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The Conversation One Generation Avoids—and the Next Fears to Begin



Fifteen percent of the 10th CCCOWE Conference participants were young leaders under 35, showcasing the spirit of intergenerational partnership. Hosted by Sis. Christina Liu of Taipei Revival Church, the “Gen Z Forum” invited Pastor Warren Fung of the Chinese Christelijke Gemeente in Nederland (Arnhem), Pastor Nadine Leong of Heart of God Church Singapore, and

Pastor Woo-Yiung Siw, Campus Ministry Advisor of the Chinese Annual Conference of the Methodist Church in Malaysia, as panelists, with Pastor Peter Wan, Founding Lead Pastor of The Hope, responding. The forum highlighted that contemporary youth need to find their calling at the intersection of faith and the world, living as authentic, courageous, and hopeful disciples. Facing the rise of AI

and social media, rather than resisting, churches should proactively understand youth culture and guide them back to biblical values to establish a sound moral compass.

All three panelists noted that they had been nurtured, trusted, and accepted by older pastors and mentors, illustrating that intergenerational relations are defined not merely by tension,

“While young people long for their own stage, what they truly need is the desire to complete something ‘unto death’ before receiving applause. Regardless of generation, we should follow David’s example—faithfully completing what God entrusts to us and knowing when to let go at the right time.” — Pastor Peter Wan

but also by walking together and passing on the faith. Young people do not need to wait until they are “experienced enough” to serve—they can lead now. Churches must boldly empower youth to try, while offering support and protection behind

the scenes.

Addressing young people’s anxiety and need for belonging, Pastor Nadine Leong pointed out that churches can actively foster a sense of belonging. Pastor Warren Fung noted that

the younger generation yearns to be understood rather than micromanaged. Pastor Woo-Yiung Siw emphasized that only by authentically living out faith and letting the next generation see Jesus through our lives can we truly impact them.

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Young Generation

Facing the challenges of pastoring the next generation, the church must adopt a “missional mindset.” Today’s youth possess fluid identities; the church should recognize this fluidity, lay down negative labels and prejudices, avoid imposing prepackaged answers, and listen and accompany with openness. Rather than simply instructing or correcting young people, we should walk alongside them, empower them, and help them grow.

While the church may never catch up with modern trends, it can do everything possible with all wisdom to win the hearts of young people. Only when deep intergenerational relationships are established can the next generation share the missional burden with the church. Leaders must beware of “survivorship bias”—focusing solely on youth inside the church while ignoring the 60% forgotten outside. The church must step out of its comfort zone and enter the context of the next generation to plant and build. Missional engagement itself should define the new church community, rather than church planting

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Not Going to Church—Then What? Exploring Spiritual Experience in a Post-Church Era

Group Leader: **Ps. Elton Lo**

(Chairman, G-Power Youth United, Hong Kong)

The church must rethink its role, shifting from being institution- and meeting-centered to becoming a spiritual community that helps people discern God, carries life stories, accompanies youth, and practices faith.

preceding mission. When the next generation no longer steps into the church, it is God’s wake-up call for the church to step out.

Churches should build a common language with youth, weave faith into daily life, and mobilize young people to engage in practical actions for environmental stewardship and social justice—the youth, too, can transform the world. As biblical stewardship principles are lived out, non-believers will see God’s hand at work and witness the gospel of Christ through tangible lifestyles.



Workplace as Mission Field: Bearing Lasting Fruit at Work

“Workplace Night” featured testimonies from Sis. Joanna Ng, CEO of Devarim Design Inc., and Sis. Bao-Yan Lam, Founder of Living Oaks. Sis. Joanna Ng stated that when churches focus on “workplace ministry,” they often overlook the core of “discipleship.” Workplace ministry is not about career advancement or personal success, but about the gospel and the Kingdom of God—allowing disciples to be transformed by Christ, called into the workplace, and bear lasting fruit in God’s presence.

She cited Revelation 1:6, noting that all disciples of Christ are priests in God’s Kingdom, yet many believers leave their identity in Christ at the church doors rather than bringing the gospel into their workplaces. Romans 8:9 also stresses

that the key to discipleship is the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and life transformation. Therefore, if church service is elevated above one’s vocation or family, what is ultimately lost is an intimate walk with the Lord. Out of an intimate connection with God—allowing the Holy Spirit to heal and renew—ministry becomes the natural overflow of life.

Sis. Joanna Ng proposed four key shifts for churches driving workplace discipleship. First, view the church as an equipping ground for disciples, not an arena for performance. Second, cultivate workplace Christians into spiritual leaders who influence colleagues’ lives. Third, view discipleship not just as knowledge transfer, but as wisdom transmission—learning to walk with the Holy

Spirit in the workplace. Fourth, recognize the world as God’s entrusted harvest field, where Christians must stand firm in truth and live out a witness to manifest God’s Kingdom and gospel.

In his response, Elder George Huang emphasized that facing a holistic gospel and workplace mission, the key is not “what to do,” but “whom to believe.” In an era of rapid technological and AI advancement, Christians must keep Christ at the center, allow mission to impart purpose, and serve as salt and light. He also warned against “spiritual dementia”—becoming disconnected from God, mission, and context—urging believers to stay abide in Christ and respond to God’s call with humility and obedience.

“The mission Christ entrusted to the Church has always been to ‘make disciples of all nations and shepherd His sheep.’ The true measure of success is not how many ministries are accomplished, but whether we faithfully respond to God’s trust and call.” — Sis. Joanna Ng

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Missional Discipleship at Workplace

The church should not label the workplace as “secular,” but rather help believers express God’s image in their vocations. God designed work for human fulfillment and accomplishment. Christians in the workplace must endure hardships and navigate real crises and struggles without compromising their faith, where the core test is whether they seek God. This tests workplace spiritual resilience and forms the core question of marketplace mission.

The core framework of workplace mission encompasses: Calling (identifying call and finding purpose), Being (standing before God, living authentically), Doing (engaging work, holistic mission), and Loving (rooted in grace, fueled by love). The focus shifts from merely “building organizations” to “designing systems” (talent flow, knowledge flow, resource flow, capital flow, innovation flow, prayer flow, influence flow, and multiplication flow).

1 Corinthians 13:1 teaches us that love is the core value of everything, which applies equally to the workplace. It is not that the truth lacks a market, but that we must help the market understand the value of truth. Helping workplace believers live out Christ in their daily work is the finest expression of marketplace mission.

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Co-Shaping the Missional Discipleship @ Workplace (MDW) Movement

LEADERS

Dr. Ricky Szeto (CEO & Executive Director, Hung Fook Tong Group, Hong Kong)

Dr. Natalie Chan (President, Institute for City Transformation, Hong Kong)

Seeking to define identity through work leads to endless anxiety and burnout. The “Missional Discipleship @ Workplace Movement” aims to unite and challenge the Chinese church to equip disciples to respond to holistic mission in the workplace—the largest gospel harvest field in today’s world.





Love on UKRAINE

Sis. Bao-Yan Lam, Founder of “Love on Ukraine”, shared her testimony. Originally an architect running her own design firm, she witnessed countless homes reduced to rubble and widespread displacement when the Russo-Ukrainian War broke out. Moving to action, she and her husband established “Love on Ukraine” using their professional skills to build over 500 safe shelters in the region, helping refugees endure harsh winters and rebuilding hope.

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UUPG

While UUPG has been used as a missiological term for decades, the concept can restrict missional vision and cause management and ministry models to become rigid. Today, identities are fluid and multifaceted; every person we cross paths with can be an object of mission.

The church must move beyond binary thinking of “reached” and “unreached,” ceasing to define mission targets by labels. Instead, adopting God’s perspective on humanity, we should view every individual who has not heard the gospel as a mission candidate—seeking understanding amid differences and moving from checking off task lists to living alongside others as joint witnesses to the gospel.

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Arts Mission as Holistic Calling:
Listening, Co-Creation, Crossing Barriers, and Healing Trauma

LEADER

Dr. Hoiling Poon

(Assistant Professor, Alliance Bible Seminary)

Harnessing the Creator’s gift of “artistic creativity” to heal souls and break down relational and gospel barriers, drawing people toward Him. Every community possesses distinct artistic expressions capable of bringing life transformation.

“They are not merely objects of mission, but can become gospel messengers, disciples, and mission partners.” — Rev. Dr. Francis Tam

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Diaspora Mission

Diaspora mission is not a modern phenomenon, but a major redemptive thread running through Old and New Testaments. From the dispersion of humanity in Genesis to the scattering of the early church through persecution in Acts, God continually advances the gospel through human migration. Though doors to the gospel may close in certain nations, God opens fresh opportunities through global population movements, including Chinese migration.

Through case studies from churches in Spain, South Korea, the United States, and Argentina, speakers showcased how diaspora groups drive cross-cultural missions. Facing challenges like resource scarcity, restrictive models, and a lack of platforms, churches, mission agencies, and missionaries must strengthen collaboration—integrating resources and building partnerships to seize the new opportunities of contemporary diaspora mission.

By emphasizing mission to, through, beyond, and with diaspora communities, the workshop highlighted that diaspora groups are not merely gospel recipients, but mission partners who co-engage in God's mission.

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Social Responsibility: From Caring for the Community to Impacting the Community

LEADER

Rev. David Lee (Superintendent of Chinese Christian Herald Crusades)

From promoting ministry sustainability to generating real impact, as well as connecting non-profit organizations with for-profit businesses, whether to accept donations from non-Christian individuals or organizations, and whether to collaborate with other religious groups—these are all critical issues worth deep reflection and engaging discussion.



Participant Interviews



Rev. Kwan Tze Hung
(Christ's Family Church)

“Many Chinese churches harbor misunderstandings regarding ‘mission.’ I hope more Chinese churches return to the Great Commission—engaging not only in local evangelism but also in cross-cultural missions to bring diverse ethnic groups back into God’s family.”



Rev. Law Hui Seng
(Nyelong Park Methodist Church SCAC)

“God calls us to take the gospel to places where it has not yet been heard—that is our task today. Every longhouse in Sarawak where Jesus is not yet known, I will go!”



Rev. John Kuo and Mrs. Elaine Huang
(Christ's Family Church)

“We were reminded that a gospel-centered church will naturally stay on the right path, and vice versa. This is the message churches need to hear most, and we pray for revival across all Chinese churches.”



Behind the Scenes

