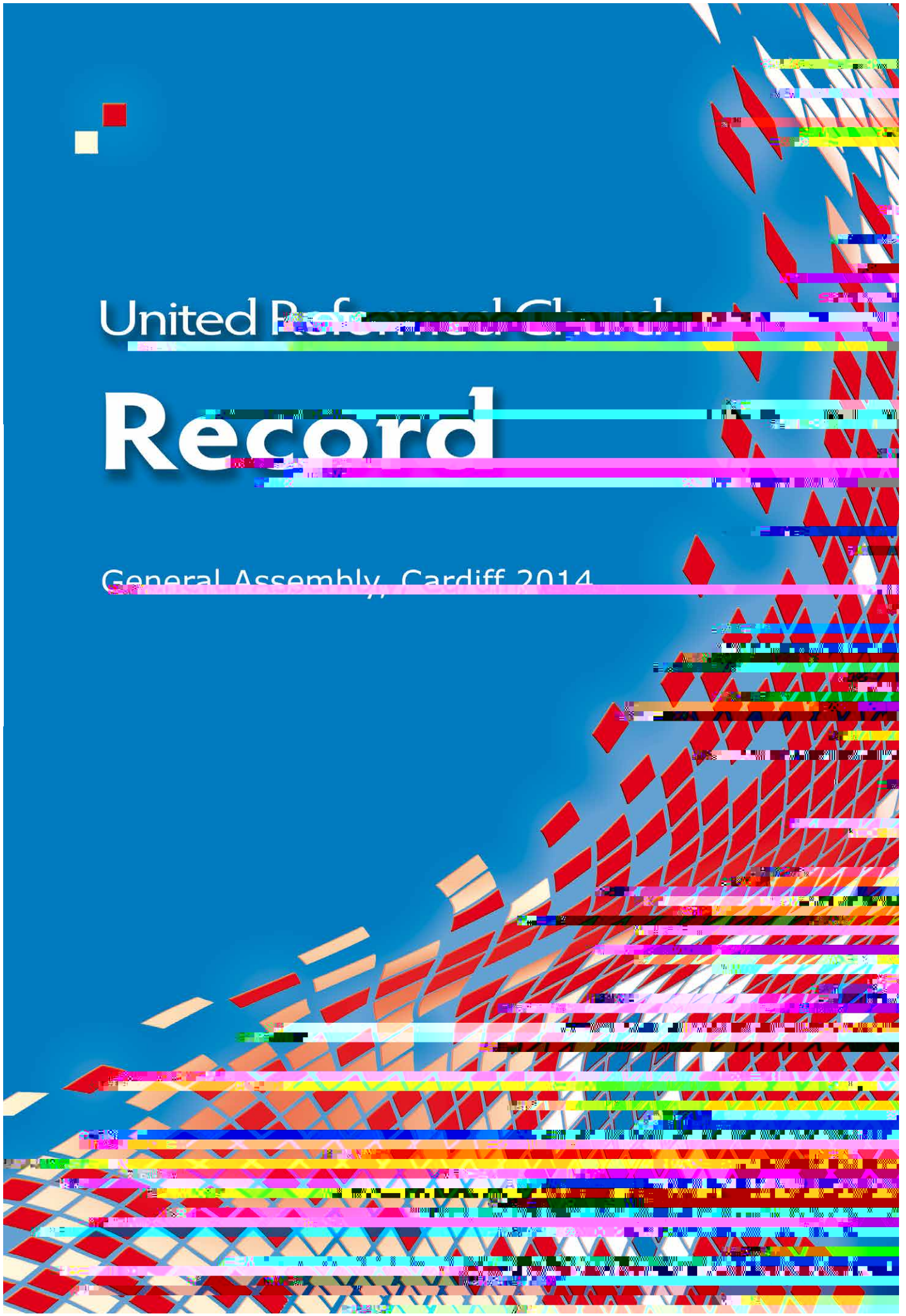




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that they would be available throughout Assembly. He introduced the intercessors, the Revds Nanette Lewis-Head and Kevin Snyman, and invited people to join them in the intercessors' area in the hall, if and when they desired.

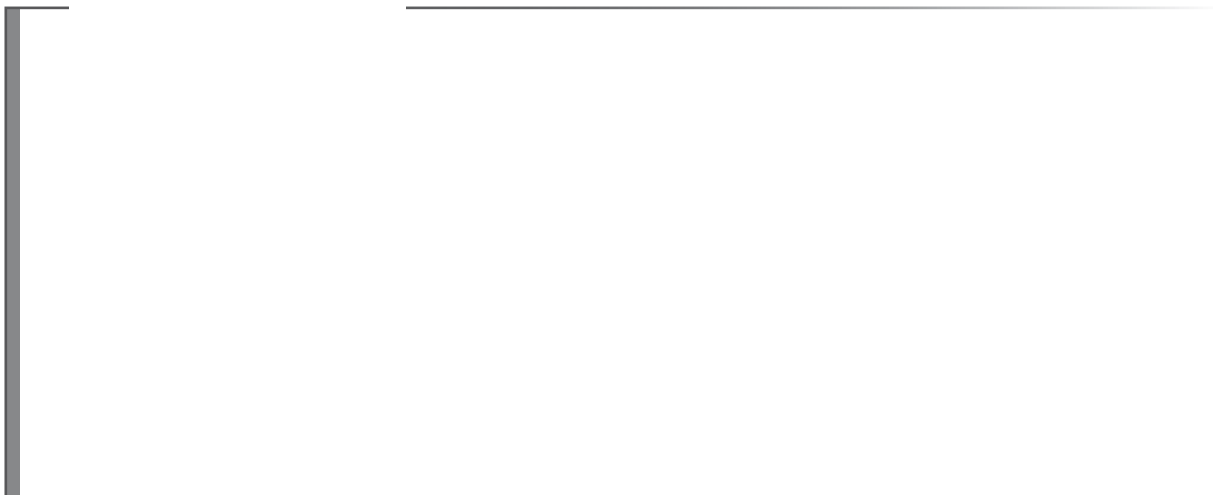
The moderator then introduced and explained new procedures, including parallel sessions, electronic posting of minutes, and electronic voting. The moderators had ruled that electronic voting was valid under standing order 7. Mr Ellis explained the use of traffic lights in controlling the length of speeches and reminded the Assembly about the policy regarding live streaming over the internet.



The convener of the faith and order committee, the Revd Elizabeth Welch, introduced the following day's business on the future of the United Reformed Church.

The moderator thanked all those from the Synod of Wales for their contribution to the afternoon's session.

The Revd Nigel Uden, chaplain, led closing worship, accompanied by the harp





The general secretary read out a list of those ordained and inducted, or commissioned and inducted, since the last General Assembly. The moderators greeted those present in the hall.

A series of images of jubilee ministers was projected on the screen, and the moderators greeted the Revd Howard John, the only jubilee minister present in the hall. The moderator led Assembly in prayer.

The Revd Neil Thorogood, principal of Westminster College, reported on the success of the £7 million appeal. £7,024,000 had been raised and thanks were expressed to all those who contributed, particularly the Revd Dr Susan Durber, formal principal, Professor Sir Anthony Bottoms, former chair of the college governors and Mr Brian Long, chair of the appeal committee. The moderator requested the permission of the Assembly to write to Mr Long and this was agreed by acclaim.

The Revd Dr Michael Jagessar, immediate past moderator, presented the report and answered questions.

28 The resolution was moved by the Revd Douglas Burnett.

Resolution

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Resolution 21. The general secretary moved that resolution 21 be referred to synods for



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The amendment was passed by a substantial majority, after which the substantive resolution was agreed.

The moderator explained his ruling that the facilitation group should not be approached by members of the Assembly. He believed that trust was needed to enable the group to do its work effectively.

The chaplain said Grace before lunch.

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Mr John Ellis took the chair.

The clerk presented the minutes of the sessions which took place on Friday, and they were accepted, subject to minor corrections.

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General Assembly endorses the development of a ministerial green shoots fund for education for ministry phase 1 (EM1) students according to the provisions outlined on pages 92 to 94. This will be applicable to new studnRBDC BT/Toay, au-8(d)]TJETEMC.7(r)-3(lin)

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General Assembly then proceeded to sing a hymn as a prayer.

Resolution **22** Mission Council: Role of the synod moderator

Resolution 22 was proposed by the general secretary and the resolution was carried by a large majority.

This resolution was proposed by the general secretary and the resolution was carried by a large majority.

The convener, the Revd Elizabeth Nash, drew attention to the work done by the committee, monitoring the personnel serving the church in its standing, committees and trust body.

In proposing resolution 15, she stated that it was intended to be permissive, not instructive.

Resolution 15 was proposed by the general secretary and the resolution was carried by a large majority. The resolution was amended, as follows:

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General Assembly resolves to amend the structure of the United Reformed Church 2(6)(h) by deleting the words “six representatives of the Synod of Scotland”

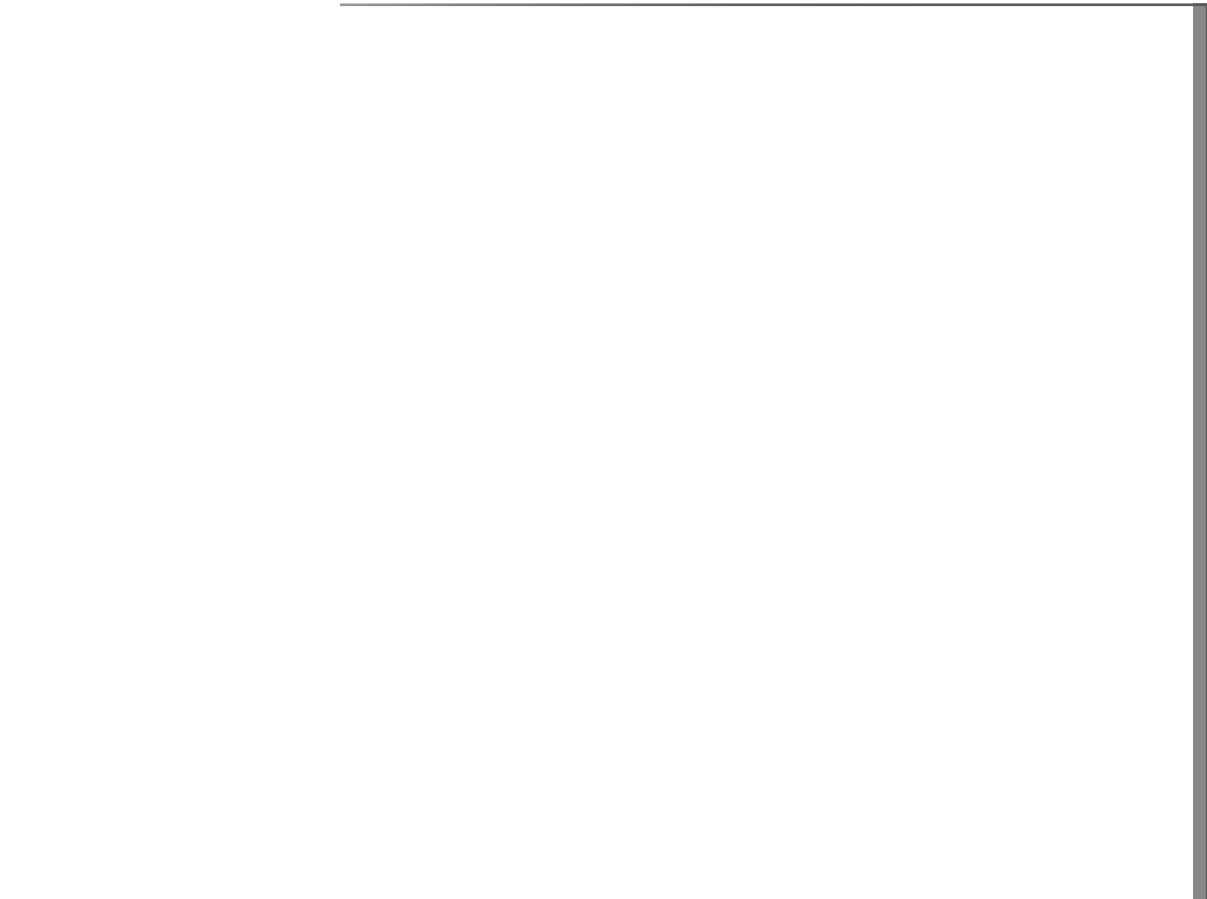
The general secretary proposed that this resolution be withdrawn to allow for further consultation within the Synod of Scotland.

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General Assembly resolves to amend the Structure of the United Reformed Church by adding the words “members of the United Reformed Church (save for those in categories (g), (l), (m) and (n)) as follows” to the first sentence of paragraph 2(6).

An amendment was introduced to insert— ()— and





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Notice of an amendment had been received.

To delete the sentence: "With the exception of those in category 5 (the deputy

Resolution **24** Nominations committee

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- 4.6.1 The Revd Raymond Singh (11) (2019)
- The Revd Reginald Mudewa (11) (2019)

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The Revd Lis Mullen introduced the report and thanks were offered to the group for their work. She proposed the following resolution.

General Assembly re-affirms that marriage is a gift and calling of God: that the abundance of God's love and grace is given to us as the template for human relationships. Whilst holding to its Commitment on Human Sexuality made in 2007, the United Reformed Church:

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The Revd Nigel Uden led the opening worship after which Mr John Ellis took the chair.

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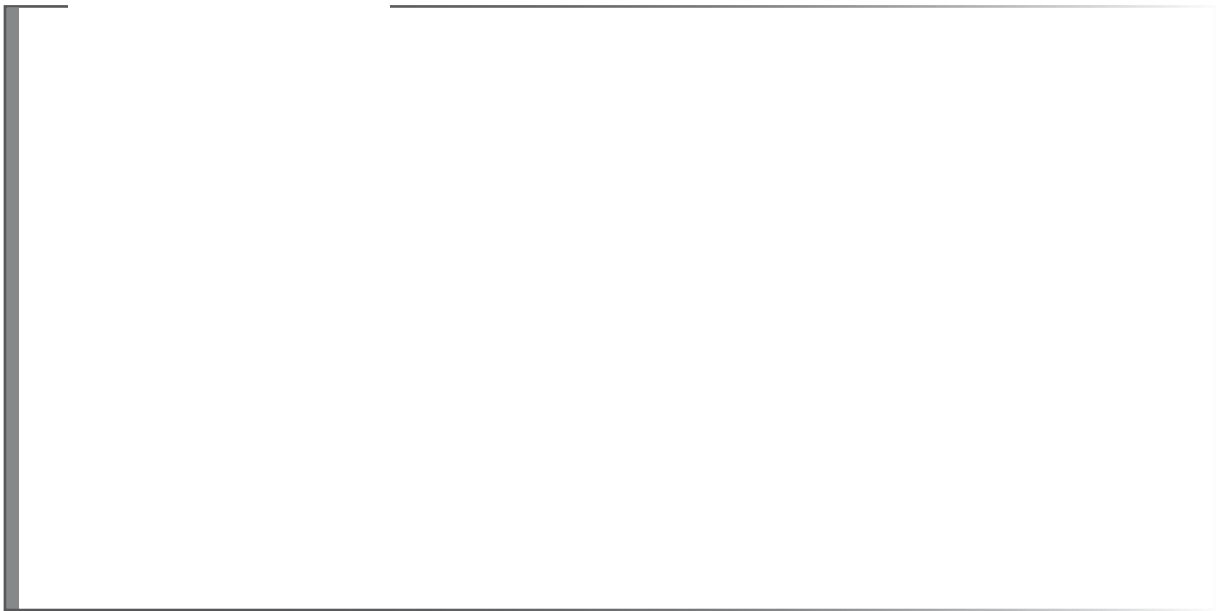
The moderator greeted representatives of the following new projects:

Ms Elisabeth Meikle from Grindon

Mr Andy Braunston from the Metropolitan Church

The Revd Stuart Nixon from MediaCityUK Church

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Mr Alan Yates and the Revd Kevin Watson addressed the Assembly.

The clerk moved the minutes of the first and second sessions of Saturday with amendments, and asked that the final sets of minutes be added to the Record of Assembly. Assembly agreed.

The moderator thanked the members of the 'back-room' team which assisted the Assembly arrangements committee; the communications team, the stewards and local organisers; the staff of St David's Hall, the musicians and singers; the intercessors, the listeners and the facilitation group; the time keeper and the team at the 'top table'. He noted that the Revd Roberta Rominger, Dr David Robinson, Mrs Irene Wren and the Revd James Breslin had all completed their periods of service as Assembly concluded and thanked

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