

Resolution

Subject: Faith Formation
From: Children, Youth, Family Faith Formation

WHEREAS, the Presbyterian Church U.S.A (PCUSA) and Moravian Church North America are in-covenant agreement/partnership since June 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Moravian Church North America certifies their professional church educators in large part through the Opening Doors to Discipleship module, managed by the PCUSA Office of Spiritual Formation and the Association of Partners in Christian Education¹; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Moravian Church Southern Province will delegate and financially support at least one Commission for Congregational Development or Commission on Ministry representative at the budgeted cost of up to \$2000 annually to attend the APCE Annual Event and report to the Provincial Elders' Conference and coordinate a collaborative meeting for APCE resources available to the province, and

RESOLVED, that the Moravian Church Southern Province will encourage and offer financial support to pastors and educators through established endowments to attend the APCE Annual Event as a means of strengthening ecumenical relations and encouraging ongoing professional development.

¹The purpose of the Association of Partners in Christian Education, Inc. is to advance educational ministries in the Church and increase the ongoing witness of our faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. APCE encourages professional recognition through certification and/or designation, provides opportunities for improvement of professional skills, supports personal enrichment, actively advocates for church education, serves as a channel to and from denominational structures, and recognizes achievements and innovative contributions of church educators. The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. APCE is an association made up of those who are serving or have served in educational ministries, as ministers, professional or volunteer educators, or students, in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Reformed Church in America, The Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Moravian Church in America, and the Christian Reformed Church in North America.