

Introduction:

What began as a dream and a prayer, along with the shedding of tears, led to a letter of intention (Appendix A), followed by an act of faith, and then a project. It is called "Brazil Transformation Project."

It is the implementation of the movement of the Spirit of God. It has shaken up the Brazilian Church. A new song is being sung for worshippers throughout all of Brazil, courageous believers are rising up, and the nation is being claimed for Jesus!¹

Since then, great gatherings of God's people have happened in the main cities of Brazil. Believers join together in prayer, in intercession, in a spirit of worship, and to hear words from the Lord. In December 2004 thirty to forty thousand Christian leaders met in the fourth Brazilian annual transformation event. Brazil has become a place where God's presence can be experienced.



Since 2004 the vision emerged of hosting a global transformation event as **Transform World Brazil 2008** among Brazilian leaders of "Transformation Brazil," including Neuza Itioka, Arles Marques, Francisco Nicolau, Paulo Tercio Lopes da Silva and Ronaldo Faria, Marcio Valadao. They envision the event as follows:



THE NEED

We believe God is on a mission of Transformation. In our gathering we will seek to join God on His mission. We affirm the global nature of the transformational movement and want to take practical steps to work together as the Body of Christ towards the transformation of our world!

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT

Transform World Brazil 2008 seeks

- 1. to praise God for His transformational initiatives among the nations.
- 2. to facilitate transformational connections among national and global servant catalysts for national and global transformational streams and focus group and sphere development.
- 3. for information, inspiration and constructive interchange on transformational initiatives around the world in 2008.
- 4. to form a community of servant catalysts for the transformation of the nations.

¹ Report received on July 16, 2004 from Ronaldo Faria, Executive Secretary of the Brazil Transformation Project (Secretário do Projeto Transformação Brasil)

5. to facilitate mutual learning and interaction between global and Brazilian leaders.

Date: November 12 to 15, 2008

Place: The city of Sao Paulo

LOCATION: Igreja Cristã de Alphaville, rua Dr. Dibi Sauaia Neto 1150, Alphaville - 06455-020 Barueri, São Paulo

Number of Participants: 2100 by invitation only of which 100 are internationals

Program:

Evening: Inspirational worship and messages

Morning: Plenary sessions to build an understanding of the challenge and opportunities for transformation of Brazil for Brazil and for the nations.

Afternoon: Working sessions by track.

Special stadium event with Ana Paula and other Christian artists with intercession for Brazil and the nations

Special Dinner on 11th with CONELA

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS

Transform World Brazil 2008 is an invitation-only event for Christian servant catalysts seeking first the Kingdom of God, who are committed to mission as transformation and agree with the Transformation Covenant (see <u>www.transform-world.net</u>), and are ready to learn and synergize with others committed to transformation so that the value of the whole body is greater than that of each part.

Special offer for first 200 people who register to this event:

Registration: Free

Transport from/to Airport: Free

Transport from/to Hotel/Conference Center: Free

Lunch/Dinner/Breakfast: Free

Accommodation

4 stars hotel: US\$40.00 per night (sharing)

Total cost for the event - (Four nights) - US\$160.00

No sponsorship for the cost of tickets to/from Brazil.

Once you have confirmed your tickets send the details to ojribeiro@vitalia.org

For more information please contact us at:

Transform World Global Leaders Meeting 2008

(Website) www.transform-world.net - Contact email for this conference: ojribeiro@vitalia.org

Tracks with chairpersons and facilitators:

- 1. City Transformation, Chairperson: Francisco Nicolau;
- 2. Church healing and renewal: Chairperson: Neuza Itioka;
- 3. Education Chairperson: International Facilitator: Korean leader of T Korea Education
- 4. Government: Chairperson: International Facilitator: Hector Pardo & Eduardo Gomez
- 5. Intercession: Chairperson: International Facilitator: John Robb (To be confirmed) & Barbara Byerly
- 6. Market Place: Chairperson: Ronaldo Faria; International Facilitator: Jang (Hana Wellbeing Company) from Korea with James Hwang (EROM & Loving Conern)
- 7. Worship: Chairperson: Ana Paula; International Facilitator: Djohan Handoyo

Personnel:

Steering Committee: Neuza Itioka, Chairman, Hudson, Francisco Nicolau, David Maruzo Alvez, Ana Paula, Ronaldo Faria, Arles Marques.

International Facilitator: Luis Bush, Assistant International Facilitator: Odijon Ribeiro

CONELA special participation: Ricardo Luna International Facilitator and Arles Marquez, Brazilian Facilitator

Registration Form: See at the end of this document

Background:

The dream of transforming Brazil has been noted and documented by the secular press. It recognized that the evangelical Church is on a mission of transformation to introduce the value system of the Kingdom of God. On June 7, 2004, a front page article titled "Moved by the Spirit to Govern" appeared in the *Los Angeles Times*.²

In an opening interview with Adelor Vieira, a congressman is quoted as saying: "The Churches to which evangelicals belong have a mission, which is to promote the Kingdom of God." It was as though Vieira was thinking of that letter of intention written up in 2001.

In Brazil, the region's largest country and an unshakable Catholic stronghold for centuries, census figures show 15% of the population to be evangelicals — about 27 million people.

... For many here, faith remains a private affair, their devotion playing out at Church and at home. But others are heeding what they believe is a divine calling to shine the light of Christian truth on "works of darkness," which encompass perceived evils as varied as abortion and the corruption rampant in Brazilian politics.

"We cannot be silent when those things happen," said Walter Pinheiro, an evangelical Christian deputy in Brazil's Congress. "We have to bring light to and condemn those practices."

By "we," Pinheiro means an evangelical contingent in Brazil's lower house that has grown over the last few years and, last September, formed an official lobby in Congress, the Evangelical Parliamentary Front.

The group, whose goal is to ensure that public policy falls "in line with God's purposes, and according to his Word," boasts 58 deputies and three senators out of nearly 600 legislators....

The group opposes any liberalization of Brazil's already-strict abortion laws. Gay marriage is anathema. So are legalizing drugs, handing out clean needles to addicts as a public-health measure, and distributing condoms in schools.

^{2.} Article written by Henry Chu, Times Staff Writer, June 7, 2004, titled "Moved by the Spirit to Govern," accessed June 13, 2004 <<u>http://www.latimes.com/la-fg-evangelicals7jun07,1,1066933.story</u> > Moved by the Spirit to Govern 8 Chapter 2

One of the group's biggest victories in Congress last year was amending a bio-safety bill to outlaw the cloning of human embryos to harvest stem cells for research. On the local level, the evangelical governor of Rio de Janeiro state, Rosinha Matheus, has outraged scientists by authorizing public schools to teach creationism.

Yet to view the evangelical front as a simple analogue of the religious right in the United States would be off the mark. . . . the Brazilian deputies belong to a motley, squabbling bunch of rival groups that span the ideological spectrum.

The latest national transformational event for the Brazilian Project involved more than 8,000 Brazilian Christian leaders in assessment, review of the progress, adjustments, and expansion of the vehicles for implementation of the vision. It called for fresh commitment to the vision and mission to transform Brazil. They have begun planning for Christian leaders engaged in transformation from the Church around the world to participate in Transform World: Brazil 2008.

Five Prophetic Conferences: Transformation Vision Catalysts and Carriers (see Appendix B)

The first national transformational conference took place during a moment of prayer and fellowship among some Brazilian evangelical leaders. It happened in the midst of a solemn assembly on the 4th of April, 2001, at a moment of communion with God and one another. Fifteen leaders of the Evangelical Church in Brazil experienced a call from God to awaken the conscience of Brazilian Christians—so that they might live a life of victory under the principles of the Word of God and His Kingdom. Seven months later, the first national transformation event took place in the city of Belo Horizonte, which was to become one of the cities that would catalyze the transformation project. It was on that occasion that a letter of intention was drafted for what at that time was called the "Rescue Brazil Project."

In the next few years, the vision for transformation was broadened and deepened. At the national conference in 2002 in Goiânia, the letter of intention was consolidated with increased mobilization of the Churches throughout the nation. During the national conference of 2003 in Sao Paulo, the Brazilian Transformation Project was launched (previously called Rescue Brazil, with a foundation made up of various pillars). The 2004 event as held the 8th to the 11th of December in Recife. God was working through the process. In 2005 the fifth and final planned prophetic conference was held in Porto Alegre.

There are various practical steps emerging that include the preparation of transformational leaders, along with strategies for each of the five pillars to work harmoniously to bring personal, community, and national transformation.

Strategy: Five Pillars

The strategy adopted includes several pillars:

- 1. first, a united, national, intercessory network;
- 2. second, the inculcation of Christian principles of education in schools throughout Brazil;
- 3. third, the launching of and a center for an inquiry into the nature of spiritual and societal transformation;
- 4. fourth, becoming Kingdom change agents in all sectors of Brazilian society, seeking to introduce Kingdom values; and
- 5. fifth, that social action be the direct product for the betterment of society.

Our dream is to establish a **Transformation Center** committed to analyzing the history and facts of Brazil, bringing to light the current subjects of the economy, politics, marketplace, education, and arts, as well as current situations surrounding poverty, misery, and corruption. This Center would inform the Body of Christ and encourage the transformation of Brazil to the glory of Jesus Christ!



Early Development of Transformation Brazil³

- The Transform Brazil movement started from 2001 with annual conferences called "prophetic conferences." The transformational initiative in Brazil begins as a result of Neusa organizing conference with Harold Caballeros from Guatemala city by city in Brazil. The decision is made by Neusa, Haroldo and Ronaldo Faria in 2001 to hold five national transformation events from 2001 to 2005
- The vision is for Spiritual-Transformation to lead to Social and political-Transformation with emphasis on education, teaching of Christian principles, improvement of the economy.
- Each year political leaders were invited. There was much contact with political people and mayors of many towns combined with a strong prayer movement and spiritual warfare. More and more people were concerned to see Christians active in the public sector of society, especially politics.
- After first conference in 2001 many people caught the vision of transformation
- Neusa was engaged in spiritual reconciliation ministry primarily at this stage closely associate with spiritual warfare, ministry to the city, reconciliation and renewal of the churches. The primary link outside of Brazil at this stage to the AD2000 Prayer Track led by Peter Wagner with its spiritual warfare and spiritual mapping with George Otis Jr., city prayer evangelism with Ed Silvoso
- In 2002, among the leaders of the emerging transformation-initiative, the prayer spiritual warfare paradigm of mission changed to the transformation paradigm of mission and transformation terminology and vision
- The Brazilian transformational structure emerged with the Transformational Conferences. Ronnie Chavez from Colombia of the Apostolic Movement comes to Brazil invited by Neusa in 2002
- Over the years various international resource people participated in the conferences including George Otis Jr.

Current status of Transformational Streams flowing in Brazil as of October 2006⁴

1. Transformation Leadership Stream -- out of Apostolic and Prophetic Movements Develop and Divide

- Transformation Brazil became related to Christian leaders associated with the apostolic leadership group influence primarily by Ronny Chavez of Costa Rica but also connected to Peter Wagner and Chuck Pierce. By May of 2005 seventy apostles from Brazil had been appointed. They formed a Brazilian apostolic coalition. The group recognized a Brazilian Apostolic Counsel of twelve people.
- A School of Prophets emerged to work with the apostles.
- By 2006 two sinful practices arose as apostles in this movement—the sin of individualism and the sin of pride. The offence affected the church in Brazil calling for repentance. In the fifth Transformation Conference which took place in Rio Grande do Sur Marcio Valadao led a group of 200 pastors in an act of repentance as a result of the sins in the Brazilian Apostolic Counsel of twelve. There were many prophetic acts. They asked forgiveness of the church in Brazil. Ezekiel chapter 37 was prominent as inspirational scripture. The result was a greater unity between the prophetic, apostolic and traditional leaders of the church in Brazil.
- New abuse and corruption. However a new abuse of the apostolic leaders on the issue of authority arose in which one apostle want to be the exclusive apostle.

2. Transformation Church Stream -- G-12 and Cell Group Confusion and Corruption

- The G-12 movement and the Cell Group movements in Brazil split in two in 2004 further creating splintering in the Church in Brazil and confusion.
- With a large denomination there was a publicly reported act of corruption as a result of trying to buy votes in the political process that reflected poorly on the Church in Brazil.

³From An Interview with Neusa Itioka, chairperson of Transform Brazil, on flight on October 23 to Transform World India 2006 by Luis Bush

⁴ Same as Footnote 3

3. Transformation Worship Stream

A major change in the economical situation was seen after that. Another stream in the Transform Brazil movement has been collective worship and adoration. Ana Paula, a woman worship leader has gathered crowds of 50,000, 200,000 and even 2 million on one occasion.

The Transformation Worship Stream would be the main platform of a transform World Brazil 2008 event.

Christian leaders in the Transformacao Brasil Movement of Worship include: Mauro, Ana Paula, Neusa, Mike Shea who had had a radical approach. Ana Paula has had a conciliatory role in Brazil with worship leaders around the nation. Every January 1st she invited these leaders to her house for prayer and coordination of activities for the year.

4. City Reaching Stream

From 2002 – 2003 apostles led a nationwide anointing of all cities, beaches and frontiers in Brazil as a sign of the Holy Spirit's healing of the land. This was accompanied with much prayer and fasting. In the same period a women prophet said: "Fast, pray and repent for the Brazilian economy" and many fasted for 40 days in many churches.

Model of transformation in Brazil is Palmas City close to Goiania. The city is sixteen years. One half of the population is Christ, Poverty is gone, there is no violence. No street children. In 2002 the mayor gave the key of city to Jesus with the presence of 200 pastors of the city.

Lately more than 100 mayors in cities have given the city key to the Lord so that he can help to unlock the many local and national problems. Much has happened in Brazil, but everything is not fine (Isaiah 11. 2-5). They have recently got a prophetic word about judgement over Brazil with much cleansing, persecution and even ecological catastrophes. This may also be a part of God's transforming process in Brasil.

The declaration of the mayor is as follows: "I Newman, mayor of the city of Palmas, the highest political authority, chose by God through the popular vote, I give the key of the city to Jesus Christ of Nazareth. I declare, the principalities and the power and governor of darkness and spiritual principality of city will be under Jesus Christ. I break all the previous covenants over the city. This is irrevocable.

The prayer based on Is 11:2-5 Newman, this is for you and your government. Praying blessing you you, your family and over your jurisdiction.

5. Transformational Prayer Stream

Neuza Itioka's background for this has amongst others been her coordination of a network for spiritual warfare for many years. It was called the Commission of remission of the land. Asking for forgiveness for the sins of the land and breaking covenants with Satan.

In 2003 there was a prophetic all to fast for the economy of Brazil. By 2003 it became clear to everyone in the nation that the Brazilian government were also engaged in corruption affecting the economy of brazil.

Carnival became a burden giving license to spiritual aberrations that had come from Africa which started with Mike Shea calling for repentance and intercession. The Lord told them to fight back the fleshly carnival and sex perversion in Brazil.

The first year they were standing against the evil forces in the carnivals with 90 hours of worship. In 2006 they were worshiping 120 hours without seizing in 350 cities of Brazil. By 2009 390 cities are expected to participate in the 90 days of prayer.

Prayer initiatives were led by Odison Bedieros, Hudson Medzeiros, a Presbyterian and Neusa. One of the prayer movements was led by Junta Remissao de Terra, led by Neusa with Hudson Medzeiros to ask forgiveness for what Brazil did to Paraguay. The prayer to the cities of Brazil.

Ronaldo Faria goes with Hudson to pray in the senate and palace to encourage sensitivities regarding Brazil.

Appendix A LETTER OF INTENTION

Gathered in Belo Horizonte on November 14-17, 2001, about 7,500 servants of God from all the states of Brazil, we became burdened by the need to change the culture of Latin America. This occurred through a powerful visitation of the Holy Spirit. We believe this will take the form of establishing the ethical values of the Kingdom of God among all the spheres of society, provoking a spiritual revolution that radically transforms the life of our people in religious, economic, cultural, and political arenas. This transformation will take place to such a degree that our cities will receive a new name, because of which we can declare: "And the name of the city from that time on will be: Yahweh Shammah, THE LORD IS THERE" (Eze. 48:35b).

In the meeting, the following subjects were discussed:

- 1. Awareness of our responsibility to fulfill the Great Commission in our generation;
- 2. Awareness of our spiritual inheritance as a result of the ministries raised up for God in the past and in our day;
- 3. Awareness of the place of the Brazilian nation in the plans of God for our generation;
- 4. Awareness that only the Body of Christ qualifies to fulfill the giant task of delivering the Native land to its legitimate owner in our generation;
- 5. Awareness of the invincible force of the Body of Christ to defeat the kingdom of darkness;
- 6. Trusting the leadership and ability of the Holy Spirit;
- 7. Imbued with a passionate determination to launch all the spiritual and human resources at our disposal, we are united in our intent to transform Brazil for Christ in the next five years, embracing the challenge to:
 - a) Seek with intensity the spirit of favor and supplication that results in confession and repentance for the sins of the Body and the society (Zech. 12:10; II Cr 7:14);
 - b) Mobilize our Churches to pursue God in our lives and, consequently, in our nation, through fasting in the spirit of Isaiah 62:6-7, "I have posted watchmen on your walls, . . . ; they will never be silent day or night. You who call on the Lord, give yourselves no rest, and give him no rest till he establishes . . . and makes her the praise of the earth."
 - c) Awaken our Churches to a consistent return to the reading, meditation, memorization, and study of the Word of God and the authentic Biblical values of the Kingdom of God;
 - d) Prioritize the worship of God to occupy first place in our personal lives and in the life of the Church;
 - e) Adopt a Great Commission lifestyle;
 - f) Embody a discipleship program in our Churches based on the priesthood of every believer, with the goal that each disciple become a minister and each house a center of worship (Acts 5:42);
 - g) Inculcate the ethical values and cultural expressions of the Word of God in all segments of Brazilian society, through mass media such as radio and television; and establish Christian principles of education at all levels, until marks of the visitation of God are concrete not only in the Church, but also in the transformation of society.

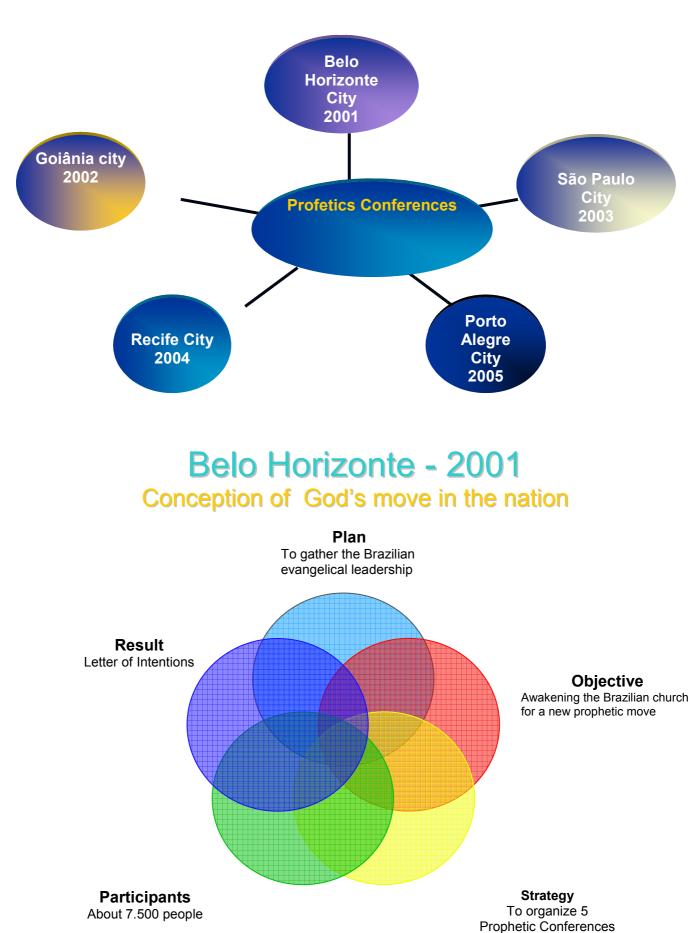
With this intention, we agree to:

- Organize seven annual conferences on a national level, in the different regions of the country, to be hosted in the following cities: Belo Horizonte, Goiânia, São Paulo, Salvador, Manaus, Recife, and Porto Alegre;
- Organize smaller conferences in some cities of Brazil, with the focus directed toward strategies to reach these cities, in order to motivate Church-planting movements, so that all the Brazilian cities have vigorous Churches with a strategic vision for Kingdom building;

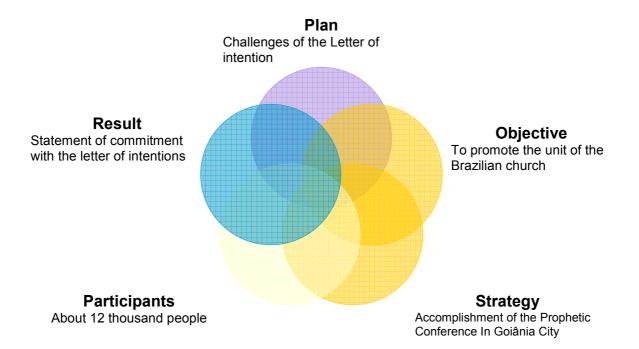
- 3) Mobilize the largest number of evangelical leaders and Churches from all the denominations for the joint project of evangelizing our cities;
- 4) Commit to a systematic plan of fasting and prayer for the cure of the Brazilian economy, so that poverty is eradicated;
- 5) Encourage the partnership of ministries for the moral and cultural change of radio senders and television in order to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the values of the Kingdom of God;
- 6) Awaken evangelical leaders for the establishment of schools and universities based on Christian values.

Understanding that this is only the beginning, we will seek to continue hearing what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Churches of Brazil toward the transformation of this nation—in all its breadth and depth—that it may be said of Brazil: "Yahweh Shammah, THE LORD IS THERE."

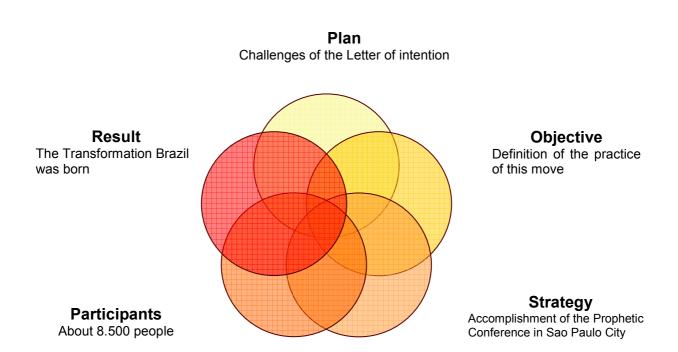
Appendix B GRAFICS OF TRANSFORMATION



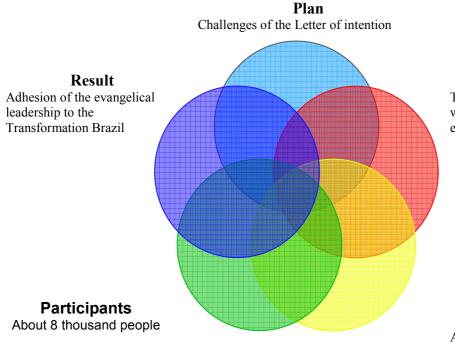
Goiânia - 2002 To GENERATE God's moving on the nation



Sao Paulo - 2003 Spiritual Conception of a new NATION



Recife - 2004 Transformation Brazil evidenced in PRACTICE

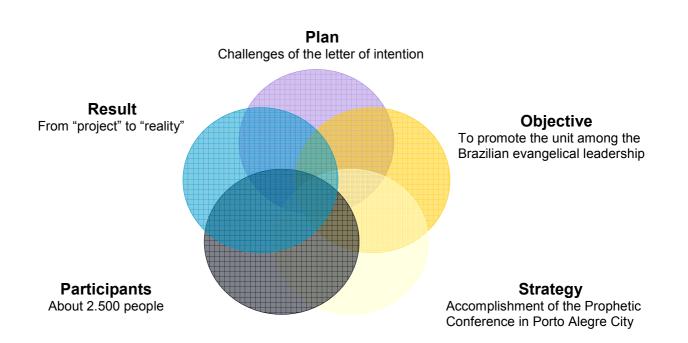


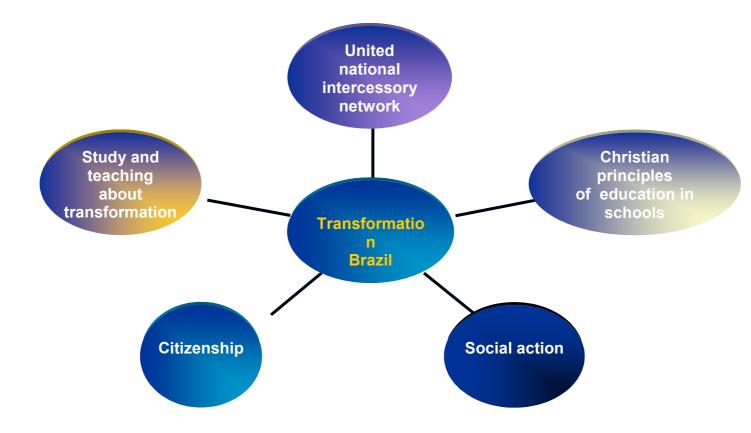
Objective

To publish the Project Transformation, with all its structure, for the evangelical leadership

Strategy Accomplishment of the Prophetic Conference in Recife City

Porto Alegre - 2005 Effort for UNIT





REGISTRATION FORM TRANSFORM WORLD: Brazil 2008 & GLOBAL LEADERS

DATE: 12-15 NOVEMBER **LOCATION:** Igreja Cristã de Alphaville, rua Dr. Dibi Sauaia Neto 1150, Alphaville - 06455-020 Barueri, São Paulo

COSTS: Food and housing will be covered for internationals. Travel to and from Belo Horizonte by participant.

Sphere Selection (Select one only): _____

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Transform Cities
- 3. Transformational Worship
- 4. Healing of the Church
- 5. Market Place
- 6. Governance
- 7. Education
- 8. Art
- 9. Culture
- 10. Social Action
- $11. \ {\rm New} \ {\rm Generation}$

(Please note that items with * are compulsory)

Full Name (as in Passport) * : Nick Name : Address* : City* : Country*: Postal Code* : Fax Number* : Telephone Number* : Mobile phone Number* : Email Address* : Date of Birth* : Gender* : Passport Number* : Expiry Date* : Nationality* : Country represented* : Church Name* : Church Address : Church Telephone Number : Emergency Contact Person :

Emergency Contact Number/Address :

Bio-Sketch: (100 Word)

Example of Bio-sketch: Rafael Navarro (Philippines): Chito, as he is known to friends, serves as Founder and Director of the *Foundation for Transformational Development* (a poverty alleviation program)—an NGO in Mindanao. He has an engineering degree, a doctorate in ministries, and is an ordained pastor and church planter. In the past, he was a director of World Vision Philippines, director of Church Growth with the Philippines Council of Evangelical Churches, and International Training Coordinator of World Evangelical Fellowship, among other positions. Responding to the poverty in Asia, he established the Foundation for Transformational Development that provides low cost housing technology, appropriate technologies for food production and health maintenance and cooperatives.