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## Chinese Mission Mobilization '03

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**Burlingame, CA**



*Dr. Luis Bush challenged the Chinese Church to take up Global Responsibility.*

that participants of the Chinese Mission Mobilization '03 brought home. They have been challenged with new vision, new commitment and new action.

The Chinese Mission Mobilization '03 was co-sponsored by Go International, Chinese Evangelistic Mission, Partners International-Chinese Ministry and the

Great Commission Center International. The Conference was held at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel, Burlingame, California. Among the 280 plus participants, 16 dedicated their lives for full-time missionary work, 24

"It is time for the Chinese churches be mobilized for global missions. We need to step out and march forward!" This is the message

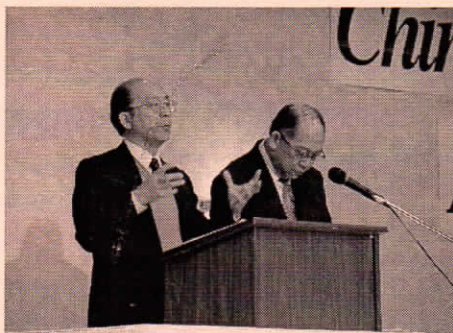
as tentmakers and over 20 will seek God's guidance on their future service.

The conference began at 7am each day with prayer meeting and devotion, bringing participants closer to God. Then, followed by two plenary sessions. The themes for the two plenary sessions were "Man as Communicator of the Gospel" and "The Challenges in Today's World".

Through the 10 addresses by different speakers, participants learned more about the gospel expansion and the needs of today's world. They were also being challenged to be well equipped as God's agents for global missions.

The afternoon program was more practical in nature. Participants had the opportunity to select two or three strategy groups from a list of 12 to exchange their experience with like-minded brothers and sisters. They were also encouraged to visit the 25 exhibits of mission agencies and seminaries and talk with their representatives so that they might choose suitable sending agencies and training institutes.

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*Rev. Cyrus Lam spoke on "The Equipping of a Missionary".*



*Rev. Paul Shen delivered 4 powerful messages "On Submission".*

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Daily program built up its climax in the evening. The 30-minute video presentations on Muslim, Buddhist and Hindu Worlds; China's Minority Peoples and the house churches in China prepared for the spiritual atmosphere for evening sessions. The five topics for evening messages were: Walking with God, Revival and Mission, Sacrifice and Mission, Faithful unto Death, and Into all Nations.

God has used speakers of three generations (70+, 50+, 30+) to inspire and to instruct the participants, challenging them to come out of their comfort zone and move to the front line of missions. Over one quarter have responded the call and expressed their desire to "take up the baton from our spiritual predecessors and to fulfill the Great Commission."

Praise the Lord that one couple has already taken the first step and enrolled in a seminary as full-time students in California two weeks after the conference.



*Rev. Paul Chang led singspiration.*

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*Dr. Chris Hsiung spoke on "The Challenge of Post-Modernity".*



*Rev. John Tsang (left) spoke on "The Equipping of Christians and Workers".*



*Rev. Calvin Chu spoke on "The Preparation for Global Missions".*



*Over 350 Participants attended evening meetings.*



*Each day began with prayer meeting and devotion.*



*Rev. Mark Cheng had fellowship with Rev. John Tsang.*



*16 dedicated for full time missionary work.*



*Rev. Luke Zhang spoke on the "Total Mobilization of the Chinese."*

# Chinese Mission Mobilization '03

## General Report

Robert Morrison brought the gospel to China in 1807. The Chinese Church is approaching her 200th birthday in 2007. She is growing unto adulthood. As Chinese Christians, we need to take up our "adult" responsibility and to spread the gospel not only among our kinsmen but to all peoples. (Matt 24:14)

### 1. Global mission is God's Will, it is the Responsibility of the Church

- (1) Our God is a missionary God; the goal of the Church is to be "fishers of men".
- (2) The Bible is God's redemptive history, each book in the Bible is full of messages of mission.
- (3) God's people has the responsibility to co-mission with God to bring the gospel to the ends of the world.
- (4) Mission should be the core concern of every church.

### 2. Today's Challenge

- (1) Over one-third of the world population are yet to know Christ.
- (2) Growing influence of Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism and the fast multiplication of cults, occults and new religions are devastating the entire world.

(3) The western world has entered into the post-Christian era, more and more westerners are forsaking the biblical truth.

(4) Post-modernism penetrates the traditional society and destroys the foundation of absolute truth, poisoning the minds of the younger generation.

### 3. Outlook of Our Missionary Endeavor

- (1) Our Strategy: build up kingdom-concerned churches, raise up mission-minded Christians, launch out world wide ministries.
- (2) Our Goal: in the next ten years, one-third of all ethnic Chinese become Christians, and 100,000 missionaries sent out by the global Chinese churches.
- (3) Our Method: solid trainings go into China, global missions come out of China.
- (4) Our Approach: assist the house churches in China to fulfill their vision of "Back to Jerusalem Movement".

It is our prayer that God will give the overseas Chinese churches a global vision and mission. May all Chinese churches partner together to bring the gospel to the ends of the world until Christ comes.

## GCCI International Office Operating Cashflow Statement for Jan - Dec 2003

### General Fund & Other Designated Funds

#### Income

General Offering	US\$	343,821
Other Designated Offering		145,357
Conference Fee		29,940
Books & Tape Income		23,143
Interest and Other Income		823
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>US\$</b>	<b>543,084</b>

#### Expenses

Office of Administration	US\$	86,452
Office Rent & Camp Expenses		87,328
Missions Publication		257,012

Media Ministry		58,679
Missions Conferences		92,013
Global Ministries		86,447
China Ministry		115,295
Office & Media Equipment		312
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>US\$</b>	<b>783,538</b>

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Other Receivable		1,351
Advanced to HK Office		28,503
Furniture & Equipment Donation		3,830



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## "Operation World" Chinese Edition 《普世宣教手册》中文版

After two years of preparation, the Chinese edition of "Operation World" has been released in December 2003.

This is the first Chinese edition ever published since the original English edition came out in 1974. Operation World has been translated into 12 languages and printed over 200,000 copies. It is our hope that this volume will help the Chinese Church to understand the needs of today's world and inspire them for further involvement in global missions.

Please encourage your Chinese friends to order from GCCI. The price is US\$25. (Shipping & handling: US readers: US\$5 for 1st copy, each additional copy add US\$2. Canada readers: US\$7 for each copy.)

