



Ministry Updates

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One of the joys of working in CHE (Community Health Evangelism) is to learn from and collaborate with other people around the world who also use CHE. Occasionally we share wisdom from some of those godly role models who have seen many come to Christ and transform communities. Dr. Hugo Gomez is such a man. Global CHE Enterprise (GCE), an organization he co-founded and of which he is CEO, has planted 32 churches and continues to multiply CHE ministries in Meso-America. His explanation of what happens when the CHE core value of participatory learning is applied can inspire and help any Christian worker in any setting. The citation is from David Werner, author of the classic overseas medical manual, '[Where There Is No Doctor](#).'

*“Transformational teaching requires that we stop trying to talk **at** people and start talking **with** them. Werner says, ‘To teach is to help others grow, and to grow with them. **A good teacher is not someone who puts ideas into other people’s heads... but instead helps others build on their own ideas.**’ At some point in history, the church traded this participatory learning for impersonal, oratory teaching. At this point, the church lost its focus on the practical engagement with Biblical truth.*

*Let us return to the way of Christ, who invited his disciples to walk alongside him for three years, who challenged the assumptions and false beliefs of the public, who answered the questions of both outcasts and elites, who preached the news of the kingdom that involves every area of life, who trusted his followers to spread the Gospel and build his church. **Christ’s primary goal as a teacher was not to conform or to reform; his mission was to transform citizens of earth into citizens of heaven.*** [The photo and material are provided by Terry Dalrymple and Transforming Lives and Communities. The full article can be read here: <https://chenetwork.net/2016/11/29/che-core-values-participatory-learning/>]

Prayer and Praise

- ✿ What a joy to see the orderly transfer of presidential power this week in the USA. For those of us who have lived in countries where refusal to relinquish political power is common, it is always a meaningful event. Pray this principle is respected and protected in our republic, no matter the differing political views, and grown here.
- ✿ Months ago we asked you to pray that the money we paid for Debbie’s hospitalization in Abidjan would be reimbursed by our US health insurance. Thank the Lord with us that about ¾ of it was reimbursed this week.
- ✿ Prayerfully rejoice with our many missionary friends working with FWBIM (Free Will Baptist International Missions) whose deficit accounts were erased this week by surplus general fund giving! As to our Christian Health Service Corps account #0118, December giving greatly helped us recover much of the monthly deficits we ran in 2016. We thank you for faithfully praying and giving so that the gospel can reach the whole world.

Your partners in the gospel,

Verlin and Debbie Anderson

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