

# Interfaith Priorities

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## Preamble

Christians have good news of God's reconciling love in Jesus Christ to share with others, but for many people religion is bad news. It creates barriers and is a cause of division within societies and in world affairs. It is too often linked to violence and associated with a fundamentalist rejection of the modern world. It has been said that the question today is what is true religion not what is *the* true religion?

There is, of course, much positive and encouraging interfaith work in many parts of the world, some of which has already been highlighted in the document *Jews, Christians and Muslims: the Way of Dialogue*, which was commended by the 1988 Lambeth Conference.<sup>1</sup>

It also needs to be remembered that the relationship between members of different world religions varies from country to country and from continent to continent. Clearly members of the Anglican Communion cannot be responsible for how others behave, but by their attitudes and actions they can help to ensure that religions have a beneficial influence on the world.