



Global Member Care Network (GMCN) May 2015

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This month's Sponsor - Equipping Women International

Equipping Women International
www.barnabas.org/ewi {a ministry of Barnabas International}

We are looking for women who want to...

- Experience true community with other women serving in cross-cultural ministry.
- Study challenging material and unpack it through facilitated discussions & a variety of learning activities.
- Learn new ministry and life skills to be used in a wide range of arenas.
- Give God an opportunity to transform their inner life and ways of thinking.
- Enhance their disciple-making skills.
- Be encouraged!



If any of this resonates with you, we invite you to attend the 4th annual Equipping Women International (EWI) module called Facilitating Relational Learning. This module focuses on learning and practicing the latest in adult learning skills and applying them to a broad range of ministry situations. The Developing a Discerning Heart and Discovery Bible Study module will also be offered for returning participants.

This training will be held at The Horizon Village Resort, Chiang Mai, Thailand, October 27th to November 5th, 2015. The early registration price break ends May 20th, 2015, so we encourage you to inquire now. Final registration closes July 20th. A 3-month lead time is necessary for completion of the preparation work. See www.barnabas.org/ewi for details of module descriptions, syllabi, application form, FAQ & registration info, or write Debbie at dlamp@barnabas.org.

NOTE: This is a Barnabas International sponsored ministry using the WWMT curriculum developed by Entrust.

Editorial: The earthquake in Nepal, and other crises

Following the recent earthquake in Nepal, and unrest in Burundi, member care professionals have been asked how to help expatriates and nationals in such places.

How would you respond if you were asked how to provide emotional help after a disaster?

Besides praying and giving, there are other ways in which we may be able to help. Jumping on a plane to offer debriefing or counselling is not always the best response, if we don't know the local language or culture or have contacts who have invited us there.

Sometimes radio programmes are an ideal way to provide information and reassurance. See, for example, the programmes on dealing with crises, at <http://membercareradio.com>.

Alternatively, reading information can help get important messages across. For example, see the information on earthquakes at <https://www.interhealthworldwide.org>

The GMCN consultation in Turkey included a workshop on member care in crises. Some slides from that workshop are available at <http://www.resilientexpat.co.uk/talks.html#>.

A free manual on Psychological First Aid is available in 15 languages at http://www.who.int/mental_health/publications/guide_field_workers/en/

When people ask me for help, I often point them towards useful websites as a first response. I hope you find them helpful too.

Debbie Hawker

GLOBAL MAP

TRAIN International - re-entry retreats

TRAIN International, Joplin, MO -- TRAIN International's compassionate and experienced team offers 5-day, guided re-entry retreats for missionaries. We pursue renewal together through times of worship and prayer, group and individual debriefing, reflection and community time and help equip missionaries to navigate seasons of transition and process their experiences while looking to God's faithfulness.

Our re-entry retreats are called ABIDE, found at <http://traininternational.org/Abide.html>

RESOURCES

Facebook: Cuidado integral en latinoamerica

NEW: Latino America Spanish Facebook Site

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1591061437808571/>

Member Care Centers in Latin America

It includes an album of Member Care Centers in Latin America

Please add to that!!!

Books by Neal Pirola

updated in 2012, SERVING AS SENDERS~TODAY

Txt <http://www.amazon.com/Serving-As-Senders-Neal-Pirola/dp/1880185245>

Many years ago it was translated into Spanish.

Sirviendo al enviar obreros (Spanish Edition)

<http://www.amazon.com/Sirviendo-enviar-obreros-Spanish-Edition/dp/1880185059>

Africa Member Care Network

April 2015

<http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=895d43ef69926eab7812e0395&id=41c72623c2&e=a3dbaa64df>

GLOBAL MEMBER CARE EVENTS

Chiang Mai, Thailand

NCF Counseling & Member Care Seminar

October 4-16, 2015

A few openings remain—write now for an application form! As a cross-cultural worker, you support a great variety of people, yet perhaps you lack adequate academic or field training to equip you to deal with the many issues you encounter. Our instructors emphasize a strong integration of biblical truth with practical psychological insights and counseling techniques. Join over 2,000 others who have gained valuable counseling and member care skills by attending this intensive training.

One past participant said, "I came with the expectation of gaining some tools for the work I do as a MC provider... What caught me by surprise is the healing that has taken place for me. I didn't see that coming, but it has been a wonderful blessing." Another wrote, "One of the most helpful aspects of this seminar was the community that was formed...that was a little snapshot of what we're all about in this process of attuning ourselves to others and others attuning themselves to us...finding the safety in community to reveal what's really down deep." Write Cindy Hibma at ncf.seminars@gmail.com to receive an application form or seminar brochure, or check http://www.ncfliving.org/seminar_thailand01.php

California, USA

MK Transition Seminar

Narramore Christian Foundation (NCF) is pleased to offer this 12-day intensive seminar at Biola University for MKs as they enter or re-enter North American culture to attend college or university. Orientation: We'll talk about American culture—the good and bad, college life, friendships, dating, and finances.

Assessment: Personality tests to help assess personal adjustment and identify growth edges.

Fun: Newport Beach, Knott's Berry Farm, pool party, games, sports, GREAT FOOD and more!

Adjustment: Christian educators and counselors, with a heart for missions and a love for teens, will encourage and guide MKs in addressing areas for personal, social, and spiritual growth. Challenge: Daily meetings, nightly dorm devotions, and informal conversations with staff and fellow MKs will challenge them to trust God more fully and give new understanding to the Christian life.

Dates: July 12-24, 2015.

To register, go to <http://www.ncfliving.org/reentry.php>. <http://www.ncfliving.org/reentry.php>

USA, Fresno, Link Care

"Building Skills -- Equipping To Serve"

We are excited to announce the Link Care Center member care conference, Building Skills – Equipping to Serve. By hosting the conference in Fresno, most of our clinicians and pastoral care providers are able to provide training sessions. 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." We will begin our mornings together with devotions. Following sessions will focus on strengthening attendees' skills in working with marriages, utilizing healthy boundaries in a cross-cultural context, addictions, thriving in a new culture, pastoral first aid, the persistently pestering person, appropriate confidentiality in pastoral care, depression, and a preliminary understanding of symptoms of trauma survivors vs spiritual warfare (i.e. the demonic), and other issues related to pastoral and clinical care. We will strive to provide practical tools in each session that will increase your effectiveness in ministry.

For more Information and Conference Registration, send application to Ken Royer (kenroyer@linkcare.org)

Brussels, Belgium:

OM People Care Course, Level 1

Upcoming Member Care Training Event: OM People Care Course, Level 1

New Date: 6-13 December 2015

The People Care Courses provide people with new skills to fulfill their God given roles in people care and leadership while positively impacting their personal lives. The training is practical and relevant for individuals that serve in all facets of mission. The ministry skills that the participant acquires also helps build a strong foundation in the local church.

This 6-day course is designed to be an introduction to basic member care skills. It prepares the participant to care for and support community members, team members, colleagues, and friends facing the regular ups and downs of life prevalent in any environment and intensified in cross-cultural living and service.

Session topics include:

- Model of Good Practice in People Care
- Qualities of a People Care provider
- Listening and Empathy Training
- Personal Debriefing
- Conflict Management
- Cross-Cultural People Care
- Transition and Change
- Maintaining Healthy Boundaries

This course is useful for people in official member care roles and informal support, discipleship, and mentoring roles. For more information and an application form of the course please email the People Care Administrator at people.care@om.org

Spain, Europe

Adelante, A Cross-cultural Resiliency Training Experience

"Help your cross-cultural workers "push through the WALL" in their first season in a new context, for long-term thriving! Adelante 2015 Spain: A Cross-cultural Resiliency Training Experience, is back! Applications due by April 30! Spaces limited.

For questions, email adelante@sentwell.org"

http://www.globalmembercare.com/fileadmin/user_upload/2015/ADELANTE%202015%20SPAIN%20flier.pdf

Singapore

Member Care School- Keep Well to Finish Well.

Could you help us to advertise the Member Care School in Singapore from 14 Sept to 09 Oct 2015. The theme is Keep Well to Finish Well. The highlights of this School

are debriefing, stress management, team dynamics, support raising, listening skill, contingency planning, transition, finishing well, conflict resolution and many more. Please visit www.ywam.org.sg for more details.

USA, Seattle

Europe, Barcelona

Asia, Singapore

Coaching Mastery Certificate Program in Seattle
Coaching Mastery Certificate Program in Barcelona
Coaching Mastery Certificate Program in Singapore

October 12-16, 2015 in person in Barcelona in English
September 21-25, 2015 in person in Seattle.
January 25-29, 2016 in person in Singapore in English

75 ICF ACC ACSTH

10 ICF qualified Mentor-Coaching hours.

The COACHING MASTERY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM is made up of a 5-day in-person workshop, followed by optional 6 two-hour telephone classes, peer group calls, and individual mentor-coaching with an instructor. At the end of 6 months or so, you will have completed all the ICF's requirements for the Associate Certified Coach credential. Keith Webb is the lead instructor.

<http://creativeresultsmanagement.com/mastery>

GMCN Facebook group

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

We just reached 910 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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