

Bishop Anthony with his wife Jane and youngest daughter Joy will move to London at the end of October where he will join the team at Lambeth Palace.

Archbishop Justin said: "I am absolutely delighted that Bishop Anthony is joining the team at Lambeth. He brings the experience of his ministry in one of the most challenging provinces in the Anglican Communion where he has faithfully served the church as a pastor and teacher. Throughout his ministry he has engaged with the profound issues we face in many parts of the Communion, where famine, war, and violent ethnic tensions destabilise society and leave whole communities living in poverty.

"He is well known and respected throughout the Communion and I am most grateful to Archbishop Daniel Deng Bul for releasing Bishop Anthony as a gift to the wider church. His appointment provides a necessary voice and perspective from the global south in the team at Lambeth. I look forward to working with Bishop Anthony to strengthen our relationships around the Provinces at a significant time in the life of the Communion."

Earlier today Archbishop Daniel joined Bishop Anthony in the diocese of Kajo-Keji where the news of the appointment was given.

Speaking of his new ministry, Bishop Anthony said: "I am delighted to accept Archbishop Justin Welby's invitation and appointment to join the team at Lambeth Palace. I look forward to working together with colleagues at Lambeth to support the Archbishop of Canterbury in his ministry. I appreciate the support from Archbishop Daniel Deng Bul in releasing me from our current role in Kajo-Keji so as to make a contribution in the global Anglican Communion. Jane, Joy and I are excited at this next phase of our ministry."

Bishop Anthony worked with Scripture Union before his ordination in 1995. From 2002 he served with ACROSS, becoming its Executive Director in 2004. He was elected Bishop of the Diocese of Kajo-Keji in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan in 2007. Married to Jane they have three daughters, Grace, Faith and Joy.

In 2012 he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate for his role in the mobilising the church in service of the community. He holds an MA in Biblical Studies from Nairobi International School of Theology, now called International Leadership University, and an MBA from Oxford Brookes University.

His appointment comes following an extensive selection process which attracted applications from across the Anglican Communion.

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