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Editorial: Dave Pollock - A TCK calling - Refugees & Migrants

I remember Dave Pollock well. We met several times on different continents, and every time he spoke in events directly to Third Culture Kids (TCKS) and Missionary Kids, he imparted a purpose and a vision to them. Which went something like this:

"God has a plan for your life. It wasn't an accident that you grew up away from your passport country. There are over 40 million refugees on planet earth. There are 214 million international migrants on planet earth.

Who understands them? Who can empathise with them? Who has walked in their shoes? YOU!"

The recent research on "Faith on the Move - The Religious Affiliation of International Migrants" reminded me of this again. <http://www.pewforum.org/Geography/Religious-Migration-exec.aspx>

International Migrants might not be the core purpose of Member Care, but there is a peripheral influence that could be, or even needs to be highlighted.

In the context of the purpose and basis of member care, please also read the paper written by Erik Spruyt, Ph.D. and Renée F.

Schudel on Biblical Member Care. http://www.globalmembercare.org/uploads/tx_wecdiscussion/Biblical_Member_Care_-_final.pdf

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Global Member Care Conference - 350 registrations - request for prayer

We currently have 350 registrations. The hotel is full, and we have to refer new registrations to other hotel accommodation.

Can I encourage you to pray for this event?

- For safety, protection and travels

- For the many presenters, facilitators and organisers who will make this event happen.

- Also, if you could email me any words of wisdom, prophetic words, pictures and scriptures you receive while praying... that would be appreciated.

Looking forward seeing many of you.

Harry Hoffmann office@globalmembercare.org

April 23-27, 2012, Chiangmai Thailand

Schedule:

Download here

http://www.globalmembercare.org/fileadmin/user_upload/schedule.pdf

Workshops:

Download the list of workshops here. There are 4 timeslots for workshops. 2 on Tuesday afternoon and 2 on Thursday afternoon.

[fileadmin/user_upload/schedule.pdf](http://www.globalmembercare.org/fileadmin/user_upload/schedule.pdf)http://www.globalmembercare.org/fileadmin/user_upload/GMCN_workshops.pdf

Theme: Global Voices on Global Challenges

- Status Quo of Member Care
- Spiritual emptiness & Biblical illiteracy
- Crisis & Catastrophes
- Marriage, Family, Singles, MKs
- Sending Church & Agency

Speakers & Presenter

find the full list with pics here: <http://www.globalmembercare.org/2012>

- God (everywhere) Appointment with God
- Stephen Head (NZ) Christ-like character
- Philip Chang (Malaysia) Suffering
- Larrie Gardner (USA) Reconciliation
- Debbie Hawker (UK) From spiritual poverty to Christ-like character
- Bijoy Koshi (India) Growing through crises and trauma
- Marion Knell (UK) Third Culture Kids – preparation and support
- Gilberts (UK) Cross-cultural marriage
- Belinda Ng (Singapore) Healthy MKs, Needs of Asian MKs
- Roni Pruitt (US) Resilient cross-cultural living of single missionaries
- Marina Prinns (S Africa) Equipping the local church to do member care
- Jocelyn Head (NZ) Spiritual direction: awareness, noticing and paying attention to God
- Larry Dinkins (USA, living in Chaingmai) The use of Biblical narrative in counselling
- Kevin Stebbings (UK, based in China) Member care through Coaching
- Claudio Muzzi (Argentina) Needs of Latino Families
- James Sim (Middle East) Serving in restricted contexts: coping with surveillance, arrest, detention and interrogation
- Pramila Rajendran (India) Leader's care
- Storm and Richard Hann (UK) Spiritual retreats
- Lois Dodds (USA) Global Servants: effective cross-cultural work
- Anisa (Zambia) Member care in Africa

- Chantal Tehe (Ivory Coast) Member care in Africa
- Marina Prins (South Africa) The local church: An important partner in member care
- Roger Brown (USA but based in Kenya) Member care in Africa
- Polly Chan-Ho (Hong Kong) Needs of Asian Missionary Kids (MKs)
- John and Janine Barclay (Australia) Third Culture Kid (TCK) well-being - the importance of monitoring and effective preparation for re-entry
- Harry Hoffmann (Germany) Status Quo of MC
- Brent Lindquist (US) Caring from a Distance: Possibilities and pitfalls in an age of internet helping
- Phil Harper (UK) hostage situations and response
- Siny Widmer (Switzerland) Member Care by Media
- Kevin Belcher (UK) developing a global health support service using technology and local partners
- Elecah Mbithi (Kenia) Amani Counselling Cente and Training Institute
- Dot Palmer Fry (Argentina/ UK) Christian Distinctives - Aspiring to Christian and Professional Excellence
- Steve Moore (Latin America) A biblical framework for managing conflict (including in multicultural teams)
- Bob Moffett (UK) Mentoring and leadership development

Visit Member Care Centers:

Wednesday Afternoon will be time to visit:

- THE WELL - Member Care Center Chiangmai
- Cornerstone Counseling Center - Chiangmai
- Grace International School - Chiangmai
- Chiangmai International School (CMIS)
- Asia Educational Resource Center - Chiangmai

Member Care reports from around the world:

In addition to that we will have short Member Care reports with voices from around the world:

- Asian and Pacific region
- Europe
- Middle East
- Africa
- South America
- North Amercia

And superb worship from around the world.

REGISTER NOW:

click the following link and enter the Password in Capital letters:

https://forms.sameventregistration.com/survey.cfm?su_id=199

Password: GMCN

Find more INFO here

<http://www.globalmembercare.org/2012>

For any questions, please contact Harry Hoffmann at office@globalmembercare.org

Endorsement

This is conference is endorsed and recommended by



Q&A (Questions and Answers)

Open Doors is recruiting for a partner organization in the Middle East,

Trauma Counselor/Trainer (fulltime)

To strengthen, equip and support the Christians in Northern Iraq, facing threats, loss of loved ones, kidnapping, rape, torture and on-going high levels of violence. To network with bishops, fathers and other key leaders in the church and foster awareness of trauma issues and the needs of trauma survivors.)

Know anyone interested in Adoption?

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Small World Adoption is a Christian Hague Accredited adoption agency that specializes in helping Americans living overseas bring children into their home through the blessing of adoption. We have worked with families living all over the world and we offer discounts for full-time Christian workers. Visit our expat website at www.expataoptions.com and feel free to contact us with any questions.

GLOBAL MAP

South Africa

Barnabas International, South Africa

Barnabas International (www.barnabas.org)

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We provide pastoral care and counseling for missionaries and foreign aid workers from any organization and denominational background throughout Southern and Central Africa. This includes spiritual care and support, crisis counseling, debriefing, conflict resolution, team trainings, longer-term counseling, respite, and on-field visits.

Asia , Singapore

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Services Offered: Clinical Counselling, Addiction Counselling, Marriage, Family & Child Counselling

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Services Offered: Clinical Christian Counselling

Spiritual Guidance Services : one to one accompaniment as well as group retreats (residential and non-residential) Training Services: In counseling, member care, crisis intervention, dealing with grief, loss / bereavement and depression.

RESOURCES

Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in Emergencies

General information related to most emergencies

The target group for WHO work on mental health and psychosocial support in emergencies is any population exposed to extreme stressors, such as refugees, internally displaced persons, disaster survivors and terrorism-, war- or genocide-exposed populations. The WHO Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse emphasizes that the number of persons exposed to extreme stressors is large and that exposure to extreme stressors is a risk factor for mental health and social problems. The Department's work on mental health in emergencies focuses mostly on resource-poor countries, where most populations exposed to natural disasters and war live.

Resource in * Arabic * Chinese * English * French * Japanese * Nepali * Spanish http://www.who.int/mental_health/emergencies/en/

Newsletter - The Mobile Member Care Team

This Month's Communiqué Focus: Coaching and Mentoring

<http://storage.cloversites.com/mmctmobilemembercareteam/documents/Communiqu%20-%20Coaching%20and%20Mentoring%20February%202012.pdf>

If you support someone who works overseas, what do you talk about when they visit you on home leave?

'Welcome Back: Meeting up with Mission Partners on Home Leave' by Ceri Longville

<http://www.oscar.org.uk/oscaractive/articles/longville2.htm>

finance for living: resourcing global mission

These papers have been written by a panel of experts to help and guide anyone in full time Christian ministry and, specifically, raising their own financial support. <http://www.stewardship.org.uk/resources/finance-for-living>

Africa, South Africa

Newsletter: Member Care Southern Africa - Serving through Caring

<http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=407209516f9457da095ea4268&id=861fb48168&e=673b949319>

USA

Link Care Newsletter March 2012

Markers of Healing for the Returning Christian Leader

1) This monthly "resource tool" is designed to provide encouragement for personnel workers in ministry-related areas. If you would like to be removed from the list (or a friend would like to be added), please let me know... kenroyer@linkcare.org

2) Link Care's Program of Restoration and Personal Growth: If we may come alongside and consult (no cost) or help by providing counseling services, don't hesitate to contact us. You might check the web site, <http://www.linkcare.org/restoration>.

3) Next Year's Conference, "Building Skills for Member Care with Excellence," will be January 7-11, 2013. Save the dates...

4) Focus for this month: Decisions we in personnel face regarding returning the wounded leaders to active service. Hopefully, the suggestions below will help as God's will is sought regarding a return to ministry. http://www.globalmembercare.org/uploads/tx_wecdiscussion/1203_LinkCareTo_our_Colleagues_in_Personnel.htm

Asia - Thailand

THE WELL Member Care event newsletter March 2012

http://www.globalmembercare.org/uploads/tx_wecdiscussion/2012_03_The_Well_Newsletter_-_Member_Care_Events_and_Trainings.html

exploring the biblical basis for member care

Biblical Member Care, By Erik Spruyt, Ph.D. and Renée F. Schudel

http://www.globalmembercare.org/uploads/tx_wecdiscussion/Biblical_Member_Care_-_final.pdf

Africa

Africa Member Care Network March 2012

1. Barnabas International - Joshua and Lydia Rich: White River South Africa
2. Member Care Consultant & Clinical Psychologist: Dr Willie van der Merwe: Namibia
3. Coming Events

<http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=895d43ef69926eab7812e0395&id=736087dca9&e=a3dbaa64df>

GLOBAL MEMBER CARE EVENTS

USA

Michigan Member Care Inservice - April 14

"Maximizing Member Care: Agency, Church, Missionary Partnership" <http://www.elimretreats.org/servant-reg.php>

Europe, Switzerland

ADVANCED SEMINAR IN COUNSELING/THERAPY, Switzerland.

Join us for three weeks of intensive teaching and hands-on training with Dr. Paul Rodriguez at Chatel, Switzerland.

An opportunity to

- Enhance your level of knowledge and proficiency in the tools of counseling and therapy
- Develop your individual gifting and anointing to help others heal and be free
- Learn to effectively train and supervise others
- Connect with the worldwide counseling family

Seminar Description: The seminar will consist of three weeks of intensive teaching and hands-on training. Training will be based on a Christ-centered model that equips us to effectively expose the mental and emotional strongholds erected against the human spirit, and to lead others into the liberty that is in Christ. The seminar will represent a minimum of 80 contact hours, including didactic lectures and demonstrations, skill practice and refinement, group processing and supervision. Evenings and weekends are free to study, relax, or sightsee.

http://www.globalmembercare.org/uploads/tx_wecdiscussion/Advanced_Seminar_in_Counseling.doc

Events Europe and beyond

<http://oscaractive.ning.com/events>

Europe: Turkey, Spain, Germany

F2F courses in 2012

· 18th May to 3rd June – Izmir, Turkey

Course fee (excluding travel to and from the venue): Euro 750 per person

· 19th October to 4th November – Valencia, Spain

Course fee (excluding travel to and from the venue): Euro 750 per person

Please let those interested know that they should contact me for further information and to register. These events are open to anyone who has been involved in some form of full-time Christian work for 2 years or more.

We will also be hosting a German-speaking course:

· 9th – 23rd November – Germany

Course fee (excluding travel to and from the venue): Euro 770 per person

[More information on the German course available from Michelle Krauss (michelle.krauss@om.org).

Further information can also be found at www.face2face.om.org. If you have other questions, please feel free to get in touch.
Kind regards Gill Trainor Course Administrator

ME - Dubai

SYIS Workshop planned for the Dubai area.

Dates: May 4-9, 2012

Location: Sharjah, UAE (About 30 minutes from the Dubai airport.)

Host: Middle East Member Care

Contact address: susanacyprus@worksmail.net

Brochure : http://www.globalmembercare.org/uploads/tx_wecdiscussion/SYIS-Sharjah_brochure2.pdf

Europe - Germany

Reentry-Seminar

vom 14. - 16. Mai 2012

· anhalten & reflektieren des Einsatzes

· ein kauen & verdauen der Erlebnisse

· praktische Werkzeuge zur Re-Integration

Veranstaltungsort: Kloster St. Ottilien, Landsberg am Lech, Bayern

For more info, please contact Jochen Schuppener js@brueckenbauen.com www.brueckenbauen.com

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