



WE ARE ALL NEIGHBOURS NOW

The Church has a message of Hope for the City. It is a Hope inaugurated by our Lord Jesus Christ... Hope in our Lord Jesus Christ... in His Kingdom, the Kingdom of God. The Gospel is the Hope of the world, it is God's Truth ... which can transform the world. Our Lord Jesus Christ pointed us to the Great Commandment (Mark 12:30-31): To Love God ... with all our heart, soul, mind and strength...and to love our neighbour as ourselves.

"Loving our neighbour is the most transformational social ethic the world has ever seen." *Jim Wallis*

We are to live and love God not just spiritually, but with our whole being. We are to live and love our neighbour not as disembodied souls but as persons made in the image of God, to love and serve the other wholly. It is a call to holistic missions. We need to love the last, the lost and the least ... holistically. Jacques Ellul asserts: "Living must be understood not only in the spiritual sense, but fully and wholly in every sense, bodily, in the senses, socially, politically, intellectually and spiritually. One does not go without the other."

Urban missions is a key strategy in the 21st Century missions in Asia and in the world. As Asia experiences rapid urbanisation in the 21st Century, the cities of Asia have become the new harvest fields. The cities are what Ray Bakke calls, the next frontier, the new "10/40 window". We must bring the message of Hope, the message of God's Kingdom to the cities of Asia...and beyond. The Church must engage in Urban Missions. The Church must serve the Urban Poor... the material poor, the cultural poor and the spiritual poor. **The Church can help shape the urban culture before urban culture shapes us all.**

Business can contribute to society in a different way than the government, charities, social or religious institutions. Corporates have had interest in social progress and have contributed to meeting social needs of the jobless, helpless and hopeless through socially responsible investment. Business can shape the world for good and for God's Kingdom. Missional Business can help create a more equitable society through a moral economy and ethics of sustainability towards a new social covenant between citizens, business and government. **Business Innovation can drive the Change in Urbanism.**

The Church has a message of Hope for the City. The Church must be in the neighbourhood to love our neighbours. We must live out the gospel of Hope in the neighbourhood...**at street level.** Only then will there be Hope for our neighbours. Love one another. Love our neighbour.

We are all neighbours now.

Lawrence Ko, National Director



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Our Mission:

Catalysing the National Missions Movement in Singapore

Our Vision:

Serving the Local Church in Missions Mobilisation in the 21st Century

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Urban Missional Business Forum **THE GOSPEL, BUSINESS & THE URBAN POOR**



SCGM organised a 2-day Urban Missional Business Forum scheduled for 30 Sep-1 Oct 2016. This Urban Missional Business Forum focusing on Urban Poverty and Sustainable Development in the City. We hope to encourage the Church to explore issues of urban poverty as well as cultural and spiritual poverty especially in megacities in 21st C Asia.

This Forum is a follow-up of the last GoForth 2014 National Missions Conference where we discussed the need for the Church to be more engaged in the city to reach out to the urban poor and the migrant communities in the cities of Asia. The Gospel of Christ is holistic and the church needs to share the holistic gospel to the whole world demonstrating God's care for the whole person and the whole community. We hope the Forum will gather pastors, business and missions leaders together to think about strategic and effective ways of engagement in the City, as we incarnate the Gospel of Christ at street level and learn how to use business enterprise for social, cultural, economic and spiritual transformation.



Urban Missional Business Forum

Fri-Sat 30 Sep-1 Oct 2016.
Prinsep St Presbyterian Church

We are All Neighbours Now.



Keynote speakers: Rev Dr Vinay Samuel, Ms Melissa Kwee and Mr Sangeet Paul Choudary



Panel speakers (right): Robert Kee and Sim Boon Ann.

Below: Dr Paul Ananth Tambyah, Ronald JJ Wong and Dr Raineer Chu (from Philippines) speaking at workshops



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Desert Dream

Eco-mission Spiritual Retreat
Inner Mongolia, China. Sep 3-9 2016

SCGM organised an eco-mission cum spiritual retreat to Inner Mongolia attended by eleven participants including a pastor from Beijing. The team arrived in Duolun county and visited Asian Journeys Ltd's tree-planting base where they also worked at planting 50 fir tree saplings in the afternoon. The next day they visited the largest elm tree forest in Asia at Yumuchan where Rev Jimmy Khoo led an outdoor worship service and preached the Word on the need for **Sabbath rest**. The team took time to enjoy a Mongolian lunch at the forestry department lodge in the nature park and then toured the 27km route around Xishan Wan.

SCGM's ND Lawrence Ko led the visits to the desertified grassland and historical places of interest including the Huizhongsi temple and Shanxi guild house as well as Lanqi's Kublai Khan Square. The team studied and learnt about environmental challenges and how we can care for God's creation. The team ended on a high note with visits to Beijing University and a walking tour of churches in Beijing.

Desert Dream Eco-mission cum Spiritual Retreats will be organised in April 1-7 2017 and Aug 25-31 2017. For information or to register for the Desert Dream retreat, please email ching@scgm.org.sg



The Singapore team visited Asian Journeys Ltd's Tree-planting base and planted trees at Dabao eco park.



Visit to Inner Mongolia's largest Elm Tree Forest



Welcome to Inner Mongolia's Lanqi grassland and stay at a Mongolian ger.

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Asia-Pacific Youth Congress 2 Bali, Indonesia. 17-21 Oct 2016



The stated Purpose of this second Youth Congress was to develop Emerging Global Connections to push the Nurturer Movements forwards to Disciple the 4/14 Generation.

The conference was attended by over 800 international participants. The conference with the theme **"Disciple or Die"** was to challenge leaders to respond to the Christ's clarion call to make disciples and be willing to be our brother's and sister's keeper, to rise up to be "Nurturers", and to see potential in every young child (11 years old & above) as a solution and not a burden.

"The 4/14 Window redefines Mission, which has the potential to recalibrate the church to its original design. It sees the design and potential of children and youth to be partners in Mission through disciple making."



Ching Ching and Shanti with Dr Bambang Budijanto, a key driver and catalyst for the 4/14 Movement

Asia Evangelical Association (AEA) General Assembly and Mission Congress Bandung, Indonesia. 28 -31 Aug 2016



The General Assembly and Mission Congress of the Asia Evangelical Association (AEA) was held in Bandung, Indonesia in end August 2016, attended by over 250 participants. The theme of the conference was on "Ethical Leadership and Authentic Discipleship". One of the highlights of the General Assembly was the election of Rev Paul Ueki from Japan as the new chairman. The retiring chairman Rev David Kim was named as AEA ambassador at large. SCGM ND Lawrence Ko who has served as Chairman of the AEA Mission Commission was elected as Director of the Mission Commission, taking over from Dr Bambang Budijanto. Lawrence also presented a paper on "Redefining Global Missions from the Perspective of Authentic Discipleship Making Mandate" at the congress which was well received. Founded in 1983, AEA seeks to unite evangelical churches in Asia for dynamic action in the areas of mission and Church Planting, Theology and Church Renewal, Religious Liberty, Social Concern, Women's Ministry, Youth Ministry and Leadership Development.



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SCGM Chairman Daniel Jesudason giving the welcome address.



Chairman of Dinner Committee Eugene Lim leading the Prayer of Thanksgiving



Guest musician Kelvin Tan with his composition: "We Are All Neighbours Now."



Bishop Kuan led in a prayer of dedication for the SCGM Council leaders and for the advance of the mission work in Singapore

SCGM's 36th Anniversary Dinner Orchard Parade Hotel. 29 Sep 2016



Bishop Kuan Kim Seng was our special Guest of Honour. Rev Erick Tan led songs of praise & Jonathan How was emcee of the evening. SCGM Nat Director Lawrence Ko shared the vision of SCGM in 21st C global missions while Dr Vinay Samuel shared about the Gospel and Missional Business. Prof Ho Yew Kee challenged us to combat corruption in Asian business.



Seated from Left: Melissa Kwee, Dr William Wan, Bishop Kuan Kim Seng, Ps Neo Ban Hui and Daniel Jesudason. Standing from Left: Prof Ho Yew Kee, Jonathan How, Rev Erick Tan and Lawrence Ko

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Rev Eddie Chandra spoke on The Gospel in a Multi-Religious Society at SCGM Missions Breakfast in Nov 2016



ND with Rev C B Samuel at AEA Annual Assembly 2016



ND with Dr Lawrence Chia and Dr Bambang Budijanto



Ching Ching and Shanti Merry with Mark McClendon & wife at APYC

Pray for SCGM. Support SCGM. Volunteer with SCGM



Prayer of Dedication for SCGM Council at SCGM 36th Anniversary

PULPIT & TEACHING MINISTRY Jul-Dec 2016

Praise God for SCGM ministry at the various local churches:

Westside Anglican Church, Prinsep Street Presbyterian Church Mission Month, Fairfield Methodist Church, Changi Baptist Church, True Way Presbyterian Church Mission Sunday, Faith Methodist Church Mission Conference, The People's Bible Church, Boscombe Life Church, Bedok Lutheran Church Mission Month, Bethesda Bt Arang Church's Adult Bible Class, Telok Ayer Methodist Church Oasis Fellowship, Chapel of Christ Our Hope Christmas Service and St Andrew's City Church Year End Service.

Thank God for the partners in **Urban Missional Business Forum 2016:**

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Join us at **SCGM Missions Breakfast Fellowship in 2017**

Every first Thursday of the month 8am-9.30am at St Andrew's Cathedral. Please note that there will be no Breakfast Fellowship in the months of Jun & Dec.

- Jan 6 **FOOD STREET IN KATHMANDU** by Rev Erick Tan
- Feb 2 **RENEWED VISION FOR GOD'S MISSIONS** by Dr Ernest Chew
- Mar 2 **CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS** by Rev Michael Te h
- Apr 6 **WILL OUR CHILDREN HAVE FAITH?** by Bishop Kuan Kim Seng
- May 4 **NEW URBAN AGENDA & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT** by Nigel Goh

Interested to sponsor the SCGM Missions Breakfast Fellowship in 2017?

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Reaching Out to Young Adults through **ONE CHOICE WEEKEND RETREAT** with Dr Kevin Mannoia



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One Choice Weekend Retreat for Young Adults (18-30 years old)

Deciding Who We Are and Developing
A Fresh Vocabulary for Holy Living.

CHECK-IN: 19 FEB 2017. SUN. 2PM

CHECK-OUT: 20 FEB 2017. MON. 9PM

VENUE: THE NAVIGATORS, SG

FEES: S\$50

SPEAKER: REV. DR. KEVIN W. MANNOIA

Kevin will help young people to envision how they can align their training and professions for Kingdom service.

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Kevin W. Mannoia is a Professor of Ministry and serves as Chaplain at Azusa Pacific University. In that capacity he developed and oversees the chaplaincy and spiritual care ministry of the faculty, staff, and graduate students. Previously, he served as Dean of Haggard School of Theology at APU, coming from his role as President of the National Association of Evangelicals. From his experience as a pastor, superintendent, bishop of the Free Methodist Church and President of the NAE, Mannoia brings his understanding of the church at a congregational, organizational, denominational, and national level to his ministry. He is Founder and Chair of the Wesleyan Holiness Consortium, and also the President of the International Council for Higher Education.

Visit <http://www.scgm.org.sg> for more details.

Sign up online at <http://tinyurl.com/SCGM-ML2017>



SCGM hosted Dr Kwa Kiem-Kiok, Dr Calvin Chong and Dr David Schwarr, ED of Int'l Orality Network (ION) in Oct 2016

Dr Toh See Kiat, former politician /MP and Chairman of BGST presented the closing challenge at Urban Missional Business Forum 2016... here in discussion with Dr Vinay Samuel and ND.



Above Left: Council Retreat Lunch;
 Above Right: SCGM hosted Terence Goh & Missions Team from Barker Road Methodist Church;
 Left: Shanti and volunteers at Urban Missional Business Forum 2016;
 Bottom left: ND visiting with Elder Johnny Tan, mission director of Covenant Evangelical Free Church.

Get Resources for Environmental Missions!

1. CREATION CARE & THE GOSPEL: RECONSIDERING THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH
 BY COLIN BELL & ROBERT WHITE
 RETAIL Price: \$40.

2. CAN THE DESERT BE GREEN? PLANTING HOPE IN THE WILDERNESS
 BY LAWRENCE KO.
 RETAIL: \$20.

