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WORKING AND SERVING TOGETHER
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Schedule

Thursday, February 7
3:00-5:00 Check-in and Organization Tables Open
5:00-6:00 Dinner (Knollcrest Dining Hall)
6:15-7:50 Opening Session (Chapel)
  Co-Director welcome and introduction
  Worship
  Devotions with Kate Kooyma
  Beyond the Golden Rule: Don’t Do for Others What They Can Do for Themselves
  by Carol Bremer-Bennett
8:00-8:50 Breakout Session One (HH Classrooms) - see page 19
9:00-10:00 Evening Activities - see page 17

Friday, February 8
7:00-8:30 Breakfast (Commons Dining Hall)
8:30-10:30 Morning Session (CFAC Auditorium)
  Worship
  Devotions with Kate Kooyma
  Justice League or Living Justly by Kuki Rokhum
    Development Through Trust and Hope: Not Through a “Savior” by Charles Owubah
10:40-11:45 Organization Tables
11:45-1:00 Lunch (Knollcrest Dining Hall)
1:00-1:50 Talking About Language Discussion Panel (CFAC Recital Hall)
2:00-3:10 Afternoon Session (CFAC Auditorium)
    Christ Centered Peacemaking in Times of Violence by Sami Awad
    Relationships that Can Save Us by Saulo Padilla
3:10-4:00 Organization Tables
4:00-4:50 Breakout Session Two (CFAC Classrooms) - see page 20
5:00-5:50 Breakout Session Three (CFAC Classrooms) - see page 22
6:00-8:00 Dinner Topic Tables (Commons Dining Hall) - see page 24
8:15-9:30 SEVEN production (Chapel)
9:30-11:00 Evening Activities - see page 17

Saturday, February 9
7:00-8:30 Breakfast (Knollcrest Dining Hall)
8:30-9:15 Morning Session (CFAC Auditorium)
  Worship
  Devotions with Kate Kooyma
  Closing Session and Send-off
9:20-10:20 Steps After Graduation Panel (CFAC Auditorium)
10:30-11:30 Networking Event (CFAC 135 - Instrumental Hall)
11:45-12:30 Boxed Lunch Handouts and Goodbyes (CFAC Lobby)
1:00-2:15 SEVEN production, open to the general public (Chapel, General Admission)
Welcome

About The Conference

What is FIDC?

Calvin College’s Faith and International Development Conference (FIDC) is a three-day conference designed to provide teaching and opportunities for students with hearts for global service. FIDC came from the vision of a few energetic and committed college students who wanted to create an engaging setting to learn about the world and how they could contribute to the well-being of people in need. Now, 14 years later, this student-run conference continues to provide a platform for organizations and speakers to share their knowledge, experience, and enthusiasm with today’s students.

“Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor. If either of them falls down one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls, and has no one to help them up.” Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

Beyond The Savior Complex
working and serving together

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About Our Theme

What is the Savior Complex?

The savior complex occurs when individuals from higher socioeconomic backgrounds directly or indirectly approach a marginalized group with a patronizing attitude, seeing themselves as the saviors who will rescue the poor from their misery. The savior complex is most commonly associated with short-term mission trips from predominantly white, developed nations meant to assist those in the developing world. In such instances, international development becomes a unidimensional experience that gives way to privilege, as the individual’s personal experience takes priority over understanding and meeting the needs of the local community. By being oblivious of the history, culture, and unique context of the community they are working with, individuals externalize existing prejudices and assumptions and consequently fail to recognize the strengths and the potential that the local community has to flourish on its own.

The savior complex shows itself in many forms, across many faces. Just like a white short-term missionary can act like a savior to a black resident of a developing nation, an educated man residing in an urban area of a developing country can act as a savior to a poor, illiterate woman residing in a rural part of the same country. An individual’s skin-color, education, gender, and income are some of the many factors that can contribute to a hierarchy in development work. Under such dynamics, those who are “saved” often internalize feelings of inferiority and become dependent upon the “savior.” In this way, recipients of development work lose their autonomy and interest in learning from and relying on each other, and consequently fail to recognize their own potential and utilize their resources to improve the lives of their own communities.

Acknowledging the savior complex as a problem in international development is crucial, but moving beyond it to work and serve together is the first step toward practicing inclusive development and creating God’s kingdom on Earth. Working and serving together implies a change of mindset in which rather than being a hierarchical relationship between the savior and saved, development work becomes a reciprocal relationship based upon equality, solidarity, love, and mutual understanding. Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 supports this claim, as it states that, “two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.” Such a verse challenges one’s conception of superiority and self-sufficiency, as it calls one to rely on the other for help and be ready to lend a hand whenever appropriate.

In addition to moving from hierarchy to partnership, the theme Beyond the Savior Complex: Working and Serving Together, implies a relationship built upon selfless love. 1 Peter 4:8-10 stresses this by asking us to practice hospitality and to use our God-given talents to serve our brothers and sisters. Love empowers and creates a standard of personhood that can change the course of our lives. By treating one another with love, respect, and grace, we will be better equipped to tackle international development problems to find effective, relevant, and sustainable solutions together.
Letter From The Directors

We are truly glad to have you here—whether you took a road trip across the country or walked a couple minutes from your dorm room here at Calvin—we are thankful that God has brought us all here together. Planning for this conference has been a long journey filled with ups and downs, but now that it is finally here, we could not be more excited.

We want the 2019 FIDC to be about stressing the importance of building international partnerships based upon awareness, respect, love, and mutual understanding. As we hear from our plenary speakers and participate in the different breakout sessions our organization partners have prepared, we hope that you will be able to explore what it means to practice inclusive international development work. Throughout the various activities of this conference, we encourage you to challenge your own presuppositions of what international development looks like by listening, asking questions, and sharing your unique stories with one another. We hope that you will walk away from this conference with a fresh perspective, new relationships, and a sense of community.

We also want to take this time to send a special thanks to everyone who has made this conference possible. Each of you was an invaluable part of our team, devoting your time and energy to make this conference happen. Many thanks to Roland Hoksbergen, Tracy Kuperus, and Don DeGraaf, our faculty mentors, for their guidance throughout the process.

Thank you for being a part of the 2019 Faith and International Development Conference.

Sincerely,

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Directors of the FIDC 2019

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Meet others that work in your area
Share your ideas throughout ECHO's network

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468 global volunteers served others in North America and around the world.

World Renew engaged with a total of 1,530 youth and young adults from North America.

World Renew placed international relief managers in Bangladesh, Madagascar, and Niger.

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3,411 Free A Family donors gave nearly $1 MILLION, helping to free 3,045 families from poverty.

World Renew Disaster Response Services volunteers contacted 12,790 disaster-affected households to assess their needs, and repaired or rebuilt 368 damaged homes.

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DRS placed 2,792 volunteers from 86 denominations on disaster sites in the U.S. and Canada.

With your support, World Renew helped 158 refugees resettle in Canada.

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Water4 is an international nonprofit using faith, innovation and empowerment to reimagine a world free from the water crisis. Water4 equips missional entrepreneurs in developing nations to create lasting economic, physical and spiritual change through market-based safe water solutions. This approach puts the solutions to local problems in the hands of local people, and ensures that safe water access is sustained by local resources. Since 2008, Water4 has impacted the lives of over one million people in more than 30 countries through the power of safe and living water.

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- Malawi
- Rwanda
- Sierra Leone
- Tanzania
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- Uganda
- Zambia
- Peru

2.1 billion people worldwide lack access to safe water at home (WHO)*

32% 32 percent of the world’s population - 2.4 billion people lack improved sanitation facilities. (WHO/UNICEF)*

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The average cost of a Water4 well is $2700 and includes both labor and hardware. With proper maintenance from Water4 partner enterprises, a well with a hand pump can provide 250-300 people with safe water for 15-20 years. Water4 also provides discipleship and community-based hygiene training alongside each well.

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Speakers

Plenary Speakers

Charles Owubah

Dr. Charles Ebow Owubah is an international development consultant with over 10 years of experience in executive leadership in a nonprofit organization. He has experience in program design, monitoring, and evaluation of relief and development programs. He is a thinker and strategist with a passion and commitment for programs that improve the well-being of communities.

Dr. Owubah was the Partnership Leader for Evidence & Learning Unit at World Vision International. From 2010 to 2014 Dr. Owubah was the Regional Vice President for World Vision East Africa, where he provided strategic leadership and oversight for a $500 million portfolio in the 9 country offices in the region. Prior to this role, he was the Country Director for World Vision Zambia.

He holds a Ph.D. in Natural Resources Management and Policy from Purdue University. He taught resource economics, agroforestry, and watershed management at the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology in Ghana. From 2002 to 2007, Dr. Owubah was a member of board of directors of the Pinchot Institute for Conservation. During the same period, he was also an Adjunct Assistant Professor at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. From 2016 to 2018 he was a member of board of directors for the Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities in Washington, DC.

In 2013, Dr. Owubah became a recipient of Purdue University’s Distinguished Agriculture Alumnus award.

Dr. Owubah is a certified speaker, coach and trainer with the John Maxwell Team.
Ms. Carol Bremer-Bennett is World Renew's U.S. Executive Director. She is born to the To’aheediinii (Waters Flow Together) Clan and born for the Todich’íinii (Bitter Water) Clan of the Navajo Nation. Bremer-Bennett is an educator by training, with a B.A. from Calvin College and a Master's from Western New Mexico University.

Ms. Bremer-Bennett’s extensive experience in Christian ministry spans more than 25 years of organizational leadership, leadership development, and administration.

She is humbled to be a beloved and adopted daughter of God. Adoptions have played an ongoing role in her story. Five of her six children are adopted. She and husband Theo Bremer-Bennett have three children of Navajo descent and three of Ethiopian descent. Their family motto is: the African bus is never full!

Mr. Saulo Padilla lived in Guatemala for the first 15 years of his life. In 1980 his family sought political refuge in Mexico during the civil war in Guatemala. In 1986 he immigrated with his mother and siblings to Canada, to reunite with his father, who left from Mexico as a political refugee in 1981. Saulo lived in Calgary for 16 years where he became a Canadian citizen, and in 2001 he moved with his family to Indiana to pursue studies at Goshen College.

Saulo is a Graduate from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, IN, with a Master of Arts in Theology and Ethics, and from Goshen College with major concentrations in History and Theology. Since 2008, he has worked with Mennonite Central Committee, providing learning opportunities about the need for better and safer mechanisms for people facing migration and advocating to reform the U.S. broken immigration system. As part of his work, he coordinates immigration law training for non-profits offering legal services to immigrant communities and leads learning tours to the U.S./Mexico and Guatemala/Mexico borders. His passion to work with immigrants comes from his own experience as the son of a refugee and immigrant, as well as the biblical call to welcome the stranger.
Mr. Sami Awad is the Executive Director of Holy Land Trust. He was born in the U.S. to Palestinian parents. His father, Bishara Awad, became a refugee at age nine after his father was killed in the 1948 war and the family was forced out of their home in what is now West Jerusalem. Bishara Awad is the founder of the Bethlehem Bible College. Mr. Awad’s mother, Salwa, is from the Gaza Strip. At a young age, Mr. Awad was influenced by the teaching of his uncle Mubarak Awad, the Palestinian activist who promoted nonviolent resistance to the occupation during the first Intifadah, and was arrested and deported for his nonviolent activities by the Israeli government. Through working with Mubarak, Mr. Awad was introduced to great leaders and visionaries of the global nonviolence movement; from Jesus to Gandhi to King.

Mr. Sami Awad holds a Master's Degree in International Relations from the American University in Washington D.C. and an undergraduate degree in Political Science from the University of Kansas.

Since his return and establishment of HLT, Sami has engaged himself locally, through promoting and engaging in nonviolence, healing and transformation work, and globally through visiting and speaking in different countries, communities, political and religious organizations in places such as India, South Africa, numerous European countries, and the U.S.

Ms. Lalbiakhlu Rokhum, who is more popularly known as Kuki, comes from Mizoram in North East India. She currently serves on the leadership team at The Evangelical Fellowship of India Commission on Relief (EFICOR) in New Delhi, looking after the Training and Mobilisation Department. Kuki is passionate about issues of justice and has been involved in teaching and speaking about them. She has also conducted training on Integral Mission, HIV and AIDS, creation care and climate change, peace building, and is devoted to influencing Christians to put their faith into action.

Kuki has worked in EFICOR for 16 years, serving in various capacities including leading the Micah Challenge campaign in India for a few years. She also served in a local inner-city church in London for 2 years in her early 20s. She has a Masters degree in Political Science from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, and a BA in Intercultural and Biblical Studies at All Nations Christian College in the UK.
Devotional Speaker

Kate Kooymann

Rev. Kate Kooymann is an ordained minister in the Reformed Church in America, and works as the education team leader for the Christian Reformed Church’s Office of Social Justice (OSJ) in Grand Rapids. She leads the OSJ’s engagement efforts on immigration reform and criminal justice reform. Kate graduated from Calvin College in 2002, and Western Theological Seminary in 2008. Between those two academic experiences, she spent a year as a teacher in Tegucigalpa, Honduras where she developed a life-long love for haleadas and the people of that remarkable country.

She blogs regularly at The Twelve, which she calls “A blog for church nerds like me,” and there she often receives some encouragement as well as some push-back for her perspective on welcoming refugees and immigrants. Her two sons go to their neighborhood public school, where their dad is the principal. Their collective hearts belong to their dog Frankie.
Highlighted Events

**Fair Trade Fair**
Friday, February 8th, 10:30am
Find handmade pieces by people from around the world on sale at our Fair Trade Fair. Open from 10:30am-1:00pm in the CFAC lobby on Friday. Our Fair Trade Fair Vendors are:

- Treetops
- Global Infusion
- Lucia’s World Emporium
- Just Goods Gifts & Cafe
- BetterWay Designs
- WAR International Store
- Global Gifts
- Bridge

**Talking About Language Panel**
Friday, February 8th, 1:00pm
An important part of moving beyond the savior complex is ensuring that our language shifts to reflect partnership rather than saving. It is important to call out the harmful language used to talk about the Global South. Language perpetuates into our society and shapes the policies and practices that are then normalized. The goal of this panel is to acknowledge the injustices and work together to create a practice that aligns with the heart of Jesus. Our four panelists have personal experience seeing how the savior complex plays into their work and have spent time thinking about the impacts that language can have in people’s lives. Our panelists are:

- **Charles Owubah** - International Development Consultant
- **Kuki Rokhum** - Director of Training and Mobilization, EFICOR India
- **Ellie Hutchison** - Communications Specialist, Partners Worldwide
- **Lindy Backues** - Associate Professor of Economic Development, Eastern University

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SEVEN: A Documentary Play
Friday, February 8th, 8:15pm
A riveting piece of documentary theatre, SEVEN tells the true stories of seven women who bravely fought for the well-being of women, families, and children around the globe: in Russia, protecting women from domestic violence; in Cambodia, rescuing girls from human trafficking; in Guatemala, giving voice to the poor; in Afghanistan, empowering rural women; in Nigeria and Pakistan, fighting for women's education and rights; and in Northern Ireland, promoting peace and equality. SEVEN is being put on by Emily Wetzel a Calvin '16 theater grad. FIDC has chosen to put on SEVEN to highlight the work of women in their indigenous communities that spoke out about injustices to combat the narrative that the savior complex often portrays. You don't want to miss it! We will also be putting on a second showing following the conference at 1:00pm on Saturday open to the general public. The Cast of SEVEN include:

Nyarie Sirewu Zaranyika as Hafsat Abiola
Blerta Lik as Farida Azizi
Brenna Rivas as Anabella de León
Emily Myers as Inez McCormack
Sophia Medawar as Mukhtar Mai
Julia Verstraete as Mu Sochua
Katarina Fenn as Marina Pisklakova-Parker

**Director** - Emily Wetzel
**Production Stage Manager** - Carlie Bergsma

Steps After Graduation Panel
Saturday, February 9th, 9:00am
Come listen to expert development practitioners talk about what development work after graduation looks like. After asking our panelists a series of questions, you will be able to ask them more about practical international development work. Our panelists are:

**Phil Murphy** - Executive Director, H.E.A.R.T
**Patience Fielding** - Senior Technical Advisor for Education, Salvation Army World Service Office
**Ashley Adams** - Director of Annual Giving & Development Services, Water4
**Cameron Kritikos** - Mobilizing & Advocacy Fellow, Office of Social Justice

Networking Event
Saturday, February 9th, 10:30am
Bring your resume and questions to ask our non-profit organization sponsors who will talk to you about internships and other employment opportunities within their organization! We hope that this will be a time to network with development organizations with whom you'd like to work and collaborate. Organizations will be grouped into different categories according to the work they do (e.g. environment, business, community development, and advocacy).
Ongoing Activities

Hot Drinks Table
Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, Covenant Fine Arts Center (CFAC), Lobby
Grab a cup of hot tea or coffee to keep you warm! All coffee and tea is donated generously by local businesses. Please bring your own conference mug.

Organization Tables
Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, Covenant Fine Arts Center (CFAC), Lobby 2nd Floor
Learn more about the organizations that sponsor FIDC. The tables will remain up throughout the duration of the conference, and organization representatives will be available to speak with you during designated times (see schedule).

Book Table
Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, Calvin Campus Bookstore, Commons Building
Pick up a new book written by some of our very own keynote speakers and others like them. Supplement what you’ve learned at FIDC this week with these great books! Open Th 8 - 6, Fr 8 - 5, Sat 10 - 2 (Conference books are 20% off!)

Prayer Atlas
Always Open, Covenant Fine Arts Center (CFAC 117)
A prayer Atlas is a series of maps set up around the room that encourage you to pray for specific issues facing the world. Come to this quiet place, reserved for times of supplication, reflection, and praise. Pray about issues that confront you during the conference, as well as anything that is on your heart.

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Evening Activities

Thursday

Barnga
9:00-10:00pm - Commons Annex Lecture Hall
Come play Barnga, a simulation game that will encourage you to critically consider normative assumptions and cross-cultural communication.

Erik Huisman
9:00-10:00pm - Fish House Coffee Shop
Come listen to and sing along with Erik Huisman, an international worship leader, who will be playing acoustic Christian and non-Christian classics at the Calvin College Fish House Coffee Shop.

Visual Art Guild’s Relaxation Time
9:00-10:00pm - Johnnys Commuter Corner
Come join the Visual Arts Guild, a Calvin student organization that provides opportunities for engagement in the visual arts. They will be facilitating relaxing activities to help you process the plenary talks and breakout sessions that you’ve been part of.

Friday

Dance Party
9:30-12:00am - Commons Annex Lecture Hall
Come join us for the annual FIDC Dance Party! This year we are throwing a themed party: MONOCHROMATIC. You got a favorite color? Come show it off. Featuring DJ Shurjo Maitra.

Board Games
9:30-10:30pm - Knollcrest Room
Come learn from and play various types of board games with the Board Game Guild, a Calvin student organization.
Disaster Relief and Recovery
Health • Anti-Human Trafficking
Education • Livelihoods
Sustainable Solutions

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Breakout Session One

Thursday, February 7th, 8:00-8:50pm
Hieminga Hall Classrooms

From Charity to Sustainability: Shifting the Mindset of International Development
Led by Ashlee Adams from Water4 (HH 315)
Traditional approaches to charity perpetuate the notion that those in developing countries lack the ability to solve their own problems. Charity is effective when it’s used to empower local people with opportunity to solve their own problems in ways that can be self-sustained locally. How do we move from merely giving away resources to sustainably empowering local people to address their own development challenges? Come learn how Water4 addresses the water crisis by committing to local people solving local problems with local resources.

Let’s Talk About The U.S.-Mexico Border
Led by Saulo Padilla and Juan Pacheco Lozano from Mennonite Central Committee (HH 321)
In the midst of a myriad of debates about the southern border, many U.S. citizens make assumptions, comments, and decisions about the borderlands, but have never been there. Who are the people living at the border communities? What is missing from the conversations? How can we have informed chats about what is happening at the border? What are faith-based communities saying about the border? What are some of the humanitarian responses you can get involved in? Come and let’s talk about the things we are not talking about.

Working and Serving Together in Partnership
Led by Jonathan Sheler, Ellie Hutchison, and David Morgan from Partners Worldwide (HH 316)
Partnership is an increasingly popular model for international development work. But how do we actually form healthy, effective partnerships that don’t play into the savior complex? In this workshop, we’ll explore a few models of international partnerships, what makes them successful or unsuccessful, stories of success and failure, and what we’ve learned about partnership and overcoming the savior complex in the past 20+ years at Partners Worldwide.

Developing Local Ownership Through Biblical Servant Leadership
Led by Melissa Herman from The Reckoning International (HH 320)
Jesus came to serve, but he only took direction from his Heavenly Father. What does Jesus’ model look like for us today as we also go out to feed his sheep?

Servanthood, the Savior Complex, and the Teachings of Jesus
Led by Phil Murphy from H.E.A.R.T. (HH 323)
Discuss and look into the positives and negatives of the approaches to development and ministry from the perspective of the philosophy of the programs at H.E.A.R.T.
Breakout Session Two

Friday, February 8th, 4:00-4:50pm
CFAC Classrooms

How to Get Started—and Thrive for the Long-term—in Humanitarian Work
Led by Kent Annan from Wheaton College Graduate School (CFAC 229)
In this session, we'll discuss how to get started in humanitarian relief, what next steps to take, how to be prepare, and how to move forward if this might be your vocation (whether in the U.S. or somewhere else in the world). We'll talk about how to thrive in this work for the long-term. We'll take a discussion approach to ensure we address the questions that are most pressing for you if you're interested in humanitarian work.

God of Foreigners and Strangers
Led by Saulo Padilla and Juan Pacheco Lozano from Mennonite Central Committee (CFAC 255)
The bible can be read through many lenses, one of them is the lens of migration. Join this workshop to look at the characters in the bible and their stories through the lens of migration. Let's find together how God has been involved in human migration since the beginning of time, and how God continues to walk with foreigners and strangers today.

Family Planning: Neo-Imperialism or a Human Right?
Led by Lisa Firth from Salvation Army World Service Office (CFAC 263)
Family planning and other reproductive health work in low-income countries that is funded from more affluent nations, particularly the US, is sometimes perceived as an attempt at population control or eugenics. This session will explore the pros, cons and pitfalls, from a Christian perspective, of promoting or providing contraception in cross-cultural settings as part of comprehensive medical care or in the community.

Gender in International Development
Led by Dr. Patience Fielding from The Salvation Army World Service Office (CFAC 227)
Gender equality drives big gains in health, education, employment, and improved livelihoods—for individuals, their families, and their communities. However, in many parts of the world, women and girls, and other marginalized groups, still face legal, economic, and political constraints that prevent them from participating fully and equally in society. How would your understanding of Gender shape your work and approaches in international development?

Living out Micah 6:8
Led by Andrew Rienstra-Ehlers, Ben VanderWindt, Mary Dykstra from World Renew (CFAC 264)
Learn how to check yourself, your organization, and take action. How do you get past the shame and overcome the fear of doing harm while living justly, loving mercy, and serving Christ.
Student Presentations
(CFAC 252)
Come learn from different students’ independent research on an international development topic. This breakout session will be led by three students from Point Loma, Andrews, and Abilene Christian University.

An in Depth Look at Savings Group Program Methodologies: From Research in Zambia & Rwanda.
Led by Dane Brizzolara, Point Loma Nazarene University

Appropriate Technology: Best practices for technology use in Adventist Health Care Missions in Chad.
Led by Joshua Pazvakawambwa, Andrews University

Clean Water and Women’s Empowerment in Rural Northern Ghana: A service learning experience.
By Samantha Young, Abilene Christian University

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Breakout Session Three

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CFAC Classrooms

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Welcoming Refugees and Immigrants: Addressing Concerns and Looking at Best Ways to Help and Advocate
Led by Kent Annan from Wheaton College Graduate School (CFAC 251)
Based on Kent’s new book “You Welcomed Me: Loving Refugees and Immigrants Because God First Loved Us,” we will look at concerns and what research has to say about them; we’ll look at the Bible and and transformative stories; we’ll talk about the best ways to help and advocate. This is one of the most pressing issues of our day, both as a global crisis and political topic. We’ll talk about positive ways to help you move forward, in whatever specifics you most want to address.

Learning with Partners
Led by Andy Cotarelo and Gabe LePage from ECHO (CFAC 227)
Come learn about ECHO’s network approach to agricultural development work and how you can participate in researching and sharing sustainable farming practices with small holder farmers.

Servanthood, the Savior Complex, and the Teachings of Jesus
Led by Phil Murphy from H.E.A.R.T. (CFAC 229)
Discuss and look into the positives and negatives of the approaches to development and ministry from the perspective of the philosophy of the programs at H.E.A.R.T.

The Threat of the Climate Crisis & Collective Hope: Legislative Meetings, Worship Resources, & Energy Stewardship
Led by the Climate Witness Project staff from the Office of Social Justice (CFAC 252)
Through this workshop, the CWP staff will provide a background of the threat our world faces from human-induced climate change, share stories of hope about how each of us can care for God’s creation, and equip young people to return to their campuses and churches with resources to care for creation through advocacy, worship, education, and energy stewardship.
Bearing Witness to God’s Spirit in Transformation
Led by Bev Abma from Asian Rural Institute (CFAC 255)
Positive human transformation focuses on joining with, and celebrating what God is doing in people, not projects. Learn about the values, interventions and experiences of development workers committed to long-term sustainable change around the globe.

The Asian Rural Institute (ARI) brings together international participants and volunteers in experiential learning about servant leadership on an organic farm northeast of Tokyo, Japan.

ARI and other organizations, by working together, bring about long-term sustainable change in the lives of people and communities around the world.

Celebrate with me what God is doing and the blessings of being a part of that.

Bev Abma

Board Director, American Friends of ARI
Emerita Board Director, Growing Hope Globally
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Come meet, share a meal, and discuss a relevant topic with a representative from our sponsoring organizations! Find the topics and their facilitators below:

**Asset Based Community Development in the USA**
facilitated by Jay Van Groningen from Great Lakes Urban

**Addressing the Global Water Crisis with Humanitarian Engineering**
facilitated by Amelia Messamore from Design Outreach

**Rising Up to Address Climate Change: Legislative, Communal, and Individual Stories of Hope**
facilitated by Cameron Kritikos from the Office of Social Justice (OSJ)

**How to Win Friends and Influence People**
facilitated by Amber Falcón from Mennonite Central Committee

**Millennials, Gen Y, and Faith**
facilitated by Dr. Patience Fielding from the Salvation Army World Service Office (SAWSO)

**Approaching Human Sexuality in Light of Changing Norms from a Christian Perspective**
facilitated by Lisa Firth from the Salvation Army World Service Office (SAWSO)

**Venturing Out Alone—Wisdom or Folly?**
facilitated by Melissa Herman from The Reckoning International

**Conservation Agriculture**
facilitated by Brian Flanagan from ECHO

**What to Do With Jesus**
facilitated by Phil Murphy from HEART

**EMBARKing on a Global Journey—My experience as an Individual**
facilitated by Ben VanderWindt and Mary Dykstra from World Renew

**Marking Your Own Identity: Living in a Multicultural Community**
facilitated by Kuki Rokhum from EFICOR, plenary speaker

**Accountability in Development Work**
facilitated by Charles Owubah, plenary speaker
As a survivor of personal and natural disasters, Dr. Jamie Aten lends his expertise to organizations serving in the midst of tragedy. Work alongside Dr. Aten and study how to lead communities to restoration through the M.A. in Humanitarian and Disaster Leadership.

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Beyond the Conference

Recommended Books Available at the Bookstore

Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

The Big Truck Went By by Jonathan Katz

When Helping Heals by Tracy Kuperus and Roland Hoksbergen

Walking with the Poor by Bryant Myers

Beyond Color Blind: Redeeming our Ethnic Journey by Sarah Shin

The Minority Experience: Navigating Emotional and Organizational Realities by Adrian Pei

Rethinking Incarceration: Advocating for Justice that Restores by Dominique DuBois Gilliard

Embrace: God’s Radical Shalom for a Divided World by Leroy Barber

White Awake: An Honest Look at what it Means to be White by Daniel Hill

The Power of Proximity: Moving Beyond Awareness to Action by Michelle Ferrigno Warren

Other Recommended Books

African Nights by Kuki Gallmann

The Locust Effect, Gary Haugen

When Helping Hurts, Corbett and Fikkert

Homegoing, Yaa Gyasi

Serving God Globally, Roland Hoksbergen

Recommended TedTalks

The Danger of a Single Story by Chimamanda Adichie

What does it mean to be a citizen of the world? by Hugh Evans

The Hidden Reason for Poverty the World Needs to Address Now by Gary Haugen

Don’t Ask me Where I’m From, Ask Me Where I’m Local by Taiye Selasi

Recommended Documentaries

Poverty, Inc

E-team

On Her Shoulders

Anote’s Ark

Charm City

Facing the Dragon

Women of the Venezuelan Chaos

Shoplifters

Wilberforce Academy

Training international students to be redemptive change agents in their home societies

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General Information

Housing
If you are staying on campus, you should have received your housing assignment at registration. If you are not a Calvin student and are being housed in one of the dorms, please remember that the dorm buildings lock at midnight on Thursday night and at 1am on Friday night.

Meals
Locations
Meals throughout the conference will be served at Knollcrest Dining Hall and Commons Dining Hall. Please take note on the schedule for each specific meal to know which dining hall you should go to. All registrants, including Calvin students with meal plans, should go to the designated dining hall for meals. See the back of this booklet for a map of campus.

Entrance
All conference participants must present their meal card and show their name tags to enter the dining hall. Dining hall staff will scan your meal card or meal voucher. Don’t forget to drop off your meal card after the last meal on Saturday! If you are registered as a Calvin student with a meal plan, you will need to use your student ID to swipe in to the dining hall.

Between Meals
Johnny’s Café, located downstairs from Commons Dining Hall, sells a variety of snacks, drinks, and hot food right off the grill. Grab a bite to eat and enjoy the pleasant atmosphere with some friends. The Fish House, in the Cave of the Commons Building, sells a variety of fair trade coffee and specialty drinks.

Other
Bathrooms
Bathrooms in the Chapel are located in the Chapel Undercroft (downstairs). Bathrooms in Hiemenga Hall are located in the southwest corner of the building (closest to the Chapel). Bathrooms in the Library Lobby are located near the fireplace. Bathrooms in the CFAC are located on both levels.

Wi-Fi
If you would like to access wireless internet during the conference, please use the “guest” network. You should be able to access this network without a password in public areas of campus, such as Hiemenga Hall, CFAC, and Johnny’s.

Parking
You may park in any parking spot that is not designated as “faculty and staff.” The only overnight parking available is in lots 14, 15, and 16 (see map on the back of the conference booklet).

Emergency Contacts
In the case of an emergency, call Campus Safety’s emergency number at (616) 526-3333. To contact Campus Safety in a non-emergency situation, call (616) 526-6452.
On-Campus Housing Policies

The FIDC has been asked by the Calvin College Residence Life Office to make our conference attendees aware of the rules they have established for those staying in residence halls. Your cooperation is very much appreciated by Calvin College and the conference.

**Alcohol:** Use or possession of alcoholic beverages or of alcoholic beverage containers on campus is prohibited. Students present in a room where alcohol is present and/or being consumed will be in violation of this policy. Under-aged possession or consumption and intoxication by any student are unacceptable behaviors for which the college has zero-tolerance. A student is subject to a fine of up to $150.

**Athletic Activities:** Except for equipment provided in the recreation basement, athletic activities are not permitted inside the residence halls. In addition, skateboarding and rollerblading are allowed on campus paths, but campus architecture may not be used for stunts, and pedestrians have the right of way. Repeated athletic activities in the halls can result in fines up to $50.

**Candles and Incense:** Due to fire regulations, burning of incense, candles, or potpourri is prohibited in the residence halls. Electric potpourri pots are also prohibited. In addition to the risk of fire, these items produce aromas which are difficult to contain in one area.

**Complicity:** Students present with other students who are actively violating a policy of the college may be disciplined for complicity. Examples include, but are not limited to, alcohol or unprescribed drug violations.

**Computer Use:** The Student Conduct Code clearly prohibits certain behaviors that may be enacted by means of computer technology, such as theft, copyright violations, profanity, harassment, or pornography.

**Cooperation with Staff:** The orderly operation of a residence hall requires the cooperation of all students. Non-compliance with the Residence Life staff in the fulfillment of their job responsibilities will result in disciplinary action.

**Dining Halls:** Food items and dishes may not be taken from the dining rooms. Students who behave inappropriately in the dining halls (i.e. theft, throwing food, etc.) will be disciplined.

**Disturbances:** Raids, pranks, disturbances (which include, but are not limited to shouting obscenities, profanities, running through another hall, and destroying property), and “initiation” or hazing practices are not permitted. Students involved in such activities, which are demeaning to an individual and break down Christian community, will be subject to disciplinary action and/or a fine of $100.

**Fireworks:** The use or possession of fireworks, firearms, or explosives of any kind is prohibited.

**Open House Hours:** Students may visit members of the opposite sex in their rooms, halls, and stairwells only during designated open house hours, Friday, 4:00pm-1:00am and Saturday, 12:00pm-1:00am. There are no open house hours on Thursday.

**Pornography:** Involvement with pornography can be addictive and damaging to relationships—with others and with God. Pornography in all its forms (video, internet, print, etc.) is prohibited.

**Sexual Misconduct:** Calvin College holds that premarital intercourse is in conflict with Biblical teaching, and that conduct promoting such intimacy (i.e. nudity, partial undress, lying or sleeping in bed together) is unacceptable. Persons engaging in such conduct face disciplinary action.

**Soliciting:** Soliciting, peddling, vending of all types, and distribution of literature are prohibited in the residence halls.
**Smoking:** Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the residence halls. A student may smoke outside the residence halls but only in designated areas. Littering of cigarette butts is inappropriate and unsightly, and will not be tolerated.

**Language:** Because the language we use can offend, hurt, or degrade individuals or God, students are asked to maintain high standards of communication. Profanity, obscenities, and hate speech are not appropriate in a Christian, academic community. Words which are abusive, insulting, intimidating, harassing and/or which incite others to violence, hatred or discrimination, when directed at people or groups based on who they are (or who they're perceived to be) will not be tolerated. Examples are slurs regarding nationality, religion, ethnicity, skin color, socio-economic status, sexual orientation or disability. Students should use caution when applying terms that could be misconstrued as disrespectful to vulnerable groups. Phrases such as “that is so gay” or “that is retarded,” when used out of their proper contexts, can be hurtful to individuals (or to those who know individuals) in such criteria.

**Theft:** While theft can take many forms (borrowing furniture, stealing others' laundry, taking an item which belongs to the college or dining hall, etc.), it will not be tolerated and could result in a fine (up to $100) and restitution.

**Unprescribed Drugs and Paraphernalia:** The possession, use, or distribution of all unprescribed chemical or biological substances that alter the physical, emotional, or mental state of a person and the paraphernalia associated with these substances (e.g. water pipes, hookahs, etc.) is prohibited on campus. Calvin has zero-tolerance for drugs.

**Weapons:** No weapons of any kind are allowed on campus, except as authorized by the Board of Trustees. Weapons include, but are not limited to, firearms, ammunition, explosives, switchblades, paintball guns, Air-soft guns, BB guns, potato launchers, bows and arrows, slingshots and similar devices. Exceptions for Campus Safety supervisors are governed by the college’s Use of Force Policy.

**Noise Policy:** Calvin College has established the following policies regarding noise in the residence halls:

1. **Courtesy Hours** are in effect from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, and until Midnight on Friday and Saturday. Courtesy to others is the key virtue.
   a. Voices should be kept at moderate levels.
   b. Sound generated through speakers and other amplification devices should be kept at low or moderate levels, and not directed out of windows or doors. [Sub-woofers should be kept at low levels at all times, as this sound cannot be contained to a room.]
   c. Students seeking quieter space should be able to shut their room door and have minimal distractions from others' noise.
   d. If a student notices noise that is too loud or distracting, that student should respectfully ask the other student to minimize the noise. If the noise remains an issue, the student should seek out a residence life staff member. Requests to minimize noise should be honored, whether given by fellow residents or by staff members.
   e. A break in Courtesy Hours will occur daily from 4:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., where students can more freely play musical instruments or use their subwoofer and speakers, etc.

2. **Quiet Hours** are in effect from 11:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, and Midnight to 9:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights. A quiet floor is not an option—it’s a right that all students should enjoy.
   a. Voices should be kept at low levels, particularly in hallways and stairwells—speak softly. Do not slam doors or run down hallways.
   b. Stereos, TVs, computers, sub-woofers, etc. should be kept at very low levels or not used. Use of head phones is encouraged.
   c. Students should be able to study and sleep with no distractions. 
   d. Violations of Quiet Hours may result in a $25 fine.
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www.mcc.org

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SAWSO’s mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and meet human needs in Jesus’s name without discrimination. The Salvation Army is focused on emphasizing their integrated ministry, reaching and involving youth, and serving the marginalized people of society.
www.sawso.org

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Water4 uses faith, innovation, and empowerment to reimagine a world where all people have access to clean water. Water4 uses empowerment to partner with local people to solve local problems sustained by local resources.
www.water4.org

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Wheaton College Graduate School’s goal is to offer the tutelage of world-class scholars within a diverse community of vibrant faith, all while thoroughly grounded in the authority of the Scriptures and thoughtfully engaged with the broader liberal arts.
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World Renew envisions a world where people experience and extend Christ’s compassion and live together in hope as God’s community. World Renew’s work focuses specifically on community development, disaster response and rehabilitation, and advocacy work.
www.worldrenew.org
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ECHO
ECHO exists to reduce hunger and improve the lives of small-scale farmers worldwide. ECHO works to identify, validate, document, and disseminate best practices in sustainable agriculture and appropriate technology. It provides agricultural and appropriate technology training to development workers in more than 165 countries.
www.echonet.org

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www.partnersworldwide.org

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The Asian Rural Institute
The Asian Rural Institute (ARI) is a training center for Rural Leaders. The aim of the program is to invite and train local grassroots leaders to more effectively serve in their communities as they work for the poor, the hungry, and the marginalized. Each year, we bring together about 30 leaders from countries primarily in Asia, Africa, and the Pacific to take part in our Rural Leaders Training Program.
www.ari-edu.org/en/

Association for a More Just Society (AJS)
AJS is rooted in the Biblical call for Christians to do justice and strives to create a "more just society." Focusing especially in the two areas of peace and public security and anti-corruption efforts, AJS works to defend the rights of the vulnerable in judicial processes, to encourage Biblical teachings on justice in the church.
https://www.ajs-us.org/

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www.compassionradio.com

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CRU is the name of Campus Crusade for Christ International in the U.S. Here is an overview of our international ministry. Our vision is movements everywhere so that everyone knows someone who truly follows Jesus.
www.cru.org

DesignOutreach (DO)
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https://doutreach.org/

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www.greatlakesurban.com

New Horizons Foundation
The New Horizons Foundation is a nonprofit, public charity organization that strives to help provide a space for individuals to accomplish their charitable objectives, ranging from religious and educational activities to scientific and health related activities.
www.newhorizonsfoundation.com

Office of Social Justice (OSJ)
The Office of Social Justice responds to God’s call to let justice flow like a river, especially as it relates to hunger and poverty. We educate CRC members, encourage and support their engagement in social justice issues, and occasionally involved in direct advocacy.
www.justice.crcna.org

Plant With Purpose
Plant With Purpose’s programs equip farming families around the world to increase farm yields, heal damaged ecosystems, improve nutrition, and increase household savings and opportunities. This integrated approach solves two major issues facing the world today: environmental degradation and rural poverty.
https://plantwithpurpose.org
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[www.resonateglobalmission.org](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org)

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[www.sim.org](http://www.sim.org)

**Wilberforce Academy**

The mission of the Wilberforce Academy is to train college-age students to be redemptive change agents in their home societies. The Wilberforce Academy aims to complement the valiant evangelistic and discipling efforts of campus ministries and churches by offering advanced discipleship in building societies God’s way.

[http://www.wilberforceacademy.org](http://www.wilberforceacademy.org)

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**EFICOR**

First established as the Relief and Development arm of Evangelical Fellowship of India, EFICOR is a national Christian organization based in New Delhi, India, that is engaged in development, disaster response, and training. It serves the poor, socially excluded and the marginalized in situations of poverty, injustice and disaster irrespective of caste, creed, religion or ethnicity. EFICOR also works towards influencing the churches in India to address issues of poverty and injustice.

[www.eficor.org](http://www.eficor.org)

**Holy Land Trust**

The Holy Land Trust aspires to strengthen and empower the peoples of the Holy Land to engage in spiritual, pragmatic, and strategic paths that will end all forms of oppression, while staying committed to principles of nonviolence. Holy Land Trust creates a space for the healing of historic wounds in order to transform communities and build a future that makes the Holy Land a global model for understanding, respect, justice, equality, and peace.

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Thank you to all the schools and students for attending. This conference is made for students and we are glad to have you be a part of it.

Also, thank you to Claudia and Marc Beversluis for their generous donations and contributions to the conference. Thanks to their support we were able to offer scholarships for our conference promoters at other schools once again. We were also able to offer travel grants; an opportunity that we were very excited to offer for the first time.

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