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COMING TOGETHER

All of Jesus for all the world takes all of the Alliance!"

No statement better underscores the spirit behind the changes announced during Alliance Council 2019 than this proclamation by international worker Cheryl Fugate at the Thursday morning President's Report. She joined other international workers in reporting the progress of the Alliance advance into regions beyond.

Name changes, new structures, reworked funding models . . . all the change can seem overwhelming—if change were only for change sake. But in moving forward to places where the gospel has never been, change begins to look a lot like obedience to God's leading.

Coming together is at the heart of much of the change. International Ministries (IM) now becomes Alliance Missions (AM). Formerly separate components for accomplishing our international work now come together as one ministry with four equally-valued strategic structures: CAMA; marketplace ministries; aXcess; and Envision. Alliance ministry here in the States

and throughout the world is uniting under three common strategic themes—serving communities, multiplying church networks, and developing people. Vice President for Church Ministries (CM) Terry Smith affirms this united approach, saying, "CM is for AM. There are no 'ors' in Acts 1:8 and there is no competition in Acts 1:8."

Great effort is also being poured into simplifying our funding structure. "Would anyone argue with me that giving to The Alliance has been a bit complicated over the years?" asks John, with rumbles of agreement from the audience.

Creating a funding structure that honors every gift reinforces the coming together of the Alliance family. "Any gift of any designation or no designation is important; it's all part of the whole," emphasizes Tim Crouch, vice president for Alliance Missions. In addressing these changes, Development Vice President Tim Meier best captures the why behind the what: "We're doing this for breakthrough . . . People need access to the gospel—and we must mobilize more workers."



"If the church's primary mission is to tear down the gates of hell and to set the people free from the bondage of sin and darkness, shouldn't we be more concerned about how to send people out than how to keep them in the church?"

"It is our Father's pleasure that the name of Jesus be exalted in every language and people of the world."

Ted Kang

pastor of San Jose (CA) Christian Alliance Church





ANNOUNCEMENTS

To see a full list of announcements, view The Banner online at <https://www.cmalliance.org/events/2019/council/> or on the Alliance Council 2019 app.



DINING

Special Dining Options at Orlando World Center Marriott for Alliance Council 2019 Attendees:

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PANTRY

Complimentary beverage (specific options) when you select a lunch or dinner option	Wed., 5/29/19-Sat., 6/02/19
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*Plus appropriate tax and tip

LOCATION CHANGE The prayer and fasting service today from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. has been moved from Crystal G2 to the **Crystal J2 ballroom**.

A special, limited release of authenticated, **handwritten sermon notes by A. W. Tozer**, penned for his "Attributes of God" sermon and book series, will be available for sale at the **Merchandise Store**.



Is your church or district near any of these colleges: Lancaster Bible College, Indiana Wesleyan University, Trinity College of Florida, Moody Bible Institute, Messiah College, or Asbury University? Then visit the **CRDO booth 311** so we can help you get started in connecting with Alliance students who are there! **Vice President for Church Ministries Terry Smith will be in our booth on Friday night to discuss this great idea!**

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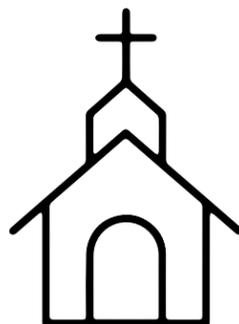
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■ **The Provident Fund Offering** will be received as part of our Saturday evening service. This fund assists U.S. Alliance workers with financial and other needs, with situations like medical expenses, a family emergency, or the cost of needed counseling. Checks for this offering may be made out to The Alliance with "Provident Fund" in the memo.

■ **Alliance Perspective on Law and Culture** This event will provide up-to-date legal, political, and cultural information that is immediately applicable for you, your leaders, and your legal counsel. The conference will be held Sept. 27-28 at the Hilton Cincinnati Airport. Get details at www.cmalliance.org/events.

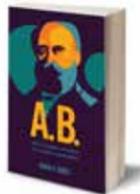
■ **Grace Church Worship and Leadership Conference**, coming July 18, 2020, features three tracks (leadership, worship, tech) and will focus on building a healthy culture from the top down that has a Kingdom mindset above all. Cost: \$25, including lunch. Email worship@gracecma.org for details.

■ Dr. Martin Sanders has assembled a **team of prayer counselors** who are available to dialogue and pray with Council delegates throughout the week. Team members will be available during the response times at the end of the services—as well as throughout the day—and **will be wearing purple lanyards**.

■ **CAMA has a new book!** It's authored by global development practitioners and focuses on stories and lessons of wholistic development. **Get yours today at the Merchandise Store.**



■ **Be sure to pick your copy of the new A. B. Simpson biography**, A. B.: The Unlikely Founder of a Global Movement at the Merchandise Store for the special, Council-only rate of \$9.99.



■ **Church Ministry Leaders**—visit booth 237 and see how we can Link the resources of your local church to help bring the whole gospel to the impoverished and exploited globally. We would love to talk to you about opportunities such as ladies retreats and missions conferences!

■ Looking for next steps for your youth ministry team? **Stop by the Alliance Youth booth** to learn about our coaching program. While you're there enjoy our Council-exclusive offer of a free 1-on-1 coaching session. Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

■ America's law enforcement officers are a unique people group who need the gospel now more than ever but are often hard to approach, much less to share the gospel with. **TheStrongBlueLine.org** is a unique ministry designed to share the gospel with our officers. Stop by our table for more information.

■ Did you know your partnership with **Operation Christmas Child** does far more than provide a gift for a child in need? Shoeboxes are an effective tool for evangelism, discipleship, multiplication and even church-planting and reaching the un-reached in more than 100 countries! Stop by our booth to find out more.

■ Pastor, ministry staff, or international worker? Purchase and complete a ministry health assessment from **Total Ministry Health** for a chance to win a week vacation at Sunset Rock Retreat in Florida or Wolf's Mountain Lodge in Pennsylvania. Reclaim your call, restore your well-being, and rebuild your effectiveness. Booth 231. totalministryhealth.com.

■ **Win a trip for two to New York City! Visit the Nyack College/ATS booth** and register to win a trip to New York City for a School of Music performance. Airfare, hotel accommodations and event tickets for two are included. More details at booth 215!

■ **Celebration Web Design** offers handcrafted websites. We are happy to offer a free website review to anyone who visits our booth during the conference. Our staff is dedicated to furthering the Kingdom of God by partnering with authors, ministries, missionaries, and churches to create websites with purpose.

■ **Fortified Marriages Ministry** provides excellent resources to help build strong marriages within the local church. Visit booth 217 for more information about how the church can stem the tide of divorce and strengthen marriages to be a witness for Christ.

■ **Visit the Rethink Creative booth** to learn how to leverage creative solutions for your local church. Rethink Creative is a brand strategy and design studio that helps change-making organizations tell their stories and advance their mission through strategic creativity. Our core services include strategy, branding, web design, and video.

■ **Alliance Women** "Connecting Women for Kingdom Impact." Come visit us in booth 313!

■ **Orality: Discipling through Story** Did you know that nearly all Americans under age 35 are oral-preference learners? Come experience the power of stories from God's Word and learn how they can be used in ministry! Join us in the Chicago Denver room on Saturday, June 1 at 3:30 p.m.

■ **Reach families with SOULMATES FOR LIFE** If you are looking for a sure-fire way of reaching your community, stop by the **Consentia Group booth** (226) and learn more about this affordable marriage outreach opportunity for any size church. Hear stories about how Alliance churches are seeing results.

■ **aXcess**. It's a name to know. It now represents the multiple teams of workers The Alliance has sent for decades to proclaim the gospel and multiply networks of faith communities among the least reached. aXcess, CAMA, Envision, and marketplace ministries – together— make up Alliance Missions.