

## **22.6 REPORT 4: DEPUTIES LITURGICAL MATTERS – COMPLETION AND PUBLISHING OF SONG BOOKS IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES (Art 194)**

- A. Rev JL van der Schyff tables the Report.
- B. The Report will be concluded during the Synod session.

### **C. REPORT**

#### **1. Matters that the Synod take note of**

1.1 *Instruction: Acta 2012:411, 2.1-2.3 and 2.8:*

- 1.1.1 A Reformed Church Song book is to be published for the Sotho-speaking churches, containing approved songs of the *Lifela tsa Sione* and new Sotho Psalms composed with African music, with the aim to complete the 150 Psalms.
- 1.1.2 A Reformed Church Song book is to be published for the Tshivenda-speaking churches, containing approved Lutheran songs and composed Reformed songs as well as new Venda Psalms set to African music, with the aim to complete the 150 Psalms.
- 1.1.3 The isiZulu-speaking churches are to be requested to become involved in the publishing of the revised edition of the *iMbongi*, as a Reformed Church Song book for the isiZulu-speaking churches.
- 1.1.4 All approved songs to be loaded onto the GKSA website.
- 1.2 A collective meeting was held in 2012 with all the sub-groups, during which the instructions of the Deputies were reviewed and each of the different sub-groups planned their individual activities.
- 1.3 The instructions could not be executed in one term for a variety of reasons. The process still continues and will take a significant amount time.

**Decision: Points 1.1 to 1.3 noted.**

#### **2. Matters that the Synod decide on**

- 2.1 The execution of the instructions, Synod 2012 gave to the Deputies (Acta 2012:411, 2.1-2.3 and 2.8) is to continue.
- 2.2 Deputies are to be appointed for each of the different language groups to complete the work resulting from the abovementioned instructions.
- 2.3 Two members of the existing sub-group Afrikaans hymns to be appointed to advise the Deputies of each of the different language groups, given their knowledge and experience.

**Decision: Points 2.1 to 2.3 approved.**