EBF Bucharest RESOLUTION on the World War 1 Centenary

The European Baptist Federation Council meeting in Bucharest, Romania 24th – 27th September 2014

Recalls with sorrow in this Centenary year, the sacrifice, slaughter and human suffering which was a result of the First World War.

Challenges Baptists in all regions of the world to work for peace under the lordship and rule of Jesus Christ who said:

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey every thing I have commanded you.

(Matthew 28:19-20)

Resists any form of nationalism which justifies the use of violence, force or oppression as a means of gaining or enforcing power.

Rejoices in the vision of the Bible which unites all peoples and nations through the Cross and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Invites European Baptists to be peacemakers and to encourage and model peaceful and non-violent means of conflict resolution in our diverse communities and countries.