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RETHINKING Church Positioning, RETURNING to a Gospel-Centered Core



The first evening of the 10th CCCOWE Congress was Gospel Night, centered on the Kingdom Gospel, featuring a keynote message by Rev. Shi-Ru Yang (Kaohsiung Blessed & Blessing Church). Rev. Yang pointed out that following the pandemic, many churches have experienced stagnation or decline, and very few continue to grow or bring revival through active

evangelism. The gospel must become the core value of the church and the focal point of all resources and ministries. He called upon churches to rethink their self-positioning and approaches to evangelism.

Rev. Yang invited pastors to reflect: churches must not only inspire believers to share the gospel, but also equip the saints

through systematic training, establish mission-driven values, and provide practical platforms so believers gain both the competence and confidence to share their faith. Evangelism is not about debating with others, but about engaging the culture through a transformed life. The early church was powerful not because of complex theological arguments, but because

“The purpose of the church’s existence is to fulfill Christ’s Great Commission. It must not only ‘give birth’—leading people to Christ—but also ‘nurture’—disciplining them. Therefore, a complete Great Commission means to ‘bear fruit and multiply.’”

— Rev. Shi-Ru Yang

the world truly witnessed the power of the Risen Lord through the lives of the disciples. The church must continually understand the times and draw close to non-believers to allow the unchanging gospel to address an ever-changing world.

Rev. Yang shared a testimony of a sister who, after coming to faith, took the initiative to restore her relationship with her mother-in-law, eventually leading her mother-in-law, husband, and maiden family to Christ. This demonstrates that a transformed life is far more

persuasive than words alone. He encouraged churches to once again exalt the core value of the gospel and witness Christ through their lives, so that the world may see the power of the Risen Redeemer through believers.



Responding to the message through the worship song "I Will Remain Faithful"

Is It the GOSPEL, or Is It COMPROMISE?

In his response to the Kingdom Gospel session, Rev. Dr. Abraham Liu explored how the church can discern the boundary between the essence of the gospel and cultural traditions amidst changing times. Churches often fall into collective anxiety out of fear of losing the gospel's purity, mistaking tradition, habit, and standards for unalterable truth. However, what is truly non-negotiable is sin! Reflecting on how Jesus embraced sinners, called Matthew the tax collector, and sent out immature disciples—actions that seemed like “compromises” at the time—Rev. Dr. Liu

pointed out that these very actions revealed the true essence of the gospel.

Citing a four-year study by the Fuller Youth Institute of 259 growing churches, he noted data showing that whether young people stay in church has no direct correlation with church size, history, denomination, worship style, facilities, or fun activities. What truly attracts young people is a church that authentically lives out the gospel.

Rev. Dr. Liu identified four keys for the gospel to continue across generations: **First**, trust and empower young people, giving them real responsibility. **Second**, emulate Christ's Incarnation, actively seeking to understand and walk alongside different generations. **Third**, reject hypocrisy, witnessing the gospel through authentic lives. **Fourth**, replace one-way instruction with relational accompaniment, because the core of discipleship is not a course, but “being with Jesus.” He encouraged churches to build a culture of intergenerational friendship so that the gospel can be faithfully passed on down through generations.

“When we communicate the gospel clearly, God’s power is revealed.”

— Rev. Andrew Chai

Defining THE GOSPEL: Broad Yet Focused

The Gospel Forum featured gospel stories shared by former Disney animator **Bro.Davy Liu**, gospel cartoonist **Rev. Andrew Chai**, and **Rev. Jonathan Chow** (Senior Pastor of Taipei Bread of Life Christian Church), showcasing the richness of the Kingdom Gospel.

Rev. Andrew Chai noted that while the church does not lack gospel resources, it must ask five core questions: Have we communicated the gospel clearly? Are we relying on the Holy Spirit? Are we living out the gospel? Have we created a safe environment to welcome non-believers? Are we communicating effectively?



Rev. Jonathan Chow shared that we often fail to realize how deceitful our hearts can be, unaware that our desires have replaced God. In reality, the people who need to hear the gospel most are ourselves. The power of the gospel is meant to save us, becoming our sole source of security, worth, belonging, and affirmation.



Bro.Davy Liu shared that he does not hide the “King of Kings” inside church walls; instead, he uses his God-given talents and professional platform to tell biblical stories of salvation through creative angles. As an animator, his vision is to draw the attention of the next generation through artistic excellence.

“Since God gave humanity creativity, we have the capacity to shape mainstream culture through a biblical worldview.” — Bro.Davy Liu

X PLORE 360 Workshops



Digital Technology

Led by **Rev. Dr. Kenneth Goh** (Executive Senior Pastor, Cornerstone Evangelical Baptist Church, Singapore) and Susan Yeng, this workshop explored “understanding people from a biblical and holistic perspective to build healthier teams.”

Susan Yeng highlighted common organizational challenges, asking leaders: “Do we truly understand the people we are building?” This, she noted, is the foundation for more effective leadership and team building. Based on the concept of the “whole person created by God,” leaders should look beyond task efficiency and care for people holistically. She introduced “In-Person Theology,” emphasizing that technology can never replace in-person presence, eye contact, and authentic fellowship—which are vital for building trust. Rev. Dr. Goh utilized Dunbar’s Number to explain different levels of interpersonal relationships, emphasizing that healthy ministry requires intentionally cultivating relational circles and empowering smaller groups. He also highlighted the importance of psychological safety so members feel accepted and safe to express their thoughts.

Affinity Groups

Innovative Mission Models: Paradigm Shifts and Real-World Challenges

Elder Ray Peng (WE Initiative Founder)

Mission is not a location or a job title, but “a missional lifestyle and witness” crossing cultural boundaries in a mobile world. Innovation is not a gimmick, but a path reset to stay faithful and contextualized. Elder Peng invited participants to embed sending, going, mobilising, welcoming, praying, and learning into the daily habits of a global Christian.

How Can Non-Christian Youth Be Drawn into Church Life?

Sis. Gemma Tsui (Production Executive Producer, The Hope Church)

While AI serves as an auxiliary tool, it cannot replace genuine pastoral care. The key to reaching youths lies in real-life relationships and authentic accompaniment. Youths should actively engage their peers—building authentic relationships through games, small groups, and God’s Word. At the same time, youth ministry relies heavily on senior leaders to extend trust, authorization, and mentoring, raising up grounded spiritual leaders to co-build the next generation of disciples.

“The gospel is not just leading people to baptism during an altar call; it is a renewal we must experience every single day.”— Rev. Jonathan Chow



Digital Technology

Convener **Dr. Ximian Xu**, along with speakers Rev. Peter Jung C. Wu and Elder Sheng-Chang Chao, explored the practical applications of multi-model AI clients and Chatbot AI in pastoral care and sermon preparation. Leveraging their extensive background in this field, they unanimously agreed that AI assistants should be positioned as “supplementary tools” for preachers to study Scripture and draft sermons. Dr. Xu explained the basic theory and logic of AI, emphasizing that despite AI’s convenience, preachers must maintain spiritual imagination and encounter God authentically during sermon preparation. Rev. Wu proposed that within a sound theological framework, AI can significantly enhance exegesis precision and save time spent searching literature. Elder Chao highlighted the need for churches to maintain “digital sovereignty” by customizing AI tools tailored to their pastoral needs, demonstrating the design process.

All three speakers called on the church to keep AI purely as a practical tool for sermon prep, ensuring it never replaces the spiritual life of the preacher.

The Future of Theological Education: Connection, Insights, and Moving Forward

Rev. Dr. David Doong

(CCCOWE General Secretary)

The priority for theological education today is not rushing to find answers, but clarifying the right questions. Discussing across three dimensions—“Academic & Spiritual,” “Theory & Practice,” and “Seminary & Local Church”—participants explored current challenges. Local churches and seminaries must align around the gospel mission, watching over and empowering each other: churches protect seminaries from commercialization, while seminaries equip church leaders with deep theology to meet the demands of our time.

Seeing Church Planting Through Theological Vision

Rev. Charlie Wang

(Cross Point Church Pastor)

Drawing from Tim Keller’s wisdom, the key lies in updating one’s “Theological Vision”—thinking about how to apply theological truth within a specific historical and cultural context. Church planters must transform their vision through continuous repentance and renewal in the gospel. Church planters must embed themselves thoroughly within the city and its neighborhoods, expressing the goodness, beauty, and justice of the gospel throughout all cultural domains—genuinely living for Christ while serving as servant-hearted foot-washers.



Evangelism and Church Planting



Church planting is far more than just finding a meeting venue!

Convener **Rev. Timothy Lau** (Director of Asian Ministries, City to City Australia) opened with an engaging Q&A on “Church Planting Common Sense.” He prompted discussions on understanding the spiritual landscape of a city to plant churches that truly serve and reach the local community. Beyond starting from Missio Dei (God’s Mission), church planters must consider: Why, to whom, where, how, when, and with what resources would they need?

Rev. Dr. Theresa Lau (Director of the Chinese Department, Melbourne School of Theology)

presented the biblical and theological foundations of church planting. It is a witness to God’s redemptive story and the key apostolic pattern in the New Testament—preaching the gospel, discipling believers, and forming spiritual communities. Church growth is not merely about numerical increases, but about sending and multiplying.

Rev. Edward Sim (En Ling Church Plant Pastor, Redemption Hill Church, Singapore) shared his church planting journey, detailing challenges such as cross-cultural dynamics, consumerism, and below-expectation growth, along with key coping strategies.

Rev. Keith Lam (Chinese Pastor, Crossway Baptist Boroondara Campus, Australia) shared a case study from Melbourne. From serving Cantonese immigrants to reaching Mandarin families, establishing Chinese congregations, and multiplying across cities, he testified to God’s faithful guidance throughout the journey.

Participant Profiles & Quotes

Pastor Sheng Yeh Chen
(Taipei Revival church)



more people.”

“Today gave me a deeper appreciation of God’s love for us. Since I have experienced His grace, I must share it with

Lydia Wu (Head Of Ministry Development, Alpha Hong Kong)



the gospel.”

“In the past, I viewed sharing the gospel simply as a duty. Today, I was deeply reminded that we must become the gospel, witness the gospel, and proclaim

Elder Michael Zheng (Founder of Marketplace Ekklesia Ministries)



me to experience Him in my career and know that the power of the gospel is real.”

“Growing up in an atheistic family, I began worshipping idols due to family tragedies. Even after coming to faith, I remained a lukewarm Christian for a long time. It was only after my baptism that God sparked a hunger in me for His Word, allowing