

Five years Protestant Church

Utrecht, April 3 2009 – The board of the general synod of the Protestant Church in the Netherlands requests the church boards to pay attention 'in a modest way' to the forming five years ago of the Protestant Church in the Netherlands during worship of April 26 or May 3. On May 1st 2004 the unification of the Netherlands Reformed Church, the Reformed Churches in the Netherlands, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Kingdom of the Netherlands took place. In a letter sent this week the church boards are called to do intercession for the (national) church and the work of the church.

Also is asked to read aloud a letter of the general secretary Arjan Plaisier during worship in which prayer for the renewing strength of the Holy Spirit is central. 'Pray that the Spirit of God may give us all faith, hope and love to be Gods church in the world,' so the letter says. To underline that prayer is proposed to sing the hymn 'Prayer for the Spirit for the church'.

The board of the general synod with invitees will be guest in the worship in religious centre 'De Brug' (The Bridge) in Amersfoort on Sunday morning May 3rd (10.00 AM). The theme of the service is 'Setting of for the future – Five years Protestant Church'. Dr. Arjan Plaisier en drs. Nynke Dijkstra-Algra are officiating in this worship. The service will be broadcasted in the afternoon by IKON-radio.

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