

ANGLICAN/ROMAN CATHOLIC JOINT PREPARATORY COMMISSION

First Meeting - Gazzada - 9th to 13th January 1967

Practical Issues - recommendations agreed for submission to the authorities
of both Churches

- (1) That the Bishops of both Churches should meet more often both socially and for discussion of problems which they have in common.
- (2) That the clergy of both Churches should meet, for example in deanery chapters, for the discovering and study of their common heritage and responsibility in Christ.
- (3) The formation of local groups of clergy and laity together meeting for prayer, for common study of the Bible and of each other's beliefs and ways of worship, and for Christian witness in social, charitable and educational fields, and any other areas where common action seems possible.
- (4) The fostering of oecumenical co-operation at universities and colleges, for Christian witness and service, with the support of the respective chaplains.
- (5) The furtherance of Christian unity and mission by the joint use of churches and ancillary buildings wherever possible.
- (6) To stress the urgent need to work for common texts in those prayers and formulae which are in use in both Churches.
- (7) To urge a greater measure of collaboration in seminary and theological college training and in faculties and departments of theology in universities.

All these recommendations are made without prejudice to wider oecumenical relations

- (8) That, as an urgent measure, a special Joint Commission of Anglicans and Roman Catholics be set up for the study of the theology of marriage and its application to mixed marriages.