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THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY TO UNDERTAKE HISTORIC OFFICIAL VISIT TO GHANA

ACCRA, GHANA 14th July, 2026 – The Church of the Province of West Africa (CPWA) officially announces the upcoming visit of the **Archbishop of Canterbury, Most Rev'd & Rt Hon. Sarah Mullally DBE**, to Ghana from **Saturday, 25 July to Friday, 31 July 2026**.

This historic visit will be focusing on spiritual renewal, educational advancement, social welfare, and high-level ecumenical and state diplomacy.

Upon arrival at Kotoka International Airport on Saturday, 25 July, the Archbishop of Canterbury and her delegation will be received by a high-powered welcome party led by the **Most Rev'd Cyril Kobina Ben Smith, Archbishop and Primate of the CPWA**, alongside the **Rt. Rev'd Dr. Daniel Sylvanus Mensah Torto, Bishop of Accra** and the **Rt. Rev'd Dr. George Kotei Neequaye, Diocesan Bishop of Tema**.

The week-long itinerary features pivotal engagements across the Greater Accra, Ashanti, and Central Regions:

Spiritual and Community Engagement:

On Sunday, 26 July, the Archbishop of Canterbury will preach during a solemn church service at St. Joseph Anglican Church, Kaneshie. A momentous highlight of the service will be the joint laying of the foundation stone for the IpG/USPG partnership project by Archbishop Ben-Smith and Archbishop Sarah.

State and Diplomatic Courtesy Calls: Reflecting the strong relationship between the Church and the State, the Archbishop will pay courtesy calls on Monday, 27 July, to His Excellency President John Dramani Mahama at the Jubilee House, followed by a visit and lunch with the former President, His Excellency Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo.

Monarchical and Cultural Engagement:

On Wednesday, 29 July, the delegation will travel to the Ashanti Region for a historic audience with His Majesty, the Asantehene, at the Manhyia Palace. This will be followed by a special Evensong service at the palace where the Archbishop of Canterbury will deliver the sermon.

Social Care, Youth, and Women Empowerment:

The visit includes critical grassroots engagements with the Anglican Young Peoples Association (AYPA) and the Mothers' Union, alongside tours of the teacher training, nursing training institutions, and the Anglican Orphanage in Asante Mampong.

Historical Reflection and Clerical Training:

The delegation will travel to Cape Coast on Thursday, 30 July, first to pay a courtesy call to the Omanhene of the Oguaa Traditional Council and visit the historic Cape Coast Castle for an emotional moment of reflection. The Archbishop will also engage with faculty and students at the St. Nicholas Theological Seminary and visit Adisadel College.

Following the completion of the tour, the Archbishop of Canterbury will depart Accra for Cameroon on Friday, 31 July, accompanied by a delegation from the West African Province to continue her ministry within the region.

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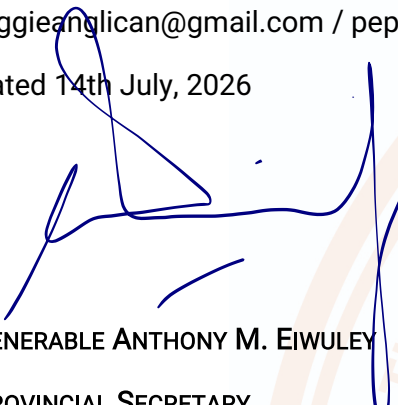
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