



RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL (See Para 24, Constitution)

3.1.2 (a) The Church Council shall give priority in its life to building up the Congregation in faith and love, sustaining members in hope, and leading the Congregation to a fuller participation in Christ's mission in the world. This priority shall be reflected in the agenda of its ordinary meetings.

- (b) The responsibilities of the Church Council include:
- (i) sharing with the Minister(s) in mission and in the pastoral care and spiritual oversight of the Congregation;
 - (ii) nurturing the members and adherents in their growth in grace;
 - (iii) making decisions in accordance with the Regulations concerning baptism, confirmation and membership, and the keeping and reviewing of the rolls of the Congregation; (See Part 1 of these Regulations)
 - (iv) assisting the Minister(s) in the conduct of worship and in the administration of the sacraments;
 - (v) determining the time and place of services of public worship;
 - (vi) carrying out its functions in accordance with the Regulations concerning applicants for the specified ministries;
 - (vii) managing the financial affairs and the general administration of the Congregation including the reception, preparation and presentation of all necessary budgets, statements and reports;
 - (viii) arranging for audit, presentation and examination of the accounts of all the funds of the Congregation; (See Reg. 3.8.7)
 - (ix) managing and controlling property in accordance with the Regulations; (See Reg. 4.4.1)
 - (x) preparing and presenting to a meeting of the Congregation an annual report concerning the life and work of the Congregation including its worship, mission and service, and making recommendations with regard to the program for the ensuing year;
 - (xi) exercising oversight of the appointment of officers and leaders of Congregational organisations;
 - (xii) referral of matters to Presbytery as prescribed;
 - (xiii) discipline of members (See Reg. 5.1.2 – 5.2.5);
 - (xiv) carrying out its functions in relation to Ministers-in-Association (See Reg. 2.11.1).