

Ms Angelene Harriet SWART

Chairperson of the LWF 11th Assembly Planning Committee

Ms Swart is chairperson of the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) 11th Assembly Planning Committee (APC).

Born in 1946, the lay theologian has been president of the Moravian Church in South Africa since 2001. She currently chairs—2007/2008—the worldwide Moravian Church - Unitas Fratrum (Unity of the Brethren) Unity Board, as the first woman and lay theologian to head the governing board of the global Protestant church. In 2002, she was elected vice president of the Lutheran Communion in Southern Africa (LUCSA), and has been a member of the LWF Council since July 2003 serving on the Program Committee for Mission and Development.

Before assuming the leadership of the Moravian Church in South Africa, she served as its vice president. Her previous posts included director of and lecturer at the church's theological seminary, as well as schoolteacher.

Swart holds bachelors' degrees in theology and education.

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