

**Fourth International Training Consultation**  
**Theme: " Biblical Training for growing Healthy Churches"**  
**Dubuque 29 May – 2 June 2018 (DV)**

<b>Worship &amp; Devotions</b> 8.45 – 9.30 am	<b>Morning Session 1</b> 9.30 – 10.45 am	<b>Morning Session 2</b> 11.15 am – 12.30 pm	<b>Afternoon Workshops on the Practice of Training</b> 4.00 – 5.30 pm Weds to Friday	<b>Evenings</b> 7.45 – 9.00 pm
<b>Day 1 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>				
			<b>Afternoon Registration</b> 2.00-4.30 pm Welcome & Introductions 5.15pm	<b>E.1</b>
<b>Day 2 Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May</b>				
<b>Worship &amp; Devotions 1</b>	<b>Plenary Session 2.1</b> <b>Deep roots, fruitful branches</b> (Colossians 1:28-2:7)  Jonathan Lamb (UK)	<b>Plenary Session 2.2</b> <b>Essence</b> —What is the essence of our churches?  David Smith (Australia)	<b>Elective workshops</b>  <b>2.1</b> Doing local theology – Ronnie Magpayo (Philippines)  <b>2.2</b> Synergistic relationships between biblical training institutes and the local church – José Omar Telmo (Argentina)  <b>2.3</b> Reaching out to Muslims – Simeon Havyarimana (Burundi)  <b>2.4</b> Developing biblical eldership – Chuck Gianotti (USA)  <b>2.5</b> Women as trainers and students in biblical institutes – Erika Raigné (Argentina/UK)  <b>2.6</b> Developing non-formal training of preachers – Jonathan Lamb (UK)  <b>2.7</b> Square Pegs in Round Holes: Problem Based Learning in Training for Service in the Brethren – Jonathan Newell (UK)	<b>E.2 Some instructional stories</b> This is an evening for delegates to hear of developments around the world.  1. Accreditation of two degree-level courses in Jamaica – Shonna Leigh (MBI, Jamaica)  2. Contending same-sex matters in Jamaica — Brendan Bain (Jamaica)  3. Other country contributions Madagascar, Uruguay.

Day 3 Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> May				
<b>Worship &amp; Devotions 2</b>	<p><b>Plenary Session 3.1</b></p> <p><b>Expression</b>—What should be the resulting expressions of our churches?</p> <p>David Smith</p>	<p><b>Plenary Session 3.2</b></p> <p><b>Growth that pleases God</b> (1 Thessalonians)</p> <p>Jonathan Lamb</p>	<p><b>Elective Workshops</b></p> <p><b>3.1</b> Leadership skills in local church communication – Alexander Strauch (USA)</p> <p><b>3.2</b> Accreditation matters – Simon Marshall, Brendan Bain and Lisa Beatty</p> <p><b>3.3</b> Strengthening discipleship in the local church – Terry Wilson (USA)</p> <p><b>3.4</b> Christian responses to suffering in the Islamic context – Shahbaz Masih (Pakistan)</p> <p><b>3.5</b> Gender issues across the globe – Ben Matthew (USA)</p> <p><b>3.6</b> Exploring the gaps in our ecclesiology – David Smith (Australia)</p> <p><b>3.7</b> Training for today's key challenges for gospel mission across the globe – Russell Thorp (NZ)</p>	<p><b>E.3 Harnessing technology for future growth</b></p> <p>Online learning environments Christian Ramirez (Colombia)</p> <p>Country contributions: PNG- Philip Makuru</p>
Day 4 Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June				
<b>Worship &amp; Devotions 3</b>	<p><b>Plenary Session 4.1</b></p> <p><b>Growth in unity and maturity</b> (Ephesians 4))</p> <p>Jonathan Lamb</p>	<p><b>Plenary Session 4.2</b></p> <p><b>Evaluation</b>—How do we assess our current situation?</p> <p>David Smith</p>	<p><b>Plenary discussions:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Development of the BTN Theologians Forum – Franklin Jabini (Suriname)</li> <li>2. Development of writing and publishing for local churches in the Brethren movement – Neil Summerton (UK)</li> </ol>	<p><b>E4</b> [20-minute presentations]</p> <p>Innovation in training and discipling young leaders – David Lukama (GLO Zambia)</p> <p>Training church planters in India – Sonny Philip (India)</p> <p>Training in Chad – Victor Dogos (Chad)</p>

Day 5 Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June			
	<p><b>8.45 to 10.45 am (chair: Russell Thorp)</b></p> <p><b>8.45 am Worship &amp; Devotions 4</b></p> <p><b>5.1 Planning for the future. Where do we go from here? –</b></p> <p>8.45 Worship &amp; Devotions</p> <p>9.15 Work in smaller regional think-tank groups on the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action points arising from the plenary sessions</li> <li>• Regional/ language group initiatives</li> </ul> <p>9.50 Concluding summary and agreement on action plans</p> <p>10.15 inspiration to go and train better</p> <p><b>Mid-morning departure</b></p>		