

GC45 WF14: ARW01 Rejecting Christian Nationalism for Summer 2025

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A little more than half of the groups discussed this proposal. But those groups who discussed supported the proposal. Some groups asked for creating resources and one group asked TICIF to be assigned to create resources for church to engage. One other group noted that we do this in a position of humility rather than that of self-righteousness.

Therefore, the Way Forward Team proposes:

That, in response to ARW01 Rejecting Christian Nationalism, the 45th General Council, 2025:

- adopt a statement explicitly proclaiming that the United Church rejects the values
 of Christian Nationalism and that we call on the Church, its people, and local faith
 communities to examine their calling to support and encourage Canada and its
 leaders, while simultaneously calling it to account for policies and understandings
 which are contrary to the Gospel values of grace, mercy, and radical inclusion
 given to us by Christ, and
- encourage local faith communities to examine ways they can better understand
 the dangers of Christian Nationalism and, through discussion, book studies, prayer
 and discernment, and the like, foster a healthier understanding of what it means
 to be a people of God called to uplift the Divine Image in ourselves, our
 neighbours, and our world, and
- direct the Theology and Inter-Church Inter-Faith Committee (TICIF) consider creating or providing resources that may assist the whole church to engage Christian Nationalism in self-critical and prophetic ways.

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