

Transform World 2020 Global Leadership Summit V Report

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The Great Commission, “Go and make disciples of all nations,” Matthew 28:19 was the central theme of the Transform World Global Leadership Summit V in Bangkok, Thailand, October 24-27th, 2016—servant catalysts and facilitators of Transform World 2020 came from 44 countries committed to revitalizing the Church to renew the culture.



Through changes of venues, governmental dynamics of the Thai king, Bhumibol Adulyadej, passing just prior to the gathering, and through various other obstacles, a determination and intentionality mobilized the convening to order. Each of the delegates from 44 countries carried a piece of God’s transformational purpose. Thus, God showed up.



Convening started with powerful worship and were filled with updates from seven challenges and spheres of cultural impact. Every session was carefully intermingled with worship and prayer before and after the presentation. The subsequent breakout sessions carried the information into deeper inquiry and investigation for greater Kingdom impact going forward.

Meals were spent with new and old relationships building camaraderie, sharing stories, testimonies, and sharing ideas for further collaboration. Though the reports and stories from the field were riveting, it was clear that things are moving towards greater intentionality. A desire and need for stronger working relationships and collaboration going forward was clear. Ongoing communication and intentional relationships carry the key for the continued progress and advance.

As the world continues its course towards trials, tribulations, God is raising up an army, each carrying a unique piece of the puzzle for His true peace to reign on earth. May the revelation, relationships and reality of Christ continue to feed you, your ministry, and vision going forward with purpose and intentionality. May our prayers and relationship with God and one another continue to commend us forward as the great commandments fulfill the Great Commission.” - Sue Rowe, Facilitator of the TW 2020 Celebration Challenge. At the opening session, Dr. Wirachai, the Chairman of Evangelical Fellowship of Thailand and other leaders reported on Thai Vision 2020 aiming prayerfully for God’s people to engage in transformative evangelism in Thailand with the result that, by 2020, one million people will be Protestant Christian which would represent around 1.5 % of the total population of 67 million people.



Coordinator; John Hur, Global Coordinator, Transform World 2020.

The hosts joyfully and efficiently served all the participants at the Summit. Standing: Djohan Handojo, Chairman, Transform World Connections; from left to right: Harun Lie, General Secretary; Ana Herlina, Secretary and Registrar; Soewandi Tandiawan, Hosting Committee

“God’s presence was felt in the summit in BKK. There was a great sense of excitement and we want to continue to be His faithful servants.” - Daniel Kim, Executive Chairman, Transform World 2020



“We thank God for His grace for the successful organization of the Bangkok Summit. The leadership has done excellently in this; especially the sacrifices and dedication involved in relocating the Summit venue.



The encouraging reports of all the tracks. Much has taken place over the years since the Bali Summit in 2012. The stage of development evidenced in which a lot of concrete things were happening in the TW 2020 movement as a whole.” - Matthew Ling, Facilitator of Family Challenge

“It was great conversation with the Gen-Y. There was a sense of readiness, clear direction that they want to get in.” - Lisa Pak, Facilitator of Gen-Y

“The conference program was very well organized with short sessions, a variety of subjects, no long lectures and very interactive material. Many from the South Asia delegation were blessed to hear about the nature and response to the 7 challenges and 7 spheres and how to connect with those.

Methodological discovery of what gives “life” to a living system when it is most alive, most effective, and most constructively capable

- ➔ **Appreciative Inquiry**
 - Encourage: sharing God’s stories in education
 - Connect: the resources and needs within a group
- ➔ **Open Space Technology**
 - Create own agendas based on personal needs and experiences
 - Help participants take ownership during the breakout session

The significant presence of developing world leaders was very noticeable. I think this was my first international conference where Native English Speakers did not dominate it. The 10/40 window was very well represented. There was equal emphasis given to both Proclamation and Demonstration sides of the gospel. So, there was good encouragement on God's word, preaching, along with holistic areas of missions. Good communication with strong accountability from facilitators also made this conference a success. Though an international conference, there was significant emphasis on local action. Everyone felt they were going home with some plan in their minds.” - Moses Parmar, South Asia.



Christ's Missional Challenge by facilitator Paul Eshleman, facilitator was very exciting. As stories were told tears flowed at the Summit. Excitement when the reality came through of the major advance of the Great Commission in our time with increasing engagement of unreached peoples.



Kampu Thangzom, representing Northeast India region which hosted their own regional Transform World Summit in April of 2016 wrote: "Oh...we did have a wonderful time with TRANSFORMING LEADERS AND FRIENDS who "expressed how they have been greatly touched and transformed by the power and presence of God and through all the sessions they attended.



I can honestly with all confidence say that some of the North-East India leaders have caught this transformation movement and are on fire for the Lord.

In their declaration from regional Summit in April affirmed "Christ's missional challenge to reach every villages of the region and beyond with the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, however remote it may be."

In the Great Commission Milestones paper presented by Luis Bush, the 10th describes the Global South Emerging Missions growing contribution to the fulfillment of the Great Commission.

In the last twelve months, evidences of a genuine work of the Spirit of God have been evident in faith conferences in the major regions of the world described as Global South such as MANI (Mobilization of African National Initiatives) in Africa, in East Asia as in China Mission 2030 with commitment to send out 20,000 Chinese missionaries by 2030 In addition the Mobilization of Missions conference for Latin Americans that took place in Peru. Vision South Asia, held in New Delhi a few weeks ago, for thousands from the region, in which our TW 2020 partner, Joshua Project, reported that one half of the individuals who live among then unreached people groups live, was compelling testimony of God at world.

In South East Asia, Transform World 2020 conference in Indonesia in May of this year in a case study Indonesia titled a Battle for A Nation, Iman Santoso, spiritual leader of TW 2020, who hosted a TW 2020 national Summit a few months ago, with representation of all major associations of Christianity in the nation in which one of three goals was holistic transformation of 40,000 villages.

For all these what can we say but, “Thanks be to God”?

