

17 January 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters within our Gafcon family,

On behalf of the Gafcon Primates, it is my joy to announce the upcoming consecration of our General Secretary, the Reverend Canon Paul Donison, as a Bishop in our Lord's one, holy, catholic and apostolic church on 4 February 2024 at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kigali, Rwanda.

At our November 2023 meeting in London, the Primates passed a resolution asking that Dean Donison be consecrated, as the role of General Secretary is episcopal in nature: guarding and expanding the mission and unity of the Church, and helping to convene the Councils of the Church.

In December 2023, the House of Bishops of the Anglican Church of Rwanda agreed to consecrate Dean Donison as Bishop if the ACNA College of Bishops approved. Furthermore, in January 2024 the synod of the Metropolitan Diocese of Gasabo unanimously resolved that Dean Paul be consecrated as assistant Bishop of Gasabo Diocese.

On 9 January 2024, the College of Bishops of the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA), consented to the proposal that following his consecration, Bishop-elect Donison will be transferred to the Anglican Church in North America, and Invested as Vicar General (Area Bishop) of the Texas Deanery of the Anglican Diocese of the South. A service of Investiture and Celebration of his New Ministry as Gafcon General Secretary will be held at Christ Church Cathedral, Plano, Texas, USA, on 17 February 2024.

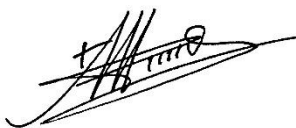
One of Gafcon's priorities is to raise up a next generation of global leaders, and the Primates are unanimous in our conviction that Paul is the right person to assume this office "for such a time as this" (Esther 4:14).

I ask your prayers for Bishop-elect Paul, his wife, Monika, their daughters, and for our whole Gafcon movement.

If you are planning on attending the Consecration on 4 February in Kigali, Rwanda, please contact the Reverend Stephen Saano at [saanostephen@gmail.com](mailto:saanostephen@gmail.com)

If you are planning on attending the Investiture on 17 February in Plano, Texas, USA, please contact the Reverend Robert Kincaid at [robertk@gafcon.org](mailto:robertk@gafcon.org)

Faithfully, yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laurent Mbanda", written over a horizontal line.

**The Most Rev. Dr. Laurent Mbanda**

Chair, Gafcon Primates Council  
Primate & Archbishop of Rwanda