

CHIANG MAI MEMBER CARE NETWORK NEWSLETTER MARCH 2011

Next Network Meeting:

Tuesday, March 29th , 1:-00 – 3:00 pm at The Well

Please note the date change. This was originally scheduled for April 5th.

At the December network meeting, Well director Scott Hicks unpacked a model developed by Kelly O'Donnell to help guide us in our member care work within our organizations. Due to the time constraints, there wasn't a lot of time for interaction with the information. So, Scott plans on slowing down the flow of information and allowing more interaction with the material. Therefore, if you were with us for the December meeting and you left with questions, bring them with you to this month's meeting. If you were not able to attend the December meeting, we will briefly review the model and then allow time for the attenders to "flesh out" the model in a practical ways as we look at some of the benefits and difficulties in implementing of Kelly's model. Hope to see you at the April meeting.

UPCOMING MEMBER CARE EVENTS OR TRAININGS

*(If there are other trainings or events coming up that are not listed here,
please contact admin@thewellcm.com so they can be included.)*

March 2011

How to parent grown-up kids when they are on the other side of the globe

Summary: When do they need me, and when do they not?

When: March 10, 7-9 pm

Where: The Well

Facilitator: Ulrika Ernvik

Registration: tae@thewellcm.com

For more information contact: Otto.Ulrika@hem.utfors.se

Suggested donation: 100 Baht

Retreat in Daily Life – for Men

Summary: Are you a man who wants to nurture your relationship with God and become better equipped for the roles you are called to, but can't step out of everyday life for a retreat? This type of retreat enables you to carry on with your regular life while getting the benefits of an intentional focus for 3 weeks on your relationship with God. The theme of the retreat is 'Hearing God'. Come and join with other men who share a desire to listen to God during the ordinary events of daily life. We'll meet as a group at the beginning and end of the 3 week period, and we will be giving you material aimed at helping you explore different ways of praying and listening to God. What each person does each day is totally up to you and God, but we suggest you commit to spend at least half an hour each day on the material. You will also be

assigned a male 'prayer companion' who will meet with you once each week. This person will not tell you what to do, but will actively listen, encourage and help you to pay attention to God at work in your life.

When: Tentative group meeting dates: Thursday, March 10th & Thursday, March 31st, 7 – 9 pm.

Location: To be determined.

Cost: 250 Baht

Facilitator: Peter Christensen

Registration or more information: peter@thewellcm.com or 085 221 5345.

Transitions in Life – German

Summary: The Well is sponsoring an event in **German** about Transitions in Life

When: Wednesday, March 16th 19:00-21:00

Where: Restaurant at Baan Wang Tan

Cost: 200 Baht Per Person.

Information in German contact: Lillian Schiess lillian@lifecoach4change.com

Please pass this along to any German speakers you know who may be interested

Wie gehst du mit Veränderungen im deinem Leben um?

Jede Veränderung prägt und fordert uns heraus. zB: Umzug in ein anderes Land, Karrieren wechsel , Krankheit etc

Am Mittwoch, 16. März von 19.00-21.00 wollen wir Zeit nehmen, uns mit diesem Thema auseinander zu setzten.

Komm und bring jemand mit !

Wir treffen uns im Konferenz Raum , Restaurant, Baan Wang Tan

Kosten: Vorschlag 200 Baht pro Person

Information und Anmelden bei : Lillian Schiess lillian@lifecoach4change.com

Evening for Adoptive Families

Where: Kijkandee Foundation – The Well

When: March 17 – 6:00-7:45 PM

Summary: This month will be a "whole" family time, so bring the kids- and bring some food to share as we eat dinner together. We will have a special speaker, Jane Arnott; Jane will share with us about her recent trips to visit kids who have been adopted internationally from Agape Home.

This is an ongoing group for families who have or are in the process of adopting children.

Donation: 50 Baht -- Bring dinner with you to share.

For Information or to register: David Floge davidf@thewellcm.com

Half-Day Retreat : “The Warp and Weft of Prayer”

Summary: Lent is traditionally a time in the Christian calendar when believers emphasize prayer, repentance, and inner preparation for remembrance of the Passion of Christ, culminating in our Lord's Easter resurrection. In the church today, some are reluctant to talk about sin and repentance, or are prone to consider repentance as a one-time part of the conversion experience. Unfortunately, sin and lack of spiritual discipline continue to pursue us throughout our Christian journey, as much as we try to flee from them. This workshop will be an opportunity to

contemplate on our own lives in light of God's call to strive toward holiness. Participants will then be invited to create a painted or collaged prayer of confession, followed by a painted or collaged prayer of absolution and forgiveness. These two paintings will then be cut into strips and woven together into a single piece of artwork. Materials will be provided. No previous artistic experience is required.

Workshop / retreat leader: Kit Ripley

Where: Seven Fountains www.thesevenfountains.org/content/view/3/6/lang,en

When: Saturday, March 19, 9:30 am – 12 noon

Cost: 100 Baht donation to Seven Fountains

Limit: 12 participants, so please register early

Registration and information: Karen Block karen_block@sil.org or 087-184-5676 or CMCC office adminoffice@cmcccchurch.org

TRANSITIONS WORKSHOP

Summary: This is open to anyone who wants to process a transition you are currently going through, or are anticipating. It will also be relevant for processing transitions from the past that have had a major impact on you. The day will include teaching, interaction, and time for you process your transition in practical ways. You won't be expected to share with others unless you want to. Open to adults as well as older teens.

When: Thursday, March 31st 9am - 2pm.

Where: The Well

Cost: Baht Baht (Bring your own lunch or money to buy lunch).

Info and Registration: Facilitated by Annette Hill, Beverly Richardson and Kerry Christensen. Please contact admin@thewellcm.com to register, or speak to one of the facilitators.

April

Asia Member Care Consultation

Summary: Journey Into Healthy, Sustainable Vocation. Ruth Haley Barton described her own journey in Christian ministry with these words in her book, *Invitation to Solitude and Silence*. "What does one do with such an unwieldy hunger? How does one attend to the heart's desperate longing for God in the midst of so much religious activity? What do you do when all the familiar methods of seeking God come up empty? Where does a Christian leader go to articulate questions that seem dangerous and almost sacrilegious? ... And yet these interior groanings were real and needed attention." As Fellow Member Care Givers, we want to invite you to a safe place to ask and find answers to these questions in your personal "Journey into Healthy and Sustainable Vocation."

Where: Port Dixon, Malaysia

When: April 5 – 8

For Information: Sponsored by Asia Member Care Network. david.modesto@gmail.com

"Stations of the Cross" Easter Retreat

Summary: An Easter vigil ... the stations of the cross Contemplative collage CMCC's Good Friday service at McGillvary Chapel (optional) ... a time to stay with the darkness and sorrow and pain

Workshop / retreat leaders: Karen Block and Kerry Christensen

Where: Seven Fountains www.thesevenfountains.org/content/view/3/6/lang,en

When: Option 1): 24 hours – Good Friday April 22nd 2:30 pm – Saturday, April 23rd 2:30 pm

Option 2): 6 hour retreat 8:30 am – 3:30 pm Saturday

Option 3): Stay a second night – through to Sunday afternoon

Cost: Option 1); 1000 Baht Option 2) 350 Baht Option 3): 1650 Baht

Registration and information: Karen Block karen_block@sil.org or 087-184-5676, Kerryn Christensen kerryn@thewellcn.com or CMCC office adminoffice@cmccchurch.org

May 2011

Network Meeting: May 3, 1 – 3 pm, The Well

Summary: Master Care is care *from* and care *for* God – the “heart” of member care. Our relationship with Christ is fundamental to our well-being and work effectiveness. Member care resources can strengthen our relationship to the Lord and help us to encourage others in the Lord. In this meeting we will discuss some ways of doing this, and also share helpful resources. Please bring your own resources and ideas to share as the session will be interactive.

Time: 1 – 3 pm

Location: The Well

Family Transition Fun

Where: Kijkandee Foundation – The Well

When: Thursday, May 5 – 10:00 AM-2:00 PM, including lunch

Summary: A great time for families with children aged 4-20 to reflect over the impact transitions have had in their lives! This is for families who have gone through or will go through transition – this would be all of us. The whole day is centered on activities that you will do together as a family.

Donation: 500 Baht per family

For Information: Contact Ulrika Ernvik - Otto.Ulrika@hem.utfors.se or David Fløge davidf@thewellcm.com

For Registration: tae@thewellcm.com

July 2011

Refresh!

Summary: Refresh! is an 11-day retreat designed for the renewal, enrichment and refreshment of singles, couples, and families who serve in cross-cultural settings. The retreat will be directed by Dr Lois Dodds, who with her husband, created *Refresh!* and founded Heartstream Resources. A variety of learning experiences and activities are available including spiritual formation, personality type, marriage, parenting, stress management, conflict resolution, establishing healthy boundaries, dealing with transitions, medical consultation and counseling for individuals, couples and families. Special programs are designed for the unique needs of TCKs.

Where: Horizon Village (near Chiang Mai, Thailand)

When: July 3-14

Where: Kuching, Malaysia

When: July 24 – August 4

For Information: Contact Lee Maliska lee.maliska@worldteam.org or heartstreamresources@hotmail.com Download the brochure: http://www.heartstreamresources.org/files/2011_Refresh_Brochure.pdf

October 2011

NCF COUNSELING & MEMBER CARE SEMINAR

When: October 9 – 21

Where: Imperial Chiang Mai Resort Spa and Sports Club, Chiang Mai, Thailand

Summary: This is an intensive counseling seminar designed to increase one's counseling and member care skills. The instructors will emphasize a strong integration of biblical and theological truth with practical psychological insights and counseling techniques. It is particularly designed for leaders, member care providers, and those in cross-cultural settings called to counsel a great variety of people, but who feel that their education has not adequately equipped them to deal with the many problems they encounter in their ministries.

Enrollment is limited to 35 participants, so it is wise to apply early. Singles, married couples who attend together, and those who stay in residence are given priority acceptance.

For Information or to receive an application form: Cindy Hibma

cindyh@cornerstonecounseling.in.th

Mark your Calendar: for the first Global Member Care Network Conference, April 23-27, 2012 in Chiangmai

See The Well website www.thewellcm.com and click on "Events" for additional information on some of these events. Also see www.cornerstonecounseling.in.th for their information.

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