



## Alphabet of Acronyms

*Italics indicates a member communion*

*Not all member communions are listed because not all use abbreviations*

AACC	All Africa Conference of Churches
AAR/SBL	American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature
ABC	<i>American Baptist Churches USA</i>
ACT	Action by Churches Together
A&F/CWS	Administration and Finance, CWS
A&F/NCCC	Administration and Finance (an NCCC standing committee)
AGS	Associate General Secretary
AME	<i>African Methodist Episcopal Church</i>
AMEZ	<i>African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church</i>
AB	<i>Alliance of Baptists</i>
BOD/CWS	Board of Directors, CWS
BTU	Bible Translation and Utilization Committee
CBCM	Committee on Black Congregational Ministries, ELMC
CCA	Christian Conference of Asia
CCC	Caribbean Conference of Churches
CC (DoC)	<i>Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)</i>
CCRT	Consultation on Curriculum Research and Theory, ELMC
CCT	Christian Churches Together in the USA
CDF	Children's Defense Fund
CEC	Conference of European Churches
CECE	Committee on Continuing Education with Church Educators, ELMC
CFMHS	Committee on Family Ministries and Human Sexuality, ELMC
CJCF	Committee on Justice for Children and Their Families, ELMC
CLAI	Latin American Council of Churches
CME	<i>Christian Methodist Episcopal Church</i>
CoB	<i>Church of the Brethren</i>
COD	Committee on Disabilities, ELMC
COM	Committee on Outdoor Ministries, ELMC
CPA	Cooperative Publication Association
COC	<i>Coptic Orthodox Church in North America</i>
CROP	"Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty" -- CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide hunger education and fund-raising events sponsored by CWS.
CTTF	"Come to the Feast" – Young Adult Ministries biennial event, ELMC
CUIC	Churches Uniting in Christ
CUS	Committee on Uniform Series, ELMC
CWS	Church World Service
DMC	Deaf Ministries Committee, ELMC
DoC	<i>Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)</i>
DOV	Decade to Overcome Violence – a WCC effort
DoACA	<i>Diocese of the Armenian Church of America</i>



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DRRL	Disaster Response and Recovery Liaison, CWS
E&A	Education and Advocacy for International Justice and Human Rights Program, CWS
ECCN	Ecumenical Child Care Network
ECF	Ecumenical Commitment Fund
ELCA	<i>Evangelical Lutheran Church in America</i>
ELMC	Education and Leadership Ministries Commission
EN	Ecumenical Networks (a standing committee of the General Assembly)
EO	Ecumenical Officers
ERP	Emergency Response Program, CWS
ESV	English Standard Version of the Bible
EYAMT	Ecumenical Young Adult Ministries Team, ELMC
EYST	Ecumenical Youth Staff Team, ELMC
ECUSA	<i>The Episcopal Church</i>
ELCA	<i>Evangelical Lutheran Church in America</i>
ED	Executive Director
FGC	Friends General Conference
FUM	<i>Friends United Meeting</i>
F&O	Faith and Order Commission
FP	Friendship Press
FY	Fiscal Year
GA	General Assembly of the NCCC/CWS
GB/NCCC	Governing Board of Directors, NCCC
GBCS	General Board of Church and Society (UMC)
GBGM	General Board of Global Ministries (UMC)
GBOD	General Board of Discipleship (UMC)
GOA	<i>Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America</i>
GS	General Secretary
HOC	Head of Communion
HR/CWS	Human Resources, CWS
HR/NCCC	Human Resources (a standing committee of the NCCC)
HRC	<i>Hungarian Reformed Church in America</i>
ICCC	<i>International Council of Community Churches</i>
I&J	Inclusiveness and Justice (a standing committee of the NCCC)
ILS	International Lesson Series
IFR	Interfaith Relations Commission
IRP	Immigration and Refugee Program, CWS
J&A	Justice and Advocacy Commission
JFWWG	Justice for Women Working Group
KPCA	<i>Korean Presbyterian Church in America (General Assembly of the)</i>
MOSC	<i>Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church</i>



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MTC	<i>Mar Thoma Syrian Church of India</i>
MECC	Middle East Council of Churches
MER	Membership and Ecclesial Relations (a standing committee of the General Assembly)
MOR	<i>Moravian Church in America (Northern Province, Southern Province)</i>
MRW	Mission Relationship and Witness, CWS
NAEIS	National Association of Ecumenical and Interfaith Staff
NBCA	<i>National Baptist Convention of America, Inc.</i>
NBCUSA	<i>National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.</i>
NCCC	National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA (sometimes referred to as NCC or NCCCUSA)
NMBCA	<i>National Missionary Baptist Convention of America</i>
NGO	Non-government Organization
NOM	Nominations Committee (a standing committee of the General Assembly)
NRSV	New Revised Standard Version of the Bible
OCA	<i>Orthodox Church in America</i>
OED	Office of the Executive Director, CWS
OGHS	One Great Hour of Sharing
OGS	Office of the General Secretary, NCC
PAACCE	Pacific Asian America/Canadian Christian Education, ELMC
ROC	<i>Patriarchal Parishes of the Russian Orthodox Church in the USA</i>
PNCC	<i>Polish National Catholic Church of America</i>
PCEM	Program Committee on Education for Mission, ELMC
PCL	Professional Church Leadership
PCUSA	<i>Presbyterian Church (USA)</i>
PEL	Committee on Public Education and Literacy, ELMC
PNBC	<i>Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.</i>
PPJN	Parenting for Peace and Justice Network
PYM	<i>Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends</i>
RCA	<i>Reformed Church in America</i>
RDD	Resource Development Department, CWS
RSV	Revised Standard Version of the Bible
SOC	<i>Serbian Orthodox Church in North and South America</i>
SC	Service Center, CWS
SED	Social and Economic Development, CWS
SSZ	School Safe Zones, CWS
STAR	Seminars in Trauma Awareness and Recovery, CWS
SwCh	<i>The Swedenborgian Church (The General convention of the New Jerusalem)</i>
SOCoA	<i>Syrian Orthodox Church of Antioch</i>
UOCofUSA	<i>Ukrainian Orthodox Church of America</i>
UCC	<i>United Church of Christ</i>
UMC	<i>The United Methodist Church</i>



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UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNICEF	United Nation's Children's Fund
UNHCR	United Nations High Commission for Refugees
WCC	World Council of Churches