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The General Secretaries
CWM Member Churches

CWM Sunday 2025 – Liturgical Resources

Dear General Secretaries,
Warmest Greetings from the Council for World Mission!

Each year, the CWM community gathers in worship and reflection to mark CWM Sunday, a special occasion when we celebrate God's mission in the spirit of justice, partnership, and transformation. This year, we invite you to join us in observing CWM Sunday on 20 July 2025, as it is the closest Sunday to 18 July that marks the beginning of the restructuring of CWM in 1977.

Our theme for this year, drawn from the 2024 Assembly, is "Transforming Power." This theme invites us to reflect on the contrast between the oppressive powers of empire and the liberating, life-giving power of the Spirit of God. It calls us to embody mission not as mere service but as solidarity, standing with the oppressed and living into God's vision of justice, shalom, and liberation.

This year's CWM Sunday is especially significant as we also commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Singapore Consultation of 1975, a historic moment that laid the foundation for CWM's restructuring in 1977. The Singapore Consultation was the first gathering in an Asian setting where churches from both the "sending" and "receiving" traditions rejected paternalistic relationships and embraced interdependence. From that vision was born the new CWM: a partnership of churches in mission, committed to sharing the resources of money, people, skills, and insights for the flourishing of all.

To support your celebration, we have prepared liturgical resources that include prayers, songs, readings, and visual materials centred on the theme Transforming Power. We encourage you to use and adapt these resources in your congregations, remembering that though we worship in many languages and cultures, we are one in the Spirit.

As part of our shared mission, we also invite all member churches to take up a special offering on CWM Sunday. This year, we are committed to supporting the Presbyterian Church of Vanuatu (PCV) as they journey toward recovery from the devastating earthquake that struck in December 2024. Every year, this offering supports one of our member churches or ecumenical partners in need, and while we continue to stand in solidarity with communities in Myanmar following the recent earthquake, our focus this year remains on Vanuatu. We therefore encourage all our member churches to give generously to help our sisters and brothers in Vanuatu rebuild their lives and communities.

We look forward to worshipping with you in spirit across continents and oceans on the CWM Sunday.

Yours in God's Mission,



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