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PUBLISHER'S MEMO

The Power of Integrity: The Power of Missions by *Ram Gidoomal, chairman of the board for Lausanne.* God's purity and holiness is the ultimate expression—and source—of integrity. From an earthly point of view, however, we know that we all fall short (Romans 3:23) of this pursuit. As we strive for integrity, we are striving to be Christ-like. This pursuit of Christ-likeness brings a greater demonstration of integrity and a greater opportunity for mission. www.lausanneworldpulse.com/leadershipmemo/1442/08-2011

THEMED ARTICLES: The Power of Integrity

The Conundrum of the Power of Integrity by *Jonathan Bonk, executive director of the Overseas Ministries Study Center.* As deeply religious but fallen creatures, infused with the very image of God, we are aware of the difference between *being* and merely *appearing to be*. The great sin of the professionally pious has been to substitute *looking good* for *being good*. The real power of integrity is the power of a living seed. Infused with the mysterious gift called life, it will bear fruit when it falls to the ground and dies. Its power derives from its being wholly true to itself...not simply *looking* like a seed, but *being* an actual seed. www.lausanneworldpulse.com/themedarticles.php/1432/08-2011

Integrity and Partnership in Mission by *Carlos Scott, who works at Misión GloCal and lives in Buenos Aires.* The author shares four lessons the story of Bartimaeus can teach us about integrity, partnership, and coming alongside those in need. These include: valuing the individual, pressing forward in faith, learning that to follow Jesus means to leave something behind, and understanding our own real need. www.lausanneworldpulse.com/themedarticles.php/1436/08-2011

Integrity and Accountability in Reporting Missions Statistics by *Jim R. Haney, director of Global Research, IMB.* When integrity and accountability are brought together and applied to mission statistics, we expect that what comes to us is what it says it is, within the definitions and scope provided, and that it is useful for strategic intervention in our world. Further, we expect that we can test what comes to us using our own understanding of reality so that together a more precise understanding of reality will emerge. The author offers three significant ways to close the gap between wooing the audience and providing solid statistics. www.lausanneworldpulse.com/themedarticles.php/1433/08-2011

Leading with Integrity in Response to the Pornography Tsunami by *Brent Lindquist, president of Link Care Center.* How would moving from pornography as something we avoid to something we need to break free from change our conversations, trainings, and caring? Recovery from the effects of

pornography is not a one-time treatment—it is a lifelong call to holiness. It requires a constant commitment to personal purity and accountability to someone other than ourselves.

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PERSPECTIVES

Biblical Philosophy of Leadership by *Oliver Lutz, who was a pastor in Germany and Switzerland before leading an evangelistic network in Switzerland.* Typically, we see someone as a leader or a servant, but not both. Jesus, however, combined the two ideas. A Christ-like leader must think and act with a servant mindset. Jesus didn't neglect leadership. In Luke 22:26, he taught that "the one who rules" should do it in a servant attitude. www.lausanneworldpulse.com/perspectives.php/1440/08-2011

Hope Has a Name: Creative Outreach Transforms Asia by *Jake Janzen, founder of Vision Thailand, and Stacey Weeks, a freelance writer from Ontario.* A major factor in speaking to the heart of the individual Thai is through the relevant medium of their own people in their native tongue. No one knows the Thai heart, mind, culture, and language better than a Thai. This makes a Thai person the obvious choice to church plant and preach. Vision Thailand is a good example of how to use this model.

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COMIBAM Embraces Business as Mission. An electronic dialogue on the subject of Business as Mission (BAM) in early 2010 led to several regional meetings and culminated with a BAM consultation in Panama in March 2011. COMIBAM leaders, as well as leaders from both the business and mission arenas, were involved in the discussions concerning COMIBAM's role in catalyzing a BAM movement from within the Iberoamerican mission community. www.lausanneworldpulse.com/perspectives.php/1431/08-2011

LEADERSHIP PROFILE

Leadership Profile: Raphael Anzenberger, Evangelist, Church Planter, France. Anzenberger, general secretary of France Evangelisation, shares his passion for evangelism and his hopes for the future.

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INTERNATIONAL PUBLISHING

The Challenge of Christian Writing and Publishing in East-Central Europe by *Tony Wales, the former international rights director for Lion Hudson plc in the U.K.* Christian publishing in Europe is neither dead nor buried, and Christian writers have more opportunity to develop their skills and reach new readers than ever before, writes the author. However, he does share challenges publishers in Europe face today, including Individualism, Western subsidy, training, staffing, local authors, and foreign translations.

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NEWS BRIEFS

CHINA: Repeated Arrests of Christians Prompts Petition to Government

Pastors from unregistered churches in China have lodged a petition with the Chinese government, calling for religious freedom and a peaceful resolution to an ongoing conflict involving one of Beijing's largest house churches. Shouwang Church has persisted in its efforts to worship in public despite many

of its one thousand members being detained by the police, placed under house arrest, or losing homes and jobs. Government interference has taken place since April 2011. (Barnabas Aid)

FRANCE: Luis Palau Leads Unprecedented Evangelistic Campaign

In a country that has resisted open proclamation of the gospel for hundreds of years, God provided a much-needed breakthrough in southern France, focusing attention on the city of Marseille and the greater area of Provence. Invited by 1 Meme Coeur, an organization of church leaders from throughout the region, evangelist Luis Palau led evangelistic campaigns in Istres, Aix-en-Provence, and Marignane. The campaign, involving more than thirty evangelical congregations and three thousand believers, brought together civic and church leaders as never before. Hundreds of individuals made public decisions for Jesus Christ. (Assist News Service)

HUNGARY: Hungarian Parliament Passes Europe's Most Restrictive Religion Law

Although Communism officially ended in Hungary over twenty years ago, the Hungarian Parliament just adopted its new "Law on the Right to Freedom of Conscience and Religion, and on Churches, Religions and Religious Communities." More than one hundred currently registered religious organizations will be retroactively stripped of their status as religious communities are "de-registered" as religious organizations, losing key rights and privileges provided to registered churches. Only fourteen religious organizations will retain their registration status, and religious organizations that have been "de-registered" may not use the name "Church" and will lose their status as a religious organization if they are not re-registered. (Assist News Service)

NEW ZEALAND: Greg Laurie's Harvest Draws Thousands

In what has been billed as the largest outreach of its kind since Billy Graham visited New Zealand more than forty years ago, evangelist Greg Laurie saw more than 2,500 people make decisions of faith at a recent Harvest Crusade. Some two hundred churches throughout the Auckland area watched and prayed expectantly as they hosted the Greg Laurie: Auckland Harvest at Vector Arena. By the end of the two-night evangelistic outreach, 2,777 people made decisions to put their faith in Christ, while another 170 made the same decision via an online broadcast. (Assist News Service)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: Matching Grant Will Help Complete Fifteen Bible Translation Projects

According to the Joshua Project, twenty-five percent of Papua New Guinea is comprised of evangelical Christians. According to SIL's Ethnologue, 830 languages are spoken in Papua New Guinea. To help push the country's translation projects toward completion, Wycliffe Associates is raising matching funds for the New Ireland Translation Institute (NITI) in the New Ireland Province of Papua New Guinea. Following through on a new model of collaboration of Bible translation organizations, the Bible translation acceleration ministry is helping national translation teams to get the New Testament translated into the last fifteen languages in the region that are without scripture. (Mission Network News)

SOMALIA: Kenyans Support Somali Christian Refugees

The brutality of the persecution Somali Christians are facing has many fleeing across the border into Kenya. But even leaving the country does not always stop the Al-Shabaab, a radical Muslim group, from hunting down Christians. But God is using Global Advance and Kenyan Christians to reach out to Somalis. At the Global Advance Frontline Shepherds Conference in Kenya, God stirred the hearts of leaders in Kenya to help fleeing Somali brothers and sisters. The group is targeting refugees who have come across the border into Kenya. A key goal is to disciple future leaders who are going to go back into Somalia with the vision to plant churches and participate in other mission work. (Mission Network News)

SUDAN: South Sudan Churches Hope for Peace and Growth

Church leaders in South Sudan expressed their readiness to help secure peace, stability, growth, and development in their new nation, which was proclaimed an independent state on 9 July 2011. Leaders led citizens in thanksgiving prayers on 10 July, a day after thousands in Juba city witnessed General Salva Kiir Mayardit sworn in as the first president. "We stand willing to play our part in sharing the burden of responsibility which rests on the shoulders of the government of South Sudan," Archbishop Daniel Deng Bul of the Episcopal (Anglican) Church of Sudan said in a pastoral letter on Independence Day. (Ecumenical News International)

September Themed: Women on the Cutting Edge of Mission

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