



“A VERY GOOD DAY!”



THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOP ANDREW MUKUYAMBA, FIRST BISHOP OF THE CONTINUING ANGLICAN COMMUNION, ZAMBIA (CACZ)

On Sunday, 25th October 2015, Fr Andrew Mukuyamba, the Vicar General of the CACZ for many years, was consecrated the first Bishop of Zambia, in the worldwide Traditional Anglican Communion.

The CACZ came about as the result of the pioneering work of Fr Pierre Dil and his wife Wenda. After leaving the comfort of Canterbury Anglicanism, Fr and Mrs Dil started the Makeni Ecumenical Centre, in Makeni, Lusaka. The idea attracted funding from the Netherlands and soon a school, an orphanage and a seminary

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had been established. Other projects followed, with adult education, carpentry, agricultural training, a clinic, a piggery and butchery all adding to the life of this dynamic centre.



The church in Zambia has grown steadily, and a strong partnership developed between the Southern African TAC churches. Fr Andrew Mukuyamba (Zambia), Fr Wellington Murinda (Zimbabwe) and Bishop Michael Gill (Episcopal visitor to CACZ) have formed a solid and lively team, and have met regularly through the years to plan and offer support to one another.

Following a smooth elective process, chaired by Hon Paul du Plessis, Chancellor of ACSA (TAC/TR), Vicar General Andrew Mukuyamba was unanimously elected as the Bishop Elect of the CACZ. This election was ratified by the College of Bishops of the Traditional Anglican Communion, and plans for his consecration were put in motion. The Consecration took place on 25th October 2015, at the Makeni Centre, Lusaka, before a packed congregation, in what was a truly joyous festival of praise and worship.

Bishop Andrew Mukuyamba will now be expected to develop the outreach and ministry of the TAC in Central Africa, and expand the work of the church into neighbouring countries. He will be fully supported in this work by his fellow TAC members throughout Southern Africa and by the global TAC.

Bishop Michael Gill (Episcopal Visitor to the CACZ) was joined by Archbishop Shane Janzen (Metropolitan of the Anglican Catholic Church of Canada) and Bishop Stephen Strawn (Bishop Ordinary of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley, Anglican Church in America) as Co-Consecrators. Vicar General Wellington Murinda and Regional Dean for Gauteng, Fr Martin Magoleng, also took part in the service, as did Hon Paul du Plessis, Chancellor of the Southern African TAC.

I have put together a series of pictures of the Consecration that I hope you will enjoy. It was, as said by Mrs Wenda Dil, "A very good day!"

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Preparing for the big day



Fr Wellington Murinda with some of the ladies getting food ready for the multitude!



Choir practice



Fr Martin Magoleng, Bishop Michael Gill, Archbishop Shane Jazen, Vicar General Wellington Murinda and Bishop Stephen Strawn at the Makeni Centre.



The Altar is set up for the Consecration.



The Altar Party forms up for the service



Inside the tent, the choir was leading the worship. Their music was excellent.



Bishop Stephen Strawn reads the Epistle



Fr Andrew, prostrate in prayer



The Laying-on-of-Hands



*Archbishop Shane Janzen
presents Bishop Andrew with the Crozier*

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Fr Magoleng and Fr Murinda present Bishop Andrew to his delighted people



Bishop Andrew seated with his TAC brother Bishops

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Blessing the children



Bishop Andrew greets his people



Part of the enthusiastic congregation greet their Bishop (Mrs Wenda Dil is seated at the left of the picture)



Bringing forward gifts for the new Bishop

Some of the faces at the Consecration



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The final blessing of Bishop Andrew Mukuyamba, first Bishop of Zambia



The ending of the day brought about the usual business of clearing up and transporting guests. Bishop Andrew was understandably exhausted, but exhilarated at the same time, and fully aware of the responsibilities that are now his. Please pray for his ministry and for the work of the TAC in the whole of Southern Africa. We are indeed, a *'church on the move'*!

May God bless you and keep you
Bishop Michael Gill
Southern Africa