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Destination World Update

The new Destination World oversight team met again early in September to map out the priorities and outcomes for 2010. As was previously announced, there will be a *Destination World* presence at Parachute 2010 as part of the *Global Expo* marquee. A new update report is available for anyone interested in finding out more details. Contact Missions Interlink – info@missions.org.nz - to ensure you are sent a copy of this report: **DW10a Report**.

The invitation is now open for Missions Interlink member organisations to participate in the 2010 Destination World mobilisation initiatives. The price for participation will be \$1200.00 payable in two increments (\$500 in November and \$700 in April '10). The total cost is similar to previous years' DW requirements but this time it will not only provide your organisation with the benefits enjoyed by being involved with DW at Parachute but also benefits of being a participant organisation at the DW conference /experience being planned for **Sept. 1 – 4** in South Auckland!

This *conference* (yet to be named) will be unlike anything seen in NZ before – steeped in prayer and worship it will be highly interactive, highly relational, highly motivating, and highly mission. Designed by and for young adults, it will galvanize attendees of all ages into a greater involvement in God's global cause. Email: info@missions.org.nz for a copy of the **DW10a Report**.

(See next page for more)

Jamie Wood and the *Mobilization Team*

Did I hear someone say
the face of missions is changing?



Kiwi **General Executive Director** Hands Over

Doug Plummer (Baptist Tab) will continue as an international representative of the Chinese mission **Jian Hua Foundation** based in Hong Kong, but is turning the leadership over to Dr Dany Tse. More info at: www.jhf-china.org/cms.

Kingdom Leadership - Mike Pilavachi - 3 October - 9:30am to 3:30pm - St Paul's Church | 25 Symonds Street, Auckland. Mike is the International Director of [Soul Survivor](http://www.soul-survivor.org). Suggested donation: \$25. More info & registration at: <http://www.laidlaw.ac.nz>.

Where Faith meets the World - with Brian McLaren

13 October | 7:30pm - Laidlaw College, 80 Central Park Drive, Henderson, Waitakere. Brian will be speaking on a framework that explores the societal systems we live in: prosperity, equity, and security systems. You can also find out more about this event on the [World Vision](http://www.worldvision.org.nz) website - www.worldvision.org.nz/churchevents.

Micah Sunday – 18 October This year Micah invites you to focus on the *Lord's Prayer*, and to look again at the implications of praying this prayer as rich Christians. Go to our **Micah Sunday** page from www.micahchallenge.org.nz, for resources for church services, youth and children's activities. There are more resources for youth related activities on the [Global Education Centre](http://www.globaleducationcentre.org) website. Go to the [New Zealand Stand Up](http://www.newzealandstandup.org) website for information about activities near you, or to register your planned activity.



YWAM NZ Ship Tour

Starting this October Pacific Link will have a nine port tour of NZ. A major focus will be the "Jump" youth rallies, calling young people to a lifestyle of mission. More info at: <http://www.mrmdts.org>

Aotearoa-New Zealand Association for Mission Studies (ANZAMS)

30-31 October - Laidlaw College - 80 Central Park Drive, Henderson, Waitakere. The [School of Mission and Ministry](http://www.schoolofmissionandministry.org) is hosting a mini-symposium: *From Edinburgh 1910 World Mission Conference to Edinburgh 2010 - Witnessing to Christ Today: Perspectives from Aotearoa/New Zealand*. Cost: Only \$60 at the door. More info at: www.laidlaw.ac.nz.

International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church - 8 November.

A time set apart for us to remember thousands of our Christian brothers and sisters around the world who suffer persecution, simply because they confess Jesus Christ as Lord. — an initiative of the Religious Liberty Commission of the World Evangelical Alliance. More info is available here: www.persecutedchurch.org.

Destination World – January & September 2010

Please let Missions Interlink know now if you plan to become a participating organisation and we'll be sure to keep you informed. The **DW10a Report** provides more information for your decision making assessment along with response deadlines. Email: info@missions.org.nz for a copy of the **DW10a Report**.

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(Above saints apply at own risk. – Editor)

Call2All Next Generation - 19-22 January 2010

Bethlehem College Tauranga. The *Call2All* movement has grown over the last two years to include thousands of different ministries and organizations around the world. (See *How it Started* in this MIB.) Top Christian leaders have met on all continents strategizing together to complete the Great Commission. Register now: www.call2all.org.

7th European Member Care Consultation - 23-27

March 2010. Papa Luna Hotel, Peniscola, Spain. **Who is it For?** Member Care workers, Mission executives and those in leadership positions, Church leaders with mission responsibility, Those in training or starting out in pastoral care, People in Human Resource. See details: www.membercareeurope.com.

Global Connections Eurotck Conference - 28 March –

1 April, 2010. A conference for anyone concerned for the education and welfare of TCKs (third culture kids). In Castellon, Spain. See details online at: <http://www.globalconnections.co.uk/events/networkevents/currentevents/EurotckConf09.htm>.

Reports & Resources

Catch Community Health Evangelism Online

CHE has a new website, <http://www.chenetwork.org>. The website is designed as a place for practitioners to connect, access resources, and build their ministries. More than 250 organizations are now using CHE in 81 countries.

MP3 Player Wins Mission's Award

GRN's "Saber", a hand wind MP3 player designed for oral peoples with limited access to power, won the International Conference on Computing and Missions (ICCM) Technology for Missions (TFM) contest. The GRN "Saber" was demonstrated to have a high impact in reaching the unreached people in the world who are oral communicators [about ¾ of the unreached people]. Quality was demonstrated in its ability to be heard by the conference and that it continued to work after being dropped. The ability for missions to load their own MP3 material onto the player fulfilled the Re-usability criteria. A communication project in India won the Co-operation section. For more information check out <http://globalrecordings.net/topic/saber>

Adopt a Terrorist For Prayer

At <http://www.atfp.org> you can now explore the data base of FBI and U.S. State Department identified terrorists and terrorism sponsors who are both at large and detained. Then you can create a secure log-in and register a commitment to be praying for one or more of them. The site automatically counts and posts the number of people committed to praying for each individual. Please consider registering a prayer commitment and encourage your friends to join you. Also, please consider establishing a prayer site like this for NZ or another country. The Spokesman for the movement is Brother Thomas. His e-mail is spokesman@myatfp.com.

Learn Classical Arabic while You're Studying the Bible

That's the upshot of Tom's project at: <http://www.arabbible.com/> Fascinating concept. It contains, for example, complete grammatical explanations of every single word in the Arabic New Testament. Just click on a word, and you'll find a wealth of information, containing not only a dictionary entry for that word, but also its contextual meaning and full grammatical help as well (something that even the very best dictionary can never provide)!

In addition, you can also see a unique "Back Translation" that helps the user to readily see the structure of the literal Arabic, a powerful Smart-Search Concordance that provides a much more comprehensive and revealing search than a typical word-search function, and a Root Analyzer designed to help you discover, learn and retain entire word families.

Throw in a Verb Conjugator, Audio Recitation (slow the speaker's voice down by 20%), and a Word Frequency Section (focus on learning those words which appear most frequently in the New Testament) and you're off and running. First class stuff.

"Many Christians are oblivious to the most glorious story in world History, the spread of Christianity through the blood and tears and joy of World Missions"

John Piper in "Brothers, We are not Professionals", pg 189, Broadman & Holman publisher, 2002

Free Online Conference Room

If you are looking for a convenient and inexpensive way of increasing collaboration in your organization with members separated by distances, you might find this free online conference room useful. Flash version / cross platform (PC, Mac, Linux), Audio/Visual, Power Point, Browser, Chat, Send Files to Participants, Secure (more secure than most banks require), Worldwide Access, Desktop Sharing (Coming). This operates at low & high speeds and is very user friendly. This free version has a limit of 10 participants. To get this, go to: <http://hotconference1.myinternetools.com/>

God is a missionary God.

The Bible is a missionary book.

The gospel is a missionary message.

The church is a missionary institution.

And when the church ceases to be missionary minded, it has denied its faith and betrayed its trust.

J. Herbert Kane in *The Making of a Missionary*

New website considers int'l Member Care and health care

-- Kelly and Michèle O'Donnell are billing it as "Travelling Together as Learners-Practitioners." This new Member Care site "helps to fill an important gap in the web world. It is especially oriented towards graduate students. But it is relevant for anyone who is interested in member care and international work in the health care fields. The initial materials include: an audio interview with a doctoral student in psychology; historical quotes / perspectives on the integration of mental health and missions; links to four video lectures on member care; and suggestions for a member care library. See this at: <http://www.COREmembercare.blogspot.com>.

Book Review: Mistakes Were Made (but not by me)

-- The subtitle to this 2007 book by Carol Tavris and Elliot Aronson is "Why We Justify Foolish Beliefs, Bad Decisions, and Hurtful Acts." Kelly and Michèle O'Donnell wrote, "This is an amazing book! It is practical, enjoyable, challenging, and full of research and insights. The authors do a great job to un-distort reality!" From the jacket cover: "Why do people dodge responsibility when things fall apart? [two renowned social psychologists] take a compelling look at how the brain is wired for self-justification." For more information go to: <http://www.mistakesweremadebutnotbyme.com/>.

Free Leaflet Explains Digital Evangelism

A new leaflet has been published by Internet Evangelism Day, to explain the potential of digital evangelism. This two-page overview can be downloaded in Word or PDF formats, ready to print and use as a handout. Users have complete freedom to adapt it, or republish it (either extracts or in full) in print, web or email publications. The PDF version is also an ideal addition to any website, providing a one-click introduction to web outreach. Webmasters can link directly to it, or add the file to their own server: Word version: <http://www.InternetEvangelismDay.com/handout>, PDF: <http://www.InternetEvangelismDay.com/pdfhandout>



Zero – Part 3

The Call to All

working together
to fulfill the Great Commission



It all began at “Amsterdam 2000” the Billy Graham conference in August of that year. Eight thousand evangelists were in the main venue, but a smaller group of us were working behind the scenes on key questions related to finishing the Great Commission...

[Zero – Parts 1 & 2 were in the last MI Bulletin. Here is Zero – Part 3]

How Close is the End?

Jesus gave us a number of major “signs” to look for in regard to His second coming. One was the statement that was recorded in Matthew: *And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations and then the end will come.* Matthew 24:14 NIV

The Greek word used for nations in this scripture is “ethnos” which means tribe, race or people groups.

One of the primary goals of the Call2all movement is to help Christian leaders around the world understand and reach the final people groups. The idea of reaching people groups is a fairly new approach to missions that has really emerged over the last generation.

There are ethnic groups that have been separated from the message of Jesus for 2,000 years. They have had no Christian witness, no churches, the bible hasn’t been in their language, and there is not even a known Christian! These have been named “Unengaged, Unreached, People Groups” or simply UUPGs.



Christianity has expanded rapidly around the world, especially over the last 50 years. But it does not easily “jump” across cultural boundaries between peoples. Often there are walls of prejudice, or simply cultural barriers like language.

Many in the world have heard the gospel multiple times, but those in these people groups have not had access of any kind.

To reach them we have to be very intentional.

An initiative called “Finishing The Task” was formed several years ago under the leadership of Paul Eshleman who for years lead the very successful **“Jesus film project”**. The “task” is of course reaching the UUPGs. Equipped with the latest and best information from various missions groups and denominations, Paul began rallying people to engage 639 UUPGs over 100,000 in size. These groups represent almost 600 million people.

These people became a primary focus in the Call2all movement after it was birthed in 2007.

The original progress in engaging these groups went slow, with very few commitments. Reports were hard to come by and most

of the volunteers came from the West who have the hardest time relating to the UUPG cultures. *This has changed dramatically over the last few months.* The focused effort on UUPGs is beginning to pay off. Denominations, missions agencies, and Christian business leaders are rapidly engaging these groups all around the world!

The Call2All congresses that have been held in 4 different continents have helped accelerate this process.

Here is some information from the report that Paul just gave us:

1. 337 of the 639 UUPGs have now been engaged. Meaning there are full time workers and church planting ministry is happening.
2. There are 1,267 workers that are confirmed operating among the UUPGs.
3. There are 80,917 believers now reported among these UUPGs.
4. There are 39,242 baptisms reported.
5. There are 6,350 new church plants.

Much of this progress has happened just in the last few months! This progress is historic...

All of this information came from a report compiled before the Hong Kong Call2All congress. In Hong Kong commitments were made on a whole new level.

Three thousand Christian leaders representing 889 different organizations from more than 100 countries committed to reach the final unengaged people groups. The hundreds of commitments are still being analyzed, but it is clear that there are multiple commitments to every known people group over 100,000 in size.

The Christian leaders assembled in Hong Kong committed their organizations to more than 194,000 specific engagements of UUPGs by 2020.

It is truly a new day in Christian missions...

This is all happening within our lifetime. No one knows exactly when Christ will return, that decision belongs with our heavenly Father, but we can understand the times. There is no doubt that Matthew 24:14 is within reach of being fulfilled. What an extraordinary time to be alive! Excited in Jesus!

Mark Anderson - President
GPN (Global Pastors Network) aka: Call2All

Please note: Part 1 and 2 of this story are at www.call2all.org as well as in last month’s MI Bulletin.

Call2All Next Generation - 19-22 January 2010 - Tauranga

MI Council – Working 4U

The MI Council met on 18 August at the Mission Centre in Balmoral, Auckland. After lunch and fellowship Chairman **Wayne Freeman** shared a devotional from Psalm 24 and encouraged us to look for ways we can work together to advance God's kingdom.

Steve Maina, the new CMS director, was introduced, welcomed to the Council, and prayed for. There was also prayer for Council-woman **Helen Lewthwaite** (of Christchurch, not present) whose husband was recently diagnosed with cancer.

Follow up of the May Council Retreat – We talked about the need to function more nationally and the expressed desire of the mission groups in both **Tauranga** and **Christchurch** to be more connected with Missions Interlink. About a half a dozen Council members volunteered to meet with the Tauranga group this September in Tauranga. The mission prayer / fellowship gathering on the **North Shore** is also growing.

The **Destination World** / Mobilization paper from Jamie Wood and team was discussed, including the projected plan for Parachute 2010, which will have a *travel agency* theme.

The **Council election** process review was discussed. The committee will be expanded and include a subscription review to seek ways to make the system more equitable for the various groups.

The need to generate more **income** for MI was discussed and several options were suggested.

New MI Members

NOT New to Missions

Children's Bible Ministries International (NZ) – Mt Eden

Eastwest College of Intercultural Studies – Gordonton
(WEC missionary training college)

Global Mission (Presbyterian NZ) – Otahuhu - Stuart Simpson

Lifeway College – Snells Beach – Craig Hansen

Paul Garratt – MfM / Musicians for Missions – Tauranga
(Holy Trinity Anglican Church)

The New Zealand Bible Society – Wellington - Mark Brown

Youth With A Mission (YWAM) Campaigns - Tauranga

David gave a brief report of the **Call2All** conference in Hong Kong and the upcoming **Call2All Next Generation** conference in Tauranga, 19-22 January 2010.

There was a review of the MI Director which concluded with a decision to affirm the Halls in their leadership with MI.

Help Shape the Future of Missions

Members of MI will be receiving a letter of invitation soon to nominate other MI members to serve on the **MI Council**. Council membership primarily consists of [the designated representative of] **mission organizations**, but it includes some from the other categories as well. The actual voting for the Council membership takes place at the MI AGM which will be on **17 November** this year – St Margaret's Anglican Church, Hillsborough.

Each member organization (or individual) receives one vote. If you receive this MI Bulletin but are not a member of MI, you *could* join and receive the benefits. It takes about 1 or 2 minutes to sign up online (and then it goes through a simple process for approval).

Go to www.missions.org.nz

Click on **About Us**

Then click on **Get Connected**.

Note:

There is a nominal fee for membership, based on category (individual, corporate, or church) and number of full time workers.

Missions Interlink Council

Johannes Balzer - **Interserve**
Ted Crawford (former chair)
Ian Dally or Gordon Stewart – **Laidlaw College**
Mark Fox - **MAF**
Wayne Freeman (Chair) - **Wycliffe**
Chris Grantham – **MECO**
David B Hall – **Missions Interlink (NZ)**
Christine Harding - **OMF**
Helen Lewthwaite – **Spreydon Baptist**
Steve Maina - **NZ CMS**
Suzanne – MARN
Peter Mihaere - Tranzsend
Max Palmer – Life Resources
Matthew Perry - **WEC**
Stephen Tollestrup – **TEAR fund**
Nigel Webb - **SIM**
Neville Wilson (formerly with Habitat for Humanity)
Jamie Wood (Vice Chair) – **Pioneers**

Mission Prayer / Fellowship Gatherings

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If you know of other regular **Missions Prayer / Fellowship Gatherings** around NZ, please let us know - info@missions.org.nz - so we can encourage others to participate as well.

Missionary Enrichment Retreat

2009

Last Call

Sign Up NOW - before it's too late!

OCTOBER: 27th Oct - 1st Nov 2009

Location: Lake Taupo Christian Camp

Cost: \$350 per person

Whatever your role, wherever in the world
you have been serving, mission service is unique
in the stress and blessings it brings.

The complete MER double-sided brochure is available from MI,
various mission agencies and the Feb. 09 MI Bulletin Supplement.

Please help get the word out on this.

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Member Activities Include

**Sending & Supporting Kiwis
Missions from, in & to Aotearoa NZ
Advocacy, Aid & Fundraising
Training & Equipping
Mobilising & Resourcing
Member Care**

The World Evangelical Alliance
(WEA - of which MI is a part) is made up of 128
national alliances located in 7 regions. The vision of
WEA is to extend the Kingdom of God by making
disciples of all nations and by Christ-centered
transformation within society.
WEA exists to foster Christian unity, to provide an
identity, voice and platform for more than
400 million Christians worldwide.

The **Mission Commission of WEA** is a global network
of over 200 mission leaders from around the world.

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