



Global Member Care Network (GMCN) September 2014

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Just-in-time social learning for the mission minded

Who is this for?

Christians and Christian non-profit organizations who are involved in cross-cultural work at these levels:

- Exploring - consider involvement in missions
- Preparing - intentional specific preparation begins for cross-cultural work
- Going - those entering into or already in a new context of cross-cultural work
- Sending - Missionaries do not just go overseas: God's people send them.
- Receiving - welcome those of other cultures
- Praying - vital activity to growing God's church

What is it?

A powerful learning management system
An online learning community with like-minded people
A market place for sharing high quality content
A platform to engage with Churches and supporters

Communities of practice

Member Care as an example:

- Build competencies that lead to greater resilience on the field
- Supports life-long learning.



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Editorial: Are you ready for the Chronicity of Crisis?

Are you ready for the Chronicity of Crisis?

Are you ready?

Ebola, DRC, Sudan, Syria, Iraq, Gaza, CAR, Far East, Ukraine. Virus, gun, rape, slavery, persecution, martyrdom, bullet, beheading. Counseling in biohazard conditions. Self care focusing around death defying monitoring of personal space. Mental and emotional health issues squeezed out of the picture because of the major health crisis, yet still they will squeeze back in because they won't be ignored.

Chronic crisis is upon us. And it will require different strategies than the models of working through crisis and moving on. The new models could be working with crisis that doesn't really end. That is, while trying to care, the crises (will be more than one at a time) will swirl around and impact everything we do and say.

Can we do this? We can, if we continue to be a people of the Word and Prayer, guided by the Spirit. With our knowledge of the caring sciences, and our commitment to Word and Prayer, God will help us in the time of tilt and topple and change.

Are you ready?

Brent Lindquist, PhD, Link Care Center

The Second Global Member Care Conference 2015 in Turkey

The Second **Global Member Care Conference 2015 in Turkey**

Registration is NOW open - Click here to register:

<https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/?eventid=1574817>

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.

Early-bird Registration (closes Nov 15) Full Conference 380 USD (shared room) , 492 USD (single room)
(Early-bird registration closes November 15, 2014) Must pay in US dollars, on line!

Late Registration Fee (closes Jan 7)

Full Conference 410 USD (shared room) , 522 USD (single room)

(Registration will stay open until the conference reaches capacity of 400 participants or January 7, 2015)

Frequently Asked Questions :

http://www.globalmembercare.com/fileadmin/user_upload/2014/20140917%20FAQ%20for%20GMCC.pdf

GMCN Conference Fees and Refund Policy:

http://www.globalmembercare.com/fileadmin/user_upload/2014/RefundPolicy.pdf

Add bonus value to your conference by registering for one of the 3 optional events before and after the Conference.

- Pre-conference - **Hostage Crisis and Critical Incident Management Training** with Phil Harper. February

7-9, 2015, @ conference hotel in Antalya, Turkey.

- Post-conference - **Seven Churches of Revelation Tour**, February 14-18, depart from Conference Hotel. Ends in Izmir !!! NOT in Antalya
- Post-conference - **Individually Guided Spiritual Retreat** Feb. 14 -Feb 17, @ conference hotel in Antalya, Turkey.

Contact sue@globalmembercare.com for full information.

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

GLOBAL MAP

USA

EdenRidge

Their beautiful 1,200sf cabins feature full kitchens, washers and dryers, a screened-in porch, and comfortably sleep four. Two smaller cottages are under construction and will be completed by next spring. EdenRidge guests can now enjoy the amenities at Fairfield Glade, just 10 minutes away. These include three pools, five golf courses, numerous lakes, and much more. Their missionary rate is \$38/night (non-missionaries pay \$95/night).

<http://www.edenridge.org/>

RESOURCES

Thriving in Difficult Places: Member Care for Yourself and Others

www.thrivingmember.com/

This website is established to showcase or introduce a practical, down-to-earth Missionary Care Handbook for daily or occasional use.

The handbook is more than a handbook or manual – it is rather a practical tool. You will probably not sit down and read the whole book at once.

However, when you need a chapter in order to help yourself or a missionary or aid worker, or to teach and train, it is readily available as a tool on and off the field. It is a self-help and “help others” tool to encourage, counsel, understand and train.

<http://www.thrivingmember.com/>

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&SInclntl=0)

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

(http://www.trainforchrist.org/public/index.php?option=com_evangelical&view=coursesearch&SCat=C600&SSct=SCML&SInclntl=1&SAccred=1)

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> 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>

Member Care Nederland

Newsletter

http://membercare.nl/ajax/nieuwsbrieven/bekijk/26?nbh=18-26-5726-rB8ugUEukY&utm_source=Nieuwsbrief&utm_medium=Nieuwsbrief&utm_campaign=Dat+beetje+extra+aandacht

WEA Mission Commission: Translated Letter from Smyrna

We are grateful to our colleagues from around the world who have assisted in translating the "Letter from Smyrna", written as an outcome of the Global Consultation earlier this year. You can now read the letter in English, German, Spanish and Portuguese, on our website.

German: <http://mc.worlddea.org/news/brief-aus-smyrna-global-consultation-letter-from-smyrna-german>

Spanish: <http://mc.worlddea.org/news/carta-desde-esmirna-a-la-iglesia-global-global-consultation-letter-from->

[smyrna-spanish](#)

Portuguese: <http://mc.worldea.org/news/carta-de-esmirna-para-a-igreja-global-global-consultation-letter-from-smyrna-portuguese>

English: <http://mc.worldea.org/news/letter-from-smyrna-to-the-global-church-wea-mc-global-consultation-2014>

Africa Member Care Network

September 2014

1. Book: Evangelical Christian Missions: An African Perspective
2. What contributes most to missionaries' effectiveness?
3. New TCK Book: Between Worlds
4. Second Global Member Care Conference In February 9-13, 2015
5. Coming Events

<http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=895d43ef69926eab7812e0395&id=cd86d40b7b&e=a3dbaa64df>

William Carey Library Best Sellers on Kindle

Missionary Methods (EMS 21)

On Being a Missionary

Sorrow and Blood

Worship and Mission for the Global Church

Creating Local Arts Together

Expectations and Burnout

Health for All

More Screams, Different Deserts

<http://hosted.verticalresponse.com/392145/ec72355ff7/1547000327/b096b4edf6/>

Resource/Book List for Missionary Families – August 2014

Compiled by Penny Lucas , Published by Brigada

http://www.brigada.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/family_resources-2014-08-01.pdf

The Well - Member Care Center Thailand

September 2014 News

(New) Grief Share *

Member Care Luncheon – Caring for Singles in Missions

Giving Member Care in Creative Ways

(Updated Info) Debriefing / Transition Retreat

Women's Retreat: Drawing Near *

Wellspring Retreat

(New) Thrive Women's Retreats *

Family Transition Fun

(New) Newcomer Orientation

(New) Understanding Thai Culture

Tour of Wararot Market

(Save the Date) Sex, Women and Manning Up

Taylor-Johnson Temperament Analysis Training

Sharpening Your Interpersonal Skills *

Global Member Care Conference: Member Care in Hard Places *

Asia Member Care Network Conference & Pre-Conference Events*

3 Day Spiritual Retreat*

Critical Incident Debriefing Training*

Asia Member Care Network Conference "21st Century Care: Engaging Change and Challenge: *

<http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=93ed99d9b6c8479d135b01b96&id=3138a04dc8&e=25f63328eb>

GLOBAL MEMBER CARE EVENTS

USA

Building Skills -- Equipping To Serve

Jan. 12-16, 2015 (M-F)

Location: Holiday Inn (Airport), Fresno, CA

Sponsored by: Link Care Center

We are excited to announce that the Link Care Center member care conference, Building Skills – Equipping to Serve will be held January, 12-16, 2015. We are moving the Conference from Hume Lake to Fresno so that a larger number of our clinicians will be able to provide training sessions during the Conference. This year, nine Link Care counselors will be presenting during the Conference. Our primary objective is to promote skill development that will increase the effectiveness of member care workers as they serve others.

The theme of the January conference is "Equipping to Serve." Sessions will focus on strengthening attendees' skills in working with depression, anxiety, couples and parenting issues, team dynamics, self care, debriefing, and other issues. We will strive to provide practical tools in each session that will increase your effectiveness in ministry.

For Conference Registration, contact Ken Royer kenroyer@linkcare.org [link](#)

Africa - Tanzania

Thrive Retreat

2014 Tanzania Retreat October 19 - 22 OR 23 - 26 (Retreat Attendees)

October 14 - 30 (Retreat Volunteers)

A change in location has been decided due to the political unrest in Kenya and the desire to provide a safe place for Global Women to "retreat".

Thrive is hosting a special get-away at the Seascape Hotel (Dar es Salaam, Tanzania) for you and a limited number of other U.S. and Canadian women who live and work cross-culturally in Africa and surrounding countries.

The value of your retreat experience is approximately \$720. However, the only cost to you is a registration fee of US \$125.00 and any travel expenses to and from the Retreat. We provide your room and meals, starting with dinner the first evening of the Retreat.

<http://thriveministry.org/retreats/2014/africa/attendee/#current-retreat-title>

Asia - Thailand

Wellspring Retreat

Are you burned out? Contemplating a change? Need spiritual refreshment? Join us at the 4th bi-annual Wellspring Retreat, designed and led by the Well staff, for couples and singles engaged in cross-cultural ministry. Wellspring is a safe, supportive, peaceful place to rest, renew, share your journey in a small group and re-connect with God. Wellspring is held at Horizon Village and Resort, a luxurious accommodation situated in an expansive botanical garden several kilometers east of Chiang Mai.

When: Begins Sunday, November 9th with dinner at 6:00 p.m. / Ends Saturday, November 15th with lunch

Cost: 12,500 Baht per person (double occupancy) / 17,000 Baht per person (single occupancy)

Where: Horizon Village and Resort www.horizonvillage.net

More Information: Nancy Todd nancy@thewellcm.com

Registration: well@thewellcm.com

USA

Mental Health and Missions

Watch this page for information about the next Mental Health and Missions conference, scheduled for November 20-23, 2014. Beginning October 1st the price for Mental Health and Missions will increase.

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

GMCN Facebook group

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

We just reached 659 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.

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