



Proposal from Report
**Report R17 – Synod Multi-Cross Cultural
Reference Group**
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That the Synod:

Encourages Congregations to engage with the Bible study presentations from the 32nd Synod, using the resources to be developed by the Multi-Cross Cultural Reference Group.

**Synod’s multicultural Bible
studies**

The scope of a Proposal

The Synod's Multi Cross Cultural Reference Group seeks to bring the Bible study presentations from the 32nd Synod into wider use across the Synod. This proposal draws the attention of the church to these studies and encourages Congregations to consider how they might use them.

Rationale

Being a multicultural church means challenging and expanding the 'default' theological and liturgical mindset which we each bring to our worship, preaching and discipleship. The Multi Cross Cultural Reference Group has a role in creating and promoting resources for the wider church which reflect cultural diversity as a context for both theological inspiration and application.

In the space graciously provided during the 32nd Synod, four ministry leaders from different cultural contexts in the Synod have offered the church a gift of their biblical insight. The Reference Group plans to package these presentations for wider reception across the church as part of a longer-term priority of providing liturgical and study resources that reflect the spirituality, thinking and discipleship of people from diverse cultural backgrounds.

Proposer

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