



## Global Member Care Network (GMCN) September 2015

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### Editorial: Contact with no Connection

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Technology has changed the way in which we communicate with and relate to each other. Things that could not even be imagined of a generation ago are routinely possible today, especially in communication, travel, access to information.....OK google, Ask Siri, Cortana, M....

The width and speed of communication have increased but often without relational depth. Relationships in general tend to be superficial and often task oriented. I contact you if I have "business" to do with you, if not I don't. This tends to happen even in so called mission "teams" and "communities". While it is not possible to be closely connected to a large number of people, it is a challenge in today's world even to be part of a small community that is real and authentic. (Persons with whom I can have coffee with at short notice, who can see and read my body language, whose hand I can shake, who is willing to listen, who cares, who is willing to give time even when I am not part of their "project"). This has huge implications for our overall well being, emotional and mental health and our spiritual life. This has member care implications. It gets magnified and multiplied when we serve cross

culturally.

It takes time to invest in and develop relationships. It involves trust, humility and vulnerability. Sometimes it is easier to just get on with the "project" or the "mission" rather than bother about relationships - A convenient approach, but not a Christ like approach.

May we reflect upon our relationships and seek to be an interconnected body rather than a bowl of marbles which have contact with each other but no connection.

Dr. Ravi David GMCN - India

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## open positions

### 1) Director of Operations:

Life Impact is growing by leaps and bounds! We are in immediate need of an administratively gifted person who can set up systems, lead us administratively and implement into the next level of excellence for our staff and for those we serve. This is currently not a paid position so self-funding or raising support would be required.

### 2) International Directors:

We are looking for someone to give pastoral care/coaching to the present international Oasis staff (9 in the field and two in process). This includes give pastoral care, visitations, coaching, admin support and much more to ensure the longterm success of Life Impact staff in both new and established locations.

#### Background & Qualities Needed/Desired:

- \* Lived in a cross-cultural ministry situation for some years
- \* Led a small ministry team for a period of time
- \* Enjoy working with people face-to-face and via technology
- \* Enjoys accomplishing administrative tasks related to the job
- \* Understands with the mind and heart, the necessity of caring for Christian workers
- \* Enjoys international travel
- \* Self-supported, donor-supported or willing to raise needed funds for living and travel

### 3) Oasis Host(s):

For a short-term need (6 months) we need a host(s) to fill in for full-time staff returning the US for a furlough. This oasis is located in Costa Rica and will need to be filled approximately December 2015-May 2016. More info here: <http://lifeimpactministries.wix.com/missionariesneeded>

For further Info please contact [jessica.meulendyke@lifeimpactministries.net](mailto:jessica.meulendyke@lifeimpactministries.net)

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## RESOURCES

### Free Download: Third Culture Kids and Adolescence—

"Third Culture Kids and Adolescence: Cultural Creations," Is written for teenage TCKs to help them understand how both their being TCKs and their being adolescents is a result of their living in Western culture and their living in two or more cultures. This book examines the role of culture in creating adolescent TCKs, and includes a practical section at the end of each chapter, a section titled "What Can Adolescent TCKs Do?" It is available free of charge as .doc, .pdf, or .zip files for your computer and as .mobi or .epub files for your Kindle or Nook. Find it at...

[http://www.missionarycare.com/ebook.htm#cultural\\_creations](http://www.missionarycare.com/ebook.htm#cultural_creations)

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### 7 Missionary Traps

<http://withinreachglobal.org/7-missionary-traps-to-avoid-on-the-mission-field/>

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## **FIVE PERMISSIONS MISSIONARIES NEED**

<http://michelephoenix.com/2015/05/five-permissions-missionaries-need/>

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## **Newsletter - The Well Member Care Center Chiangmai Thailand**

**September 2015**

<http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=93ed99d9b6c8479d135b01b96&id=2cb444b734&e=25f63328eb>

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## **A Christian Mindfulness course is available from**

<http://www.christianmindfulness.co.uk/index.html>

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## **GLOBAL MEMBER CARE EVENTS**

### **Singapore**

#### **Too Valuable To Lose : Launching a MC Movement**

"Our cross-cultural workers are doing their part – let us as leaders and churches do our part." (Dr Laura Mae Gardner)

April 4-8, 2016, Singapore: 2 Days Pre-Conference Training with Dr Laura Mae Gardner, Main Event April 6-8.  
Place: TBA, Singapore

Cost : 2 Days Pre-Conference Training S\$350, Main Event S\$350 (Early Bird before January 15, 2016 \$300)

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### **Coaching Programs in Seattle, Hong Kong and Teleclass**

#### **Strengths-Based Coaching TeleClass Series - Jan 2016**

Dates: Tuesdays, January [5](#), [12](#), [19](#), [26](#), 2016 8:00 - 9:30 am PT

CCEs: 7.5 ICF ACSTH CCEs

Strengths-based coaching helps you as a coach to coach from your personal strengths. It also teaches coaches how to overcome resistance and help coachees build and expand on experience, gifts, and qualities they already have. It makes coaching a breeze. Knowing how to skillfully discover and utilize your own strengths and those of your clients will energize your coaching!

Contact: <http://creativeresultsmanagement.com/strengths>

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#### **Coaching Mastery Certificate Program in Seattle - March 2016 Seattle.**

Dates: March 7-11, in person in Seattle.

CCEs: 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.

Contact: <http://creativeresultsmanagement.com/mastery>

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#### **Coaching Workshop for Christian Leaders – March 2016 Hong Kong**

Dates: March 14-16, 2016 with Kevin Stebbings, ACC in Hong Kong

CCEs: Possible 21 ICF ACSTH CCEs

A 3-day intensive coaching workshop based on the book, *The COACH Model for Christian Leaders*. This workshop is for those experienced as well as those who are not-so-experienced in coaching skills. Upgrade to receive 21 International Coach Federation-approved training hours, plus bonus material to help you take your coaching to a professional level!

Contact: <http://creativeresultsmanagement.com/workshop>

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## GMCN Facebook group

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

**We just reached 1050 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>

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