



**The United Church  
of Canada  
General Council**

# **GC42 Living Apology to Members of LGBTQ Communities (GC42 2015-060)**

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That the 42nd General Council (2015):

1. Adopt the Process of a Living Apology as a vehicle for dialogue, story-telling, education and reconciliation with persons who identify as sexual or gender diverse including but not limited to Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transsexual, Transgender, Two-Spirited, Queer (LGBTQ) persons;
2. Direct the General Secretary to partner with Affirm United/S'affirmer Ensemble on a Living Apology art installation project, an example of which is found in appendix A [page 473]; and
3. Invite The United Church of Canada into a 3-year journey of dialogue and reconciliation with LGBTQ persons, that would involve:
  - creative opportunities for conversation, worship and education
  - opportunities to explore concepts such as lament, reconciliation and justice, to be reported and celebrated at the 43rd General Council (2018) in acknowledgement of the 30th Anniversary of the 1988 decision of the full participation of LGBTQ peoples in the church.

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