# FACE TO FACE 2015



## PROGRAMME BRIEF

Face to Face Programme aims to invite the youth participants in cultural, social, theological and contextual realities for them to understand, to motivate and to engage with the realities on how the fullness of life is being denied to the large majority of the world's population.

Specifically, the Face to Face Programme is designed for students (not yet ordained) who are preparing for ministry. Participants from around the world will spend seven (7) to eight (8) weeks in the Face to Face Programme location. They will have opportunities to hear and to bear witness to the narratives of the people, as well to encounter diverse theologies, histories, societies, social realities and personal stories.

#### **Programme Partners**

CWM Empowerment and Training Unit administers the Face to Face Programme. However, the actual implementation is a shared responsibility among CWM, the sending church/college, the host college, and the participant. These responsibilities include, but not limited to:

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- Arranges and covers expenses for the participant's international travel
- Provides for accommodation and meal expenses throughout the Programme, including allowance during the field placements

#### **Participant**

- Arranges for own passport and required visa, including transit visas if necessary. Participants may seek assistance from the Church/college. *CWM will not cover cost of passport nor process the participant's visa requirements*.
- Have extra spending money for expenses outside those covered by CWM
- The participant is expected to prepare a paper under the guidance of a college advisor, which critically reflects on his/her experience. Face to Face Programme is not designed to form part of any other degree or diploma course, however the paper may be included in the assessment process for the participant's academic coursework, subject to prior agreement with the participant's home college. CWM may also consider these papers for publication.

#### **Qualifications**

Face to Face Programme participants must:

- Be a student of Theology, either currently enrolled or has already graduated, and is **not** an ordained minister
- Have strong interest in missions and theological engagement from diverse cultural perspectives; and be inquisitive about how theological studies addresses social issues in their contexts and beyond
- Be fully available for the whole duration of the Programme

#### **Selection Process**

- 1. All CWM member churches are encouraged to nominate a maximum of two (2) participants, one (1) male and one (1) female, for the Face to Face Programme each year. Applications will be endorsed by the General Secretary of the sending church, following its respective internal selection process.
- 2. Ecumenical partner organisations are also encouraged to nominate participants.
- 3. Duly accomplished applications must be submitted to CWM at (e-mail): <a href="mailto:empowerment@cwmission.org">empowerment@cwmission.org</a> or hard copy at (address): Empowerment and Training, Council for World Mission, 400 Orchard Road, #23-05 Orchard Towers, Singapore 238875.

Deadline of applications for Face to Face (The Netherlands) 2015 is on <u>25</u> <u>January 2015.</u> Late and/or incomplete application forms will not be processed.

Face to Face will also be held in other two (2) Programme locations, the details of which will be communicated separately.

- 4. All the applications will be processed by the CWM-Empowerment and Training Unit ensuring balance in gender and regional representation are maintained
- 5. Progress and other pertinent details will be reported to the CWM Trustee Body every year.
- 6. Upon notification of selected participants, they are expected to process their passport and visa requirements, if necessary.