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TRANSFORM 2020 EVENT HELD IN CHINA

On March 23-24, 2015 a major conference addressing the main interests of Transform 2020 was held in China. At these meetings Rev. Daniel Kim explained transformation in general and specifically the seven spheres, seven challenges, and the ten geographical regions. John Hur spoke on the seven cultural spheres and how to have a positive impact on society. Other speakers addressed issues such as the promotion of justice in China, education and parenting, marriage, student and campus ministries, and business as ministry.

One participant summarized the conference thusly: "What a fabulous gathering! From my experience of attending this gathering, I believe what was most impressive on a wider scale was the caliber of people who attended, and the amazing things they are doing! For example, the first person I met there was the gentleman who had conducted Handel's Messiah at the Forbidden City! Then later that day I met the woman who had started the school where my closest Chinese friend sent her son! Also, the group seemed to be a mature one, and I would say the majority of those attending were between the ages of late 40's to early 70's. I was extremely impressed with the excellent organization of this gathering, and also very impressed with the representation of numerous Christian leaders in various fields. Attendance first day was 100. Attendance for 'Christ's Missional Challenge - Back to Jerusalem Movement' on evening of the second day was 500."

FOUR CHALLENGES FOR THE TW 2020 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2015 IN SEOUL

Our 2015 challenge number one: we must recognize the crisis in the culture with the disintegration at the core due to a failure to adequately respond to the important moral and cultural challenges of our day. Consider the USA as an example. Even the New York Times has recognized the cultural challenges facing the USA today and the need for transformation as they highlight the book, The Twilight of American Culture by Morris Berman, who begins with the chapter titled: COLLAPSE, OR TRANSFORMATION? Berman presents our challenge number one of crisis in the culture in

the first statement in his book. He writes: "Before we can talk about the long road to cultural healing, we must begin by understanding the illness." For any country to maintain its health and advance it must respond positively to the challenges which it faces.

Our 2015 challenge number two: a response factor that creates the dynamic for spiritual- social transformation: Our recognition that we are living in a <u>catalytic/kairos</u> moment of challenge and opportunity which becomes for us a divine <u>appointment</u>—a moment of destiny to be seized with decisiveness.

Our 2015 challenge number three; a response factor that creates the dynamic for spiritual-social transformation. Change is called for by <u>a catalyst with the clear</u> <u>prophetic voice of a moral leader</u>.

Our 2015 challenge number four: a response factor that creates the dynamic for spiritual-social transformation in our nations is the emergence of a <u>Committed Minority</u> represented by a core group of people who trust and respect one another and apply their creativity, spiritual gifts and resources to the transformation of their nation.

In conclusion, our goal is that by 2020 we will see the emergence of a <u>Convinced Majority</u> which engages in spiritual-social transformation. I believe intercessors will have a vital role to play in this process. This is our time. This is our opportunity. Let's make a difference.

YOUR PARTICIPATION

If you are interested in participating in the discussions at the Global Summit from October 12-16 in Seoul, contact Ana Herlina, registrar at <u>ana@bcs.org.sg</u>.

Please note that registration is closed on September 12, 2015.

For those of you already registered remember to forward your registration payment.