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226TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOW ONE FOR THE AGES

With one hand each on their gavel, the Co-Moderators of the 226th General Assembly, the Rev. Tony Larson and the Rev. CeCe Armstrong, brought the Assembly to a close Thursday morning, jointly declaring "the 226th General Assembly now adjourned."

"For all that's been shared, all that's been communicated with honesty and courage, in disappointment, sorrow, joy, and exuberance — all of it in faith — we give you thanks," Larson prayed, adding shared discernment and the relationships made to the list of God's gifts given during the Assembly. "We pray these ties will continue to grow, even as we go back to our communities."

"We leave this place knowing we never leave your sight, still collectively the body of Christ," Armstrong told the Almighty. "It is with our whole heart that we love you, God, and it's in Jesus' name we pray." Read More







ALOYO CALLS THE PC(USA) TO LIVE INTO 'A NEW

As people began filing out of the plenary hall at the close of business on the Assembly's last day — no doubt to catch their earlier flights — the strains of Healey Willan's "Finale Jubilante" filled the space.

The final singing of "Live into Hope" — the Assembly's theme and the name of the 1976 hymn text by Jane Parker Huber from which each day's worship theme was selected — set the tone for a stirring proclamation of the gospel by the Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo, Jr., president of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. Read more



Office of the General Assembly reflects on GA226 and looks forward to GA227



"For GA Daily and the GA news team, that's a wrap from Salt Lake City. Happy Fourth of July. We'll see you in Milwaukee in 2026."

With those words, GA Daily host Fred Tangeman concluded the final episode of GA Daily for the 226th General Assembly.

The episode, featuring GA Business Manager the Rev. Ken Tolley and Associate Stated Clerk Kate Trigger Duffert, provided

an opportunity to look back at the GA that had finished ahead of schedule that morning and to look forward to the next assembly, which will take place in the "Laverne & Shirley" city of brews and festivals. **Read more**

Equity and inclusion provide foundation for assembly work

Ensuring that everyone had a voice in the decision-making process of General Assembly was once again a major focus in Salt Lake City the past two weeks. Organizers introduced equity primes into the committee work as well as in plenaries themselves and they are making a difference.



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PRESBYTERY OF MILWAUKEE APPROVED TO HOST 227TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

On Wednesday, the Assembly approved Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as the site of the 227th General Assembly. Milwaukee was selected from a pool of cities by the Committee on the Office of General Assembly (COGA) back in February. This location for the plenaries along with the recommendation to hold virtual committees prior to gathering as a whole assembly was sent to the General Assembly Procedures Committee for deliberation, a process which took time and energy. Read more





'This is MY COUNTRY'



Sarah Mibulano had a little problem.

The 19-year-old Young Adult Advisory Delegate from the <u>Presbytery of Nevada</u> — who emigrated to the U.S. from Congo with her family in 2015 — had her citizenship interview back in February and still hadn't heard a word.

"I was nervous," Mibulano said, "because everyone else in my family got their certificate within a month."

Mibulano, the third oldest of the family's six children, had a lot riding on the outcome.

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'EVERYBODY NEEDS A LITTLE JESUS'

The Rev. Sharyl Dixon, a teaching elder commissioner from the <u>Presbytery of the Coastlands</u>, came prepared when she arrived at Salt Lake City for the <u>226th General Assembly</u>. She was equipped with a "snackle" box and over 100 "little Jesuses."

There had been a planned infestation of the 1-inch rubber figurines during Eastertide when her congregation read the Road to Emmaus story (<u>Luke 24:13-35</u>) of the resurrected Christ appearing to two travelers.

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