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**The message of Rev Prof Dr Jerry Pillay, general secretary of the World Council of Churches, to
the 68th General Assembly Meeting of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan (PCT)**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On behalf of the WCC and the global ecumenical movement, I bring you warm greetings on the occasion of the 68th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan (PCT). As a member of the WCC since 1951, with its 158-year dynamic legacy in Taiwan, the PCT is a profoundly inspiring church to the global ecumenical movement. The PCT embodies a contextual and holistic Mission by sharing the Gospel and consistently promoting social justice, peace, healing, education, human rights, and indigenous peoples' rights. Throughout its history, the PCT has sought to uphold human rights and emphasised human life's dignity even amid rapid social and political change, even in the context of persecution and opposition.

As you reflect on the Theme of the General Assembly, '*Inherit the Kingdom of God - Mould the New Order*', may the church, with each generation, as Elisha requested, deeply desire, in prayer and fellowship, to double the share of the spirit of the past generation (2 Kings 2:9). It is our prayer that you are doubly blessed in your life and ministry.

With inheritance comes responsibility. As reflected in Romans 12:1 and 2, with God's mercy and grace, may the church's life and work be a spiritual worship, a dynamic embodiment of a living sacrifice to God! May God continually bless you and equip you for your ongoing transformation, being shaped and strengthened by the Word and the Spirit of God. May you discern and do the will of God in striving to establish the Reign of God, here and now!

I take joy in wishing you God's blessings and wisdom as you deliberate on various matters at this General Assembly. May the Holy Spirit lead and guide your thoughts and decisions and may your time together be fruitful as you fellowship, worship, pray and discern together God's continued direction for the PCT.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pillay". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter 'P' being particularly large and stylized.

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