) That the thanks of the Assembly be given to the members of the General Assembly staff and to all volunteers for their inestimable help in organising the Meetings.
- 9) That Neville Kenyon be appointed President of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches for the year 2010-2011.
- 10) That the Reverend Dr Ann Peart be appointed as Vice-President for the year 2010-2011.
- 11) That this eighty-second General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches expresses its gratitude for the services provided by the Reverend Robert Wightman as President during the year 2009-2010.