

EMS Conference Calgary: Mission Amid Global Crises

Friday, March 8, 2019

Ambrose University, Room RE 110

The 2019 Evangelical Missiological Society Theme is: Mission Amid Global Crises. Today perhaps more than ever before, global missionaries encounter numerous forms of crises and human suffering in the normal course of their work. Whether it's poverty in Africa, a Tsunami in Southeast Asia, human trafficking in India, or refugees in Europe and America, the likelihood that missionary efforts will intersect with some form of global crisis appears to be on the rise. What does this mean for mission theology and practice in the 21st century? How will these events shape the future of the church engaged in the missio Dei? These issues raise important missiological questions for the church which will be discussed at this year's EMS meeting.

Agenda

8:30 am – 8:45 am	Registration
8:45 am – 9:00 am	Introduction
9:00 am – 9:50 am	Local Presenter #1 – Dr. Beth Stovell
9:50 am – 10:00 am	Break
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Plenary # 1 – Dr. Rupen Das
11:00 am – 11:50 am	Local Presenter # 2 – Mr. James Bryun
11:50 am – 12:30 pm	Lunch
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Plenary # 2 (<i>Live from Toronto 2:30pm</i>) – Dr. Enoch Wan
1:30 pm – 2:20 pm	Local Presenter #3 – Dr. Amador Remigio & Dr. Sadiri Joy Tira
2:20 pm – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Plenary # 3 – Rev. Sandra Ryan
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Discussion & Wrap-up

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Plenary Speakers

Rupen Das (Agency)



Rupen Das is Research Professor at Tyndale University College and Seminary in Toronto and the National Director of the Canadian Bible Society (CBS). Previously he had been on secondment from the Canadian Baptist Ministries. He has extensive experience in relief and development, most recently having set up humanitarian responses to refugees and the displaced inside Syria, in Lebanon, Ukraine, and across Europe. Over his career he has worked for World Vision, the Canadian Baptists, and the Navigators. As a consultant he has worked for the Canadian Government, the Canadian CIMIC and DART, Pearson Peacekeeping Center, Plan Canada, Focus Humanitarian (part of the Aga Khan Network), World Vision International, International Development Support Services (IDSS Australia), among others. He was professor and program coordinator at Humber College, and on the faculty at the Arab

Baptist Theological Seminary in Beirut and the International Baptist Theological Study Center in Amsterdam, and adjunct faculty at Eastern University in the US. As an analyst he contributed to Oxford Analytica on humanitarian issues. Rupen has been a 21st Century Fellow in the UK, an Ashoka Fellow and a Visiting Scholar at Harvard University. He is the author of *Compassion and the Mission of God: Revealing the Hidden Kingdom* and *Strangers in the Kingdom: Refugees, Migrants and the Stateless*.



Enoch Wan (Academy)

Research Professor of Intercultural Studies, Director of Doctor of Intercultural Studies & Director of Doctor of Education Program, Western Seminary, Portland, Oregon, USA.

Past President of EMS (Evangelical Missiological Society, two terms).

National VP-Publications & Editor, Occasional Bulletin (Evangelical Missiological Society).

Advisor/Founder - GlobalMissiology.org

Board Member - Worldwide Bible Society (USA) & Tien Dao Christian Media Association



Sandra Ryan (Assembly)

Sandra Ryan is an ordained pastor with a background in social development and emergency and disaster management. Sandra served for twenty-two years in ministry with The Salvation Army. Her first ministry appointment was in a Nisga'a Village in Northern British Columbia where she experienced the strength and beauty of real community. After serving in Russia for almost a decade during the turbulent post-Communist redevelopment, she returned to Canada where she lived and ministered in the Regent Park community during its revitalization. She has seen the power and potential of an engaged church in developing healthy communities. Presently, Sandra oversees the local and global outreach for The Peoples Church

Toronto. In this role she has the privilege of leading her international congregation to be gospel-centered,

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globally-engaged Christians. As a global church, the mission focus is intentional engagement in God's work among the migrating peoples of the world.