Message from your Senior Director

Fellow International Christian Educator,

The Bible provides plenty of references to personal growth. As you know, the Christian life is not a calling of ease and status quo living, instead it involves a commitment to fellowship with others, time in the Word, time in prayer, and ultimately to growth in Christlikeness. As Christian educators we also carry a commitment to grow in our vocation, calling and craft. Pushing yourself to learn and deepen your understanding is not only part of following Jesus, but also a gift to your students and any that you are privileged to lead and mentor.

To this end I am strongly urging you to look at the international opportunities coming up this year designed for your growth and development. For you in Asia (and other regions) please register now to join us in November at the International Christian Educator Conference (ICEC Asia) in the exciting city of Jakarta! If you’ve attended an ICEC in the past, you know the lift that such a conference gives you both professionally and spiritually.

If you are in Europe or Africa regions (or other areas) please plan on joining us at ICEC Europe in Prague in March 2024. The same description for Asia fits this conference as well, and there is also the magical city of Prague! The lineup for both conferences is impressive, please check the webpages now.

May the challenge given to Timothy also be said of you: “Do not neglect your gift, which was given to you through prophecy when the body of elders laid their hands on you. Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress.” I Timothy 4: 14-15 (NIV)

I hope we get to see each other in-person at an ICEC this coming school year.

Tim for the international school team. Have a refreshing summer.

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Coming Up

Tim Shuman, Senior Director, International Division
Caitlin Taylor, Global Activity & International Events Coordinator
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Kimberly Park, Accreditation Specialist, International Division
• Register NOW for ICEC Asia 2023 in Jakarta, 26–29 November 2023. We have assembled a great keynote team that will challenge and encourage your heart. We are also accepting your workshop submissions NOW. Click here to get your workshop included at ICEC.

• Register NOW The next International Schools Job Fair Tour is coming up in November 2023. Liberty University on 7 November, Dallas Baptist University on 9 November, and Grand Canyon University on 13-14 November.

• Save the date. ICEC Europe, 20-23 March 2024 in Prague CZ. Details are still in progress.

• NEW! Announcing a mid-summer price discount and an all new track on PFO2Go. A track on Cultural IntelligenceTM has now been included. PFO2Go is our asynchronous online course designed to help your new hires transition to your school. And if you have questions about PFO2Go, we have answers – check out our FAQs.

News, Articles & Other Ideas

• ACSI’s posts and resources:
  o School’s Over, But We Didn’t Finish Everything – And that’s a Good Thing. Lynn Swaner
  o Caring Too Much: How Educators Can Fill the Gap Without Burnout. Rex Miller
  o Transformed by Truth. Jay Ferguson
  o The Heart of Successful Succession. Peter Greer
  o Moving Forward: Leadership Interdependence (podcast). Lynn Swaner and Jon Eckert
  o Check out the ACSI Student Activities page listing ways for your international school to be involved.

• I loved this feature story out of Albania about a couple serving at one of our member international schools! Hi friends at GDQ International Christian School!

• Leaders, take a look at Resolve Consulting’s latest equipper for schools called Agile Strategic Planning. Looks amazing! Learn more details here.

• It’s summer and that means it’s a good time to read this “Rhythms of Rest” article by Tessa Sydnor an international educator like you.

• A couple more helpful articles from our friends the Essenburgs: When stress actually is a spiritual problem and What do you want to include on your “to-don’t” list?

• If you have a particular focus on TCKs you might consider attending the International TCK Conference: 2023. Learn more here.

• Is your school discussing The Case for Phone-Free Schools? This is a real topic in many locations.
I wish this could happen to the rest of us: South Koreans to become a year or two younger as traditional way of counting age is scrapped. Here’s an idea for you, how about planning a reverse birthday party for your Korean colleagues and students?

Wow, if you are looking for some technical craft projects, a mashup of art and math, this is outstanding! Love it… Templatemaker.

This guy’s collection is out of control and made me laugh hard. Ladies and gentlemen, may I introduce you to The Condiment Packet Gallery. See ya!

Headship Openings Only

- Carthage Classical Academy, Tunisia. Learn more here.
- Christian Alliance International School, Hong Kong. Learn more here.
- Faith International Academy, Philippines. Learn more here.
- International Community School – Singapore. Learn more here.
- Kigali International Community School, Rwanda. Learn more here.
- Mountainview Christian School, Indonesia. Learn more here.

If you have a head of school opening coming up, please let me know. Be sure to check our member school vacancy page as well as the ACSI Job Board. The ACSI job board is currently showing almost 7279 resumes from job seekers, up again by approximately 100 since early May 2023! Use the filter to see the most recently updated resumes. If you are interested in a position at an international school check out the latest non-USA opportunities here.

ACSI Announcements

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