

Invitation

You are invited to attend the fifth annual Compassion Forum in St. Louis, Missouri. This event is designed for Assemblies of God missionaries and missionary associates involved in compassion ministries.

We will also be hosting two optional pre-forum sessions, which are also open to pastors, district leaders, missions committees, and interested laypersons.

- **Day of the Child**—August 23–34, 2010

Emphasis will be on raising awareness of the needs of children throughout the world.

- **Focus on Human Trafficking**—August 24–25, 2010

The purpose will be to better understand the human trafficking issues internationally and how churches, pastors and church leaders can effectively engage.

- **Compassion Forum**—August 26–28, 2010

This event will focus on the newest thinking in compassion ministries, both from the perspective of AGWM and the international community. AGWM personnel will add their insights and experience fresh from the field. The Forum will offer two levels this year.

If you are new to compassion ministries and are just exploring the possibilities, Compassion Forum—Level 1 is for you. If you are a veteran missionary who has attended the Compassion Forum in the past, this year we are expanding the forum to include a second level. Compassion Forum—Level 2 will give you the opportunity to delve deeper into aspects that will be relevant to your ministry. Attendance at Level 1 is a prerequisite for attending Level 2.

Many of you have vast knowledge and experience in compassion ministries, which will bring a unique richness as you share and interact with others. For those less experienced, this time of gaining information will benefit you as you enter your field of service.

If you are interested in attending, please contact your regional director for approval. We are looking forward to God blessing our time together!

JoAnn Butrin, Director
AGWM International Ministries

Schedule

Day of the Child

Monday, August 23

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm Registration
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm Ministry Fair & Reception
6:00 pm Opening Banquet
Speaker—Randy Hurst
AGWM Communications Director

Tuesday, August 24

8:00 am – 9:00 am Registration
9:00 am – 12:30 pm Sessions
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Buffet Lunch
1:30 pm – 4:30 pm Sessions

Focus on Human Trafficking

Tuesday, August 24

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Registration
6:00 pm Opening Banquet
Speakers—David & Beth Grant
AGWM Missionaries

Wednesday, August 25

8:00 am – 9:00 am Registration
9:00 am – 12:00 pm Sessions
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Buffet Lunch
1:00 pm – 4:30 pm Sessions

Compassion Forum

Thursday, August 26

7:30 am – 8:30 am Registration
8:30 am – 11:45 am Sessions
11:45 am – 1:45 pm Working Buffet Lunch;
Special Interest Focus Groups

1:45 pm – 4:30 pm Sessions

Friday, August 27

8:30 am – 12:30 pm Sessions
12:30 pm – 2:30 pm Working Buffet Lunch;
Special Interest Focus Groups
2:30 – 5:30 pm Sessions

Saturday, August 28

8:30 am – 12:00 pm Sessions
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Buffet Lunch

Hotel Reservations

Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel

10330 Natural Bridge Road

St. Louis, MO 63134

Rate: \$85 per night

Includes free continental breakfast and wired, high-speed Internet service. Reservations must be made by July 30, 2010.

You can make your hotel reservations directly with the Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel by calling the special reservation manager, Gloria Funke, at 314-824-1618. To receive the group rate, mention that you are with the group "Assemblies of God." You can also make your reservation online at <http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/STL-HIHF-CMPF-20100823/index.jhtml>. You will want to make your reservation early because we have a limited room block.

Transportation

For transportation between the St. Louis International Airport and the Hilton, the hotel offers a free shuttle that runs every 15 minutes during the day from 6 a.m. until 12 midnight. After midnight, you can call 314-426-5500 for free pickup. The shuttle stops are outside the baggage claim areas: East Terminal at ET15 and Main Terminal at MT18.

Parking

The Hilton will charge a parking fee of \$5 per day for our conference attendees. Regular cost is normally \$10 per day.

AGTS Credit

AGTS credit is available for the Compassion Forum. If you are interested, please contact:

Dr. Randy Walls, Director of Continuing Education
Assemblies of God Theological Seminary
P: 417-268-1045
E: rwalls@agts.edu

NOTE: We are unable to provide child care. As a courtesy to other participants, we ask that you do not bring your children to the seminars.



ASSEMBLIES of GOD WORLD MISSIONS

Compassion Forum

August 26–28, 2010

St. Louis, Missouri



Featuring pre-conference seminars:

Day of the Child

August 23–24, 2010

Focus on

Human Trafficking

August 24–25, 2010

☪ Day of the Child ☪

August 23-24, 2010

Who should come

Veteran missionaries in children's ministries, new missionaries, children's ministries leaders, district leaders, Women's Ministries directors, pastors, and missions-minded lay individuals.

Purpose

The Day of the Child seminar will focus on raising awareness of the needs of children throughout the world. It will also look at how U.S. churches and Assemblies of God World Missions missionaries can combine their efforts in providing demonstrated best practice ministry to children. AGWM has declared 2011 the Year of the Child. This Day of the Child event will kick off that emphasis. Church leaders and missionaries will also discuss ideas, share knowledge of children's ministries taking place worldwide, and receive materials for presenting the AGWM Year of the Child 2011.

Objectives

- Present a child-focused representation of the needs of children worldwide.
- Facilitate discussion on best-practice, holistic ministry to children.
- Demonstrate ideas on how U.S. churches can integrate with on-the-ground AGWM missionaries to best minister to children.



☪ Focus on Human Trafficking ☪

August 24-25, 2010

Who should come

Veteran missionaries, new missionaries, children's ministries leaders, district leaders, Women's Ministries directors, pastors, and missions-minded lay individuals.

Purpose

The Focus on Human Trafficking seminar will take a critical look at God's view of injustice. Participants will gain an understanding of what the Assemblies of God is doing around the world to address the issue of trafficking. Ideas for practical and appropriate means for response and involvement in the care of those who have been trafficked will be discussed, while specifically looking at the role of missionaries and national churches.



Objectives

- Present a biblical view of injustice.
- Provide an overview of how AGWM is responding to trafficking around the world.
- Provide ideas on how churches/pastors can effectively respond.
- Address practical responses in prevention, intervention and care for missionaries and church leaders who are working with trafficked persons.

For more information, check our Web site:
www.compassionlink.org/html/compassion_forum.html

☪ Compassion Forum ☪

August 26-28, 2010

Who should come

Veteran missionaries, new missionaries, and missionary associates who work (or think they may work) in any type of compassion ministries. If you are interested in attending, please contact your regional director for approval.

☪ Compassion Forum—Level 1 ☪

Purpose

Level 1 will present current and new models of compassionate ministry theory and practice. The topics presented will focus on long-term sustainability, building local capacity, and ensuring locally owned solutions in compassion ministries.

Objectives

- Provide current best-practice information and resources to enhance ministry activities.
- Provide a setting for interaction and networking with those involved in compassion ministries.
- Present development principles as a foundation for compassion ministry.

☪ Compassion Forum—Level 2 ☪

Purpose

Level 2 will delve deeper into some of the topics addressed during Level 1 and is designed for those who attended Level 1 in previous years. Within the context of sustainability and community transformation, it will provide more practical, hands-on applications of facilitation skills, church/community mobilization, assets and needs assessment, and program design. It will also look more in-depth at income generation, appropriate technology, and implementing creative arts in various contexts.

Objectives

- Present specific tools and resources that can be accessed to implement or expand current ministry.
- Provide opportunities to practice utilizing various ideas and tools to gain new or build upon existing skills of the missionary.
- Explore networking opportunities to share ideas and identify appropriate ministry activities within existing field contexts.

Register by mail: AGWM International Ministries • Attn: Joy Shockley

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Register by fax: 417-862-0876

Register online: www.compassionlink.org/html/compassion_forum.html

Day of the Child—August 23–24, 2010

Registration Fee: \$95/person

Focus on Human Trafficking—August 24–25, 2010

Registration Fee: \$95/person

Compassion Forum (Level 1 or 2)—August 26–28, 2010

Registration Fee: \$140/person

TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES: \$

Register early for all 3 events by June 1 and receive a \$50 discount.

Name: _____

Spouse (if attending): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Credit Card: _____

Name on Card: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Check Enclosed

Charge my missions account: _____

NOTE: Missionaries must have regional director approval to attend.

All event registration fees must be paid prior to the event. Registration

fees are non-refundable after August 9, 2010. If you have any questions,

contact Joy Shockley at 417-862-2781, Ext. 2053, or at jshockley@ag.org.