

Advisory Committee 5G
Synod 2025

Congregational Care and Justice

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I. Council of Delegates Report

A. Materials

Council of Delegates Report, Section III. F, including Appendix C, pp. 27; 56-80

B. Recommendations

1. That synod approve the Bible Translations Committee recommendation, for the reasons summarized in their report and further delineated in their Addendum A, that the ERV should not be recommended to our churches for general worship and that it be commended only with reservations for discretionary use in the public reading of Scripture for new believers or children's worship, devotional reading, or in litanies, prayers, or storytelling.
2. That synod express appreciation for the work of the Bible Translations Committee, especially their review of the Easy-to-Read Version.