



Global Member Care Network (GMCN) August 2014

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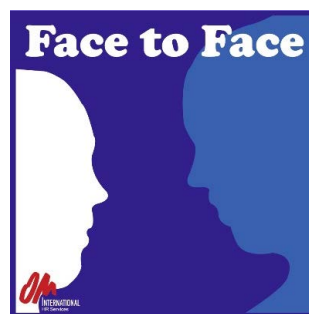
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This months Sponsor - Face to Face (F2F)

F2F - a journey of God-discovery and self-discovery
three times this year. In German and in English.



Hungry for a deeper, more authentic relationship with God, others and yourself? Then Face to Face (F2F) might be just the right thing!

Face to Face (F2F) is a course for Christian workers who have been involved in full-time ministry for at least two years. It facilitates a journey of God-discovery and self-discovery by offering a time of spiritual refreshment and an opportunity to develop deeper intimacy with Father God. The course aims to help you begin to implement lasting changes by letting God in to change your heart. F2F will be offered two more times this year in English, one in June and the other one in November.

<http://www.face2face.om.org/>

Email: people.care@om.org

Editorial: A Kairos moment for Member Care?

Who can fail to have been moved, shocked, distraught at the images flooding the airwaves over the past week or so? Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan, heralding a wave of suffering and misery. And we know that it is in the very heart of such situations that God's people are to be found – both suffering and ministering.

If the GMCN needed any confirmation of the theme for our 2nd Global Consultation in Turkey next year, then we need look no more. "Member Care in Hard Places" will seek to wrestle with the issues of suffering, persecution and hardship in every sense, to address the question of how we can minister and be ministered to in such situations and seek to provide tools and skills for the Member Care community so that we can be effective. And not just be effective to serve within our traditional missions community, but have the capacity to reach beyond that community to the wider spectrum of hard places in which people live, physically, emotionally and spiritually.

Marion Knell For up to date information and news on speakers and topics see <http://www.globalmembercare.org>

The Second Global Member Care Conference 2015 in Turkey

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Registration is NOW open - Click here to register:

<https://www.regonline.com/register/checkin.aspx?EventId=1574817&MethodId=0&EventSessionId&startnewreg=1>

Date:

February 9-13, 2015, in Antalya, Turkey

Venue: The conference will take place at the very nice ANTEDON GARDEN HOTEL in Antalya, Turkey. Due to off-season, we were able to negotiate an amazing price.

Theme: Member Care in Hard Places

Streams:

- Member care in the context of suffering
- Member care in the context of persecution
- Sending to hard places – the role of the local church in member care
- Being effective in hard places

Aims and Objectives

The conference is designed to

- be an encouragement to the many international Christians working in difficult or isolated circumstances in the Middle East, Arab World, and Central Asia.
- stimulate, serve and network member care initiatives in the Middle East, Arab World, and if possible also Central Asia.
- give excellent theological grounding
- offer wisdom and revelation, practical advice and experience for and from those working in hard places

After the great success of the 2012 Thailand conference, we now made reservations for 400 participants.

Speakers

We invited and contacted high quality speakers from around the world.

You find a list of confirmed speakers here on our conference website at

<http://www.globalmembercare.org>

and on facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/globalmembercare/>

Prayer & Intercession Team

We just started a conference prayer and intercession team. In case you want to join this virtual team, please write to

harry@globalmembercare.com

any inquiries contact Sue at sue@globalmembercare.com

Pre-conference - Hostage Crisis and Critical Incident

Management Training with Phil Harper. February 7-9, 2015, in Antalya, Turkey.

In 2012, there were 167 incidents of major violence against aid workers in 19 countries. This 2-day course helps you be prepared to facilitate the best resolution to 'live' critical incidents. For directors, crisis management teams, member care providers and church leaders.

For all details please direct to Phil at sheep100conferencing@gmail.com

Q&A: Cambodia MC staff needs

Cambodia, living well Centre, Phnom Penh

I sent you a docs link a short while ago... and it has been pointed out I put the wrong email address on it... so have updated the linked document

www.livingwellcambodia.org

has now been operational since the beginning of February. Apart from the Director there are a few other people who are able to be involved in providing some services on a part time basis. But if we are going to develop the centre further we need additional expat staff.

Knowing how long it can take to recruit other staff we have now produced some documents which we will be using to try and identify at least one other person who may be able to join us in the future.

I have attached a document, a summary of what we are looking for.

http://www.globalmembercare.com/fileadmin/user_upload/2014/living%20well%20Staff%20opportunities%20Summary.docx

Any questions please contact. bobtoan@gmail.com

RESOURCES

Christian Mindfulness (oscar.org.uk)

What do you know about Christian Mindfulness?

A new six week course giving a Christian Perspective on mindfulness explores how biblical theology, faith and practice relate to these ancient practices. Go to www.christianmindfulness.co.uk

New TCK Book: Between Worlds

Great new resource for understanding TCKs

Between Worlds, a new book about the joys and struggles of growing to adulthood as a Third Culture Kid (TCK), just came out. The author, Marilyn Gardner, grew up in Pakistan and went on to raise five of her own TCKs in Pakistan, Egypt, Massachusetts and Arizona. The book is poignant, funny, and thought-provoking. And the chapters are short and very readable. The book is available at Amazon: <http://www.amazon.com/Between-Worlds-Marilyn-R-Gardner/dp/0983865388/link>

Evangelical Training Directory

Search for Pastoral Care and Counselling & Missionary Team Care and Skills

I have now made two links which you could add into your Member Care site with pre-selected searches.

They are:

[Search for Pastoral Care and Counselling](#)

(http://www.trainforchrist.org/public/index.php?option=com_evangelical&view=coursesearch&SCat=C300&SSct=SCPF&SIncl=0)

[Search for Missionary Team Care and Skills](#)

(<http://www.trainforchrist.org/public/index.php?>

[option=com_evangelical&view=coursesearch&SCat=C600&SSct=SCML&SIncl=1&SAccred=1\)](http://www.evangelicaltrainingdirectory.org/public/us/register-your-organization)

The first link pre-selects both accredited and unaccredited courses, whereas the second link pre-selects only accredited courses.

The results are limited to the organizations which have signed up on the Evangelical Training Directory.

I hope that many more will register so that the Directory can be more complete. This is without charge. If you could ask them to do so, I would be very grateful. (They can do so just by clicking on "[Register Your Organization](http://www.evangelicaltrainingdirectory.org/public/us/register-your-organization)" <http://www.evangelicaltrainingdirectory.org/public/us/register-your-organization> and then adding details of their programmes.

Ian Benson

Associate Director at The International Missionary Training Network - World Evangelical Alliance Mission Commission

What contributes most to missionaries' effectiveness?

the best continual mining of the ReMap I and II (Attrition-Retention)

In this site you can download various material from our missiological research. Papers from our director Dr. Detlef Blöcher, highlighting the issues of missionary attrition and what makes missionaries effective.

<https://www.dmgint.de/mission-en/research-papers.html>

Newsletter - Chiangmai Thailand

The Well - Member Care Center - August 2014

<http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=93ed99d9b6c8479d135b01b96&id=ad0da01063&e=25f63328eb>

Website for Spanish-speaking "Third-Culture Kids"

those who have Spanish as a first language (or strong second language):

Website for Spanish-speaking "Third-Culture Kids"

<http://www.expatspsi.com/blog/>

Burnout

What Cross-Cultural Workers Ought to Know about Burnout

You find it hard to get up and go to work in the morning. Work used to be exciting and you used to look forward to what you did with people, but now you are just tired and it takes a great deal of effort to get out of bed. You wonder what is wrong. Could it be that you are suffering from burnout? Could a really committed cross-cultural worker burn out? You may only be in your first term; certainly you couldn't burn out in just a few years, could you? Wouldn't God keep you from burning out? Is it better to burn out than to rust out? What about that old gospel song that says, "Let me burn out for thee, dear Lord?" Let's consider some of these questions....

<http://www.crossculturalworkers.com/burnout.htm>

GLOBAL MEMBER CARE EVENTS

USA, Mental Health & Missions (MHM) conference

annual mental health and missions conference November 20-23, 2014.

Download brochure: www.globalmembercare.com/fileadmin/user_upload/2014/MHM_Brochure_2014.pdf

Website: <https://www.mti.org/programs/MHM>

Chiang Mai, Thailand

Member Care Training Course (for Member Care Providers)

This two week accredited graduate course will be taught by Lois Dodds, PhD, of Heartstream Resources, USA. A well experienced and sought after expert in member care, Lois has taught graduate courses in over 40 countries and devoted more than 30 years to the care and training of missionaries.

Foundations for Missionary Care will be the emphasis of the September training. We will look at such matters as the various stages of spiritual formation, life cycle stages in relation to mission career, and personality types and how they relate to leadership style, teams, stress, and relationships.

Implementing Missionary Member Care will be the focus of the second week training, planned for December 9 - 13, 2014. We will look at matters such as changing organizational values and ethos to favor member care, caring for care-givers, resources for crisis planning, and developing greater sensitivity to the diverse cultures in member care.

Each participant will be asked to develop a personal application of course content and reading as a means of improving the care given to members of their organization or field.

When:

Week 1: Monday, September 22nd through Friday, September 26th

Week 2: Tuesday, December 9th through Saturday, December 13th

Where: Juniper Tree, Chiang Mai, Thailand

Cost: \$300.00 USD each week (Course normally \$450.00 per week)

Accommodations not included in the course cost, but can be arranged at Juniper Tree at your own expense.

<http://www.juniper-tree.org/chiang-mai.html>

Facilitator: Lois Dodds, PhD.

Registration: well@thewellcm.com Registration deadline Sept. 8th

More Info: steve@thewellcm.com or www.heartstreamresources.org

USA - Grand Junction, CO

Europe - Samabor, Croatia

Europe - Millstatt, Austria

Barnabas Zentrum

Barnabas Zentrum ministers to missionaries and Christian workers serving worldwide. We offer intensive counseling, encouragement, debriefing, and pre-field training for individuals and couples. The following are dates for the counseling retreats held at the USA and Europe centers for the remainder of 2014.

www.globalmembercare.com/fileadmin/user_upload/2014/2014%20summer%20and%20fall%20retreats.docx

GMCN Facebook group

GMCN Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/globalmembercare>

We just reached 628 members!

Thanks you for being part of this Facebook network group. Please continue to make it known among your member care colleagues.

We for now chose this to be a "closed group". The closed privacy setting makes it possible for nonmembers to find the group in Facebook search, but the group page's content is hidden. The process for adding a group member is the same for all privacy levels; all group members can add anyone from his friend list as a group member. When someone requests to join a closed group on Facebook, administrators will receive a notification and can choose to either approve or deny the request.

We want to make the The Global Member Care Network (GMCN) a network community which connects you with resources, updates, links and people working in the realm of member care around the world.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/globalmembercare>

The Global Member Care Network is an independent network of volunteers. Please consider donating to this important network, to keep the running costs covered. We do this, because we believe in it. This Newsletter is a free service and was created to share and connect member care resources around the world. It goes out in the middle of each month. News and resources need to be posted on our website blog, or send to office@globalmembercare.com.

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