



APOSTOLIC PASTORAL CONGRESS

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The Apostolic Pastoral Congress is pleased to announce the appointment of **Bishop Moses Owusu-Sekyere** as its new President, in succession to Metropolitan Archbishop Doye Agama who has retired from the role.

The Congress also rejoices that Churches Together in England has announced the appointment of one of the Congress's diocesan bishops, **Bishop Mike Royal**, as general secretary of Churches Together in England, in succession to the Reverend Dr Paul Goodliff who is retiring.

Responding to the news of Bishop Mike's appointment, Bishop Moses Owusu-Sekyere said:-

I am delighted to learn that Bishop Mike is to be CTE's new general secretary. Bishop Mike will bring to the role immense experience and wisdom. We all pray God's blessing upon him as he takes up this exciting and important role.

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NOTES TO EDITORS:-

Bishop Moses Owusu-Sekyere is lead-pastor and presiding bishop of the Word of Faith Mission and APC's regional bishop for Greater London. He is also a trustee of Churches Together in England.

Bishop Mike Royal is APC's diocesan bishop for the Inner Birmingham Diocese and bishop for Social Engagement Strategies.

Bishop Mike Royal will be the first black CTE general secretary, the first from a Pentecostal denomination, and the first from an explicitly Convergence denomination.

Metropolitan Archbishop Doye Agama founded the Congress fourteen years ago (initially as the Apostolic Pastoral Association) and has served until now as its first President. He is a past chairman

of Greater Manchester Churches Together; a past Moderator of the Forum of Churches Together in England; and served for many years as a CTE trustee.

The Apostolic Pastoral Congress is a collegiate collective of Charismatic and Pentecostal bishops, priests, pastors and other clergy. Run on episcopal lines, it was also founded to provide specialised training and continuing professional development (CPD) for Christian ministry and missions, including ministerial ordination and accreditation.

The member churches, projects and ministries of APC preach the love of God revealed in Jesus the Christ through his earthly life, death and resurrection. We believe and preach salvation through faith in Jesus Christ as the Saviour and Lord; which salvation God gives freely to those who believe, confess and live this faith. We honour the ancient church and saints of the first millennium of the Christian era and are liturgical in our observance of the Sacraments. We are active in seeking to promote the cause of unity among Christians and see ourselves as part of the Convergence Movement.

APC's bishops can lay claim to a measure of Apostolic Succession through their founder Archbishop Doye Agama in whom many lines of succession converge.
