

Integral Mission and the Common Good

Micah Asia Regional Consultation

24-28 April 2017

**Long Beach Hotel, Cha-am,
Thailand**



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It is God's will that all people get to experience life and life in all its fullness, the abundant life promised in John 10:10. As we pursue this Common Good for all people, recognising our dependence on one another and how deeply connected we all are, we point people to the God who created it all.

What does seeking the common good look like in the Asian context and what role does the Church have to play in this?

This consultation aims to explore the theological affirmation to seek the common good as well as to point society to the new Kingdom. As we discover how the prophets in the Bible called governments to account and spoke out for justice, righteousness and compassion for the oppressed and vulnerable, we will ask ourselves what this looks like in practice in our various contexts in the region.

Aims and Objectives of Consultation

- To understand, articulate and contextualise the theology of the Common Good.
- To envision the various Asian Nations as we long to see them, outlining and describing what a transformed nation looks like.
- To explore and outline the church we want and need to be an agent of change in Asia. This includes building a framework for church renewal and reform together.
- To review the current good governance discussions and practices, and propose next steps to strengthen governance.
- To outline the types of corruption that exist in Asia and propose the steps we can take to address them.
- To review how interfaith dialogue and inclusive action towards the Common Good can be fostered and enriched.
- To outline the current approaches to address the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to explore the distinctive contributions Christians can bring to their implementation.
- To explore specific issues of concern within the Integral Mission and the Common Good umbrella including: conflict and reconciliation, good leadership, Kingdom lifestyle, restorative economy, gender-based violence.
- To inspire one another through our experiences and application of integral mission and explore further synergies.





Consultation approach

- Dialogue and discussion about Integral Mission and the Common Good
- Working groups that address topics with a theological and practical application to provide ideas for further application
- Networking and synergies for co-operation and partnership
- Opportunities to share best practices
- Consultation around issues of concern and seeking a way forward together
- Biblical and theological reflection
- Worship and intercession

Programme overview

| Day One | Day Two | Day Three | Day Four | Day Five |
|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| Common Good | Good Governance | Good Society | Good Change | The Challenge |

Core themes we will explore through an Integral Mission lens

- Theology of the Common Good
- Church and Political Engagement
- Interfaith Dialogue for the Common Good
- Gender violence and domestic violence
- Good governance
- Baseline surveys, Monitoring and Evaluation
- Re-thinking Church
- Sustainable Development Goals
- Social-environmental conflicts and reconciliation
- Christian response to violence
- Urban Shalom
- Corruption
- Community resilience
- Training assistance in Integral Mission
- Walking with the Poor

Registration Information

The conference and accommodation venue is the **Long Beach Hotel**, Cha-am Bay, Cha-am, a 2-hour drive south west of Bangkok City, on the coast (<http://www.longbeach-chaam.com/th/index.php>). The registration cost per participant is:

| Micah Membership Status | Shared (Twin) Room | Single Room |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Member | \$400 US | \$600 US |
| Non-Member | \$500 US | \$700 US |

The cost covers airport transfers, 5 nights of accommodation (Sunday 23rd to Thursday 27th), 5 days of meals, conference materials and conference administration/organisation. Note that to qualify for member status, the member organisation or individual must have made a membership contribution in the last 12 months.

Registration Process

1. Participants Register online through Eventbrite:

For more information :

<http://micahnetwork.org/integral-mission-and-common-good>

For registration: <https://asia-regional-consultation.eventbrite.com>

2. Payment options:

- Bank transfer
- PayPal
- Western Union

Note: Bank charges to be carried by delegates

3. VISA Requirements:

A VISA may be required for some nationalities. Please check with your local embassy prior to travel. Participants are responsible for obtaining a VISA and all associated costs and paperwork. Micah Global can provide a visa support letter on request (refer to registration form).

Consultation Information:

Date: 24-28 April 2017

Venue: Long Beach Hotel
Cha-am, Thailand
www.longbeach-chaam.com

Arrival: Sunday 23rd April 2017 or
Monday 24th April before
12:00 noon

Registration: 12:00-14:00 pm (24th April)

Opening: 14:00 pm, 24th April

Closing: 14:00 pm, 28th April

Departure: From 14:00 pm, 28th April

Airport: Subarnabhumi International

Local Travel: Travel from airport to hotel
for international participants
available for all who request
and send flight details

Local Host: Micah Thailand

Language: English

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