

A Letter of Invitation

Greetings Beloved servant leader,

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"Civilizations develop and flourish in response to the challenges they face with creative new ideas. When they are rigid, failing to respond to challenges, they decline." (A. Toynbee)

In recognition of your calling and mission of holistic transformation from within the Church to every sphere of society, we would like to inform you of the Transform World Global Challenges Summit, to be held in Bali, Indonesia, from November 6-9, 2012.

A DEFINING MOMENT FOR THE CHURCH:

We observe that we are at a *kairos* moment in world history. As we gaze across the world's horizon, there appear several issues urgently beckoning the Church to respond and engage with. Nations are in uproar, religious kingdoms are shaking, social order is declining, the poor continue to face abject poverty and injustice, marginalized – the orphans are uncared for and unloved. These are some of the many serious challenges facing the Church today and it appears as though Haggai is describing our world, where he records God is shaking anything, everywhere, and everyone. (Haggai 2:6). It is therefore necessary to discern, understand and recognize, what God is doing, understanding that only what He has established will be left standing for His purpose and glory.

THE NEED AND BASIC PROPOSITION:

Transform World 2012 is going to be an urgent cry and plea to the Church to consider the urgent issues of our time, which we have no choice but to respond to as the Church. Transformation is a journey that every generation must respond through faith and prayerful action. Informed cohesive prayerful action with qualified participant global representation leads to a global movement. By design, we trust that each challenge may have a godly God led response leading to a movement following Jesus, the head of the body of Christ. And we are therefore asking God to guide, and you to join us, in discovering His response to the following challenges of our day.

We are asking the Lord to direct the steering committee as we seek to follow through with a view of transformation over the next chapter of Transform World Connections. We have identified seven challenges that we will be seeking to address in the grace and wisdom of God with the inclusion of an intentional 4/14 Window consideration as the future generation.

- 1. Ideological Challenge: Issues surrounding Islamic fundamentalism, the turnaround within the Middle-East along with other global issues.
- 2. Family Challenge: An intentional focus on Christian Marriage and the Family with a call to integrity, purity and witness.
- 3. Orphan Challenge: A focus on the care for the orphans with a view to a world without orphans (WWO)
- 4. **Poverty Challenge**: Reviewing poverty lines globally with a focus on availability of basic needs among the poorest communities in the world.
- 5. Human Rights Challenge: Toward a civil society including casteism and the North Korea Issue.
- 6. Christ's Missional Challenge: Reaching the Last and the Least.
- 7. **Celebration Challenge**: Identifying, connecting, and encouraging 24/7 Houses of Prayer and Praise to God in every nation.

OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT:

Transform World 2012 seeks to

- 1. <u>inform</u> the Body of Christ globally of the urgent challenges in the world today
- 2. <u>empower</u> God's people with deeper understanding of His Word as it relates to His transformational mission in the world today amidst several global challenges
- 3. exalt Jesus as only Lord, God and Savior through Biblical reflection, worship and praise
- 4. <u>encourage and motivate</u> servant leaders in various societal spheres to respond meaningfully to the challenges of our times
- 5. <u>form communities of service</u> of God's people across nations *committed to see transformation by* re-focusing on and re-prioritizing on Histransformational mission within the contextual realities of the day.
- 6. embrace the Transformational Covenant and its application to daily praxis of Christian ministry
- 7. <u>express solidarity</u> through prayerful action by the global community of servant catalysts towards the priorities of our time.

THE EVENT AND PROGRAM DATES

Transform World 2012 is a gathering of servant catalysts, biblical scholars and eager mission activists. It is organized by Transform World Connections networkto facilitate strategic initiatives globally. This by-invitation-only event seeks to convene 400 servant leaders willing to address any one of the seven challenges outlined on page 1.

Participants are expected to arrive at the airport in Bali by noon on Tuesday the 6th of November. Later that evening we will start with a special spiritual/cultural welcome ceremony. We will dedicate ourselves the remainder of the day to seek the holiness of God, putting aside our individual and corporate agendas to seek the face of God and His Kingdom purposes for our time together.

Only as we submit ourselves to God and experience His awesome presence can we become the transformed community thattruly reflectsHis unity and purpose. Over the course of the following days we will seek to understand His purposes for us, the missiological implications of the seven challenges outlined, and the response from each of the seven spheres of society towards these signs of the day. We also will dialogue with God's servants from each continental region of the world, drawing synergy through collective planning, serving each other with united witness. In humility we will pursue God's river of transformation flowing across the nations of the world tobring healing and restoration.

The event will come to a close on Friday the 9th at 9.30 pm. You may use your free time on 10th Nov morning to network with others or opt for a half-day Bali city tour (with additional charges). Participants are therefore advised to leave Bali on 10th Nov evening. Participants may also have to cover their registration fee and shared accommodation / housing during summit period.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS

Transform World 2012 is a by-invitation-only event for servant Christian leaders seeking first the Kingdom of God, who are committed tothe mission and agree with the Transformation Covenant (see www.transformworld.net) and who have a specially demonstrated gift-mix related to one of the focus group areas (see page 1).

Typically, the conference delegate would be under 50 years of age, of character and integrity, a national or regional gate-keeper within his or her country with wide acceptance and recognition, with demonstrable and proven track record of influence beyond their own singular ministry, and with a commitment to facilitate ongoing involvement over the next 7 years. More than a third of all delegates will be female and a minimum

representation of about 2 per country with a larger representation from nations of over a 100 million is sought for. Only about 20% of the Conference delegates will be above 50 years of age. All sessions will be in English only.

You may also prayerfully consider recommending someone within your sphere of influence by encouraging them to fill out the registration form attached and send the same to Ana Herlina at ana@bcs.org.sg (Those receiving this letter cannot invite themselves).

As applications arrive, the Conference Steering Committee will prayerfully screen all applicants giving due consideration to regional, national, gender and age realities. All applications received which are accepted for the conference will be informed from the conference office separately. Once a candidate's application is accepted and informed, candidature is confirmed only on receipt by the conference office of the airline ticket voucher. In other words, accepted candidates who are confirmed by the conference office will need to respond to their acceptance by sending in their confirmed airline details, after which only will the name be finally accepted and fully registered at the conference office.

We trust our time together will serve to provide an environment to be refreshed in God's presence, renewed for His mission and to build relational networks with fellow servants in God's mission of transformation.

Would you join us in celebrating God's reign over the affairs of man and also commit yourself to pray for God's transformational mission to these urgent global challenges?

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen (Eph. 3:20-21).

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