

## **Overture Regarding the Darfur Urgent Action Coalition of Georgia**

The Session of Trinity Presbyterian Church of Atlanta respectfully overtures the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta that it become a member of the Darfur Urgent Action Coalition of Georgia (here after referred to as “the Coalition”), an interfaith effort to educate a broad group of organizations about the conditions in Darfur, Sudan and to stimulate advocacy efforts on behalf of our brothers and sisters in this devastated region.

We are aware of the genocide and atrocities taking place in the Darfur region of the Sudan. Therefore, we, as Christians, recognizing the sanctity of human life, and the right of all people to live without fear of murder and genocide, support the Goals of the Coalition, which are:

- To equip Coalition member organizations and their constituents with the knowledge and tools necessary to advocate for an end of the genocide and other crimes against humanity in Darfur.
- To mobilize our Georgia community to press our U.S. leadership to meet four objectives:
  - Ending the violence;
  - Providing adequate humanitarian assistance to those in need;
  - Creating conditions that would enable those displaced by violence to return to their homes; and
  - Holding the perpetrators of the atrocities accountable.

We also support the Mission and Strategies of the Coalition which are attached hereto.

Trinity Presbyterian Church has joined and is now a member of the Coalition. We therefore recommend that the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta also become a member of the Coalition and that it urge all member churches of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta as well as other Georgia presbyteries to become members of the Coalition.

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