

REBUILDERS



Summer 2009

AROUND THE WORLD WITH SCS MALAYSIA

The history of the Business Leadership School in Malaysia shows the value of systematic building and a long term perspective. In 2003 Bruce Billington, a long time SCS International Board member, and his wife Vanessa began to travel regularly to Malaysia to work with their contacts there. During the six years they have been working in Malaysia, a largely third world, rural population has slowly become more modern, mostly due to tourism. During this time they have used the SCS way of integrating the teaching of principles with practical application to help them start an exciting business enterprise of growing and selling prized chilies. Today it is a prospering business for the community.

Two Malaysian couples, Andy and Agnes Lee, and Mike and Alice Sim, enrolled in BLS at the April 2007 New Zealand Intensive. Visits from the Billingtons and Weavers, the BLS leaders in New Zealand, coupled with monthly Skype meetings and mentoring brought them to graduation this year. The Malaysian graduates will be continuing their BLS coursework with the 300 series this year.

In addition, both couples have completed their facilitator training under the able tutelage of Amanda Weaver. In June, the Billingtons and the Weaver family (including Joshua 10, Ashley 7, and Ben 6) spent a week in Malaysia grounding the

project. This year there is a Malaysian BLS with eight students mentored by Malaysians!

SCS PACIFIC

Those Malaysian Skype sessions you heard about were actually much more international, and included those in Melbourne, Australia and the South Island of New Zealand that did not have local mentors available. We are so proud of the commitment and resourcefulness of SCS Pacific!

AFRICA

In May, Dennis and Jan Peacocke made another trip to South Africa, going to both Johannesburg and the Cape Town area of Stellenbosch. They met with the BLS group started by those who went to the Swiss BLS Intensive in 2007. This country is particularly interested in the application of biblical principles in the public arena. Many throughout the country, which has a strong Christian heritage in all groups, want more specific training and consultation in this area.

EUROPE

May found Dennis in Austria, Jan in Macedonia, and both in France and Switzerland where our work is ongoing.

Austria is another country where interest in impacting culture and the public sphere is growing. There were meetings with those interested and involved in the political future of Austria. They talked of forming a Western European discussion group with their counterparts throughout Western Europe. Dennis had seven sessions

this trip with the Austrian Leadership School teaching primarily on the basics of biblically based public policy and economics, as well as principles of both personal and social transformation. It was attended by leaders throughout Austria from various church affiliations and professions.

Werner Jakob is the new head of the Business Leadership School in Europe. He has said of the Business Leadership School that it "put words to what I had sensed to be the truth of the Word of God." After completing the curriculum, he started teaching out of his convictions and applying it through his consulting firm to their client's businesses. He wants to see business leaders taught these truths. Now he has practiced generational transfer by passing the leadership of the firm to his son. This will give him the time to invest in the Body of Christ at large. A man of both vision and execution we look forward to seeing the fruit in Europe.

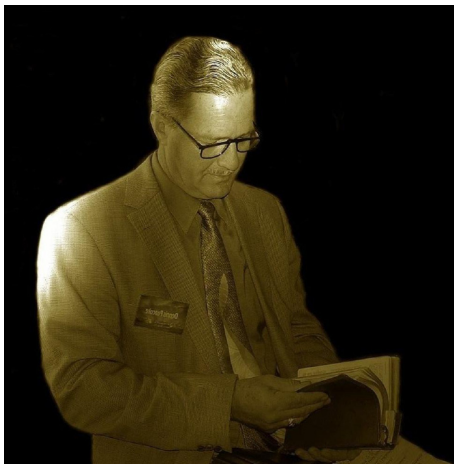
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LATIN AMERICA

In April, Dennis was in Costa Rica for meetings with the Business Leadership School's team. There are over one hundred students in the school at this time, and we are greatly encouraged by their desire to make application of what they are learning. He also spoke at one of the largest churches in the country as the message of the Kingdom continues to expand.

The next stop was in Guatemala, speak-





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ing to the faculty of the Pan American University, and different sets of business, public policy, and church leaders over the course of three days on issues related to economics, public policy, and the role of the church in culture. Dennis also did his usual radio interviews. Guatemala is a very fruitful field and we have been involved in this country over twenty years.

The final stop was Nicaragua where a series of leadership meetings were held with influential leaders from five nations. These meetings are designed to strategically discuss the role of the Kingdom message in affecting culture. We are believing for significant things out of this leadership group.

CANADA

In June, Dennis and Jan were in Ontario where he met with their Executive Training Group of the Business Leadership School. This group has proven to be a significant point of influence with leaders who oversee networks across Canada, and in particular the 100 Huntley Street Network which is the largest Christian television broadcasting group in Canada.

UNITED STATES

The SCS offices are the big news in our home country. The web sites are live and we are aggressively getting organization, policies, and procedures in place to keep them active, effective and fruitful.

We share this report with you as highlights to give you an overview of the grassroots work of SCS and to give an idea of its scope. The usefulness of thetransforum.com as a website for this work is tremendous. As we train national leaders around the world it is their most practical and available tool and our most effective and efficient means to support and expand the work of the Kingdom of God around the world.

We thank you for your support. The websites required we expand our staff, and that means we must expand our donation base. If you have yet to support this work we hope you will consider investing in our very strategic Christian services for this beautiful earth and the people God created. ✕

PRAYER & EVENTS

Please pray for the continuing work on the website, particularly for the new contributors we are approaching, for the curriculum development that is being done in both schools, and as always, for traveling mercy and the fruitfulness of the various events on the calendar.

CALENDAR

JULY/AUGUST

Transforum, SLT & BLS
Biel, Switzerland
July 30 - Aug 13

CCK Family Camp
Seattle, WA
Aug 19-23

OCTOBER

Private ETG Meetings
Seattle, WA (Oct. 15th)
Dallas, TX (Oct. 16th)
Toronto, Canada (Oct. 18th)

KMI Conference
Cincinnati, OH
Oct. 19-23

SCS Board Meeting
Cincinnati, OH
Oct. 24-26

We must get into the public conversation.

-Dennis Peacocke

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Refining the Website

Thanks to all who have helped with the Discerning the Times website project. Your contributions, both financial and in expertise, have been indispensable!

A significant change has been made as a result of your feedback; the site name is now www.thetransforum.com. This change was made with the goal of engaging a broader spectrum of visitors into discussion on six major issues of our day where transformation is needed. These six issues are:

1. How do we build strong relationships?
2. How do we prepare our children to succeed in life?
3. Which values both preserve our freedoms and unite us corporately?
4. How do we create long-term prosperity for the largest number of people?
5. What is the proper balance between national centralized government and local government?
6. How do we balance the need for global cooperation and national sovereignty?

In an effort to encourage thoughtful debate around these topics, rather than just stating the emotional preferences of participants, we have added "Principle Based Evaluations" with each article, audio and video. We ask you to please use the website, leave comments, and recommend it to others.

Our invitation to this cultural debate is "Let's engage!"

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