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'Confident and courageous engagement with science'



This email is shared with the Lead Science Bishops of the Anglican Communion Science Commission (ACSC) and brings you the latest news, information and dates for your diaries.

Welcome to the Anglican Communion Science Commission newsletter. In this edition, we discuss the most recent ACSC meeting, in which Baroness Professor Susan Greenfield

shared insights from her long career in neuroscience and her recent journey to faith, find out about the next virtual Science Commission meeting, plus important information about the next in-person meeting in 2026.

Recent news in the Anglican Communion Science Commission

Baroness Professor Susan Greenfield shares her journey of faith with the Anglican Communion Science Commission



The Anglican Communion Science Commission (ACSC) met online recently to continue the ongoing dialogue on science and faith. The meeting took place on November 26 and 27, 2025, and many of the lead science bishops attended the virtual event.

Prof Andrew Briggs interviewed Baroness Professor Susan Greenfield of Oxford University, followed by questions and discussion.

Read an article from the Anglican Communion News service on the discussions that took place during this insightful session.

[Read the article](#)

Christians must find the middle ground on science and faith, says Bishop Luke Pretorius

A recent article was featured on Anglican Communion News, with insights from the Rt Revd Luke Pretorius, Bishop of Saint Mark the Evangelist in the Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

The article explored the challenges of making the conversation around faith and science relevant in different settings and about the role of the Church in this conversation in both a local and global context.

[Read the article](#)

Coming up

Virtual meeting of the Science Commission

Also, the next 'faith and science in conversation' meeting is planned for the **25th and 26th February 2026**. These online meetings are for Lead Science Bishops and are offered in two time zones with interpretation.

It will include a conversation held by Revd Dr Akua Ofori-Boateng, who is the Director of Programmes for the Anglican Diocese of Accra, Ghana, and Revd Prof Kwamena W. C. Sagoe, who is Co-Chair of the Anglican Communion Science Commission and a priest assisting in the Anglican Diocese of Accra.

Revd Akua has 20 years of corporate experience utilising her qualifications in physics and Mechanical engineering. Revd Kwamena is Professor of Medical Microbiology at the University of Ghana Medical School, where he has served as Head of Department and currently leads the Virology Unit. He has built an academic career in virology and infectious

diseases, contributing to national and international health initiatives.

Details of the next meeting:

Feb 25, 2026 06:00 PM UTC

[Register here](#)

Or

Feb 26, 2026 09:00 AM UTC

[Register here](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Next in-person meeting of the Provincial Lead Science Bishops

The next in-person meeting of the ACSC Lead Provincial Bishops will take place at Virginia Theological Seminary from October 27 to 29, 2026.

This meeting will be an important opportunity for planning, information sharing and support as we seek to progress the work of the Science Commission across the Communion.

Professor Dr William D. Phillips (Co-recipient of the Nobel Prize in Physics, 1997) has generously agreed to participate in the opening day of the conference. He will facilitate a visit to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on the second afternoon.

On behalf of the Anglican Communion Science Commission, we wish you a blessed and peaceful Christmas

Something to add? [Email the Science Commission here](#)

Your contact details are registered with the Anglican Communion Office in support of the Anglican Communion Science Commission.

Co-chaired by the **Revd Prof Kwamena Sagoe** and **Bishop Steven Croft**, and coordinated by **Professor Andrew Briggs** (Professor of Nanomaterials, University of Oxford) and the **Revd Dr Stephen Spencer**, the ACSC draws on the wisdom and expertise of Anglicans worldwide.



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