
4/14 Window Best Practices Summit Report

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Introduction:

The 4/14 Window Best Practices Summit offered practical insights to more than 1,100 participants from ninety-one countries over the course of six days from October 10 to 16, 2014. Hosted by Promise Church in New York, the 4/14 Window New York Conference, Pastor Nam Soo Kim and his church left all of us an unforgettable model of servant hood which to was the main take-away as Geovanna León from Ecuador noted. She said, "This really has been a blessing of God. I received affection, care, attention, hospitality. You have reminded me that the kingdom of heaven belongs to the children. You have taught me about the generosity with all that you have."



For one week a large representation of the Body of Christ laid aside their theological differences, embraced each other, seeking the Lord for the best practices in which to raise up a new generation of world changers from the 4/14 Window. Participants completed a 4/14 Window New York Conference evaluation form responding to several questions including the following: What are your ministry plans after the 4/14 Window NY Conference? Ronaldo from Colombia responded: "Share the vision and inspire the Colombian church to embrace this Movement. Share the 'Best Practices' with my team and encourage them to develop best practices with imagination and creativity." A few days after the conference Adnan Azhar, 4/14 Movement facilitator for Pakistan described his plan for Christmas Children Festivals in 15 cities of Pakistan seeking to reach 10,000 to 12,000 children. John Hur, 4/14 Movement facilitator for East Asia, seen in this photo with Jonathon Wilson, 4/14 Window Japan Servant Team meet to discuss the upcoming Japan 4/14 Conference with more than 500 people expected.



A Best Practices Summit

The 4/14 Window Best Practices Summit followed the 4/14 Window Missiology Conference, directed by Dan Brewster, who coined the term 4/14 Window in the early 1990's. Held last year with over 120 Theologians and Youth Ministry Leaders from around the world it created a watershed moment of collaboration and significant traction among global church leaders, missiologists, theologians, and ministry practitioners on the vision and missiological framework of the 4/14 Window global initiative toward "Raising up of a New Generation from the 4/14 Window to Transform the World - the Jesus Way."

We recognized at the Best Practices Summit that, in the 4/14 Movement, we must therefore follow the best practices promoted by our Lord Jesus through what He said and what He did while on his earthly pilgrimage. Therefore, as faithful followers of Jesus, let us join our hearts and hands to reach, rescue, root, release and resemble the children in humility, dependency, and submissiveness for "of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Participants prepared a presentation of best practices which included the following: Identify the Need (State of the Children); Primary Outcome or Objective (What will look differently by 2020), Ministry Plan (the Emerging Process), Ministry Tools I have to Share, and one testimony.

Mary Mumo, 4/14 Window Facilitator for English Speaking Africa shared a best practice on mobilization of regional stakeholders in English speaking Africa for the 4/14 Window Movement. Her stated primary outcome was a spiritual, health, safe and educated 4-14 generation to transform

Africa and beyond . The Ministry Principles included the following: Promote Surveys and research and information sharing and knowledge creation, develop various stakeholders to be part of the meeting, provide high levels of representative from mother bodies of the Church, develop a percentage of the target group 4/14 participating in the proceedings of our 4/14 Window deliberations. In her ministry plan she included the following resource mobilized and initiative marketing – Uganda, Kenya, Zimbabwe and Swaziland, Rwanda, Ethiopia with the results that 200 leaders envisioned on the 4/14 Window for each country by 2020.

A Word of Thanks:

Our thanks for Pastor Pete Richardson who served as the executive of the host committee, Herman Mendoza who carried much of the administrative load, Ricardo Luna of OneHope who facilitated much of the program and so many others from Promise Church who served us all.



There were at least ten thousand meals provided. For each delegate there was a Promise Church member who covered their hotel and food costs by giving \$50.00 per month for nine months. Some members supported more than one participant.

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To God be the glory!

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