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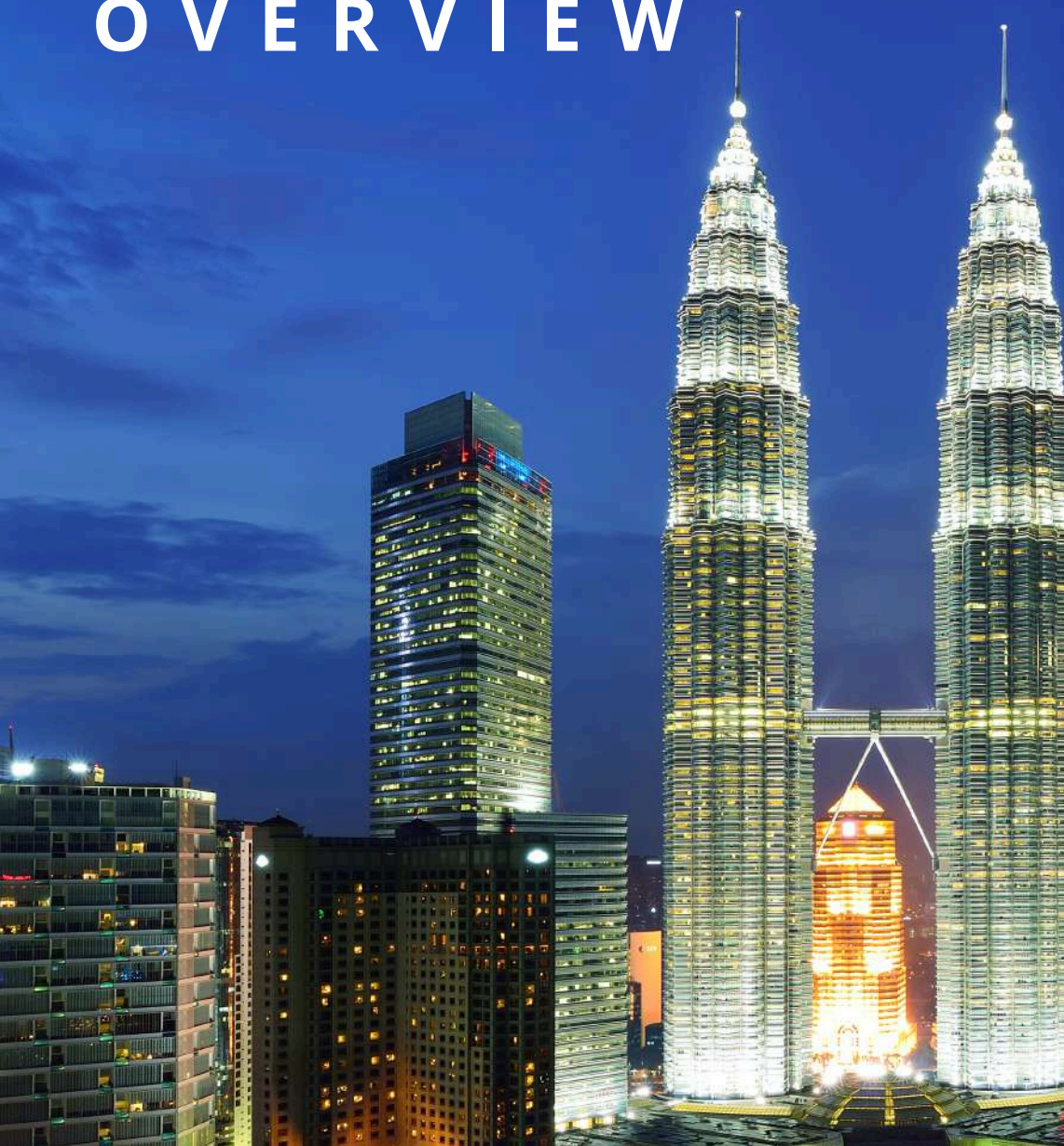
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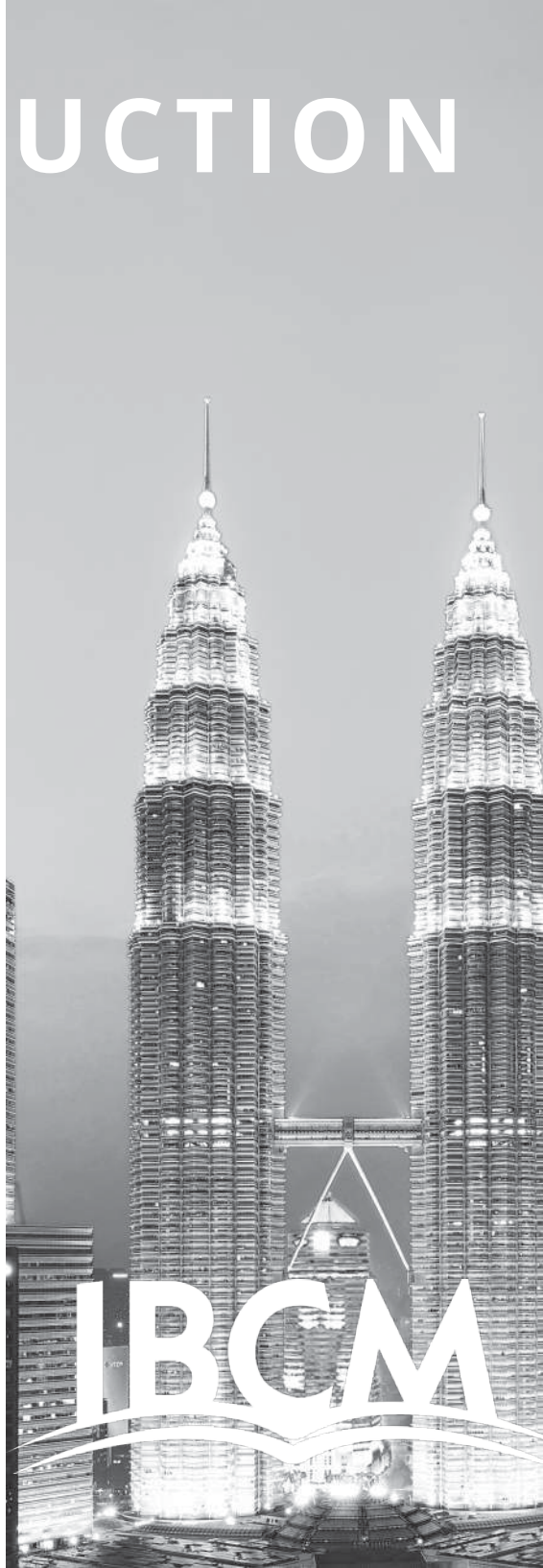


INTRODUCTION

IBCM NETWORK

IBCM as the International Brethren Conference on Mission (IBCM) commenced in 1993 and has convened and coordinated global conferences (every 4 years). The work has expanded over the years with the advent of several regional and language based conferences and the development of the Brethren Training Network (BTN) which holds training conferences (every 4 years) and has itself produced regional gatherings of leaders and educators.

On March 19, 2019, the organisation “IBCM Network” (International Brethren Churches & Mission Network) was created to provide an essential base to further connect and serve the churches and organisations in over 160 countries worldwide. IBCM Network is served by a board of trustees, a number of staff, volunteers, and representatives, as well as an International Advisory Group, and a Youth Advisory Committee.





IBCM NETWORK - PURPOSE

IBCM Network exists to connect and serve the Brethren community worldwide through:

- 1 **STRENGTHENING LEADERS**
- 2 **ENCOURAGING CHURCHES**
- 3 **FACILITATING MISSION**
- 4 **CONNECTING WORLDWIDE**

LEADERS

Working with BTN (Brethren Training Network), IBCM Network will strengthen leaders, trainers, and theologians worldwide through:

- grassroots and accredited training
- online forums
- an online training resource centre

CHURCHES

Working with national church leaders and organisations IBCM Network will encourage local churches worldwide through:

- coordinated global communication
- creating ministry networks
- an online church resource centre

MISSION

Working with national mission organisations IBCM Network will facilitate mission endeavours locally and globally through:

- worldwide communication on mission
- creating mission partnership possibilities
- an online mission information centre

WORLDWIDE

Working with the regional planning groups IBCM Network will serve and connect the network worldwide through:

- a global conference every 4 years
- assisting the regional conference teams
- facilitating global networks and communication

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GO-CONNECT

One of the key roles of IBCM Network is to connect the Brethren community worldwide. This is done through:

- The building of networks
- Communication of prayer requests, news items, and specific regional and individual needs
- Regular global newsletters
- Website and App management and resource sharing
- Hosting webinars
- Encouraging and visiting church leaders
- Holding conferences, both regional and global



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

The global IBCM conferences gather people every 4 years from over 160 countries where we are represented, to connect, unite and encourage mission and ministry for the glory of God. IBCM8 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, will gather under the theme of “For Christ’s love compels us” and cover 7 network tracks including: Youth, Mission, Children, Church Ministry, Leadership, Training & Theology, Evangelism & Church Planting. The conference will contain a significant youth focus throughout and provide opportunities for participants to engage in a variety of short term mission trips following the conference.

PREVIOUS CONFERENCES

IBCM1	1993	Singapore
IBCM2	1996	Ostia, Italy
IBCM3	2003	Sibiu, Romania
IBCM4	2007	Wiedenest, Germany
IBCM5	2011	Strasbourg, France
IBCM6	2015	Pomezia, Italy
IBCM7	2019	Pomezia, Italy
IBCM8	2023	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

REGIONAL CONFERENCES

IBCM Network assists with the coordinating of regional conferences, webinars, and other events as required. Including:

Asia-Pacific Conference

Caribbean Conference

European Conference

Hispano Conference

Portuguese Conference

Pan-African Conference

Brethren Training Network

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GO-TRAIN

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING TEAMS

Through sending international teams of teachers and trainers, IBCM Network seeks to connect, encourage, and build up under resourced Christian leaders across the world. In many lands and contexts there exists neither opportunity nor ongoing support to ensure the continual strengthening of the churches that were planted. This leaves those people and churches open to becoming weak, and ineffective. Investing in leaders, specifically the younger, is one of the most effective ways of impacting an entire community for Christ. What is learned is readily passed on to all.



INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT

THE VISION

To provide and facilitate quality contextualised ministry training that is accessible, affordable, and accredited, to the majority world nations in our network.

THE NEED

In many places around the world the gospel has taken root and there are a growing number of churches. However, specifically in majority world countries, local Christians often lack access to pastoral, leadership, and Bible training, that is essential to ensure the growth, maturity, and future of the churches. In a number of countries there is the real threat that government legislation will close churches because pastors and leaders do not hold any form of accredited training. In response to this overwhelming need the Australian College of Christian Studies (ACCS) and IBCM Network have joined together in a commitment to provide and facilitate quality contextualised ministry training that is accessible, affordable, and accredited, to the majority world nations in our network. Please pray with us as we seek to continue and to grow this important ministry.

Currently training in:

ETHIOPIA

UGANDA

RWANDA

KENYA

ZAMBIA

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GO-DISCIPLE

The Go-Disciple project aims to develop an intentional discipleship programme that provides an accessible systematic contextualised curriculum designed to be delivered in a transferable mentoring process to facilitate evangelism and the growth of believers within our global network of churches.





THE PROJECT

One of the most common comments we hear from people and churches around the world is the need for discipleship resources and training. Evangelism is happening and people are coming to Christ they say, but what is really needed now is discipleship. The Go-Disciple project is an online and in-print modular series of studies conducted through an actively mentored discipleship program designed to meet this important need. It starts at a basic salvation level and step by step seeks to move each person through to greater maturity in Christian knowledge, character, and ministry skills. The programme is created to be contextually adaptable, able to be used to multiply disciples in all churches.

THE TEAM

The Go-Disciple team consists of international leaders who are well trained, recognised as effective teachers, writers, and mentors, and are passionate about equipping other leaders to make disciples.

MENTOR TRAINING

The Go-Disciple team will first train national or regional trainers how to use the Go-Disciple programme. The national or regional trainers will then train area coaches and mentors in the use of Go-Disciple in their local context.

THE SERIES

1. CONNECTING – you to the loving heart of God
2. DISCOVERING – the overall story of the Bible
3. BELONGING – to the family of God
4. UNDERSTANDING – the Bible for yourself
5. FOLLOWING – Christ with all your heart
6. TRANSFORMING – to live by the Spirit
7. MATURING – your understanding of God's Word
8. SERVING – others through using your gifts
9. MENTORING – others toward maturity
10. LEADING – others in a church or ministry context

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GO-CARE

The church is called to “build itself up in love” (Ephesians 4:16). Yet somehow in the frantic pace of church life the loving care of the heart is often overlooked. The Go-Care Network is designed to create a network of people who can provide essential member care resources, pastoral care training, and soul-care guidance.





THE TEAM

The Go-Care team will consist of an international group of pastoral care and counselling specialists who are biblically trained.

MEMBER CARE

In order to build a loving community of God's people, church members need to know how to care for others by being able to:

- listen attentively
- communicate effectively
- relate intentionally

The Go-Care network will provide resources to enable members to care for one another with the love of Christ.

PASTORAL CARE

In order to guide the hearts of people toward transformation, pastoral carers need to know how to address various life issues from a biblical perspective. The Go-Care network will provide pastoral carers with training resources, and other support networks, to enable them to care lovingly and effectively for their church community.

SOUL CARE

In this complex world our network of churches needs a trusted network of Christian Brethren specialist counsellors that members and carers can consult with confidence. The Go-Care network will provide carers with an international team of specialists who can provide help in areas like:

Anger • Fear and Anxiety • Self-harm
Stress and Depression • Abuse • Trauma
Addiction • Parenting and Marriage

member CARE | pastoral CARE | soul CARE

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GO-SERVE

We can often believe that the most important aspect of mission is the successful completion of the planned projects and activities. While these are important nothing replaces nor outlasts the building of significant relationships with the people you encounter. Your investment in people, not just projects and activities, will serve to transform your own life, the lives of those within the mission team, and the lives of those you serve. After all, we are all called to “put love where love is not.”





GO-SERVE

Mission is at the heart of God. He sent his son into the world to show just how much he loved us. Today we are called to carry out the same task, to take the love of God into to the world to those who do not know his love for them. We are all called to “put love where love is not” through both word and action.

Mission therefore requires two things: understanding the love of God and his word (discipleship) and knowing how best to express his love in any context (skills).

By collaborating with our mission partners, Go-Serve provides short-term international mission team opportunities that combine discipleship training and skills development to equip you to effectively serve God by putting love where love is not in various mission contexts.

INTERNATIONAL MISSION TEAMS

Go-Serve provides mission opportunities for international teams to serve together in various contexts around the world through networking with mission partners.

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

Go-Serve participants receive dedicated discipleship training that equips them to understand and communicate God’s word effectively through utilising the Go-Disciple network and discipleship resources.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Go-Serve provides you with the cultural orientation and necessary skills to serve God effectively in specific mission contexts.

MISSION CONTEXTS

Go-Serve provides active international mission engagements which combine the discipleship and skills training in diverse cultural and church ministry contexts.



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PARTNER WITH US

IBCM Network exists to connect and serve the Brethren community worldwide and relies on the provision of God through his people to grow this vital work

PRAYER

If you would like to partner with us through prayer by receiving our communications please send your contact details to: ibcm@ibcm.net

DONATE

If you would like to support IBCM Network financially please go to: www.ibcm.net/donations/

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