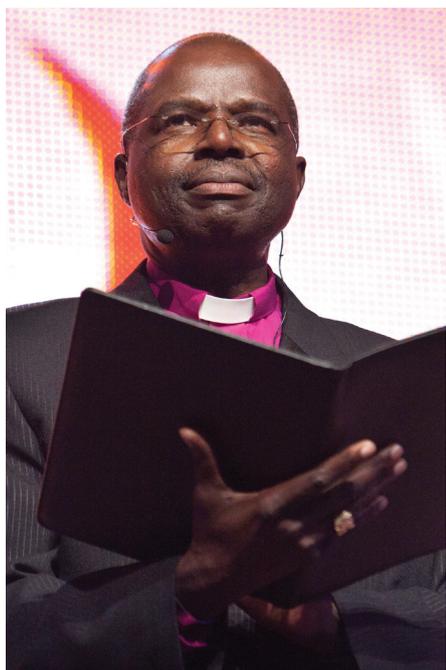


# Cape Town 2010

News and Insights from The Third Lausanne Congress on World Evangelization



The Most Revd Henry Luke Orombi  
Archbishop, Church of Uganda

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
Greetings in the precious name of  
our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of  
kings and the Lord of lords!

I hope that you have enjoyed  
your time on the beautiful continent  
of Africa! I believe God is doing  
a great and mighty work in and  
through Africa in this 21<sup>st</sup> century.  
In 1900, only nine percent of the  
population of Africa was Christian  
– about 10 million out of a total  
population of 107 million. In 2000,  
the percentage of Christians had in-  
creased to approximately 46 percent,  
with 360 million Christians out of a  
total population of 784 million.

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## Cape Town and the Future

By Doug Birdsall  
Executive Chair  
The Lausanne Movement

**W**hat a week this has been!  
Over the past seven days the  
unity, diversity, and vitality of the  
worldwide Church have been  
on dramatic display in  
Cape Town.

We gathered from 198  
countries, the most globally  
representative assembly of  
evangelicals in history. Rep-  
resenting a broad spectrum  
of denominations, organiza-  
tions, academic institutions,  
and the worlds of business,  
government, and the arts, we  
engaged the most pressing  
issues of our day through the  
prism of 'God in Christ, rec-  
onciling the world to himself'  
(2 Corinthians 5:19).

I want to extend my  
heartfelt thanks to our host  
committee for graciously wel-  
coming us to the beautiful city  
of Cape Town in the dynamic  
country of South Africa on a  
continent where the Church of Jesus  
Christ is vibrant and growing. This  
Congress has been decidedly global  
in scope and yet distinctly African in  
flavour. The warmth and generosity  
of our hosts have been a tremendous  
blessing to all of us, and I pray that  
God would pour out His blessing on  
our African brothers and sisters.

Now that the Congress is over,  
what's next? Reflecting on Laus-  
anne 1974, John Stott said, 'Many a  
conference has resembled a fireworks  
display. What is exciting about Laus-  
anne, however, is that its fire contin-  
ues to spark off other fires.' In 2010



we have once again brought together  
thousands of the church's best leaders  
and this time, through new technol-  
ogy, we have broadcast the Congress  
to viewers around the world via our  
website and hundreds of GlobaLink  
venues. My hope is that God would  
use Cape Town 2010 as a fire that  
sparks more fires.

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2 Corinthians 5:19

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*I've learned a lot in Cape Town....I'll take away a lot of experiences, a lot of challenges, a lot of learning, the need to pray more. I'll take a lot of encouragement back home.*

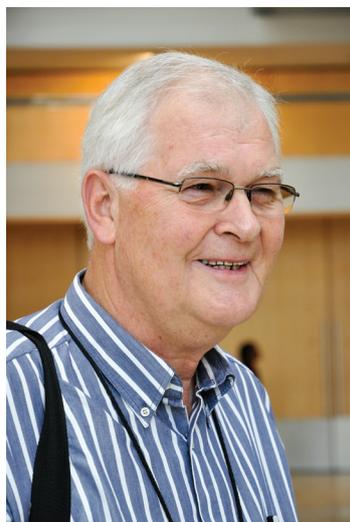
**Alinah Tshehlo**  
 Maseru, Lesotho



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*It is very positive being together with so many people from so many nations and hearing all of the stories and testimonies of the people. It is very encouraging. You see that a lot of things are happening in the world and that Jesus Christ is very alive.*

**Hans Hamoen**  
 Renkum, The Netherlands



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*I am completely open to take anything that God has for me. If God tells me to change something of myself, I am ready. If he is asking me to do something else, I'm open to do it. I'm really waiting for his word and his insights from this Congress.*

**Rita Christi**  
 Gujarat, India



**Cape Town 2010 Commemorative Newspaper**

As we have studied God's Word, fellowshiped, reflected, prayed, worshipped and planned together, we have experienced the beautifully diverse, yet wonderfully unified, worldwide body of Christ. We hope that this commemorative newspaper featuring stories, pictures and ideas from The Third Lausanne Congress on World Evangelization will help you to share your experience with others as you return home. May our Lord Jesus Christ bless the fulfillment of his Great Commission as together we carry his message of hope and life to a world in need!

*Managing Editor*  
**Scott Brown**



# The Week in Pictures



BILLY GRAHAM  
MONTREAT, NORTH CAROLINA 28707

October 6, 2010

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to all you who have gathered in Cape Town for this historic conference! Although I am unable to be with you in person, I want to assure you that I will be praying daily for you.

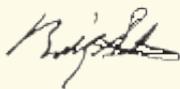
Thirty-six years ago – in 1974 – twenty seven hundred participants from 151 countries came together for the first Lausanne conference. The world has changed greatly since then – politically, economically, technologically, demographically, and even religiously. One of your tasks during Cape Town 2010 will be to analyze those changes, and to assess their impact on the mission to which God has called us in this generation.

But in all your deliberations, I pray you may never forget that some things have not changed in the last 36 years – nor will they ever change until our Lord returns. For one thing, the deepest needs of the human heart have not changed – the need to be reconciled to God, and to experience His love and forgiveness and transforming power. Nor has the Gospel changed – the Good News that God loves us and sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, into the world to forgive us and save us by His death and resurrection. Nor has Christ's command to His disciples changed – the mandate to go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel, urging men and women everywhere to put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

I am praying that during your time in Cape Town the Holy Spirit will not only continue what has been done in previous conferences, but that He will increase your burden for a lost and dying world, and cause you to rededicate yourself to the priority and urgency of evangelism. May He also encourage and refresh you as you gather together in Bible study, prayer and fellowship. As you leave Cape Town, may you go with a renewed commitment to live for Christ, and a fresh determination to walk humbly with Him every day. Never lose sight of your calling, but keep your eyes on Christ every day as you take time to be with Him in prayer and personal Bible study.

May God bless each of you – and may He bless our world because of what He does in your lives during these days.

Your brother in Christ,





# Lausanne Movement History



**T**he Lausanne Movement is a global network of 'reflective-practitioners' who share a vision for world evangelization. The movement began in 1974 through the vision of Billy Graham who convened the International Congress on World Evangelization in Lausanne, Switzerland. John Stott was the chief architect of the historic Lausanne Covenant which issued from the Congress.

Through the creative work of Ralph Winter, Lausanne 74 introduced the paradigm of 'Unreached People Groups,' still a definitive term in modern evangelical missiology. God also used the prophetic voices of Samuel Escobar and Renè Padilla to help the Church recover a core biblical understanding of the holistic nature of its mission.

In 1975 in Mexico City, Jack Dain, the newly-retired Bishop of Sydney and Chairman of the 1974 Congress, presided over the formation of what was then known as the Lausanne Committee

for World Evangelization, and which is today known as The Lausanne Movement. Gottfried Osei-Mensah (Ghana) was appointed to the role of first General Secretary, Leighton Ford (USA) was elected Executive Chairman.

The Lausanne Movement is not a membership movement. It is a global community of leaders who embrace *The Lausanne Covenant* and share a commitment to collaborate in the work of world evangelization. As a result of vision shared and connections made at earlier Congresses hundreds of strategic partnerships have been established in projects related to unreached people groups, Bible translation, ministries of compassion and justice, student work, theological education, broadcasting and literature, and church planting.

The seed planted by the original 1974 Lausanne Congress on World Evangelization led to both The Second Lausanne Congress in Manila, Philippines (1989), and to Cape Town 2010: The Third Lausanne Congress on World

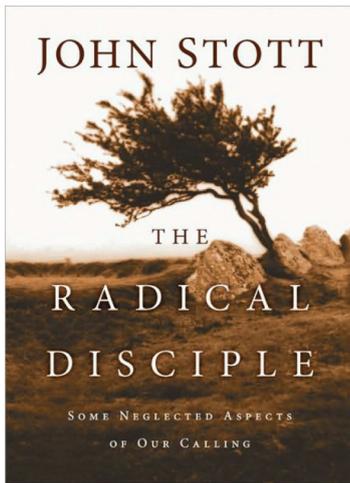
On 24 July 1974, the last full day of the first Lausanne Congress, Billy Graham and Bishop Jack Dain (Anglican Bishop of Sydney, Australia, and Honorary Executive Chairman) signed The Lausanne Covenant.

Evangelization, held in collaboration with World Evangelical Alliance.

## Stay Connected

There are plans for post-Congress consultations in many cities worldwide in the eight months following Cape Town 2010. This will allow Congress and GlobaLink participants to multiply the impact of Cape Town 2010.

Please share *The Cape Town Commitment*, which builds upon the foundation of *The Lausanne Covenant* and *The Manila Manifesto*, with your church or ministry. Blog it, Facebook it and Tweet it! And help us distribute it widely to evangelical leaders and influencers in your home nation. The Cape Town Commitment will be available through bookshops and Internet retailers in the Didasko Files, and as a free download from the Lausanne and World Evangelical Alliance websites.

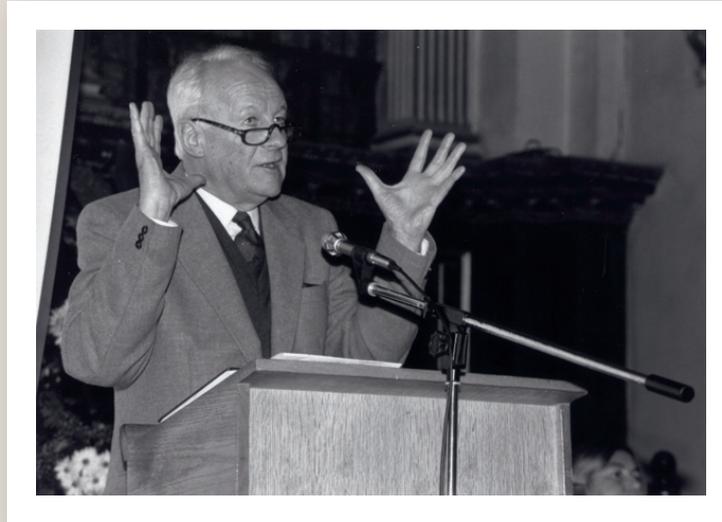


## REFLECTIONS ON WALKING WITH CHRIST

John Stott, one of the pioneers of The Lausanne Movement, exemplified by his service as the chief architect of *The Lausanne Covenant*, has written his 'farewell address' to the worldwide church in the form of his newest, and according to John Stott, last book *The Radical Disciple: Some Neglected Aspects of our Calling* (InterVarsity Press 2010).

In this book John Stott, a worldwide preacher, evangelist, and communicator of Scripture who for many years served as rector of All Souls Church in London, opens up what it means at its root to be a radical disciple of Jesus, exploring eight serious yet often neglected aspects of Christian discipleship: nonconformity, Christlikeness, maturity, Creation care, simplicity, balance, dependence and death. In *The Radical Disciple*, John Stott reflects upon what it means to follow Jesus without reservation and let him direct the agenda for our lives. Carrying forward the spirit of Lausanne, this book is a great reflection of the life and ministry of John Stott.

# Message of Greeting from The Revd Dr John Stott



Owing to my ill health I shall be very sorry to miss being with you in Cape Town in October. But I will be with you all each day in prayer, expectation and confidence as you plan to make known the uniqueness of Jesus Christ all over the world.

I have been thanking God all through the years since 1974 for the growth of The Lausanne Movement and how God has used it for his own glory. Even more, however, I thank God for the growth of the worldwide church in those years, especially in the great continents of the majority world.

For that reason I rejoice that this Congress is being hosted in Africa and I pray that you will be able to share richly in the blessing God has poured out on the church in that continent, as well as sharing in the pain and suffering of his people there.

As you will be studying Ephesians together, my encouragement to you echoes the Apostle Paul:

'I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.'

*John Stott*

Honorary Chairman,  
The Lausanne Movement



## PARTICIPANT PERSPECTIVES



*There is a strong cultural bond in our country. I am expecting that we will get ideas about how to be able to use the culture to evangelize the specific people groups, and to communicate God's ideas and purpose through that culture.*

Senu Feyera,  
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia



*I'm an orthodox priest and I teach New Testament in orthodox theology. I was invited here as an observer. This is a good opportunity to learn more about what it means to do missions in the world...and meet many, many people engaged in this wonderful mission and this work of God. ...this is significant for my work and my mission in the church. I will tell my church when I go back about all of these experiences I had here. I [will take from the Congress] fellowship, friendship, love—I encountered much love here.*

Stelian Tofana  
Cluj Napoca, Romania

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## Cape Town and the Future By Doug Birdsall

As we look to the future we recognize that Lausanne is not an institution but simply a movement of volunteers—men and women, scholars and practitioners, clergy and laymen—all drawn from the four corners of the earth for the common purpose of world evange-

sparks more fires and track the progress made on the priorities established in Cape Town. Future consultations will be national, regional, or international, depending on the nature of the issues to be discussed. The Lausanne Committee's various working groups will continue their important initiatives, and the Lausanne Biennial International Leadership meeting will take place in 2012. The Lausanne Global Conversation continues as well, so please stay



lization. Like any movement, Lausanne is by its nature creative, generative, organic, and unpredictable.

Moving forward from Cape Town, I see five imperatives for the movement. First, Lausanne must stay light on its feet, remaining agile in its ability to respond to new challenges and opportunities. Second, the movement must be strong theologically, being firmly rooted in Scripture and nourished by the best reflection on how we take the Word to the world. Third, we must provide a reliable and credible contribution to Christian discussion and mission. Fourth, Lausanne must keep a focus on identifying and developing younger leaders. And fifth, we must continue to be strategic in gathering the right people at the right times in the right places.

Lausanne gatherings in the days ahead will breathe oxygen into the fire that

connected through our website. And as a dynamic movement, Lausanne will give rise to many more catalytic conferences and partnerships than we can foresee now. We put our trust in God, and as the great missionary Adoniram Judson said, 'the future is as bright as the promises of God.'

I thank each and every one of you for coming to Cape Town. And I want to

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express my profound gratitude to all of our stewards, volunteers, staff, and donors who made Cape Town 2010 a success. The Lord has blessed us all and I trust that we return home to extend this blessing, with new insights and renewed passion for working as the whole Church to take the whole gospel to the whole world. 

# Tomorrow's Opportunities: Congress Multiplexes Explore Critical Concerns

Unity in diversity was the order of the day as the multiplex sessions (major elective seminars) buzzed with life during the Congress. As delegates interacted and wrestled with pressing current issues

the biblical stewardship of resources were discussed at *Mobilizing Resources for World Evangelization*, where the Lausanne Standards were introduced on PowerPoint. Businesswoman Jokebed

Thera from Mali and Jonathan Onigbinde, who works with missionary agencies in Nigeria, both spoke on how they had been taught to give generously.



Cyril Okorocho (Nigeria) addresses the Globalization multiplex session on Wednesday.

In *Media Messages Matter: On Global Technologies, Glocal Trends, and Gospel Truth* experts representing

the Internet, TV/radio, print and media ministries contributed a wealth of statistics about the impact of media. Speakers encouraged the Church to take best advantage of media opportunities and use world media—whether news, entertainment, print media, or the Internet—as a means for evangelism

and for prompting and answering spiritual questions. 'According to the United Nations, there are now more mobile phones in India than there are toilets,' announced Joseph Vijayam of Olive Technology. 'Around half the population in

in different social and cultural contexts, one message was clear – Christians need intentionally to engage the changing world if they are to make a real difference in society. Twenty-two multiplexes were followed by dialogue sessions. These dialogues focused on carefully-selected topics, all requiring thought and reflection by Christians. Here are a few excerpts:

'The problem with evangelism is not that we lack information, it is that we have failed to be ourselves,' said international speaker and author Rebecca M Pippert at the well-attended session on *A Fresh Approach to Witness in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: A Global Perspective*. She pled for a return to the foundational principle of evangelism – loving relationships amongst Christians as a reflection the Triune God.

Telltale signs of love for God include stewardship and generosity. Several obstacles and solutions to

os- India has a mobile phone but only about one-third has access to modern sanita-



Across the Congress, the multiplexes provided a place for leaders to engage in a wide range of pressing issues including Globalization, Scattered and Unserved Peoples, Unreached Children, Dogma in Diversity, Poverty and Wealth, New Global Technologies, Ethnic Peace, Urban Missions, Building Leaders, Prosperity and Partnership and more. Each of these areas is reflected in *The Cape Town Commitment*. 

By Michelle Chan and Susan Brill

**‘WE HAVE OVER-EMPHASIZED TECHNIQUES IN EVANGELISM TRAINING, WHEN THE IMPORTANT THING IS THAT OUR THEOLOGY IMPACTS OUR METHODOLOGY. WHO IS GOD? THAT SHOULD BE OUR DEEPEST MOTIVATION. REBECCA M PIPPERT INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER AND AUTHOR.**

# How to Share the Congress and Extend its Benefit

Christ gave gifts to his Church to share, and The Lausanne Movement, in its early years, was once rather beautifully described by John Stott as 'an exchange of gifts'.

The Congress has left us with many gifts brought to the table. Insights into Scripture through the eyes of believers from all continents. Testimonies from Christians who have proved God's faithfulness in some of the toughest contexts imaginable. Joyful songs we didn't know before, and many new friendships. Conversations - some long, others just brief - which could lead to new ideas, strategic partnerships, and introductions we want to make for others when we get home.

The longer-term blessing and stimulus of the Congress is, under God, in our hands, as Archbishop Orombi reminded us.

## Congress sessions

Listen again to Congress sessions, and share them with friends who weren't present. Watch a session on-line with fellow leaders or with Christian colleagues in your profession. Go to [www.lausanne.org](http://www.lausanne.org), where you can download audio and video, or order resources from distributors for your region.

## The Cape Town Commitment

How the evangelical Church receives *The Cape Town Commitment* will, in a sense, be the measure of the Congress. As the fruit of our work, please pray God would use this Commitment to strengthen the Church to reach the world. It will be published with a study guide, so church groups, student fellowships, or Christian colleagues may reflect on it together. It calls forth commitment to God, to one another, and to the world God loves.

The completed two-part declaration, the statement of belief and the call to action, will be published by the end of November on the Lausanne website at [www.lausanne.org](http://www.lausanne.org) and on the World Evangelical Alliance website at [www.worldevangelicals.org](http://www.worldevangelicals.org). It will be available as a free download in all eight Congress languages, and may be used on ministry sites of any agency or church. No permission is required. (Please include ©The Lausanne Movement.)

In addition, it will appear from late January 2011 in *The Didasko Files* series and be available at bulk discount for churches. Go to [www.lausanne.org/books](http://www.lausanne.org/books) for distributors, and [www.didaskofiles.com](http://www.didaskofiles.com) to view the format of this edition, and for publishing rights.

## Lausanne World Pulse

*Lausanne World Pulse* (LWP) is an online, monthly magazine providing missions and evangelism news,

information and analysis, to support the advancement of the gospel worldwide. To read this online or to sign up to receive it by email, go to [www.lausaneworldpulse.com](http://www.lausaneworldpulse.com)

## The Lausanne Library

While much can be done online and by radio, books still retain a unique place in building the Church. The Lausanne Library, the movement's new publishing imprint, seeks to reflect that. It will contain a range of material including a compendium of papers from Cape Town 2010. These works will become available through book distributors and retailers. See [www.lausanne.org/books](http://www.lausanne.org/books) for news of new publications. 

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JOHN STOTT

## CHINESE PARTICIPANTS MISSED



A participant prays over empty chairs symbolizing those unable to attend.

We were saddened that the majority of our Chinese brothers and sisters were not with us at Cape Town 2010. On Monday evening participants stood or knelt by their chairs to signify solidarity with the Chinese not able to participate. A beautiful and searching song *The Lord's Love for China*, sent to us by Chinese Christians unable to attend, was played to everyone. It can be heard on [www.lausanne.org](http://www.lausanne.org).

Chinese participants who were here in Cape Town shared the following: 'Today 36 years after The First Lausanne Congress, by the grace of God, the Church in China is emerging as a vibrant, fast-growing Church. In comparison to the number of Christians in 1949, the Church has grown a hundred fold. We rejoice to see more and more churches being built in cities all over China, and most of them are packed with worshippers of different ages and from all walks of life. The development of churches in the rural areas of the 1970s and 1980s was certainly miraculous, but since the 1990s, we have witnessed the phenomenal emergence of churches in many major cities, and the majority of these congregations are intellectuals and professionals. There is in China a deep spiritual hunger, a strong desire for clear moral direction as well as a sense of community. There is in short a hunger for abundant life, a need only the gospel of Jesus Christ can meet. We praise God for His love to the Chinese people.' 

# Plenary Sessions: Strengthening, Inspiring and Equipping the Church for Evangelism



Christo Greyling (South Africa) and Valdir Steuernagel (Brazil) address a plenary audience on Tuesday

Each day opened with a powerful exposition from Ephesians, led by Bible teachers from around the world.

This was followed by table group study – a unique experience of learning from Ephesians in a global community.

The second morning session covered six carefully-selected core issues: Truth, Reconciliation, World

Faiths, Priorities, Integrity, and Partnership. These were developed over three years through consultations in 12 regions to identify the greatest

challenges for the Church in the coming decade. In each session, several speakers addressed the topic from their ministry experience and cultural perspective.

The plenaries were the jumping off point for multiplexes and dialogue sessions which went more deeply into each topic. Here participants could interact on the issues, ask questions of speakers, and voice their perspectives.

Each of the evening plenary sessions dealt with social justice matters and covered news of the Church in a different region of the world. Issues included religious freedom and the suffering Church, the broken world—HIV/AIDS and human trafficking, Megacities and the Diaspora, and matters surrounding children and youth. 



## Princess Kasune Zulu

Executive Director, Fountain of Life, HIV/AIDS advocate and educator, Zambia (Lost both parents to AIDS, and became an activist after learning that a woman cannot be tested for the HIV virus in Zambia without her husband's permission.)

*'Finding out I was HIV-positive was my turning point. It felt like a bright light come hitting in my life... I praised God. Out of that began this call and ministry where I began to realize the power of praising God in the midst of my affliction.'*

## Pranitha Timothy

Director of Aftercare, International Justice Mission, Chennai, India

*'We must stand committed to bring the light of Christ into the hidden darkness. We must demonstrate that our God is just, that our God sees the suffering, and hears the cries. Then we derive his blessing.'*



## Os Guinness

Senior Fellow, Trinity Forum and leading evangelical apologist, UK/USA

*'I pray no one will have any doubt that truth is a foundational and decisive issue for this Congress, and for us as evangelicals. Truth is not primarily a philosophical issue, but a matter of theology. God is true, his Spirit is the Spirit of truth, his Word is true, and unless we are clear and firm about truth, this Congress might as well stop now.'*



# Congress Bible Study Focuses on Unity



RUTH PADILLA DEBORST

## WHERE DOES GOD LIVE?...

WE THE CHURCH, WITH ALL OF OUR IMPERFECTIONS, PETTY CONCERNS ARE GOD'S HOLY TEMPLE....  
GOD LIVES WHEREVER MEN AND WOMEN TOGETHER ALLOW THE COMMUNITY OF GOD TO IMPRINT GOD'S IMAGE ON THEM.'

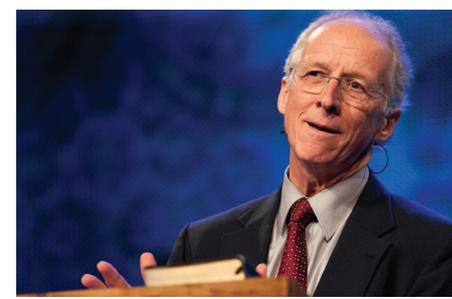
Bible study plenary sessions throughout the Congress focused on Ephesians and God's plan for unity. Participants were urged to study the letter in preparation for Cape Town. In each Bible Study, the role of Scripture in mission was highlighted.

Bible expositors, chosen from each region of the world, had gathered in Cairo in February to study Ephesians together. From those days together came the questions and study guides provided to participants.

Ajith Fernando, author and National Director of Youth for Christ Sri Lanka, was the first expositor teaching on The Truth of the Gospel, from Ephesians 1. Ruth Padilla DeBorst, General Secretary of the Latin American Theological Fellowship, addressed God's 'cosmic plan' of bringing things together in Christ in Ephesians 2.

John Piper, author and Pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Minneapolis, spoke on Ephesians 3 and urged participants to have a readiness to suffer and to pray for the advancement of the gospel. Vaughan Roberts, author and Rector of St Ebbe's Church, Oxford, spoke on Ephesians 4 about priorities for the Church: growing in knowledge and love for God, and loving the world that needs him.

Calisto Odede, Pastor of Nairobi Pentecostal Church, Woodley, addressed integrity in the Church, speaking from Ephesians 4:17-6:9. If we as the Church do not have integrity, 'we are just a bunch of vuvuzela blowers who are blowing but not actively playing in the field.' Ramez Atallah, General Secretary of the Bible Society of Egypt, and his wife, Rebecca, completed the series by addressing partnership in the Church from Ephesians 6:10-24. 



John Piper

## HELPING PARTICIPANTS CONNECT



One of the emphases of the Congress was creating personal connections and laying the groundwork for partnerships. Main sessions were structured to offer time for discussion in small groups within the plenary sessions. Table groups were set up with seating assigned to people of similar ministries and roles, from varied nationalities and backgrounds. The same table groups met together each morning.

Dialogue groups were offered during four days of the Congress to provide a smaller context in which to address specific issues. They began with brief 25-30 minute presentations addressing three or four questions and the remaining 60 minutes were used for smaller groups to share what was happening in

their country on the topic, network with others and go deeper into the issues.

In addition, regional gatherings were held at the start of the Congress and again at the end to help participants meet others from their own region, discuss how to apply what they were learning within their local context, and make strategic plans for how to extend the benefit of the Congress in the early months of 2011. 

# The Lausanne Global Conversation

EXPANDING THE IMPACT OF CAPE TOWN 2010

www.lausanne.org/conversation

Our lives have been enriched by 'chance' encounters and conversations over meals as we've learned, prayed and cried with one another. The richness of being together as brothers and sisters in Christ is something that will impact us for the rest of our lives.

For many onsite participants, preparing for the Congress also meant interaction with Christians around the world before arriving in Cape Town, through the Lausanne Global Conversation (LGC), [www.lausanne.org/conversation](http://www.lausanne.org/conversation). And during the past eight days, you may have posted comments, or watched videos and shared your thoughts about what's happening here through the LGC.

The Lausanne Global Conversation uses leading-edge technology to allow Christian leaders around the world to interact across language barriers. The platform facilitates interaction in the eight Congress languages. The goal of the post-Congress LGC is to connect missional leaders globally and locally for world evangelization by providing a place online for leaders to:

- Share missional knowledge and resources in eight languages
- Connect with other Christian leaders locally and globally
- Engage critical topics impacting world evangelization

As a Congress participant, you received log-in information for your personal LGC account. To continue your involvement in this post-Congress conversation, be sure to do the following:

1. Set up your profile so others can connect with you.
2. Complete your missions experience profile so others can leverage your experience and knowledge.

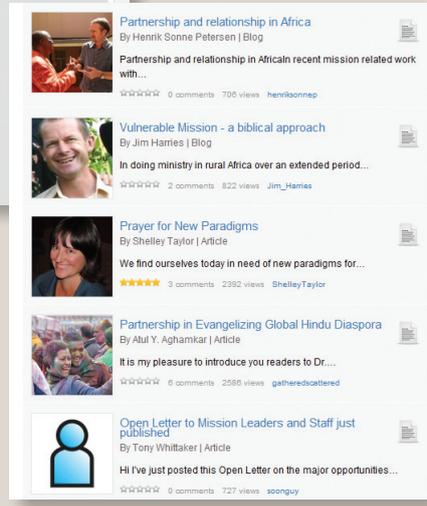
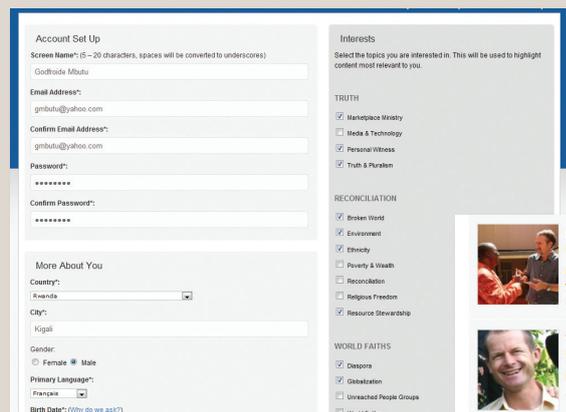
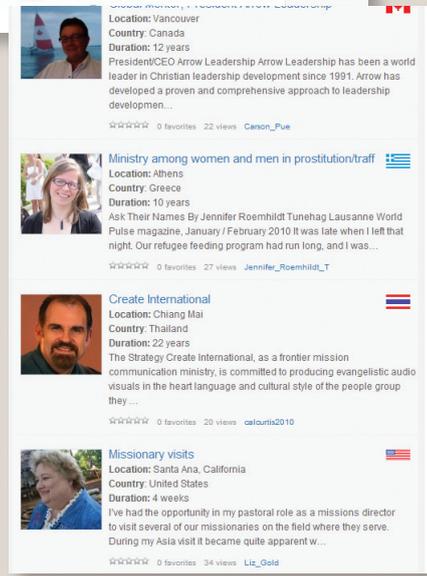
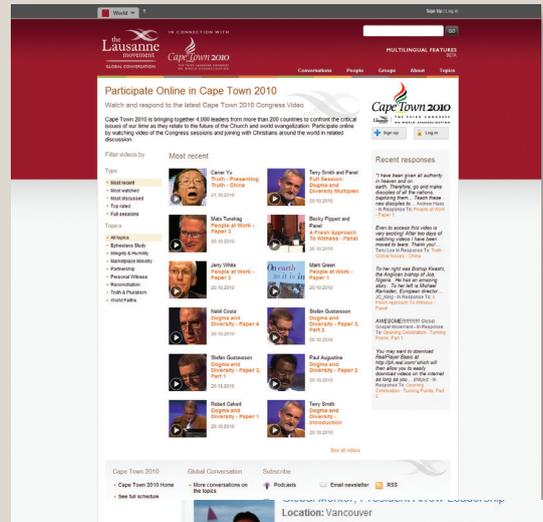
3. Share your missional resources (articles, videos, links) and join in related conversation with other leaders.

4. Connect with other missional leaders in your city, country or globally.

As you unpack your luggage at home, place the Congress Handbook on your shelf and hang your Certificate of Participation on the wall, commit yourself to joining the conversation. The Lausanne Global Conversation is here to serve you as you share your ideas and perspectives, and listen to others, as together we stay connected as the body of Christ on the important issues we've discussed here. Your voice is needed!

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## THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP

*'One hand cannot wash itself. It takes both hands to do a good job'*

- South African proverb

In the lead-up to Cape Town 2010, we arranged 21 evangelistic campaigns across the African continent. Mission Africa was clearly not man's idea. It began with the plan to reach the people of Cape Town, and then it grew. Dr Michael Cassidy (Founder of African Enterprise) chaired the planning committee.

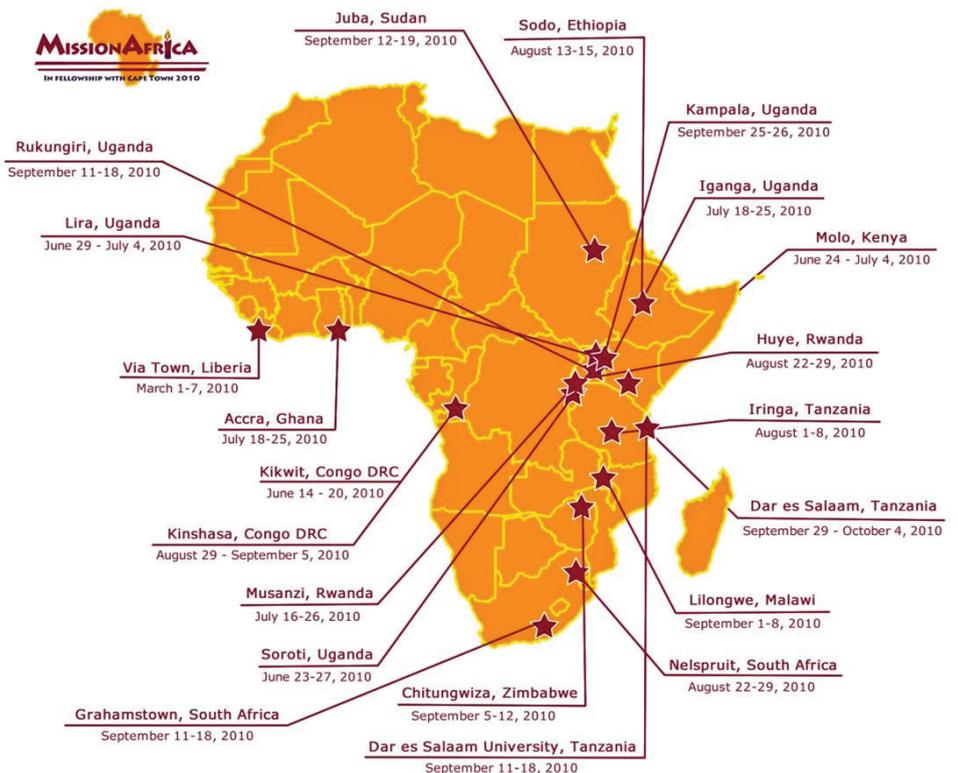
The committee worked to pair indigenous pastors and evangelists with those from other parts of the world. The group came from 18 countries, to serve the African Church. Partnerships were grounded securely in the fact that all served the same Lord and Saviour, had one Holy Spirit and were seeking

the same Kingdom. And this was their strength as they ministered side by side, sharing resources, gifting, experiences, and bringing the message of reconciliation to over 480,000 people.

There were large events and smaller events. Rallies drew up to 55,000 people. The love of God in Christ was taken into police stations, bars, hospitals, universities, slums, prisons, businesses, market places, schools, government departments, State Houses, and to national leaders. Communities were noticeably changed, numerous people healed and delivered, and over 58,000 people made a profession of faith or renewed commitments to a relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Lausanne Movement is best described in terms of partnerships. Mission Africa was a strong illustration of this. Plans are now being made for future collaboration between local churches. We are also looking forward to Mission Africa Stage II. This is a model which could be hosted on other continents – which would be a further exciting and valuable fruit of the initiative. To learn more about Mission Africa, visit [www.MissionAfrica2010.com](http://www.MissionAfrica2010.com).

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# Our Legacy for the Future

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The gospel of Jesus Christ is wonderful, unique and true. That's why we've met together this week.

Over the last year, Chris Wright and a global team of theologians have worked to shape *The Cape Town Commitment* - a declaration of our evangelical convictions and a call to action. In the preamble, the authors list the legacy of the first and second Lausanne Congresses. What will our legacy be? We don't know. But we can speak of our four-fold vision and hope, and these are embodied in *The Cape Town Commitment*.

*First*, we want to sound a ringing affirmation to the uniqueness of Christ and the truth of the biblical gospel; and a clear statement on evangelism and the mission of the Church. *Secondly*, we want to bring a fresh challenge to 'bear witness to Jesus Christ and all his teaching, in every part of the world - not only geographically, but in every sphere of society, and in the realm of ideas', identifying and responding to key issues. I love the words of Abraham Kuyper, the Dutch theologian and prime minister: 'There is not one centimetre of human existence to which Christ, who is Lord of all, does not point and say "that is mine".'

We maintain too much, and pioneer too little. Maybe we will see a fresh emphasis on reaching oral learners, young people, or diasporas. Or fresh energy in bringing biblical truth into the public domain.

Evangelicals rightly put emphasis on reaching every nation and every people group with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We have perhaps been a little weaker in applying biblical principles to public policy, the media, business, government. Or bringing a Christian mind to issues like ethnicity, and the environment. We need



to engage deeply with human endeavour - and with the ideas which shape it.

Charles Malik, the Lebanese statesman who led the UN General Assembly and fashioned the UN Declaration on Human Rights urged the Church to ask the question: 'What does Jesus Christ think of the University?' He challenged Christians to work and pray to 'try to recapture the university for Christ'. 'More potently than by any other means' he said, 'change the University, and you change the world.'

*Thirdly*, we hope many fruitful partnerships and friendships will come out of this Congress. We cannot be driven by competition; this must give way to a spirit of partnership where men and women, as well as people of different ethnicities, join hands under Christ to bring the gospel to the ends of the earth.

*Fourthly*, we trust the Congress will issue in new creative initiatives. Our message is Christocentric. Our calling is to present the deity, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. When Sadhu Sundar Singh, the great Indian leader, was asked what was so special about the Christian faith, 'Only Christ' was his reply.

We must not over-focus on technique, or clever approaches. We dare not say we will accomplish this task because we have the money and the technology. It will be accomplished only because of the greatness of the gospel, and the power of God. We are to focus on the truth of the gospel, the lordship of Christ, and the glory of God in the face of Christ, with authentic, transformed, joyful lives.

Some of us are word-centred; our challenge is to balance that with empathy and care for the needy and broken. For those in ministries of compassion, our challenge may be to ensure we sensitively, compassionately and wisely but also verbally - communicate the gospel. Our model is Jesus who both spoke to and fed the five thousand.

We are to take a long view, not give up, and fulfil the ministry God has given us. Many of us will return to difficult circumstances, and may even want to give up because the work is so hard. Then we must remember our calling to persevere to the end and not lose heart.

Let me leave you with the words of John Wesley: As you seek to bear witness to Christ, and with God's help: 'Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.' God bless you.

To listen to the whole closing address, go to [www.lausanne.org](http://www.lausanne.org).

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## ARCHBISHOP OROMBI PRESIDES OVER THE CLOSING COMMUNION SERVICE

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At the same time, there has been a tragic decline in the number of active, practising Christians in the Western World, both from a low birth rate as well as advancing secularism. Philip Jenkins, in his book *The Next Christendom*, notes, 'By 2025, 50 percent of the Christian population will be in Africa and Latin America, and another 17 percent will be in Asia.'

The choice of Africa to host The Third Lausanne Congress captures this shift in global Christianity. I think we are all also aware of Africa's hosting of the World Cup earlier this year. Global shifts, indeed, are taking place, and it is good for the Church to understand them carefully and strategically. We in Africa and the Global South must begin to see ourselves differently. No longer are we only the receivers of missionaries from the West. We are also senders of missionaries to the West. The Mission Field has now become a Mission Force! Mission, as one Christian leader has said, is from everywhere to everywhere.

As The Third Lausanne Congress

comes to an end, what will be its legacy? My brothers and sisters, the legacy is up to us! There are many challenges that face us daily as we embrace Jesus' command to make disciples of all nations.

- Increasing militant secularism
- Persecution of Christians
- Competing religions and worldviews
- Globalization
- Financial resource for the church's mission and dependency
- Understanding the relationship between the Gospel and Culture
- Regional instability and conflicts
- Corruption
- An adequate theology of prosperity, blessings, and material possessions
- Violence against women and children
- Poor educational and health services in much of the world.

Let us not forget, however, that at their root, most of our problems and challenges in the task of world evangelization are spiritual. The greed that has infected so many of our leaders is a spiritual problem. The desire for unbridled

power is a spiritual problem. The lack of respect and dignity for women and children is a spiritual problem.

When the East African Revival swept through Uganda, it brought deep and lasting changes in families and societies – because the root of our problems was addressed through the genuine and deep conversion of men and women. The Church has a prophetic role in relationship to good governance and holding leaders accountable. Equally important, however, is the task of preaching, evangelism, and discipleship... because the root of all these problems is spiritual.

So, until we meet again at the fourth Lausanne Congress, let us bid farewell to one another and depart, resolved to proclaim boldly with Paul, 'I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile.' Romans 1:16

Yours in Christ,

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