Conversions and Transformations:

Missiological Approaches to Religious Change

Seoul Korea August 11-17 2016



IAMS Assembly Program

	Thursday 11 Aug	Friday 12 Aug	Saturday 13 Aug	Sunday 14 Aug	Monday 15 Aug	Tuesday 16 Aug	Wednesday 17 Aug
07:30 - 08:30		Breakfast LUCE Center	Breakfast LUCE Center	Breakfast LUCE Center	Breakfast LUCE Center	Breakfast LUCE Center	Breakfast LUCE Center
08:30 - 09:00	Arrival & Registration - LUCE Center	Chapel Prayer	Chapel Prayer	Church Services & Exposure Trips	Chapel Prayer	Chapel Prayer	Departure
09:15 - 11:00		Morning Session LUCE Center	Morning Session LUCE Center		Morning Session LUCE Center	Morning Session LUCE Center	
09:15 - 09:30		Announcements	Announcements		Announcements	Announcements	
09:30 - 10:30		Plenary Session Christine Lienemann- Perrin	Plenary Session Joel Robbins		Plenary Session Hyung Keun Paul Choi	Plenary Session Elsa Tamez	
10:30 - 11:00		Discussion	Discussion		Discussion	Discussion	
11:00 - 11:30		Break - Refreshments	Break - Refreshments		Break - Refreshments	Break - Refreshments	
11:30 - 13:00		Study Groups Papers Presentations Soyang Building	Study Groups Papers Presentations Soyang Building		Study Groups Papers Presentations Soyang Building	Emerging Trends & Future Prospects LUCE Center	
13:00 - 14:00		Lunch Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	Lunch Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall		Lunch Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	Lunch Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	
14:30 - 15:30		Preparation for the General Meeting Soyang Building	Study Groups Papers Presentations Soyang Building	Trips	Interest Group Meetings Soyang Building	Assembly Overview, Listeners LUCE Center	ਰ
15:30 - 16:00		Break - Refreshments	Break - Refreshments		Break - Refreshments	Break - Refreshments	
16:00 - 18:00	Dinner Servere Hell	Regional Meetings Soyang Building	Study Groups Papers Presentations Soyang Building		IAMS General Meeting LUCE Center	Closing Ceremony LUCE Center	
18:00 - 18:30							
18:30 - 19:00	Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	Dinner Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	Dinner Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	Dinner Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	Dinner Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	Banquet Dinner Somang Hall - Myungsung Hall	
19:00 - 19:30							
19:30 - 20:00	Opening Session LUCE Center	Free Evening					
20:00 - 20:30			Evening Gathering LUCE Center	Free Evening	Evening Gathering LUCE Center		
20:30 - 21:00						30	

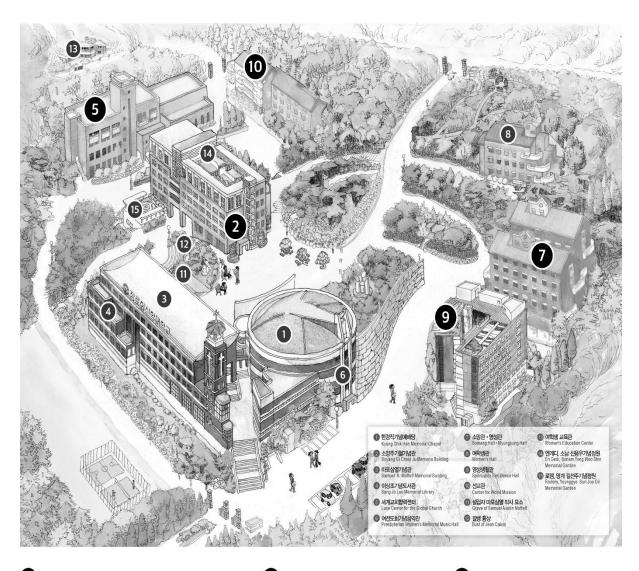


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Map 1 - The Presbyterian University and Theology Seminary Campus

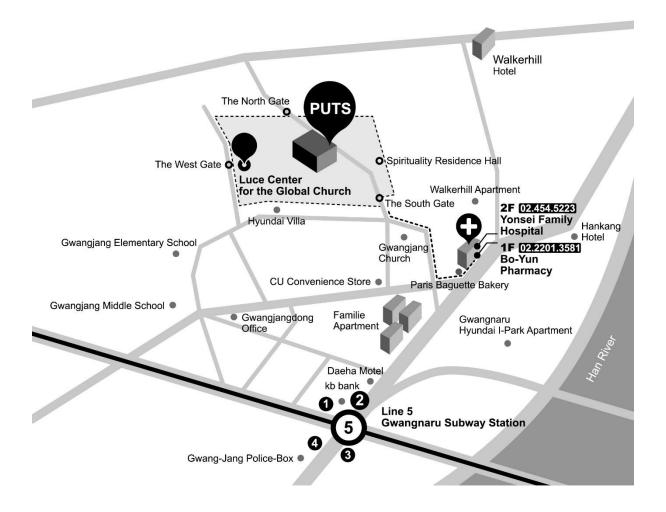


- Kyung Chik Han Memorial Chapel
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- 3 Samuel A. Moffett Memorial Building
- 4 Sang Jo Lee Memorial Library
- 5 Luce Center for the Global Church
- 6 Presbyterian Women's Memorial Music Hall

- 7 Somang Hall Myungsung Hall
- 8 Women's Hall
- 9 Spirituality Residence Hall
- Ocenter for World Mission
- Grave of Samuel Austin Moffett
- 12 Bust of Jean Calvin

- 13 Women's Education Center
- En Gedi, Sonam Yong Woo Shin Memorial Garden
- Rodem, Younggye Sun Joo Gil Memorial Garden

Map 2 - Area around the PUTS Campus



WELCOME

About Korea and Seoul

There are several names of Korea in use today, derived from ancient kingdoms and dynasties. The modern English name Korea is an exonym derived from the Goryeo Dynasty (918-1392 A.D.) and is used by both South Korea and North Korea in international arenas and contexts. In the Korean language, however, the two Koreas use different terms to refer to the nominally unified nation: Hanguk (한국) in South Korea and Chosŏn (조선) in North Korea.

Seoul has been the center of Korean politics, economy, social life, and culture for over 1000 years. The city of Seoul is the capital city of the Republic of Korea (South Korea). 10 million people out of the total 48 million South Koreans live in this city.

The Christian population including both Protestant and Catholic populations takes 32.6 percent (22.5%+ 10.1% respectively) of the total national population. However, the percentage of Christian population is higher in Seoul than the national average taking 39.2 percent (27.9% + 11.3%) of the total city population. Seoul is home to many churches as well as many global companies. There are more than 7,600 churches in Seoul. The largest church in the world, the largest Methodist church in the world, the largest Presbyterian church in the world are all located in Seoul.

President's Welcome

You are warmly welcome to participate in the 14th assembly of the International Association for Mission Studies (IAMS) in Seoul, Korea. We are very happy to meet in the North East of Asia where we have never met before. I hope that this setting will open us vistas into the spectacular cultures, religious traditions, churches, mission endeavours and interreligious encounters on this peninsula. The Korean hosting committee has prepared encounters with the local realities, not least in the form of exposure trips on Sunday, and we are very grateful for that.

IAMS is an academic association that is dedicated to the study of Christian mission understood in a wide sense. This interest covers Christians' relations to people of other faiths and ideologies, the encounter between the Christian message and cultures as well as Christian responsibility in the world at large. In spite of the area of study concentrating on worldwide Christianity, the association itself is not confessional even though many of its members represent all of the major Christian traditions. Even though theology plays a very central role in IAMS, it is not the only disciplinary approach to mission studies but we also want to welcome researchers representing other fields. As one can deduct from the above, IAMS as an association does not hold any theological positions but rather attempts to provide a platform for the academic exchange of ideas.

The general theme of the assembly, conversions and transformations, is a central and contested area that sometimes raises heated debates. I hope that we all will return home with new perspectives and a deeper understanding of this central missiological theme. Academic debate reminds us of interreligious encounters in the sense that even in it, participants share what they consider as true and worthy and attempt, by virtue of rational argumentation, to convert the others, or at least make them understand and acknowledge the differing academic position. So, let us share boldly, listen respectfully, and think deeply.

This assembly has many more papers presented in paper sessions than any other so far. It means that we will not only have a great deal of papers on the conference theme but also a true smorgasbord of topics. Enjoy it!

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Executive Committee Members

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Rosemary Dewerse, PhD, Regional Representative Oceania

Greetings from the Korean Host Committee

Welcome to Korea!

Thank you for coming to the 14th general assembly of IAMS. It is our privilege to host this important event in Korea.

We firmly believe that this event is a good opportunity for learning and sharing on the part of Korean missions circle. There are over 20,000 Korean missionaries working all over the world, but the level of missiological expertise is not as high as their zeal for saving the souls. Please pray for Korean missiologists and mission leaders to maximize their learning and sharing at the global level using the momentum of this conference.

We worked hard to make your travel and stay easy and comfortable as much as we could, but there might be unavoidable inconveniences on the part of participants from abroad. Please forgive and understand our shortcomings that you might have experienced or will be experiencing. We will do our best to serve you with humility and hospitality.

We hope you will enjoy God's presence and work among us during the general assembly. May God continue to bless you in His grace and peace! Amen!

Korean Host Committee

Co-chair: **Dr Paul Hyung Keun Choi** (Seoul Theological University)

International Coordinator: Dr Steve Sang-Cheol Moon (Korea Research Institute for Mission)

Associate International Coordinator: **Dr Bokyoung Park** (Presbyterian University and Theological Seminary)

Managing Coordinator: **Dr EunAh Cho** (Asia United Theological University) Secretary: **Dr Ki Mook Jung** (Presbyterian University and Theological Seminary)

Treasurer: **Dr Mikyoung Jung** (Sungkyul University) Member: **Dr Bernard Senecal, S. J. and others**.

About the International Association for Mission Studies

The International Association for Mission Studies (IAMS) is an international, interconfessional and interdisciplinary professional society for the scholarly study of Christian witness and its impact in the world and the related field of intercultural theology.

After some preliminary meetings, IAMS was inaugurated in Driebergen, The Netherlands, in 1972. Since then, every four years an international Assembly has been held on the different continents. There are now around 200 scholars who are members of IAMS as well several institutions that are corporate members.

Every four years, an Executive Committee is chosen by the members and is responsible for the development of the association and charged to organise the next quadrennial assembly. On this Committee, different regions of the world are represented. The Secretariat of the association is usually linked to one of the associated institutions. Currently the Secretariat is located at Church Mission Society (CMS) in Oxford, United Kingdom.

The objectives of the association are:

- To promote the scholarly study of systematic, biblical, historical ad practical questions relating to mission and intercultural theology.
- To disseminate information concerning mission studies to all those engaged in that and related study fields
- To promote fellowship, cooperation and mutual assistance in mission studies
- To organise international conferences of missiologists and intercultural theologians
- To encourage the creation of centres of research
- To stimulate publications in missiology and intercultural theology.

Acknowledgement

DONORS

- Onnuri Community Church (Senior Pastor: Rev. Jae-Hoon Lee)
- SaRang Community Church (Senior Pastor: Rev. Jung-Hun Oh)
- Global Mission Church (Senior Pastor: Rev. Peter Chin)
- Asian Mission (Executive director: Rev. Jae-Chul Jung)
- NORME
- United Methodist Board General Board of Global Ministries
- World Council of Churches Commission on World Mission & Evangelism
- SIM International
- Australian Association of Mission Studies
- Zonneweelde
- Association of Professors of Mission
- American Society of Missiology
- German Bishops Conference
- Evangelisches Missionwerk in Deutschland e.V. (EMW)
- ICCO
- Timothy Easton Memorial Trust
- Missio Internationales Katholisches Missionwerk e.V.

VOLUNTEERS

IAMS would like to acknowledge and warmly thank the volunteers for their immense help hosting us in Seoul.

GENERAL INFORMATION

MEDICAL SERVICES IN SEOUL

The number for Gun Gook Dae Hospital (건국대병원) is +82-2-1588-1533 (If calling with a domestic number, 02-1588-1533).

The number for Hae Min Hospital (혜민병원) is +82-2-453-3131 (if calling with a domestic number, 02-43-3132).

These are major hospitals that can provide various different services.

Contact Person (medical emergency): In case of emergency, please contact Zoe (Eunhee) Wang at +82-10-5564-1623 (international)/ 010-5564-1623 (domestic) or visit the information desk in Luce Center for assistance.

For Non-emergencies: The nearest pharmacy is marked on map 2, p. 3

- Hospital / Walk-in Clinics: Yonsei Family Hospital (+82-2-454-5223/ (02) 454-5223)
- Pharmacies: Bo-Yun Pharmacy (+82-2-2201-3581/ (02) 2201-3581)

If you need assistance, please contact Zoe (Eunhee) Wang at +82-10-5564-1623/010-5564-1623 or visit the information desk in Luce Center for assistance.

ATM/CASH MACHINES: There are two ATM machines on campus. The first one is located on the second floor of Samuel A. Moffett Memorial Building. The other one is located on the fourth floor of Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building.

BANKS: KB Bank is the nearest bank from campus. It is located outside Exit 1 and 2 of Gwangnaru subway station. Once you arrive at the subway exit, look for S-Oil gas station. The bank will be right next to the gas station. The phone number for the bank is +82 (0)2 3436-0141.

BEDROOMS: All bedrooms on campus are shared and you have been assigned one or more roommates. If you have any problems with your room, please contact the following based on your accommodation:

Your Stay	Contact Person	Phone Number
Spirituality Residence Hall (Men's Dormitory)	An-Wei Nehemiah Tan	010-9021-9751
Center for World Mission (Mission Building)	Eun Sun Koh	02) 453-2208
LUCE Center for Global Church	Porter	02) 450-5511

Please **do not** change your room without informing us. Quiet hours is from 11 PM to 6 AM each day. Please be courteous to your neighbours and allow peace and quiet between these hours.

Spirituality Residence Hall (Men's Dormitory)

The entrance to the dormitory is on the second floor and fourth floor. On the first floor, there is a fitness room available for residents. There is a small library on the third floor for use until 11 PM. Each floor (floor 6-9) has a small lounge available until quiet hours (starting from 11 PM). In floor 6-8, there are also small prayer rooms. When you get your keys, you will have to use one key to go through both the building's gate and then your room. Please note that you must have your key to use the elevator.

Luce Center for Global Church

There is a porter available to answer any questions regarding your accommodation in the lobby. If you need help with translations, please ask the information desk for help. There is regular cleaning every other day; however, if you do not want your room to be cleaned, please let the porter know.

Center for World Mission Building

The front gate will close at 10 PM so please use the side door on the right side of the building after the gate closes. If you have any questions related to your accommodation, there is a staff available from 10 AM to 5 PM, Monday to Friday. Please note that the <u>women's shower room is on the third floor</u> and the men's shower room is on the fourth floor.

CAMERAS & PHOTOS: During plenary sessions you may take pictures from your seats only. Please do not use a flash to avoid distracting the speaker and other participants. Please refrain from taking photos of participants from sensitive countries. Please also use discretion when posting photos of others online; if you are unsure, please ask before doing so.

COFFEE SHOP: There is one main café on campus. It is located on the fourth floor of Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building and called The Café. Please understand that the café is not operated by the university, so you are responsible for your own purchase.

COMPUTERS & PRINTERS: The library is located on the second floor of Samuel A. Moffat Memorial Building. You may be able to access computers, printers, and copy machines. There may be additional fees for utilizing printers and copy machines.

DRINKING WATER & VENDING MACHINES: The water in your room is drinkable. However, you will be provided with a water bottle each morning which you can fill from the various water fountains located on campus. There are vending machines available throughout the campus. The first one is outside the first floor of Luce Center. The second one is located outside the fourth floor of Soyang Building.

EVACUATION PROCEDURES: Please familiarise yourself with the emergency procedures in your room, so you know what to do in case of the need for evacuation.

INFORMATION DESK: There is a general information desk located in the LUCE building which will be open from 9:00 to 6:00 pm. The IAMS information desk will also be in the LUCE building and will be open at various time during the assembly.

INTERNET: You will be able to access the University wireless internet. The name is **pcts-open** and the password is **pcts1234**. In the Center for World Mission Building, the name is **Sunkyo** and there is **no password**.

KEYS – RETURN/LOST: Everyone must return all their keys to the information desk before departure. All lost keys are charged 10 dollars per key. Communicate your lost key immediately to the general information desk in the LUCE Center.

LAUNDRY

Spirituality Residence Hall - there are laundry and dryer machines on each floor. Laundry is free for use but the dryer costs \(\mathbf{H}\)1,000. Note that you must bring your own detergent. Laundry closes at 11 PM.

Luce Center - the laundry and dryer machines are on the third and fourth floor. The center provides detergents for residents' uses. Please note that before 3 PM, the laundry machines will be in use by the janitors.

Center for Mission building - the laundry machines are located on the third floor, next to the bathroom. The center provides detergents for use.

LOST & FOUND is located in the lobby of the Luce Center.

MEALS: Please refer to the IAMS Assembly Programme on the back page of this handbook for the times and locations of meals. However, for those who have not included meals in their registration, please refrain from eating your meals when IAMS assembly participants are using the cafeteria. Meals for yourself or others can be purchased in the café on campus or its surrounding areas.

Please note that lunch will be provide on the exposure trips.

MEDICAL CARE / FIRST AID: Emergency information can also be found on your name badge, and for any other assistance please refer to page 7.

MOBILE PHONES: Please remember to turn your mobile/cell phone to silent modes while we are in session to avoid distraction.

NAME BADGES: Without your name badge you will not have access to the IAMS program sessions or meals. This is your 'entrance ticket' to meals and all sessions. While at the assembly, please wear it prominently as it will also help us all to learn one another's names. If you lose your name badge, please inform Anne Henriksen for a replacement.

POST OFFICE: On the second floor of Samuel A. Moffat Memorial Building, there is a small post office available. Please note that the hours are Monday to Friday, 9:00 – 17:00 (5 PM).

SHOPPING ON CAMPUS: There is a small souvenir shop on the first floor of Samuel A. Moffet Building. The shop sells various goods such as men's ties, women's scarfs, and books. There is also a small convenience store in the student cafeteria.

SHUTTLE – DEPARTURE: Departure will proceed like arrival with shuttle services to Sheraton Walkerhill hotel and then from there with the limousine busses to the airport. Please note it is important for us to know your flight schedule in order to provide you with this service or arrange for other transport if your departure is outside the hours of the limousine bus departures from Sheraton Walkerhill hotel. If your flight has changed or you need to confirm your flight, please inform Anne Henriksen at the IAMS information desk immediately.

SHUTTLE – DAILY BETWEEN THE HOTEL AND CAMPUS: Daily Transportation from Sheraton Walkerhill hotel to and from the Campus: During the conference, every morning there will be a van leaving at 7:15 AM and 8:00 from Walkerhill to the campus. Please note that these two are the only times offered. For those going to Walkerhill, every evening, after all schedules are completed, there will be vans in front of Luce Center carrying people from campus to Walkerhill hotel. There will not be transportation services during the daytime for individual purposes unless it is an emergency.

If you need any help or have an emergency regarding transportation, please contact Seong Cheol Kim at (+82) 010-9677-1691.

SMOKING & ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES are not permitted on campus at any time.

VOLUNTEERS will be wearing red t-shirts during the assembly so they are easy to spot. We are very grateful to our volunteers (including our host committee) for their tireless service in preparation for this assembly and during our time together.

PROGRAM

Program of Assembly

The full program of the assembly can be found on the back page.

Exposure Trips (Sunday 14th August)

Group A. Megachurch Focus

- Worship service at Onnuri Community Church(Evangelical preacher, Ecumenical church)
- Presentation on Onnuri's missions
- Lunch
- Yoido Full Gospel Church—-presentation on church growth(Pentecostal)
- Sarang Community Church—presentation on discipleship program(Evangelical)

Group B. Small communities for special ministries

- Worship service at Seongji-eseo-on Church(A church for North Korean defectors, Ecumenical)
- Presentation on their ministry (with their missionaries from abroad)
- Lunch
- Heenyun (Jubilee) Mission (A holistic ministry for migrant workers)
- Presentation on their ministry
- Watching their medical services

Group C. Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) *NOTE: This will be a 4 to 6 hr program.*

- Attending either a Catholic mass or a Protestant worship service on PUTS campus
- Visiting Imjinkak
- Lunch
- Visiting a watch tower,
- Visiting underground tunnels.

Group D. Early Church Focus

- Bus riding together
- Split into two groups (One Catholic and one Protestant group)
- Catholic group: Juldusan Martyrdom Monument(attending mass and then presentation)
- Protestant group: Yanghwajin Missionary Cemetery(presentation and then attending worship service at the Centennial Church/Ecumenical)
- Lunch in appropriate time
- Together again visiting Myungdong Cathedral(Catholic) and Jungdong First Methodist Church(Ecumenical)

Group E. Palace Plus

- Attending either a Catholic mass or a Protestant worship service on PUTS campus
- Gyungbok Palace
- Lunch
- Ethnological Museum
- Insadong(souvenir shops)
- Kangnam Streets

Lunch: packed lunch (sandwich and juice) for all five groups

Key Note Speakers



Prof Hyung Keun Paul Choi (Ph.D.) (Korea)

Paul is ordained pastor of the Korea Evangelical Holiness Church. Paul has served as the Lausanne Movement as IDD for East Asia for 7 years (2004-2011).

Currently he is professor of Mission Studies at Seoul Theological University in South Korea. He serves on the Korea Lausanne Committee as General Secretary. Also he is a member of the Theology Working Group of the Lausanne Movement.

He received a B.A. in theology from Seoul Theological University and Th.M. in Christian Ethics from Yonsei United Graduate School of Theology. He

received his doctoral degree (Ph.D. in Intercultural Studies) from Asbury Theological Seminary in 2000.

Title: Missional Conversion and Transformation in the Context of the Korean Protestant Church

Respondent: Rose Uchem



Prof Christine Lienemann-Perrin (Switzerland)

Professor Emerita of Ecumenics and Mission Studies at Basel University, Switzerland. She is a missiologist with much expertise in the discipline, having lately worked on questions of conversion.

Her publications include Mission und interreligiöser Dialog (1999); Die politische Verantwortung der Kirchen in Südkorea und Südafrika. Studien zur ökumenischen politischen Ethik (1992).

She has also edited together with Prof. Wolfgang Lienemann a major book on conversion: Religiöse Grenzüberschreitungen. Studien zu Bekehrung, Konfessions- und Religionswechsel / Crossing Religious Boundaries. Studies

on Conversion and Religious Belonging (2012).

Title: Configurations and Prefigurations of Conversion in the History of World Christianity

Respondent: Bishop Graham Kings



Prof Elsa Tamez (Costa Rica)

A biblical scholar and faculty member of the Latin American Biblical University in Costa Rica, she is a member of the team of researchers of the Ecumenical Department of Investigation (DEI) in Costa Rica. She has worked on liberationist and women's readings of the Bible.

Her most known English publications include The Bible of the Oppressed (1980), The Scandalous Message of James (1989), The Amnesty of Grace (1993), When the Horizons Close:

Rereading Ecclesiastes (2000), Jesus and Courageous Women (2001), and Struggles for Power in Early Christianity: A Study of the First Letter to Timothy (2007).

Title: Letter from James to the IAMS General Assembly in Seoul

Respondent: Paul Kollman



Prof Joel Robbins (United Kingdom)

Professor of Social Anthropology at University of Cambridge. He is one of the pioneers of anthropology of Christianity, and has worked especially on conversion and religious transformation among the Urapmin of Papua New Guinea. Has also been active in creating conversation between anthropology and theology.

His publications include: Becoming Sinners: Christianity and Moral Torment in a Papua New Guinea Society (2004), "Anthropology and Theology: An Awkward Relationship?" Anthropological Quarterly. 79/2(2006): 285-294, "Evangelical Conversion and the

Transformation of the Self in Amazonia and Melanesia: Christianity and the Revival of Anthropological Comparison" (with B. Schieffelin and A. Vilaça). Comparative Studies in Society and History 56/3 (2014): 559-590.

Title: Can There Be Conversion Without Cultural Change?

Respondent: David Singh

Assembly Listeners

Melody Wachsmuth

Melody has been working with the Roma church in Croatia for many years and co-leads a Roma church in Osijek, Croatia.

Jonny Baker

Jonny has worked for CMS in Britain for many years and is Director of Mission Education at CMS in Oxford, UK.

Alison Fitchett

Alison is a doctoral student at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, USA.

Prof Eun Ah Cho

Eun Ah is a professor in the Department of Intercultural Studies at Asia United Theological University in Korea.

Varughese John

Varughese is Chair of Apologetics and Dean of Students at South Asia Institute of Advanced Christin Studies in Bangalore, India.

Prof Johannes N J Kritzinger

Johannes has worked for the University of South Africa for many years as professor of missiology

Special Interest Group Meetings

If you are an editor, society leader, etc. and wold like to host a special interest meeting, please see Anne Henriksen at the IAMS information desk to arrange a meeting location. This location will be posted in the lobby of the LUCE Center.

STUDY GROUPS

BISAM – Biblical Studies & Mission

Leaders: Dr vanThanh Nguyen, SVD

Location: Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule:

Friday - Aug 12

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs)

- 1. **Sarita Gallagher**: "God among the Philistines: Revelation and Transformation in 1 Samuel 4-7"
- 2. **John Prior**: "Wrestling with Job: Confronting a Corrupt Judiciary while Coming to Terms with Oneself"
- 3. **Herting Young Lee**: "Queen Esther's Conversions: From Intercultural Estrangement to Intercultural Engagement"

Saturday - Aug 13

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs)

- 1. Christian Tauchner: "On the Road"
- 2. **Paul Hertig**: "The Conversions of Zipporah and Jethro"
- 3. Pieter Verster: "Conversion and Transformation: An evaluation of Paul's experience"

14:30-15:30 (1 hr)

- 1. **Robert Gallagher**: "Bringing Good News for All People: Engaging Luke's Narrative Soteriology for the Nations"
- 2. **Joseph Pfeiffer**: "Making Room for the Holy Spirit: Exorcism in Origen's Homilies and in the Early Christian Catechumenate"

16:00-18:30 (2.5 hrs)

- 1. **Kemdirim Protus**: "The Samaritan Woman (Jn 4:1-42) and OSU Caste System in Igboland Nigeria: Mission Response"
- 2. Elizabeth Glanville: "Leadership Development and Transformation in Acts of the Apostles"
- 3. **Xiaoli Yang**: "A Poetic Homecoming –A Dialogue between the Chinese Search and the Gospel of Jesus Christ"
- 4. **Larry Caldwell**: "How Much 'Jesus Knowledge' Is Necessary for Salvation? Towards an Alternative Understanding of Conversion and Transformation"

Monday - Aug 15

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs)

- 1. **Steve Taylor**: "Fiction as Missiology: a Creative Christology in Drusilla Modjeska's 'The Mountain'"
- 2. **vanThanh Nguyen:** "Jesus the Parabolic Preacher: Storytelling as Means of Mission in the New Media Age"

Children, Youth and Mission

Leaders: Dr Dan Brewster, Dr Valentin Kozhuharov **Location**: Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule:

Friday - Aug 12

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Darren Cronshaw**: "Transformational Training of Next Generation Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Leaders for Mission"
- 2. Johannes Knötze: "Missional Diaconate as transformational development to God's glory
- 3. Manfred Kohl: "A boy called Jesus"

Saturday - Aug 13

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. Glenn Miles: "Welcoming "the least of these" through our own Conversion"
- 2. Susan Greener: "2015 Lausanne Declaration on Children-at-Risk"
- 3. **Keith White**: "The Role of the Holy Spirit in the transformation of children and young people"

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers

- 1. Johannes Malherbe: "Children, youth and conversion in Africa a socio-historical overview"
- 2. **Greg Burch**: "Toward a Protective and Participative Continuum of Care for Vulnerable Children"

16:00-18:30 (2.5 hrs): 5 papers

- 1. **Valentin Kozhuharov**: "Eastern Orthodox Christian understanding of children and young people's conversion to Christianity"
- 2. **Meewon Yang**: "The Impact of Multicultural Models on the Transformation of Children and Youth"
- 3. **Arthur Brown**: "Changing Faith: Dimensions of faith change in young Muslims exploring faith in Christ"
- 4. Daewon Moon: "Understanding African Conversion in the East African Revival"
- 5. **Steve Taylor**: "'Regard as valuable': Missiological approaches to the 'Silence' of religious change"

Monday - Aug 15

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Tobias Brandner**: "Conversion in the context of prison: experiences, narratives, and transformations"
- 2. **Chammah Kaunda**: "Rituals of Resistance, 'Weapons of the Weak': Toward an African Pentecostal Holy Communion Missiology"
- 3. Lawmsanga Lawmsanga: "Theology of Mission: The Mizo Perspective"

DABOH - Documentation, Archives, Bibliography and Oral History

Leaders: Dr Marek Rostkowski, OMI; Dr John Roxborogh

Location: Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule

Friday - Aug 12

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Yesan Sellan**: "Repository of Oral History of Religious Conversion: South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies (SAIACS) Library and Twentieth Century Indian Indigenous Missions and Conversion to Christianity"
- 2. **Abraham Murad**: "Conversion Attempts and Responses to the American Presbyterian Mission in the Punjab, 1849-1900"
- 3. Alfred Cucchiara & Yue Liu: "Roman Catholic Conversion in the Philippine Cordillera"

Saturday - Aug 13

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Christof Sauer**: "Contested terminology: Challenges in documenting how Christians around the world speak differently about discrimination, persecution and martyrdom"
- 2. **Melody Wachsmuth**: "Storying Identity: Using Narrative to Understand Conversion and Transformation"
- 3. **Aron Engberg**: "The transformative encounter with Israel: 'Christian Zionism' as a second conversion"

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers

- 1. Daryl R Ireland: "The Conversion of Madness: The Case of John Sung"
- 2. **Helen Jin Kim**: "Conversions and Transformations at Billy Graham's Largest Crusade: South Korea, 1973"

16:00—18:30 (2.5 hrs): 5 papers

- 1. **Rebecca Kim**: "Soldier Spirit and Theology of Sacrifice of Mid-Twentieth Century Korean Missionaries in America: Case Study of the University Bible Fellowship"
- 2. **David Golding**: "From Dusting Feet to Saving Souls: Mormon Mission in Thought and Practice"
- 3. **Maclane Heward**: "'Our First Mission': Early Mormon Creation, Adoption and Adaption of Evangelistic Structures"
- 4. Taunalyn Rutherford: "The Complexity of Conversion: Mapping 'Mormonisms' in India"
- 5. Ronald Bartholomew: "Migration and Cultural Adaptation as Measures of Conversion"

Monday - Aug 15

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Samson** Fatokun: "Documentation of Oral Stories of Conversion and Transformation Experiences of Selected African Church Leaders"
- 2. **Stanislau Paulau**: "Historicizing Faith Controlling Conversion: Ethiopian Empire and its Legislation on Foreign Missions"
- 3. Val Ogden: "'Transcriptive Space' meets 'Talanoa'"

Gender in Mission

Leaders: Dr Rose Uchem, MSHR

Location: Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule Friday – Aug 12

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. Agustina Altman & Alejandro Lopez: "Partners or Companions? Mennonite Missionary Women in Argentina"
- 2. Glenn M. Miles: "Trafficking: Reaching the Boys and Men?"
- 3. Kizito Chinedu Nweke: "Has Christianity Marred or Made the Gender Realities Among the Igbos of Western Africa?"

Saturday - Aug 13

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

Panel Discussion:

Ahram Kang: "Elisabeth J. Shepping's Conversion and its Impact on the Transformation of Korean Women"

Seonyi Lee: "Missiological Approach to Pioneer Kim Maria"

Bokyoung Park: "Korean Women's Contribution to Educational Mission"

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers

- 1. Rose Uchem: "Religiously Motivated Social Change Viewed through Gender Lenses"
- 2. **Lotta Gammelin**: "Gendered narratives of health, illness and healing in the Gospel Miracle Church for All People"

16:00—18:30 (2.5 hrs): 5 papers

- 1. **Lilian Siwila**: "Migration, Gender and Reproductive Health: The role of mission to Women migrants in South Africa"
- 2. **Lerato Kobe**: "African Traditional Religion and Human Flourishing: An appraisal of the situation of a black woman's voice during the TRC Hearings"
- 3. Philip Wingeier: "Transnational and Transcultural Pioneer Women Missionaries"
- 4. **Kari Haug**: "Migratory processes and impacts as challenge and opportunity for theological practice and reflection"
- 5. **Timothy A. Van Aarde**: "Equipping the poor to become agents of transformation: A case study of milk as a catalyst for social transformation in Burundi"

<u>Healing/Pneumatology</u>

Leaders: Dr Auli Vähäkangas

Location: Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule

Friday - Aug 12

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Alison Fitchett**: "Healing, Conflict, and Religious Transformation in Catholic Charismatic Movements in Uganda"
- 2. Julie Ma: "Physical Healing as the Manifestation of the Holy Spirit: An Empirical Dimension"
- 3. Martina Prosén: "Transformation in and through charismatic worship"

Saturday – Aug 13

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. Peter White: "Conversion and transformation in the light of Ghanaian Pentecostals Pneumatological approach to Mission"
- 2. Samuel Fabunmi: "Deliverance as a Strategy for Mission in Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries in Nigeria"
- 3. Robert Sears: "Dreams and the Church in Nepal"

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers

No papers in this session

16:00—18:00 (2 hrs): 4 papers

- 1. Conrad Chibango: "Healing Zimbabwe: Impact of the catholic church's response to political violence on people at grassroots level"
- 2. Auli Vähäkangas: "Ritual as a tool of recognition: Prayer over the consolidation of same sex relationships in Finland"
- 3. Hong Eyoul Hwang (Busan Presbyterian University): "Conversion as personal and social healing resulting from the work of the Holy Spirit: a comparative study of the Great Awakening Movement of 1907 and the March First Independence Movement of 1919 in South Korea"
- 4. Nico Botha & Karabo Makofane: "Christianity and social transformation in post-apartheid South Africa"

Interreligious Studies and Mission

Leaders: Dr David Emmanuel Singh, Prof Mika Vähäkangas,

Location: Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule

Friday - Aug 12

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. **Samuel Lee**: "Conceptualization of the Relational Proximity Framework in Christian Missions"
- 2. **Jonas A. Jørgensen**: "Beyond Mimicry and Replica: Continuity and Discontinuity in South Indian Pentecostal Conversion"
- 3. **Shivraj Mahendra**: "Re-Imaging Conversion: Exploring E. Stanley Jones' Theology of Conversion and its Implications for Public Missiology Today"

Paper Session 2

- 1. **Hans** Olsson: "Becoming a Christian: Transformation, Continuation and Opposition in Present-Day Zanzibar"
- 2. **Thias** Kgatla: "Conformity vis-a-vis transformational conversion in mission: towards a transcendental mission agenda"
- 3. **Daniel** Ahn: "The Conversion from 'Hananim' to 'God': the Term Question in Korea among the Protestant Missions (1882-1911)"

Saturday - Aug 13

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. Arun Kumar: "Reconversions to Hinduism"
- 2. **HL Richard**: "Hindus Following Jesus without Conversion to Christianity: An Analysis of Historical and Missiological Paradigms"
- 3. Cope Suan Pau: "A Missiological Approach to the Religious Conversions of Southeast Asia"

Paper Session 2

- 1. **Lynne Taylor**: "Authentic conversion: becoming who we are"
- 2. Jon Kirby: "Religious Diversity and Conflict Styles"
- 3. Miikka Ruokanen: "Scriptural Reasoning as a Method of Interreligious Dialogue in China"

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers

No papers: study group business time.

Saturday - Aug 13 (cont'd)

16:00—18:30 (2 hrs): 5 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. **Nguyen Thao**: "A New Way of Being Church for Mission: The Transformation of the French Notre-Dame des Victoires into Our Lady of La Vang: Vietnam 1998"
- 2. Tan Kang San: "Dual Religious Belonging"
- 3. **Bernard Senécal**: "On Encountering Buddhism in Depth without Losing One's Christian Identity in South Korea"
- 4. Robert Oh: "Patron as Father: A relational paradigm in Cambodia"
- 5. **Samuel Lim**: "The possibility of religious materiality in discipling converts from Thai folk Buddhism"

Paper Session 2

- 1. **Nigel Rooms**: "Evangelism through Happiness? A Qualitative Case Study in the Movement of Contemporary UK 'Post-Christians' towards Christian Faith"
- 2. **Roberto Catalano**: "The role of new movements in the growth of interfaith dialogue in the post-Second Vatican Council"
- 3. **Samuel Lee**: "Conceptualization of the Relational Proximity Framework in Christian Missions"
- 4. **Rick Kronk**: "Christians of Maghreb Origin (CMO) in France and French Evangelical Protestant Churches (FEPCs): the role of social, cultural and religious values on conversion and affiliation processes"
- 5. Torstein Try: "Interreligious Friendship: Beyond Religious Orthodoxy?"

Monday - Aug 15

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. **Samuel Law**: "Revitalizing Missions: Complex Systems Science-framed Paradigms for Revitalization Studies"
- 2. Lazar Thanuzraj: "Transformation and Conversion in the Multireligious Context of India"

Paper Session 2

- 1. **Sahaya Selvam**: "Psychological Trajectories of Religious Conversion: Towards a Comprehensive Model through Systematic Literature Review"
- 2. **Nobert Hintersteiner**: "When Theology of Cross-Cultural Translation Goes Asian. Engaging the Asian Translational World"
- 3. Geziena Speelman: "Learning and Teaching the Faith"

Religious Freedom, Persecution and Mission

Leaders: Prof Dr Christof Sauer; Dr Wolfgang Häde **Location:** Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule

Friday - Aug 12

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Christof Sauer**: "Contemporary thinking on conversion and persecution: A survey of recent missiological compendia"
- 2. Graham Kings: "Challenges in developing an Anglican theological response to persecution"

Saturday – Aug 13

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. Santha Kumari Jetty: "Indian Constitution and Challenges to the Indian Christian Identity"
- 2. **Jayakumar Ramachandran**: "Conversion Agenda and Secularism: An Analysis from Christian Missions in India and Nepal"
- 3. **Tim Peters**: " Adopting an Acts 1:8 mission strategy for North Korea: An overdue paradigm shift for the South Korean church"

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers

- 1. **Felipe Carvalho & Uziel Santana**: "Symbolic Violence and Religious Persecution in Latin America"
- 2. **Tibebe Eshete**: "From the Istifinites to the Pentecostals: Counter-cultural dissidents movements and their suppressions in Ethiopia"

16:00-18:30 (2.5 hrs): 5 papers

- Cornelis Hulsman: "Conversions in Egypt: Social Tensions, Legal Provisions and Biased Reporting"
- 2. **Nicole Ravelo-Hoërson**: "The persecution of female Muslim converts in Cape Town: Biblical missiology of suffering and contextualized evangelistic methodology"
- 3. **Titus Presler**: "Fools for Christ's Sake: A Missional Theology of Persecution from a Perspective in Pakistan"

Monday - Aug 15

11:30-13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers

- 1. **Wolfgang Häde**: "Strengthening the identity of converts from Islam in the face of verbal assaults"
- 2. **Anneta Vysotskaya**: "Drawing on the inner resources in times of persecution and economic hardship: Case study of Protestant churches in Central Asian countries"

Theology of Mission

Leaders: Stephen B. Bevans, SVD; Prof. Kirsteen Kim **Location:** Soyang Ju GiCheul Memorial Building

Papers & Schedule

Friday - Aug 12

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. **Nelus Niemandt**: "Conversions and transformations: a missiology focussed on deep incarnation"
- 2. Jaakko Rusama: "In search for a common witness: the voice of the people in mission"
- 3. **Cristian-Sebastian Sonea**: "Together towards Life and its Relevance for the Eastern Orthodox Theology of Mission from Romania"

Paper Session 2

- 1. **Pavol Bargár**: "Screening Transformation: McDonagh's Calvary and Zvyagintsev's Leviathan in a Missiological Perspective"
- 2. Mihai Iordache: "Conversion and Transformation: A Missiological and Ethical Perspective"
- 3. Johannes Kritzinger: "Conversion from racism: a white perspective

Saturday - Aug 13

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. **John Flett**: "Conversion as Apostolicity: Cross-cultural Transmission, Appropriation, and the Historical Continuity of the Faith"
- 2. Vasile-Lucian Goldan: "The term 'conversion' and its meaning in the Orthodoxy"
- 3. **Dorottya Nagy**: "Conversion controlled: Missiological reflections on churches' involvement in assessing conversions to Christianity among refugees in the European Union"

Paper Session 2

- 1. Benno van den Toren: "On the value of participatory action research for mission studies"
- 2. Reggie Nel: "Conversion as liberation: exploring a postcolonial soteriology for Africa"
- 3. **Lazar Gnanapragasam**: "Mission as Liberating Service of the Reign of God: Implications and Challenges of Mission Inter-Gentes"

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. Titus Presler: "Engaging Difference: A Crucial Criterion in Mission and Conversion"
- 2. **Mika Vähäkangas**: "How to Respect the Religious Quasi-Other? Methodological Considerations on Studying the Kimbanguist Doctrine of Incarnation"

Paper Session 2

- 1. Philip Gibbs: "Evil Spirits and Black Magic: A Christian Response"
- 2. **Marie-Helene Robert**: "Narrative elaboration and theological reception of conversion accounts in the secularized context of French-speaking Europe"

Saturday - Aug 13 (cont'd)

14:30—15:30 (1 hr): 2 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 3

- 1. Jan Górski: "Between East and West: missiology in the context of Eastern European theology"
- 2. Varughese John: "Third Article Apologetics and Conversions"

16:00—18:30 (2 hrs): 5 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

Panel discussion:

Marinus Iwuchukwu: "Inclusive Religious Pluralism Undergirding Interreligious Dialogue as 21st Century Theological Model for Mission"

Sebastian Madathummuriyil: "Toward a mission theology of inclusion: Evangelii Gaudium and the Impact of Economic Liberalization in India"

Elochukwu Uzukwu: "Optimistic West African religious anthropologies and joy of the gospel – reinventing or transforming world Christianity"

George Worgul Jr: "Evangellii Gaudium, Inculturation and Moralistic Therapeutic Deism in the USA"

Paper Session 2

- 1. **Steve Emery-Wright**: "The Familiar Unfamiliar: A Study of Worship and Transformative Learning in a Cross Cultural/Theological Context"
- 2. **Lukwikilu Mangayi**: "Should an indigenous African be 'converted' to do mission work in Africa"
- 3. Cathy Ross & Jonny Baker: "Theological Homelessness: Getting Lost to Find a New Way"
- 4. **David Turnbull**: "Cultural Intelligence: a New Imperative for the Management of Diversity and Cultural Transformation within Christian Communities: Implications for Missiological and Theological Education"
- 5. **Johannes Zeiler**: "Mission, Visions and Debates of Higher Theological Education. Lutheran Encounters with Pentecostal and Charismatic Christianity in Tanzania"

Monday - Aug 15

11:30—13:00 (1.5 hrs): 3 papers in each session – sessions are running simultaneously

Paper Session 1

- 1. Jukka Kääriäinen: "Proclamation and Dialogue"
- 2. Wonsuk Ma: "Making of a New Missiology: A South-North Collaboration"
- 3. **Phemelo Marumo**: "Missiology as a training tool for disciples to partake in the missio Dei to cross frontiers"

Paper Session 2

- Klaas Bom: "Studying the discourses of students and academics from Abidjan and Yaoundé on the relation between Science and Christian Faith for the mission at campuses in Francophone Africa"
- 2. **Stian Eriksen**: "Transformational Mission among Asian and African Migrant Churches in Norway"
- 3. **Roderick Hewitt**: "A Missio political critique of National Prayer Breakfasts in Jamaica since 1981"

BUSINESS

Regional Group Meetings

- 1. Opening of the meeting by the chairperson (regional representative in the executive)
- 2. Choosing secretary and vote counters
- 3. Adoption of the agenda
- 4. Choosing the regional representative in the nomination committee
- 5. Choosing three candidates (the nomination committee members are not eligible): geographical, denominational, gender representation and continuity, regional leadership and availability (telephone meetings + face to face meetings as well as special assignments)
- 6. AOB
- 7. Closing the meeting

Preparing for the General Meeting

- 1. Opening of the meeting
- 2. Choosing chairperson, secretary and vote counters
- 3. Adoption of the agenda
- 4. Narrative report of the President
- 5. Possible Candidates for General Secretary
- 6. Preliminary discussion on the proposed changes to the constitution
- 7. Information on the procedure of the regional meetings and nomination process
- 8. Closing the meeting

Agenda of the 2016 General Meeting

- 1. Opening of the meeting
- 2. Roll call
- 3. Choosing chairperson, secretary and vote counters
- 4. Adoption of the agenda
- 5. Acceptance of the 2012 General Assembly minutes
- 6. Remembrance of deceased members
- 7. Report of the General Secretary
- 8. Motions from the General Secretary (taken as read)
- 9. Treasurer's Report
- 10. Membership Fee
- 11. Report of Mission Studies' editor
- 12. Plenary discussion of reports
- 13. Adoption of the renewed constitution
- 14. Election of new executive committee
- 15. Election of new General Secretary
- 16. Assembly venue suggestion for 2020
- 17. Closing the meeting with prayer

Minutes of the 2012 General Meeting

IAMS 13th Quadrennial Assembly General Meeting Saturday, 18th August 2012, 16:30 – 18:45 Wycliffe College, Toronto, Canada

Chairing – IAMS President Jonathan Bonk

Minutes

1	Opening						
	The President of IAMS, Dr Jonathan Bonk, opened the meeting with prayer						
2	Roll Call						
	Two lists were distributed among the participant for them to write their initials next to name.						
3	Acceptance of Agenda						
	The General Meeting approved the agenda						
4	Acceptance of 2008 Minutes						
	The General Meeting approved the minutes from the last Assembly						
	The following remarks were given by participants in the general meeting:						
	The minutes mentioned that IAMS was in a healthy financial situation despite of the excessive cost of						
	Balaton, however, the current presidential address says something differently.						
	It was explained that the minutes are done before the new executive committee takes over and that the						
	time period before the final expenses for Balaton was finished revealed something differently.						
5	Remembrance of Deceased Members						
	Jonathan Bonk read the names of the persons that had passed away since the last assembly. Additional						
	names were added from the participants at the meeting. A minute silence was held where after						
	Jonathan Bonk read Hebrews 12:1-2.						
	2008	2009	2011				
	Gary Blair McGee	Arthur F. Glasser	Edward L. Cleary, OP				
	Carl F. Starkloff, SJ	Ogbu U. Kalu	Hans Kasdorf				
		_	Doreas Akintunde				
		2012 Additional deceased members:					
	José Miguez Bonino	David Kerr					
	Pieter Holtropp	Cyril Hally					
	Jim Phillipps	Ft Joseph Masler					
6	Report of the General Secretary (Cathy Ross)						
	Handbook p. 70 - 75						
	Background: Cf. Constitution §6 report on activities since the last ordinary General Meeting and its						
	proposals for advancing the objects of the Association is to be submitted.						
	Cathy Ross highlighted items from her report in the handbook						
	Executive Committee Meeting	Executive Committee Meetings The Executive Committee has used conference calling instead of meeting annually to reduce cost. The					
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		expenses for the conference calling has been absorbed by Overseas Ministries Studies Centre (OMSC)					
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Renewal of Membership

The need for IAMS to send out three e-mail reminders to members to renew their membership subscriptions as the database reveals that only 215 individual members and 7 institutions have paid up their membership fees. 315 are inactive members most likely because their membership fees have not been paid. Overall, IAMS most likely could have a larger membership group. Everybody was encouraged to pay up their membership fees if they had not done so already.

Website

The website provides easy access to payment through either PayPal or Worldpay.

The website's membership pages:

If a member logs on to the membership pages of the IAMS website, it's possible to search for members of region, country, and research interest.

Application for membership

The criteria for membership were shown on a screen and everybody was reminded to encourage others to become members.

Applications should be filled out on the website and the Executive Committee either accept - or not - each applicant based on the information provided.

The IAMS newsletter has been sent out 6 times by Jonathan Bonk and with the help of Wilson Thomas of OMSC and CMS.

Study groups

Currently, there are three active study groups: BISAM, DABOH and Healing/Pneumatology, but it is hoped that the Assembly creates new energy and new groups may emerge and remain active in between Assemblies.

Journal

Dr Lalsangkima Pachuau has edited the journal Mission Studies for the last four year and more information can be found in Kima's report.

Finances

It has been challenging but good. Dr. David Singh will be providing more information about the finances when he gives his report.

Through the four years, we have been forced to trust God and are thankful to Him for providing for IAMS' needs.

IAMS 40th Anniversary

IAMS is thankful for Dr Gerard Anderson's book on the history of IAMS for this 40th Anniversary celebration.

7 Motions from the General Secretary (Cathy Ross)

- Accept new honorary lifetime members
 Prof. Wilbert Schenk and Rev. Dr. John Roxborogh where called up to receive their certificates.
 The other honorary members not present Fr Sebastian Karotemprel SDB, Dr Martin Conway, Fr
 Willi Henkel OMI, and Dr. Joachim Wietzke will receive the certificate by post.
- 2. To move that Prof. Kirsteen Kim will be the next editor of Mission Studies and that Rev. Dr. John Prior will be the next Associated Editor.
- 3. A vote of thanks to Dr. Gerard Anderson for collating and writing the IAMS history
- 4. A vote of thanks to Dr. Jonathan Bonk for his work as President of IAMs over the past 4 year.

- 5. A vote of thanks to the Canadian Host Committee for their work in facilitating the conference
- 6. A vote of thanks to Rev. Dr. George Sumner, Principal of Wycliffe College for extending the invitation and to Karen Baker, the Executive Administrator for her work
- 7. A vote of thanks to Ann Chow, the Conference Coordinator for her work
- 8. A vote of thanks to the past Executive Mika Vähäkangas, David Singh, Lalsangkima Pachuau, Rose Uchem, Mariel deluca Voth, Ken Miyamoto, Paul Kollman, Gerard Goldman for their work and service to IAMS for the past 4 years.
- A vote of thanks to Anne Henriksen and Briony Seymour for their services to the IAMS Secretariat.
- 10. A vote of thanks to Hugh de Saram and Tom Peek for maintaining the IAMS database and website, and to Thomas Wilson at OMSC for compiling the IAMS Newsletter.

All motions were moved and seconded.

8 Report of the Treasurer (David Singh)

A narrative was distributed to each member as updates have been made after the printing of the handbook's report (p. 76 - 78).

<u>Background</u>: Cf. Constitution §6 report on activities since the last ordinary General Meeting and its proposals for advancing the objects of the Association is to be submitted.

Income & Expenditure

Between 2005 to 2008, income totaled £220k and expenditure £356k giving an overall deficit of £136k

In reality the deficit was higher when the new Executive Committee took over in 2009, due to an invoice still outstanding from the Balaton Assembly amounting to approximately £24k. This amount was cleared in 2009, but causes the deficit at takeover to increase to around £159k.

<u>Between 2009 to 2012</u>, total income is expected to be £240K and expenditure should be approximately £243K ending the year with a deficit of at around £3K and anticipating that no unplanned invoices need clearance by the new Executive Committee.

If the additional invoice from 2008's Assembly did not exist, the surplus could have been around £28K instead.

Cash balances (£)

The income and expenditure figures do not include the actual year-end assets/cash balances.

When the executive Committee took over in 2005, they did not have to worry about raising funds to run the program of IAMS as the business high interests and the C&G savings accounts contained quite substantial amounts.

2008 opened with a balance of £142K, but ended with £26K due to the delayed invoice of around £24K. This did not give much working capital for the next Executive Committee and IAMS is gradually working its way up to a level of working capital needed (£40 - 50K) to run the IAMS programs during 'non-Assembly' years.

This has been achieve through the following conscious measures:

- Sort out the membership list to eliminate non-paying members from the mailing list to BRILL.
- Reduce the cost of running the secretariat by about 6 times. Now it's around \$13,000 including web development.
- Cutting down on travel of the Executive Committee members and using teleconference instead (was hosted by OSMC)
- Controlling the conference costs better acknowledging that student accommodations might be less than ideal but it can save money for the next Assembly.

Donor & Sponsors

The total amount fundraised for was \$176K, and IAMS has received \$113K so far. The conference could not have been done without the donors and sponsors.

Recommendations

- Encourage members to pay membership fees and not to wait until the Assembly due to the yearly running costs of IAMS
- Increase membership fees and the vice president has a proposal
- Seek ways to generate revenue from the publication of Mission Studies
- Encourage/invite senior members of IAMS to help raise support and promote membership of the organization.

9 **Report of** *Mission Studies'* **Editor** (Lalsangkima Pachuau)

In the Handbook p. 78-79.

<u>Background</u>: Cf. Constitution §6 report on activities since the last ordinary General Meeting and its proposals for advancing the objects of the Association is to be submitted.

Lalsangkima Pachuau expressed gratitude to have served with IAMS for the last 8 years and then proceeded with reading the report from the handbook.

He introduced Mirjam Elbert who is working for BRILL and mentioned that they have had a very fruitful meeting discussing the future working relationship between IAMS and BRILL.

Lalsangkima introduced Kirsteen Kim and John Prior and made a motion for a new editor, Prof Kirsteen Kim and two associate editors, Revd Dr John Prior and Dr Cathy Ross
The motion was second and all were in favor of the motion.

10 Plenary Discussion of Reports

Comments and question were raised from the members attending the meeting.

The <u>Treasurer's report</u> should be corrected to say deficit of £3K and not surplus (third paragraph in report) and also under the heading Donors/Sponsors it should say \$113K and not £113K. In addition, David commented that another problem at Balaton was the 37% decrease in the American dollar to the Hungarian forint which was not anticipated and increased the problem. Therefore the current Assembly is budgeted in Canadian dollars.

It was asked how much the membership fee would increase, but this would be proposed later by the Vice President, Mika Vähäkangas.

It was asked what is expected of us to assist. David informs that one way to add to revenue is to make sure IAMS generate some income from *Mission Studies*. He informs how OCMS made revenue from their journal through reduced print cost and now earn revenue of £8K from the publication of *Transformation Journal*. It was stressed that it is difficult to increase IAMS income if members don't pay consistently on a yearly basis.

Jonathan Bonk added that IAMS is not a seamless organization as everybody on the Executive Committee is volunteering and some things take a lot of time and energy. Jonathan commented that more needs to be done in soliciting institutional memberships but it takes time and if it's done in a systematic way he is convinced that it can bring in regular revenue. He is suggesting a motion in the IAMS' Constitution which will be discussed later.

Mika Vähäkangas commented that through fundraising and through donations and then using own resources are things that support each other. It will be a more active society if members take responsibility as there will be a larger chance of getting financial support for the organization.

It was commented whether it was not more important to have members that pay instead of increasing the number of members.

Cathy Ross clarified that if members are not paying they will not receive the journal. IAMS is only sending a list to BRILL of paid up members.

It was suggested that maybe the journal should be electronic if the financial cost for printing is too high. Jonathan mentioned that it is under consideration.

11 Election of New Executive Committee

a. Report of Nominating Committee

A nomination committee had been appointed by the Regional Meetings consisting of : Cathy Ross (ex officio), Jonathan Bonk (Chair), Ken Miyamoto (Asia), Gerard Goldman (Oceania), Nelson Jennings (N America), Viggo Mortensen (Europe), Rose Uchem (Africa), Mariel Deluca Voth (she was part of the North American group as she is the sole person representing Latin America)

b. Motion to accept slate of nominees

Jonathan made a power point presentation where he explained of the election process and the regional meetings held on the 16th of August 2012.

The Nomination Committee presented one slate of candidates for election as President, Vice-President and Executive Committee members.

The suggested slate of nominees are:

PresidentMika VähäkangasVice President & North AmericaPaul KollmanGeneral SecretaryCathy RossLatin AmericaMariel Deluca VothAsiaAtola LongkumerAfricaNico BothaEuropeValentin KozhuharovOceanaRosemary Dewerse

Jonathan Bonk advised that the next president (after Mika) ought to be Roman Catholic in order to make it fair. In 2008 it is a North American Mennonite (Jonathan Bonk) and in 2012 it is a European Lutheran (Mika Vähäkangas).

It was suggested to nominate another person as Vice President Philomena Mwaura who is Roman Catholic also.

c. Distribution of ballots

Ballots were distributed to vote either in favor or not of the nominees <u>except</u> the vice president. It was agreed to have a separate vote at the end of the meeting.

d. Collection and tabulation of ballots (while ballots are being tallied, the business meeting will continue)

Ballots were collected and two volunteers, Roger Schroeder and Ed Schroeder counted the votes.

Yes: 101 No: 2

Blank: 3

Ballot is accepted

e. Voting for Vice President

Besides Paul Kollman, Nico Botha was proposed as vice president by participants in the general meeting due to a different reasoning than provided by Jonathan Bonk.

Ballots were distributed to vote for Vice President: Nico Botha or Paul Kollman.

At the end of the General Meeting it was announced that Paul Kollman would be the next Vice President, but that a substantial number of participants supported Nico Botha.

Jerry Anderson

One issue has come up which has never been addressed before is the

question of representation of corporate members and whether they are eligible to be elected as officers eg Mission agencies, seminaries, universities. This issue need to be clarified – this would not require an amendment to the constitution – all it would take is a vote as whether we believe representation by corporate members are eligible to be nominated as officers or not.

Chair accept motion

Propose show of hands as to whether representation if institutional members are eligible or not.

Some might be a member of an organisation and not necessarily can commit for the four years – if the person is representing the institution.

Discussion:

The criteria for institutional members and individual are not the same - and if want to be involved in representative role then one should be an individual member.

Too fast, institutional members are only ¼ of less of membership. Currently 7 members so not really viable and might shift to be taken over by institutions.

Jerry Anderson: Agree to turn this to exec committee to consider and make a recommendation to the next assembly

Jan Jongeneel – now for the first time – and orthodox is elected to Exec committee.

Please fill out form to be handed into Anne Henriksen

Ken: announcement

Asian rep meeting will be held at 9:30 tonight.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution, per March-May 2012 IAMS Matters (Jonathan Bonk) In the Handbook (p. 65)

Background:

Jonathan Bonk proposed the above amendment to the IAMS' Constitution due to the challenges facing the future Executive Committee.

a. Motion:

That when asked the IAMS Officers together with the Executive Committee be authorized to form an IAMS Senior Advisory Group (SAG), primarily but not inclusively from among lifetime members and past officers of the Association. The SAG would be available to advise the Executive Committee and promote the mission of IAMS in ways that would include seeking financial support.

Discussion:

It was suggested to include the text in italics

Resolutions:

The above change to the Constitution was unanimously approved with the additional suggested text in italics

13 Assembly Venue Suggestion for 2016 (Mika Vähäkangas)

Background:

Decision on time and place for the next Assembly is to be taken by the executive. However, the general meeting can signal its interest.

Invitation:

Invitation by Sang-Cheol (Moon), Korean Association of Mission Studies, Korean Mission Exec (interdenominational – mainly protestant) Missiological Forum. World Council of Churches has a plan to have a conference in South Korea, so IAMS could also plan to have an Assembly there.

Discussion:

Point of discussion of next venue, the executive will make final decision based on the Guidelines to Assess Invitations (Handbook, p 82)

It is still possible to send invitations to Cathy or Mika before the new year.

14 Other Matters

Membership fees

Background:

The Executive Committee presented proposals for Membership Fees for 2013 – 2016 as it will be crucial for IAMS' future economy.

Discussion:

The following indications (comments) were given by individuals in the general meeting:

- Percentage of increase is? Approximately 20 25% increase since last conference
- Even reduced rate can be difficult for some to pay, however, not sure what can be done.
- It has previously been proposed to have a graduated type of scale for memberships or
- Propose to offer a reduced rate for members who also want to pay a membership for someone else.
- It would be more dignified if can set up membership fee on basis of members without consideration of financial capability of the Association. It is suggested with a graded system
- Universal criteria should be set if following previous discussion of no longer North and South nor denominations.
- The fee is not large but it would be good for institutions to know more about IAMS financial situation and the support IAMS need from the institutions.

The Executive Committee responded that it has previously been discussed that the membership fee should depend on the members' income, but this will increase the workload of the secretariat which works on voluntary basis and is already overworked.

In addition, if the Associations finances can get in order, not as much financial help might be needed for organizing the next Assembly, but the Executive Committee can concentrate more on raising funds for subsidies

Resolutions:

Membership fees for 2013 - 16

Individual Membership (normal) £35.00

Individual Membership (Developing countries, retired & students) £25.00

Corporate Membership (small) £100.00

Corporate Membership (large) £250.00

The majority were in favor of the motion to increase the membership fees except four participants who were not in favor.

Corporate Members Elected as Officers

It was suggested by an individual in the general meeting, whether representative or corporate members would be eligible to be elected as officers in the Executive Committee. It would not require an amendment to the constitution, but merely a vote.

The chair accepts the motion and proposes by show of hands if institutional members are eligible or not.

Discussion:

The following remarks were given by participants in the general meeting:

- Some might be a member of an organization but cannot necessarily commit for the four years
- Institutional members are only 7, and the Executive might shift to be taken over by institutions instead then.

Resolution:

The Executive Committee is to consider the motion and make a recommendation to the next Assembly in 2016.

15 Closing

General Secretary's Report 2012 – 16

Introduction

This has been a challenging and enlivening four years for IAMS. We were all honoured to be serving IAMS in this way but were also aware of a number of challenges and opportunities.

Executive:

The Executive Committee has met mainly by Skype and teleconference with only three face to face meetings: one in Oxford 2013 and again in January 2016 in Korea to prepare for the forthcoming Assembly and immediately prior to the Assembly. We have met by teleconference four to six times per annum. Fr Paul Kollman has kindly facilitated payment for this and we are most grateful. It has been challenging to meet this way but over the years we have got better at it and it is now the accepted pattern. It has certainly saved money but it probably means that we lose out on the energy and creativity that is generated in face to face meetings.

Membership and Database:

We continue to send 3 regular email reminders at the beginning of each year to remind you to renew your subscription. We cannot afford to send out our excellent journal, *Mission Studies*, without your subscriptions. Members can update their own details on the website (http://www.missionstudies.org/db/login.asp) and please, may I encourage you to do so as this will ensure you receive the journal *Mission Studies* and other important information by e-mail. It is now possible to get a temporary password instead of asking the secretariat, but it does require that the e-mail address is up-to-date. You will also receive *IAMS Matters*, which our President writes to keep us up-to-date on IAMS happenings and events.

We have 186 paid up members, 470 inactive members, 5 corporate members and 14 honorary members. We would dearly like to increase our membership so please do promote IAMS among your circles.

Website:

Our website is our most important communication tool. You can see who are your regional representatives, how to join, who else are members in your region, how to review books for our journal, *Mission Studies*. Membership payment now has 2 options – paypal and worldpay where the membership fees can be found. Study group leaders have editing rights to their pages on the website. We are very grateful to the team at CMS who help us maintain the website.

Study Groups:

We have eight Study Groups which are all listed on our website. These are: BISAM – Biblical Studies and Mission; Children, Youth and Mission; DABOH – Documentation, Archives, Bibliography and Oral History; Gender in Mission; Healing/Pneumatology; Interreligious Studies and Mission; Religious Freedom; Theology of Mission. These really are the lifeblood of IAMS so please do consider active participation in a Study Group.

Journal:

We are very grateful to Dr Kirsteen Kim for editing our journal over the past 4 years and thank her for her excellent editorship of the journal. Under her tenure we now publish the journal three times per annum. We are also appreciative of our partnership with Brill who publish the journal. As a IAMS member, you can now also access the journal online.

Finances:

These are challenging times in which to run an organisation. We are entirely dependent on your membership subscriptions and donations. We are very appreciative of the work of our treasurer, Dr David Singh, based at the Oxford Centre for Mission Studies. The Treasurer and the General Secretary work as volunteers. We have been assisted by Mrs Anne Henriksen who assists the General Secretary and Mrs Briony Seymour who assists the Treasurer. We thank them for their careful and competent work.

Senior Advisory Group (SAG)

We have been very grateful for the work of this group in reshaping our Constitution and Bye laws. So we express our thanks and gratitude to: Jerry Anderson, John Roxborogh, Wilbert Shenk, Jon Bonk and Philomena Mwaura.

Deceased Members:

2016

Dr Chun Chae Ok Revd Dr Timothy Yates

2015

Dr Siga Arles

2014

Prof Charles Forman Akhrieano Savi

2012

Rt Rev Patrick Kalilombe

Conclusion:

It has been a full and challenging 4 years. We are thankful to God for providing for all our needs and for seeing us through this time. I am stepping down as General Secretary and Anne Henriksen is relinquishing her role also. We have enjoyed our time serving IAMS and wish IAMS all the best for its future.

CR hoss.

Dr Cathy Ross

Motions from the General Secretary

- **1. Motion:** I move a vote of thanks to Dr Mika Vähäkangas for his unstinting and enthusiastic work as President of IAMS over the last 4 years. It has been a pleasure to work with him.
- **2. Motion:** I move a vote of thanks to the Local Host Committee for their hours of work in facilitating this conference.
- **3. Motion:** I move a vote of thanks to Rev Dr Steve Moon as Chair of the Local Host Committee, for extending the invitation to hold the conference in Seoul and for all his hard work to facilitate our presence here.
- **4. Motion:** I move a vote of thanks to the past Executive Mika Vähäkangas, Paul Kollman, David Singh, Mariel Deluca Voth, Rosemary Dewerse, Nico Botha, Valentin Kozhuharov, Kirsteen Kim, Atola Longkumer for their hard work and service to IAMS over the past 4 years.
- **5. Motion:** I move a vote of thanks to Anne Henriksen and Briony Seymour for their services to the IAMS Secretariat. I am especially grateful to Anne for all her work as conference organiser without her this conference would not have happened.
- **6. Motion:** I move a vote of thanks to Hugh de Saram, Tom Peek and Andrew Collier at CMS who maintain the IAMS database and website.

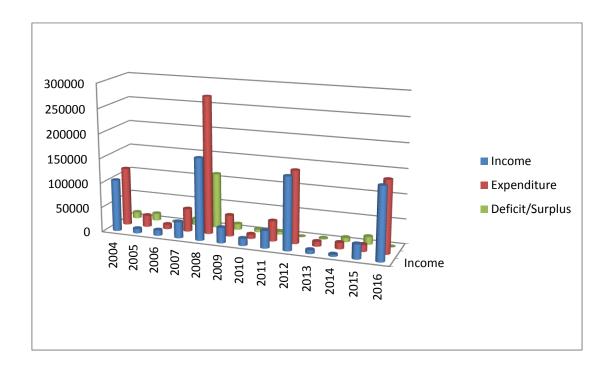
Treasurer's Report

IAMS Treasurer's Report: Seoul 2016

As before, in Toronto, my report here contains four brief points of relevance to the Assembly: an overview of IAMS' finances over 12 years (4 conference cycles); cash balances over this period leading up to 2016; recommendations; and a vote of thanks to the donors, members and colleagues in the Executive Committee (ExCo).

Overview Since 2004

In Toronto I gave you a broad-brush-stroke of IAMS' financial history from 2004 to 2012. As I 'hangup my boots', please allow me to relate the years since Toronto to this period so you have a comprehensive picture in view.



Although I was unable to attend Balaton, I took over from Alan Anderson as Treasurer from the end of 2008. The four years leading up to Balaton were crucial for me to fully understand the state of our finances. Ours has been a long history of deficits. Although, I am not from accounting background (and am grateful for support from Briony Seymour), even I can see that as a charity we not only operate on a shoe-string budget, our accounts show consistent shortfalls rather than surplus, which is not surprising.

For example, in the period from 2005 to 2008 (i.e. leading up to Balaton), our total income was £220,000, expenditure was £356,000 and, so, the deficit stood at £136000. Actually, the deficit was higher when we took over as the new executive. As I had mentioned in my previous report, this was because of an outstanding invoice of about £24000 from Balaton and several late secretariat expenses (cleared from the 2009 budget). What this meant was that the real budget outcome for 2005-2008 was a deficit of about £159,000.

If we were not burdened with the substantial invoice from the 2008 conference expenses the total expenditure for 2009-2012 would have been substantially lower and we would have had more money to do more during the non-conference years.

In the period between 2009-2012 (leading up to the Toronto Conference 2012) our income was expected to be around £240,000 but we only managed to get approximately £228000 and the expenditure was expected to be around £243,000 but in the end we spent about £239500; so we ended the year with a relatively small deficit of £11500 and no unplanned outstanding invoices (as in 2009 after Balaton) to burden us into the next quadrennial.

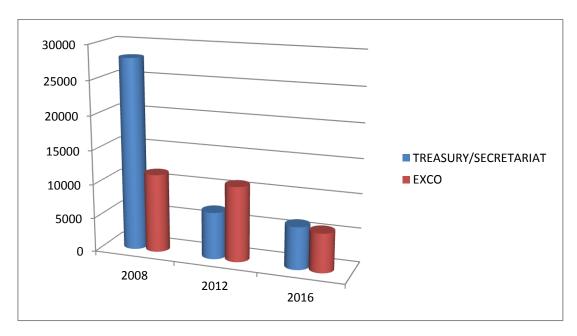
In the period since Toronto (from 2013-2016) our total income (2016 figure estimated) is expected to be around £188400 and expenditure £182066 and hence, for once in a long time we are hoping to beat budgetary deficit with a surplus of about £6000. This is critical as we have exhausted all our reserves and there are no fixed savings in our accounts to draw on.

Cash balances (£)

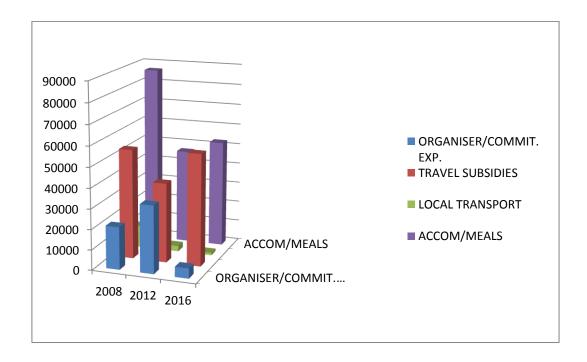
The income-expenditure figures do not include the actual year-end cash balances. The committee that took over in 2004 benefited substantially from the business high interest and C&G deposits they inherited. The conference income and expenses were efficiently managed to close the year without touching the savings. I cannot say the same for the 2008 conference as the figures show. The year 2008 opened with a balance of £142000 but ended with only about £50000. If one subtracts the additional and delayed invoices from the conference/secretariat, this meant a seriously sharp drop in savings for the next committee to start work with.

We are slowly but surely clawing back from a balance of mere £26000 at end of 2008 to about £38700 in the end of 2012 to £43800 at the start of 2016. We hope to leave just enough for the next committee to operate in the non-conference year to follow and build on. We have been able to achieve this through:

- a. Sorting out the membership list. This was important because having a longer list of non-paying members cost money; but it also encouraged interested members to renew their membership
- b. Reducing the cost of running the secretariat by over 6 times and cutting the cost of travel for meetings through skype/phone conferencing:



c. Controlling the conference cost (final outcome is still to be seen for 2016). It may be less than ideal for some of among us to live in student accommodation here but this helps with the overall cost reductions:



Recommendations

- 1. Increase incomes during the non-conference years so IAMS can promote regional engagements for greater visibility and memberships.
- Continue encouraging members to remain active and pay membership fees between the conference years. Think of ways of greater encouragement to regional associations/groups so current members have a better chance of promoting membership among potential members.

- 3. Seek professional advice on alternative business models for the publication of MS so income from membership fees remains within IAMS besides finding creative ways for generating revenue from the publication of *Mission Studies*
- 4. Maintain control over spending through continuing limited face to face Executive Committees and increased use of technology to operate business during non-conference years.
- 5. Continue to seek the support of the members and retired ExCo members for general donations so a deposit account can be reinstated. This can enhance our ability to meet needs of the majority world participants, programmes during the non-conference years and serve as insurance for emergency scenarios.

Vote of Thanks

I would like to thank the generous donors who have by making the grants made this conference possible. I did not want to embarrass them by listing their names but since this information is for members, I think it is important we know who our benefactors have been:

- Onnuri Community Church (Senior Pastor: Rev. Jae-Hoon Lee)
- SaRang Community Church (Senior Pastor: Rev. Jung-Hun Oh)
- Global Mission Church (Senior Pastor: Rev. Peter Chin)
- Asian Mission (Executive director: Rev. Jae-Chul Jung)
- NORME
- United Methodist Board General Board of Global Ministries
- World Council of Churches Commission on World Mission & Evangelism
- SIM International
- Australian Association of Mission Studies
- Zonneweelde
- Association of Professors of Mission
- American Society of Missiology
- German Bishops Conference
- Evangelisches Missionwerk in Deutschland e.V. (EMW)
- ICCO
- Timothy Easton Memorial Trust
- Missio Internationales Katholisches Missionwerk e.V.

I would also like to say thank you to all IAMS members and senior colleagues in the ExCo for inviting a rank outsider to serve you as the treasurer. In all honesty, I cannot say I enjoyed the job but this is a job like so many that had to be done. I am happy I was able to follow in the footsteps of people I admire much: Martin Conway, Andrew Kirk, and Alan Anderson; they have all been a great support and encouragement to me — especially Alan who inducted me in a job that was as far away from what I normally do in Islamics and Interfaith studies as it can be. I am glad though that it gave me an

opportunity to work closely with colleagues in the ExCo and especially Mika in co-chairing the Interfaith Track.

Blessings

David Emmanuel Singh

OCMS, Oxford

Editor's Report

1. Year-by-year summary

2013, Volume 30

30.1: Conference presentations and 30 years of *Mission Studies*.

30.2: "Bible and Mission". BISAM guest issue, edited by John Prior.

30th **anniversary of** *Mission Studies*: Brill arranges for a banner on the website and free download of 10 historic articles from the past 30 years.

IAMS notices: A page of IAMS notices is included in each issue.

Editors: The editorial structure, board and contributing editors are revised.

Online submission: The online submission system is launched.

Website: Information on IAMS website is reconciled with the Brill one.

2014, Volume 31

31.1: General issue.

31.2: "Mission and Interfaith". Guest-edited by David Emmanuel Singh and Mika Vähäkangas.

31.3: "Gender and Mission". Guest-edited by Rose Uchem.

Issues: Journal moves from 2 to 3 issues per year.

2015, Volume 32

32.1: General issue.

32.2: "Migration, Religion and Identity". Guest-edited by Martha Frederiks and Dorottya Nagy

32.3: "Theology of Mission".

Editorial assistant: Dr Gary McKee takes over from Jung Soo Jo.

Electronic access: Brill and CMS web managers facilitate electronic access to *Mission Studies* for IAMS members behind the wall on the IAMS website.

2016, Volume 33

33.1: General issue.

33.2: General issue.

33.3: General issue.

Book reviews editor: Dr Atola Longkumer takes over from Dr Paul Kollman.

Article abstracts: Article abstracts are included in Spanish and Chinese besides English.

Supplement series: Brill launches the series Theology and Mission in World Christianity, which is also a supplement series for *Mission Studies*.

2. Mission Studies and IAMS

Mission Studies is the academic, peer-reviewed journal of IAMS. It is closely integrated with the Association in the following ways:

- Subscription to *Mission Studies* is included in IAMS membership.
- The Mission Studies scope statement matches that of IAMS.
- The editor and editorial board are made up of IAMS members.
- The editorial board includes the IAMS president and secretary and study group convenors (see below and appendix).
- Contributing editors are IAMS members.
- IAMS notices appear in each issue.
- Conference study group leaders are guest-editing issues.
- The IAMS membership is the primary database for peer reviewers.

3. Editorial structure

Since the last IAMS assembly, the editorial structures, board and contributing editors have been revised according to the following principles:

- The editors should be IAMS members and (according to Brill) "scholars of high international standing who reflect the Aims and Scope and the international nature of the Journal".
- As far as possible, the editors should be balanced with regard to region, church affiliation and gender.
- The editorial board should include officers of IAMS and leaders of established IAMS study groups.
- As a steering committee, the editorial board should meet at each assembly and at least once between assemblies.
- Contributing editors should cover a range of specialities within mission studies, at least including the main sub-disciplines addressed by the journal.
- Editors serve between one conference and the next. They may continue if holding an office or invited by the board to do so.

Editorial board

The editorial board consists of

- Editor-in-chief
- Deputy editor
- · Associate editors: IAMS president, IAMS secretary, lead conveners of established study groups
- Book reviews editor
- Brill editor

An editorial Board meeting was held just before the European IAMS meeting in April 2014 (in person and by conference call). Another is being held at this assembly.

A full list of the board members and contributing editors is included in the appendix.

Book reviews editor

Books reviews are a key selling point for journals. The rise to three issues per year has put more pressure on the book reviews editor. We are very grateful to Dr Paul Kollman, who has served as book review editor since 2004, and also to his assistant Pam Foltz. We also recognise the support of his institution, University of Notre Dame, USA. At the editorial board meeting in 2014, Paul signalled his intention to step down at the next assembly due to increasing responsibilities.

The executive recommended Dr Atola Longkumer, SAIACS, India, for the role and we are delighted that she agreed. Atola has been working with Paul and Kirsteen since January to learn the role, which is also being revised in view of changes in the landscape. One of the changes is that in future, the reviews editor will arrange for books to be sent directly from the publisher to the editor. The book reviews will continue to be dealt with independently from the editorial manager system.

Editorial assistant

Editing the journal is a large undertaking to add to existing responsibilities and requires editorial assistance. To provide this, in 2014 Leeds Trinity University advertised a 4-year PhD studentship in mission studies that includes 1 day per week as editorial assistant for the journal. LTU offers a fee waiver and £2,000 annually. This stipend is matched by £2,000 annually from IAMS and to this is added the annual editorial fee of €2,000. The studentship was awarded to Gary McKee in October 2014. Gary manages the submissions on the editorial management system and also does much of the copy-editing.

4. Mission Studies and Brill

Contract

At the last assembly, a 4-year contract was signed between Brill, IAMS and myself as editor. In September 2014 another publisher approached us suggesting they might be able to offer us a better financial deal and also increase the worldwide coverage of the journal. Negotiations were held which concluded in February 2015 when it became clear that they would need a larger subsidy and that their global coverage would not be better than Brill's. The IAMS executive therefore reaffirmed the contract with Brill. Although it held up journal development, the negotiations were helpful in that they proved that the deal with Brill is a competitive one.

Relations

Relations with the team at Brill have been very cordial. Team members past and present have all been diligent, responsive and encouraging. I would like to thank especially the current staff: the editor Mirjam Elbers, the production editor Anita Opdam, and Tom Weterings who manages the online submission system. I have had annual meetings with Mirjam, who has also provided regular reports, including one for this assembly. There have been some issues with Brill's distribution system but this seems to have improved of late.

FAQs

As editor, I often receive the following queries:

- Q. Can I post my article published in Mission Studies on my own or another website?
- A. Yes, as long as it is not the final published PDF version.
- Q. Can my article published in *Mission Studies* be re-published elsewhere?
- A. Yes, with the permission of Brill (there is a link on the website) and an acknowledgment to *Mission Studies*. A fee is not usually involved.

5. Editorial and production processes

Online submission system

In 2013 the submission process for Mission Studies moved onto the Brill editorial manager system. The editor, deputy editor and editorial assistant received several hours of training from Brill, although we still have some learning to do. The advantages of this arrangement are:

- Reviews are anonymised.
- There are clear and standard guidelines for reviewers.
- It is easier to keep track of the process.
- Data provided by the system helps analyse journal performance.

Occasionally reviewers and authors have reported difficulty using the system. These enquiries have been dealt with promptly by the editorial assistant and/or Brill however difficulties accessing the system mean that we are still dealing with some papers or reviews outside it. Any feedback from users will be helpful in improving this situation.

Peer review

Almost all articles are peer reviewed by two or more independent people. The first point of call for peer reviewers is the list of editors, contributing editors and IAMS members but we are also continually compiling a wider list of peer reviewers where further expertise is needed. Most requests for peer review are willingly and readily fulfilled and I wish to thank all those who have given their time in this way. The success of the journal relies on the willingness of IAMS members to review articles and books.

Article abstracts

Brill allows space in print and on-line for 3 abstracts per article but the inclusion of abstracts in other languages had lapsed. The IAMS executive and the editorial board agreed that abstracts should be included in English, Spanish and Chinese. They will be included again from the final issue of this year. The translators will be Mariel Deluca Voth (Spanish) and Sharlee Xiaoli Yang (Chinese). We are very grateful to them for volunteering to help in this way.

Although at one time *Mission Studies* stated that it included papers in other languages, this is no longer the case.

6. Data analysis and future

Reports from Brill show the following progress:

- Improved rating. In 2015 the ranking of *Mission Studies* on SCOPUS had risen to 0.185. This is significantly higher than its competitors in this academic field.
- Improvement in the turn-around time for articles the time is less than a third of what it was in 2014. This dramatic result is largely due to Gary McKee's work as editorial assistant, for which I wish to give special thanks.
- A rising standard of selection for articles, which is good for the quality of the journal. Selection is not solely dependent on academic rigour (although this is important). There is room to prefer articles which draw attention to under-researched regions or topics, for example, or papers which are likely to be of particular interest to IAMS members.
- A relatively high number of full text downloads (FTDs) compared to other journals. This is especially
 because the online version is now accessible to all IAMS members through the website and is being
 used by members.

The following are some areas for improvement:

- Decreasing subscriptions. This is probably because of availability of content on online databases. This makes subscriptions via IAMS membership more important. Although membership can be expected to rise again in this conference year, if the direct subscriptions continue to fall, the viability of the journal will be at risk.
- Citations. IAMS members can help to raise the citations ratings by citing articles published in *Mission Studies* wherever appropriate. This will benefit the journal and raise the standing of the association.

In the next four years, I will work to consolidate these achievements and further improve the rating figures for the journal. This will raise the academic profile of the journal and IAMS, and also increase the subscriptions / membership. I am open to suggestions for guest-edited issues and also for special issues on current topics that include commissioned articles.

7. Supplement series: Theology and Mission in World Christianity

Brill has developed a new series "Theology and Mission in World Christianity" which will act as a supplement series for the journal but is also wider than IAMS interests. The editors are Stephen Bevans, Miikka Ruokannen and myself. The specification of the series is as follows:

The peer-reviewed series *Theology and Mission in World Christianity* treats theology, mission, and the interface between them in view of the development of world Christianity. That is, it understands Christianity as a world religion which is globally widespread, locally rooted and interconnected. Furthermore, it recognises the shift in the centre of gravity of Christianity so that Christian communities and mission movements are increasingly in and from Latin America, Africa, Asia and other regions outside the West. The series welcomes scholarly monographs, edited volumes, and outstanding dissertations on contextual and inter-cultural theologies, mission theology, and historical and practical questions relating to mission and Christianity worldwide. It invites studies of Christian doctrine and witness from varied contexts, especially in view of religious plurality, secularization and socio-economic inequality, and research on the impact of churches, their teaching and mission activities, locally and globally. The series deals with the challenges of Christian diversity and migration movements by encouraging international, interconfessional and interdisciplinary approaches, recognising the multi-directional and boundary-crossing nature of mission and theological exchange. The Series Editors work closely with the International Association for Mission Studies (IAMS), for whose journal *Mission Studies* this book series also functions as a supplement series.

Further details of the new series are at www.brill.com/tmwc.

The series is being launched at this assembly but the first two volumes are already published and both are closely related to IAMS:

- Mission and Money, edited by Mari-Anna Auvinen-Pöntinen and Jonas Adelin Jørgensen, comprises
 the edited papers of the IAMS Europe conference in 2014 which broke new ground at the interface
 between mission and economics.
- Religion, Migration and Identity, edited by Martha Frederiks and Dorottya Nagy, brings together
 papers published in Mission Studies and in Exchange, most of which were presented at the last IAMS
 assembly in 2012, to make research on this pressing topic more accessible.

They retail at €49.00.

Kustees Kui

So far the editors have looked at more than 20 other proposals so the series is healthy. However, we are especially pleased to receive more proposals of monographs by new and established scholars.

Kirsteen Kim, Editor-in-Chief, Mission Studies

Appendix: Editors 2013-2016

Editor

4 July 2016

Kirsteen Kim, Leeds Trinity University, UK

Deputy editor

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Mika Vähäkangas, Lund University, Sweden (IAMS president)
Catherine Rae Ross, Regents Park College, Oxford, UK (IAMS secretary)
Christoffer H. Grundmann, Valparaiso University, USA (study group coordinator)
vanThanh Nguyen, SVD, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, USA (study group coordinator)
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Nomination Committee Report

This report will be distributed during the meeting

CONSTITUTION & BYELAWS

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2.	OBJECTIVES The Association is an international, interdenominational and intercultural body committed to the scholarly study of issues related to Christian mission. The main objectives of the Association shall be: (a) to promote the scholarly study of theological, historical and practical questions relating to the mission of the Church; (b) to disseminate information concerning mission among all those engaged in such studies and among the general public; (c) to relate studies in mission to studies in theological and other disciplines, through the encouragement of interdisciplinary research programmes and other appropriate means; (d) to promote fellowship, cooperation and mutual assistance in mission studies, especially among national, regional and denominational mission study associations and equivalents.	2.	 OBJECTIVES 2.1 The Association is an international, interdenominational and intercultural body committed to the scholarly study of issues related to Christian mission. 2.2 The main objectives of the Association shall be: a. to promote the scholarly study of theological, historical and practical questions relating to the mission of the Church; b. to disseminate information concerning mission among all those engaged in such studies and among the general public; c. to relate studies in mission to studies in theological and other disciplines, through the encouragement of interdisciplinary research programmes and other appropriate means; d. to promote fellowship, cooperation and mutual assistance in mission studies, 		

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approved by a General Meeting of the Association for a period of four years or until the General Meeting next after the expiry of that period.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers with five other members elected by a General Meeting of the Association to represent continental regions for a period of four years or until the General Meeting next after the expiry of that period.

The Executive shall normally meet once a year. Officers and members of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for re-election. The elections shall be governed by byelaws.

Trustees of the Association and comprises the Officers of the Association together with six other members representing regions, one of whom is the Vice President.

- **5.3** Each Executive Committee serves for a period of four years and takes office immediately after the end of the fiscal year in which the General Meeting takes place, or other date as may be determined by the General Meeting.
- **5.4** The Executive Committee meets at least once a year. Meetings may be conducted by telephone or video conference.
- **5.6** The Executive Committee has power to raise funds, receive grants, donations and subscriptions, to apply funds to carry out the purposes of the Association, and to act in a manner which is lawful and necessary to achieve the purposes of the Association.
- **5.7** The Executive Committee is responsible for oversight of the finances of the Association, for ensuring that a summary of the most recent annual accounts can be seen by members on request, and that an appropriate financial report is made to each General Meeting of the Association.
- **5.8** Officers and members of the Executive Committee are eligible for re-election. The elections shall be governed by the Byelaws.
- **5.9** In the event that an Officer or Member of the Executive Committee is unable or unwilling to continue to the end of the term, they may be replaced by a vote of the Executive Committee.
- **5.10** The Officers of the Association have the authority to invite former executive members or other suitable members of the Association to attend a meeting of the Executive in an advisory capacity.
- **5.11** The Executive Committee appoints Trustees for the Association

6. GENERAL MEETING

The Executive Committee shall convene a General Meeting of the Association about every four years.

6. INTERNATIONAL ASSEMBLIES AND GENERAL MEETINGS

6.1 International Assemblies are convened from time to time in different global locations and are normally held

every four years as determined by the **Executive Committee. International** All individual members, and one Assemblies are open to members and representative of each corporate others supportive of the objectives of member, shall have the right to attend the Association on the authority of the and vote at General Meetings of the Executive Committee. Association. **6.2** The Executive Committee has the At each ordinary General Meeting the authority to appoint a Local Executive Committee shall submit for the Arrangements Committee which approval of the Meeting a report of its activities since the last ordinary General includes the General Secretary and the President of IAMS as ex-officio members, Meeting and its proposals for advancing the to determine the allocation of objects of the Association. designated funds for travel or fee subsidies, and to determine the programme and speakers for the Assembly. **6.3** A General Meeting of the Association is normally held every four years in conjunction with an International Assembly of the Association. **6.4** Each individual member, and one representative of each corporate member, has the right to attend and to vote at the General Meeting. By leave of the General Meeting, others present may be permitted to speak but not to **6.5** At each General Meeting the Executive Committee shall submit for consideration a report of its activities since the last General Meeting, including a financial report and proposals for advancing the objectives of the Association during the next four years. **HEADQUARTERS HEADQUARTERS** 7. 7. **7.1** The Executive Committee has the power The Executive Committee shall have the power to determine the location of the to determine the location of the Headquarters of the Association. Usually, Headquarters of the Association. Usually, the the location of the General Secretariat is location of the General Secretariat is regarded regarded as the Headquarters of the as the Headquarters of the Association. Association. **FUNDS FUNDS** 8. 8. The funds of the Association shall be held in **8.1** The funds of the Association shall be the United Kingdom but if at any time the held in the United Kingdom but if at any time members resolve at a General Meeting that the members resolve at a General Meeting the funds should not be so held the that the funds should not be so held the Executive Committee shall inform the Executive Committee shall inform the UK Charity Commissioners of the terms of the Charity Commissioners of the terms of the resolution. resolution. **8.2** In the event of the winding up of the Association any money or property

remaining after payment of debts must be

			given to an organization whose purposes and values are consistent with those of the Association to be determined by the Trustees.
9.	BYELAWS Byelaws may be approved by a majority of members present and voting at any duly constituted General Meeting of the Association.	9.	 BYELAWS 9.1 Byelaws must be approved by a majority of members present and voting at a duly constituted General Meeting of the Association. 9.2 Byelaws may be provisionally amended and adopted by majority vote of the Executive Committee pending presentation to the next General Meeting of the Association.
10.	ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION	10.	ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION
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	Adopted 29 August 1972; Amended 31 July 1974		
	Amended 24 August 1978; Amended 28 January 2000		
	Amended by the XIth Quadrennial General Assembly, 3. August 2004		

IAMS BYELAWS (2012)		PROPOSED IAMS BYELAWS (2016)			
5a. Criteria for Membership	1.	Membership			
General					
The basic criteria for all types of membership of					
IAMS is acceptance of the objectives of the					
association:					
to promote the scholarly study of theological,					
historical and practical questions relating to					
mission;					
to disseminate information concerning mission					
among all those engaged in such studies and					
among the general public; to relate studies in					
mission to studies in theological and other					
disciplines; to promote fellowship, cooperation					
and mutual assistance in mission studies; to					
organize international conferences of					

missiologists; to encourage the creation of centres of research;

and to stimulate publications in missiology

Further to that all members, except Honorary Life Members, are expected to pay the annual fee to the association.

Individual Members

Criteria for *Individual Membership* are Acceptance of the objectives of the associations Academic qualifications, normally doctorate or equivalent

Research active (publications within the last 5 years)

Recognition by peers (recommendations by two sponsors required)

Individual members pay an annual fee determined by the General Meeting (Constitution §4).

Associate Members

Criteria for Associate Membership are Acceptance of the objectives of the associations Enrolment in a doctoral level research program Recommendation by doctoral supervisor and a IAMS member

An Associate Member cannot maintain the associate status for more than 5 years (Constitution §3)

Corporate Members

Corporate Members are institutions engaged in or who wish to support the development of mission studies. Included in this category are libraries, schools, national associations for mission studies, mission councils, mission agencies, etc.

Guidelines for Appointment of Honorary Life Members

The executive can appoint IAMS Honorary Life Members as a tribute to outstanding accomplishments in missiology and dedicated services to IAMS.

1. Criteria

Honorary Life Members are appointed on the basis of the following criteria:

- 1: Exceptional services To missiology
- 3: Candidates should be retired from official posts
- 4: Candidates are to be appointed by a

1.1 Individual Members

- 1. 1.1 Criteria for Individual Membership are
 - Acceptance of the objectives of the Association
 - Academic qualifications, normally doctorate or equivalent Research active (publications within the last 5 years) or enrolment in a doctoral level research program
 - Recognition by peers (recommendations by two sponsors required, who are IAMS members.)

1.2 Corporate Members

1.2.1 Corporate Members are institutions engaged in or who wish to support the development of mission studies. Included in this category are libraries, schools, national associations for mission studies, mission councils, mission agencies, etc.

1.3 Honorary Life Members

1.3.1 The executive committee may appoint IAMS Honorary Life Members on the basis of their exceptional services to IAMS and to mission studies. They should be retired from official posts. A unanimous decision of the Executive is required.

1.3.2 Honorary Life Members are entitled to free membership of IAMS and free subscription to *Mission Studies*. Any two

unanimous decision of the Executive

members of IAMS can nominate a person for Honorary Life Membership. A nomination shall be submitted in writing to the Executive with a motivation for the nomination.

Byelaws: The Executive Committee

- §1 "The Executive Committee (of the International Association for Mission Studies) shall consist of the officers with five other members elected by a General Meeting of the Association for a period of four years or until the General Meeting next after the expiry of that period" (Const. § 5).
- **§2** The duties of the Executive Committee are: a. To approve the membership applications of individuals and institutions to IAMS (§ 3).
- b. To determine the date and convene a General Meeting of the Association about every four years (§ 6).
- c. To determine the location of the Headquarters of the Association (§ 7).
- d. Between General Meetings to be responsible for furthering the objects of the Association as listed in § 2 of the Constitution of the Association.
- e. To obtain financing through subsides and donations and to set up a permanent system of financing the work of the Association.
- f. Between General Meetings to be the Executive group which has the power to determine all things except those expressly reserved to the General Meeting.
- §3 The presence of at least four members of the Executive Committee is necessary for a legal meeting. The President or Vice-President must always be among the four.
- **§4** A simple majority vote of those present and voting will be required for the passage of any act of the Executive Committee while in session.
- §5 These bylaws may be amended by the ordinary voting procedures explained in § 4 above. Changes take effect immediately. They must be presented to the General Meeting of the Association at its next gathering for subsequent approval according to §9 in the constitution.

Approved at the IAMS General Meeting 24. August 1978.

Amended by the executive committee 28. January 2001 according to the Hammanskraal constitutional changes.

2. Executive Committee Byelaws

- **2.1** In addition to the provisions of the IAMS Constitution clauses 5.2 to 5.9 the Executive Committee is responsible for:
 - Determining the location and arrangements for the next international assembly of the Association.
 - Ensuring there is adequate support and oversight for the Officers of the Association.
 - Considering membership applications following the guidelines of the membership byelaws.
 - Deciding and notifying the date and convening a General Meeting of the Association normally every four years in conjunction with an international assembly of the Association.
 - Ensuring the continuity of the secretariat and determining the location of the headquarters of the Association
 - Acting on behalf of the Association in all matters except those expressly reserved to the General Meeting.
 - The Executive Committee may appoint an academic committee to maintain high academic standards.
- **2.2** Quorum: The presence of at least four members of the Executive Committee is necessary for a legal meeting. The President or Vice-President must always be among the four.
- **2.3** Voting: A simple majority vote of those present and voting is required for the passage of any act of the Executive Committee while in session.

	3. International Assembly Byelaws
	 3.1 The Executive Committee is to determine the timing and location of the next International Assembly of the Association taking into account the location of previous Assemblies, the existence of an invitations from credible local groups which include members of the Association, the cost and safety of travel and of a proposed venue, the significance of an historical or missiological anniversary near the time of the Assembly, and the ability of the Association to raise funds for the purpose. 3.2 The programme of the Assembly will be designed to facilitate the objectives of the Association and provide for the orderly election of a new Executive Committee. It is expected to encourage fellowship, interdisciplinary and inter-confessional interaction among attendees, exposure to the mission dynamics of local churches, and the support of documentation and scholarship in the region. It will provide for regional meetings and meetings of interest groups as well as for occasional ad-hoc gatherings. 3.3 The Assembly will in particular seek to leave a modest but positive footprint as guests of the host country, facilitating understanding of their needs and perspectives, and giving space to emerging scholars in mission studies and related disciplines.
Byelaws: General Meeting of the Association A. Procedure for the election of President, Vice President, and other members of the Executive Committee	 4.1 A General Meeting of the Association is normally held every four years in conjunction with an International Assembly of the Association. Its business includes the reception of reports from the Executive and Officers of the Association and the election of the Executive Committee. 4.2 The Procedure for the election of the General Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of the Association Journal is as follows. 4.2.1 The election is carried out by voting on persons nominated for the roles of General Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of the Association Journal by the outgoing Executive Committee.

- 4.2.2 For the purposes of nomination a candidate must be an individual member of the Association, or a member of a corporate body which is a member of the Association.
- 4.2.3 The General Meeting may elect the persons nominated for the roles of General Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of the Association Journal, or it may request the Executive Committee to consider other names for particular positions.
- **4.3** Procedure for the election of President, Vice President, and other members of the Executive Committee
- 4.3.1 The election is carried out by voting on a slate of candidates prepared by a Nomination Committee in accordance with the criteria and procedure below.
- 4.3.2 The General Meeting may elect the slate of candidates prepared by the Nomination Committee, or it may request the Nomination Committee to consider other names for particular positions.
- 4.3.3 For the purposes of nomination a candidate must be and remain an individual Member of the Association, or a Member of a Corporate Body which is a member of the Association, for the tenure of Executive service.

Nomination Committee

1. Setting up of a Nomination CommitteeThe election process will be guided by an Nomination Committee comprising the following

persons:

- the outgoing President of IAMS together with one representative from each of the regions of Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean, North America and Oceania, nominated by Regional Meetings in their first session.

The Nomination Committee will constitute itself after the first regional meeting. It will elect its own chair. It may, if deemed necessary, seek the advice of the previous Executive Committee.

5. Nomination Committee

- 5.1.1 As early as convenient in the Assembly, Regional Meetings are held for the purpose of appointing one representative from each of the regions of Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean, North America and Oceania who will not be eligible to serve in the Executive Committee.
- 5.1.2 The Nomination Committee comprises the regional representatives together with the outgoing President. The regional representatives are chosen at the Regional meetings (see 4.1). The outgoing Vice-President is not eligible to serve on the Nomination Committee.
- 5.1.3 The Nomination Committee

2. Preparation of Slate for the Election of President, Vice President and Executive Committee

The Nomination Committee will from names proposed by the Regional Meetings plus the current Vice-President prepare one slate of candidates for consideration by the General Meeting for the positions of President, Vice-President, and five Executive Committee members.

The current Vice-President will normally be nominated for President. However the General Meeting may request the Nomination Committee to propose an alternative.

The six regional areas are represented by the Vice-President and five Executive Committee members.

2.1. Proposals from Regional Meetings

Regional Meetings are required to nominate three persons to be considered for election to the Executive Committee. These are to be listed and take into account the criteria listed in 2.2. Regional Meetings must obtain the consent of persons they propose for election.

The Nomination Committee has the right to return to all the Regional Meetings to request an additional person be proposed by each region.

2.2. Criteria

Regional Meetings and the Nominating Committee are required to ensure that those proposed for election and included in the final slate of candidates represent a good mix and balance of persons, taking into account considerations relating to continuity, geographical and denominational representation, gender, skills, regional leadership and availability to participate in the work of IAMS.

3. Voting process

The Nomination Committee will present its nominated slate at a General Meeting of IAMS.

3.1. Right to vote

Only full IAMS members present at the

constitutes itself as soon as possible during the Assembly. It elects its own chair. It will provide guidance to the Assembly on the election processes. It may seek the advice of the outgoing Executive Committee.

5.2 Preparation of the slate of candidates for the Election of President, Vice President and Executive Committee.

- 5.2.1 Regional Meetings are invited to propose three persons and an alternate to be considered for nomination to the Executive Committee, taking into account the criteria in clause 6 below.
- 5.2.2 Regional Meetings must obtain the consent of persons they propose for nomination.
- 5.2.3 The Nomination Committee has the right to return to all the Regional Meetings to request an additional person be proposed by each region.
- 5.2.4 The Nomination Committee will, from names proposed by the Regional Meetings, prepare one slate of candidates for consideration by the General Meeting for the positions of Vice-President, and five Executive Committee members.
- 5.2.5 The nominee for President will be the current Vice-President or other suitable candidate.
- 5.2.6 The six regional areas of Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean, North America and Oceania, are to be represented by the Vice-President and five Executive Committee members.

5.3 Criteria

Regional Meetings and the Nomination Committee are required to ensure that those proposed for nomination for election and included in the final slate of candidates represent a good mix and balance of persons, taking into account:

- continuity,
- geographical and denominational representation,
- gender,
- skills.
- regional leadership

conference are eligible to vote and to stand as candidates for election.

Corporate member of IAMS, represented in the Conference, have one vote.

Each individual person has only one vote, either as individual member of IAMS or as representative of a corporate member.

3.2. Secret ballot

The voting will be conducted by means of a secret ballot.

3.3. Majority

The IAMS General Meeting is entitled, by simple majority vote of members present at the meeting, to accept or reject the slate proposed by the Nomination Committee. The meeting may also make suggestions and require the Nomination Committee to present an amended slate.

Adopted by the XI Quadrennial Assembly, Malaysia, 3. August 2004

 availability to participate in the work of the Association.

5.4 Voting

5.4.1 Right to vote: Only paid-up IAMS members, (either individuals or the designated representative of a corporate member) present at the General Meeting are eligible to vote. Each eligible person has only one vote.

5.4.2 Voting for elections is conducted by means of a secret ballot.

5.4.3 The IAMS General Meeting is entitled, by simple majority vote of members present at the meeting, to accept or reject the slate proposed by the Nomination Committee.

5.4.4 The meeting may require the Nomination Committee to present an amended slate and suggest alternative nominees for the Nomination Committee to consider.

Study Groups

Interest Groups

The difference between *IAMS Projects* and *IAMS Interest Groups* should be observed. The *IAMS Interest Group* is more informal and belongs to the category of networking. Interest groups have the following features and guidelines:

have a convenor

should be appointed by the Executive Committee report to the Executive Committee and the Conference

the life of the group be between conferences unless renewed

As the *Interest Group* develops it might develop into a *Project*.

6. Study Groups

6.1 Study Groups exist to foster the academic life of the Association. Each study group is expected to function as a track or subject during an International Assembly.

6.2 Each IAMS Study Group:

- Must have its role approved by the Executive Committee.
- Has a convenor or convenors whose position is confirmed by the Executive Committee
- Reports annually to the Executive Committee and the Assembly
- Provides information which may be communicated to the IAMS membership
- Is subject to review by the General Meeting of the Association.

Election Guidelines Simplified

- Regional groups (at their meeting on Friday 12 August 2016) will nominate one representative to serve on the Nomination Committee. Each will also nominate a candidate for election to the Executive Committee. Those nominated to serve on the Nomination Committee may also be nominated as potential Executive Committee members.
- 2. The Nomination Committee, including the outgoing President, will meet immediately following the Regional Group meetings.
- 3. After electing its own chair, the Nominating Committee will prepare a single slate of candidates for the positions of President, Vice-President, and five Executive Committee members.
 - a. The current Vice-President will normally be nominated for President
 - Six regional areas (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America/Caribbean, North America and Oceania) are represented by the Vice-President and the five Executive Committee members.
- 4. This slate of nominations will be voted on at the General Meeting on Monday 15th August 2016.

Guidelines to Assess Invitations for Next Assembly

- 1. Institutional strength: Is the inviting institution able to shoulder the burden of taking a major responsibility in organizing the next assembly?
- 2. Availability of adequate services: conference facilities, meals and accommodation of sufficient quality and quantity are available, in as short distance from each other as possible
- 3. Regional representation: In case of several invitations, attention will be paid to the geographical location the rotation of the assembly hosting countries should reflect the geographical coverage of the membership of IAMS
- 4. Ecumenical representation: The hosting institution should be ecumenically open, and willing and able to set up an ecumenically representative hosting committee.
- 5. Cost efficiency: attention will be paid to the cost level of the services available, in order to keep the assembly fee affordable
- 6. Availability of interesting exposure trips that cover different dimensions of mission studies.
- 7. Availability of local assistant staff, like steward in addition to the active participation of the hosting committee in the planning and running of the assembly.
- 8. Possibility for fundraising

EVALUATION FORM

Your assessment of IAMS Seoul assembly & proposals for future assemblies

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