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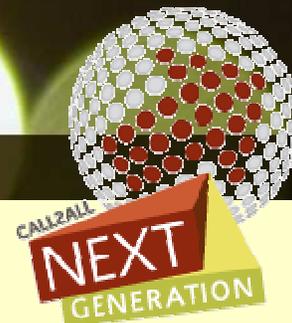
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LAST CALL

Over 2000 Confirmed Coming



Call2All - Next Generation

January 19 to 22, 2010

www.call2all.org

Tauranga, New Zealand Congress

Bethlehem College - 24 Elder Lane, Bethlehem 3110, Bay Of Plenty

Registration and Opening session Tuesday, January 19th and will conclude Friday, January 22 evening.

Note: Evening sessions are open to the Christian public at no charge.

Haiti

World Evangelical Alliance urges Christians to pray and give after Haiti earthquake

As Haiti continues to reel from the largest earthquake to hit the Caribbean in 200 years, the World Evangelical Alliance is urging Christians to pray for survivors and give generously to WEA members engaged in the massive relief and rescue effort.

International Director of the WEA, Dr Geoff Tunnicliffe, said: "Our hearts go out to the people of Haiti as they face the impact of this huge disaster. We are calling upon our entire WEA family to pray for the people of Haiti as they come to grips with the magnitude of this situation. We know there has been a huge loss of life as well as property."

Tens of thousands of people are feared dead, after the 7.0 magnitude quake toppled buildings across the capital of Port-au-Prince at around 5pm local time on Tuesday.

Among the buildings destroyed by the quake were the presidential palace and the five-storey headquarters of the UN mission in Haiti. The UN said as many as 100 personnel were in the building when it collapsed, and that they have yet to be accounted for.

WEA member Tearfund is among the many aid agencies responding to the crisis. It said many people remained trapped under the rubble, while the widespread damage to infrastructure was hampering efforts to bring aid to survivors.

Dr Tunnicliffe continued: "Please pray for the Christians and local churches as they will be on the forefront of responding to the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of hundreds of thousands of people. We would also ask that you would give generously and support the WEA members who are actively involved in responding to the crisis."

Bishop Gerald A. Seale, General Secretary of the Evangelical Association of the Caribbean, said the earthquake has had a devastating impact on the progress made in recent years to develop Haiti, the poorest nation in the Western hemisphere.

"The social and material gains made in the past two to three years have been totally wiped out by this earthquake," he said. "As Christian NGOs gear up for a major response in the next few days we need to give sacrificially and pray – pray for the injured and for those who have lost loved ones in this tragedy. Pray for all in Haiti dealing with shock and loss. Pray for the responders as they work in trying circumstances to help those most in need. Pray for the Government of Haiti as they seek to respond in conditions that are unprecedented for them. Pray for the pastors and leaders as they minister in these extreme conditions."

He concluded by quoting the words of Jesus in Luke 18.27, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

World Evangelical Alliance (WEA): World Evangelical Alliance is made up of 128 national evangelical alliances located in 7 regions and 104 associate member organizations. 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 the 420 million evangelical Christians worldwide.



In November 2006 **Tearfund** launched Micah Challenge Haiti, together with a large representation of all protestant ministers in Haiti. A committee of 13 evangelical and protestant organizations is responsible for Micah Challenge Haiti.

Organizations:

- Council of Evangelical Churches of Haiti (CEEH)
- Protestant Federation of Haiti (FPH)
- Tearfund Haiti
- World Relief Haiti
- World Hope Haiti
- Compassion International
- World Vision International
- Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC)
- Christian Center for Integrated Development (SKDE)
- Fondation Entraide et Developpement Economique (FONEDE)
- Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)
- Baptist Haiti Mission (BHM)
- Federation of Protestant Schools (FEPH)

Micah Network LA and Micah Challenge LA are urgently appealing to the Christian Church for help, with 2 actions:

- 1. Sunday 17: Praying for Haiti in every local Church.**
- 2. Let's support with donations to help meet the desperate needs of those on the front lines of this tragic disaster.**

More Info on Haiti

[Ten Sources for Information on Haiti](#)

TEAR Fund [Christian Action](#)

[How Are You Responding to the Disaster in Haiti?](#)

[US watchdogs warn of Haiti relief scams](#)

[Haiti Earthquake: the aftermath \(photos & video\)](#)

[World Vision Launches Public Appeal For Haiti](#)



The Destination World crew are now flat out preparing for the Parachute Music Festival's DW experience. Because we're also promoting the Sept. 1-4, 2010 DW conference (DW -THE CALL) at Parachute it's necessitated us to pull together promotional material for that too. Throw in some website changes, a key leader having to pull out due to a family illness, and we've had some fun times dragging things together, but we're getting there!

DW: Parachute 2010

2010 Collaboration Partners AIM NZ :: Eastwest College :: Interserve :: MECO :: Missions Interlink :: NZCMS :: OMF :: Pioneers :: SIM :: WEC International :: World Outreach :: Wycliffe Bible Translators, are the organizations who have committed to supporting DW at both Parachute and THE CALL. Emmy Henderson (WEC) continues to do an outstanding job organising our Parachute presentation – a smaller one than previous years but no less dynamic thanks to the imagination of Kevin Chan (World Outreach). Unfortunately Kevin has had to pull out of the team for family health reasons but he has managed to get the layout, backdrops, props, and multi-media prepared for us. Thank you Kevin! Emmy is managing the volunteers, registration information and complex on-site logistics for us as well as the give-away material. Jamie Wood & Su Hsia Chow (both Pioneers) have created the promotional material for DW - THE CALL in consultation with the wider coordinating team. We expect to be giving away between 1,500 and 3,000 bags.

Objectives/Outcomes

To keep the vision clear, here's a reminder of the desired outcomes of DW's generic presence at Parachute:

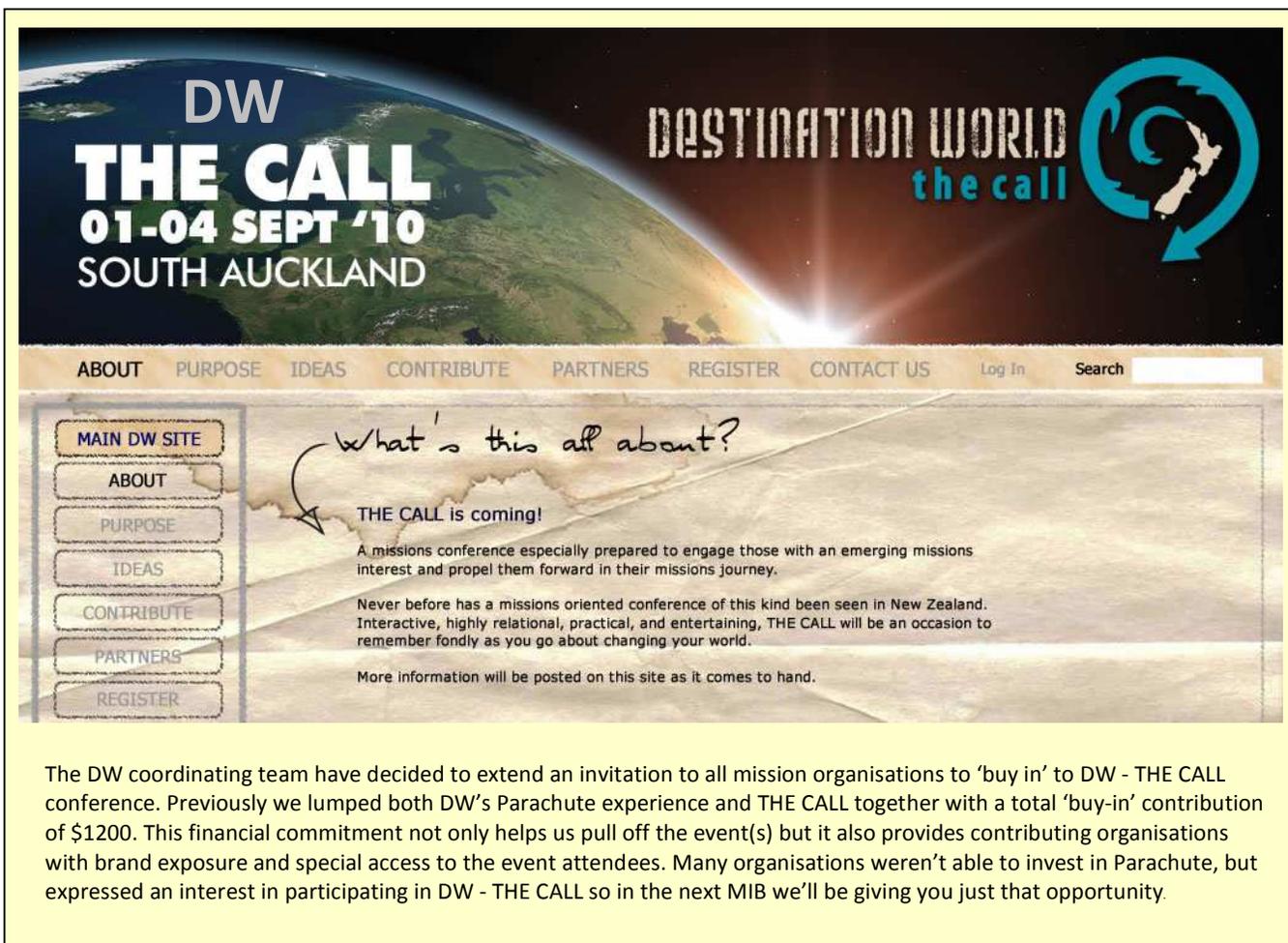
1. To provide visitors with an interactive entertaining mission education space. A place where people are made aware of a world in need of a holistic gospel, Christ as the only way for all nations to come to the Father, and all Christians' responsibility to be involved in 'discipling' the nations as God leads them;
2. Encourage visitors in their developing missions vision;
3. Enter their contact details into a computer database so we can inform them of future DW events and link them in with a DW mission advocate group near them; and (for Parachute 2010)
4. Promote the upcoming September '10 Conference with a promo gift bag and leaflet – available only to those who provide their contact information for the database.

2010 Theme

The DW theme at Parachute '10 is to highlight the needs of the world in the 21st Century by time travelling back from a Utopian 2250! The visitors to the experience will be greeted by a stunning SciFi video that Kevin commissioned playing on a large screen at the front of the display. This video will set the scene for the visitors, informing them of who they are (future humans) and that they're about to enter a museum that will take them back to a time when the earth was in crisis. After going through the three sections of the 21st Century Museum (profiling preventable disease, persecution/refugees, and poverty) the visitors will be presented with a Christ centred challenge and asked to decide whether or not they want to go back in time to help the 21st Century world. Those who do will be ushered into a 'time machine' that will bring them out into the debrief area. Those who don't will walk out into the rest of the Global Expo marquee. In the debrief area we'll have mission personnel available to talk with those who want to engage with the world. We'll be discussing what they know of mission and what they might be feeling called to become involved with. For those who appear really interested we'll take down their details as per previous DW's, invite them to register for DW - THE CALL conference and present them with the promotional bag.

Destination World Ethos

In keeping with the Destination World ethos we are aiming for a generic presentation of mission at the debrief point. The accepted protocol is thus, "The aim of DW is to share about the pathways, challenges and opportunities in mission in general terms. Example stories may be shared from the debriefer's experience but DW is not a specific recruitment opportunity. However, if a person is keen to find out about specific opportunities in a particular part of the world a debriefer is free to advise the visitor of opportunities they know of or direct the visitor to more relevant "off duty" mission reps – one from each participating organisation that the debriefer thinks may have opportunities to suit. A list of main participating organisation reps on site with contact mobile phone numbers will be readily available if people want to discuss a specific organisation's opportunities."



The DW coordinating team have decided to extend an invitation to all mission organisations to 'buy in' to DW - THE CALL conference. Previously we lumped both DW's Parachute experience and THE CALL together with a total 'buy-in' contribution of \$1200. This financial commitment not only helps us pull off the event(s) but it also provides contributing organisations with brand exposure and special access to the event attendees. Many organisations weren't able to invest in Parachute, but expressed an interest in participating in DW - THE CALL so in the next MIB we'll be giving you just that opportunity.

Some of the significant inter-church forums coming up:

1. **Culture of Honour** – 15 & 16 Feb., and **The Hem of His Garment** – 17 – 19 Feb. Both sponsored by Liberty Christian Church. More info at www.liberty.net.nz or Tel. 09 820 0168.
2. **Movements that change the World** – (see last page)
3. **Kingdom Economics** (Wellington) **Fri 19 Feb** (1.30-7.30pm) **Sat 8.30am-1.00pm**, jointly run by New Zealand Christian Network – [visionnetwork](http://visionnetwork.org.nz) and **Andrew Bradstock** (Otago University Centre for Theology and Public Issues). For denominational public issues representatives and specialists. A notice was sent out in December. Contact Andrew andrew.bradstock@otago.ac.nz (03) 479 8450 (021) 0224 7414 or Glyn – glyn@vision.org.nz (09) 525 0948 (022) 1 VISION. (NB – we are both away from our offices until 28 January).
4. **Church Health/Growth** (Auckland) **Wed 17 March** (full-day), jointly with with Nigel Hanscamp (Methodist Church) and Lindsay Jones (Baptist Union). An interactive full-day forum for church health/growth consultants. Main speakers are Murray Robertson and John Daniel. Murray was the Senior Pastor at Spreydon Baptist Church, and now runs the Leadership Network developing leadership capacity. John is the National Mission Enabler for the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand.
5. **Religion in the Workplace** (Auckland) **Sat 10 April**, jointly with Martien Kelderman (National Director of the Fountain Institute). For business people and those involved in church public issues. The 2009-10 draft report from Human Rights Commission says they plan to launch a guidelines document in August 2010. This is an opportunity for Christians to reflect on the issues and be prepared for August.
6. **Climate Change** (Auckland) **18, 19 June** or **16, 17 July**, jointly with A Rocha Aotearoa New Zealand. An opportunity to clear the air on this controversial issue. Expert Christian and scientific opinion will be presented.
7. **6th Vision Christian Leaders Congress** (Wellington) **21-24 Feb, 2011**. (NB – that is next year **2011**). The 3-yearly opportunity for leaders to spend some time worshipping God together and reflecting on the most significant issues facing the church and the nation.

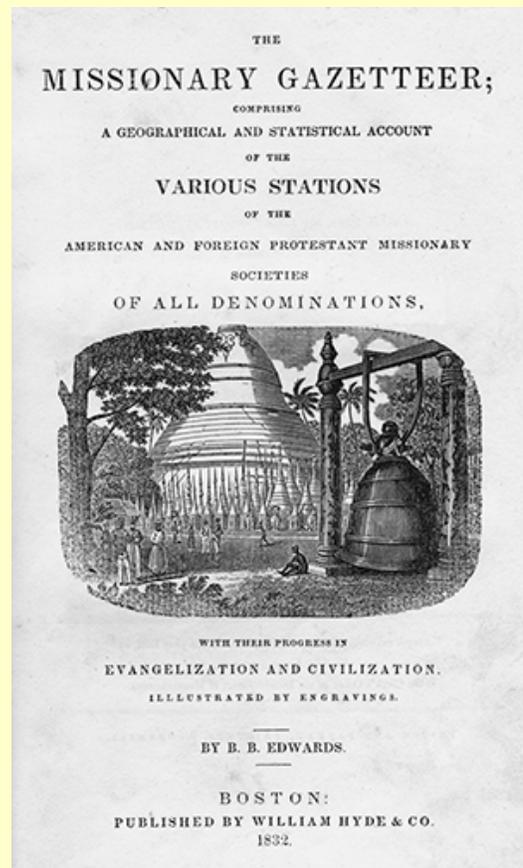
More News & Resources

Water Filters

In our last mission trip we brought 2 large boxes of sponsored water filters from the organisation IBOTA to the victims of the earthquake in Sumatra, Indonesia. Most of our team members also carry the very handy and small ceramic waterfilters in their personal gear! You can also get these filters for your team or projects from this organisation. They are very keen to work with and assist mission teams and individuals in their efforts to reach out to the needy in providing them with solutions for clean drinking water. IBOTA has a sponsor program in place that offers free waterfilters for victims in disaster areas but you can also get your own personal waterfilter at reduced missionary rates from them. They offer a range of filters from light portable ones, bigger ones for families and filters that can be attached to your tap etc. If you are interested check it out on their website www.ibota.org or email them at info@ibota.org.

Asia Evangelical Alliance - December 2009 Newsletter - [see article](#)

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Your Council Working for You

Here's a summary of the last MI Council Meeting.

After fellowship, prayer and a devotional the following reports were presented and discussed: director's, chairman's, and treasurer. This was followed by a report from Jamie Wood representing the Mobilisation Team. (See info on *Destination World* and *DW – The Call* in this MIB.)

Then the focus was on some of the items that would be on the agenda for the AGM (reported in the last MIB). We decided to work on having one of our 2010 Council meetings in Christchurch next year. Our annual all day retreat is now scheduled for 4 May at the WEC facilities in Gordonton. We talked about opening this up to other interested mission leaders, not just those on the Council. We talked about the possibilities of expanding our current *Bulk Purchasing Program* through partnering with CSC (which already includes most of the Christian camping community and other Christian organizations). More will be shared about this in future MI Bulletins.

After the AGM and lunch the Council re-convened to discuss the *Executive Committee / Advisory Team* and Wayne's sabbatical for a portion of 2010. The following were chosen to serve for the next year as follows: MI Chair, Wayne Freeman; Vice-Chair and Treasurer, Max Palmer; Secretary, Jamie Wood. The Advisory Team will consist of these officers, plus Johannes Balzer and others the director may pull in as ad hoc resource.

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Movements that change the world

Presented by **Steve Addison**
Australian director of Church Resource Ministries

10:00am – 4:00pm

- 25 Feb. **Auckland**, Life Church, 60 Rockfield Rd. Penrose
- 26 Feb. **Hamilton**, Gateway Church – 950 Victoria St.
- 2 Mar. **Tauranga**, Life Church, 934 Cameron Rd
- 3 Mar. **Palmerston North**, Life Church, 590 Featherston St.
- 4 Mar. **Christchurch**, Riccarton Baptist, Cnr Rattray & Peveral Sts.

More info: www.lr.org.nz - 0800 895 172

Do you have a notice for the NZ Mission Community?
Or Prayer Fuel for the MI Prayer Links?

Contact MI: info@missions.org.nz

Mission Prayer / Fellowship Gatherings

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Leadership Team: Wayne Freeman, Max Palmer,
Jamie Wood, Johannes Balzer, and others

Our Vision

We see New Zealanders contributing with passion, effectiveness, and in ever increasing numbers, to the fulfillment of God's plan for people of all cultures to be part of His redeemed family.

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