





# HCFI ON TRACK

# THE HCFI FAMILY NEWSLETTER

**DECEMBER 2025 - FIFTH EDITION** 

# Hello Family!

Welcome to the December 2025 edition of our HCFI Family newsletter!

As we look back on the year which is rapidly coming to a close, we ask with the Psalmist (Ps 2); 'Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing?' He goes on to explain why it is a vain thing for rulers to challenge the Sovereign Lord and His statutes. He encourages them rather to 'be wise, be instructed (vs 10), serve the Lord (vs 11) and kiss the Son' (vs 12).

For those of us who labour in the ripened (health) fields of the world, we have the glorious encouragement that Father has given the Son the 'nations and the ends of the earth for His possession!' (vs 8).

This is indeed our inspiration - 'our labour in the Lord is NOT in vain!' (1 Cor 15 vs 58).





"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; ".

Matthew 28:19,20



In this edition, I would like to share with you some more exciting **developments** which the Lord is laying before us and for which we are gearing up in the new year. There will also an inspiring update on our **Celebration conference** coming up next year.

#### Closer links with churches

HCFI is an affiliate of the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA). The WEA has national branches in 129 countries globally and is in the process of establishing a desk on **Health and Flourishing**. Dr David Boan, who represents the WEA at the World Health Organisation (WHO), is spearheading this establishment and Chris Steyn and I (with Matthew George) had an online meeting with him. He shared with us that the WHO would like to partner with churches in implementing some of its Primary Healthcare programmes in particular the WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) programme. The WEA is looking for **Christian healthcare partners** to work with them, thus the link with HCFI.







We have started connecting national Evangelical Alliance contacts with national fellowships in three pilot countries (Rwanda, Cameroon and Kenya). We believe that the link with the Health desk at the WEA could potentially bring us into contact with evangelical churches worldwide. This brings about the possibility that we could reach healthcare workers in these churches and partner with their local churches to equip them for **workplace ministry** in their places of work.





## **Closer links with Students**

The International Fellowship of Evangelical Students (IFES) has movements in approximately 180 countries! Together with our global partners, Nurses Christian Fellowship International (NCFI) and the International Medical and Dental Association (ICMDA), we have recently signed a memorandum of agreement to collaborate in reaching and equipping healthcare students with tools for Discipleship and ministry. The MOU will enable cooperation and collaboration between our **national fellowships** and **national IFES branches** and has significant potential to grow dual **student** and **post graduate** affiliation in our Tripartite Alliance.





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# **Living Faith Out Loud Celebration (4 - 11 September 2026)**

In this edition I would like to share the draft programme with you. Please see below. There may still be minor changes as not all the speakers have confirmed attendance yet.

## **Programme**

	Day 1 Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Day 2 Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Day 3 Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Day 4 Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Day 5 Tue 8 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Day 6 Wed 9th Sep	Day 7 Thu 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Day 8 <b>Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	
Before 07:00		Personal devotions							
07:00-08:30 Breakfast time		Breakfast							
08:30-10:00	Arrivals	Living Christ Out Loud Rev Richard Verreynne				Communion Rev Richard Verreynne	Living Christ Out Loud Rev Richard Verreynne		
10:00-11:00		Coffee Tea Water Snacks				Coffee Tea Water No snacks Fasting	Coffee Tea Water Snacks	Departures	
11:00-12:30		Work is Worship Dr Mathew George	Work is Ministry Marike Römer RN	Compassionate Care Dr Frederick Kellerman	Healthy Lifestyle Dr Stef Snyman	Behold He Comes Dr Arul Anketell	Seeking Cluster Synergy Dr Keith Michael		
12:30-14:30 Lunch time	and Registration	Lunch Fellowship/Rest				No Lunch Fasting	Lunch Fellowship/Rest		
14:30-15:30		T4T Courses Starting	T4T Courses	T4T Courses	T4T Courses	Prayer Session	T4T Courses		
15:30-16:30	Coffee Tea Water Snacks  Coffee Tea Water Snacks  Coffee Tea W No snacks Fasting						Coffee Tea Water Snacks		
16:30-17:30		T4T Courses	T4T Courses	T4T Courses	T4T Courses	Prayer Session	T4T Courses Finishing		
17:30-19:00 Supper time	Evening meal								
on the web Frame 19:00-20:30	Opening Celebration	Jubilee Celebration	Jubilee Celebration	Jubilee Celebration	Jubilee Celebration	Jubilee Celebration	Closing Celebration		

Each day will start with two **plenary** sessions of 1,5 hours each. The afternoons will consist of two **training** sessions of 1 hour each. The evening sessions will be a time of sharing **stories and testimonies** from around the world. The penultimate day will be a day of **prayer and fasting** as we commit our lives and work to the Lord. The breaks between sessions have purposely been extended to allow for fellowship, networking and strategising.

## **Training Topics**

The schedule of training topics is attached. There will be subtopics embedded into these T4Ts. These will be shared later.

Training 4 Trainers
T4T: Pray
T4T: Evangelize / Outreaches
T4T: Disciple Making
T4T: Compassionate Care
T4T: Care of Caregiver
T4T: Building Resiliency

T <sub>4</sub> T: Removing the Stones
T4T: Saline Process
T4T: Healthy Lifestyle
T4T: Leaders Living Faith
T4T: Church in the Workplace
T4T: Living Faith Apologetics
T4T: Living Faith Among the Prophets

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There will be 5 days of training on each topic and the target group will be **trainers** from each country who will be trained on those topics so that they can return to their countries and regions and train (equip) others (2 Tim 2 v 2). In most cases, the trainers will need to commit to attending all of the five days on a particular topic.

As mentioned in the previous Newsletter, National fellowships are encouraged to identify and nominate suitable delegates for the training. Where appropriate, Regional teams can coordinate the process so that there will be trainers in most of the topics who can train their subjects in more than one country for the benefit of the whole region.

#### Cost

The conference team has been working hard to secure the best value for money for the conference. The cost for 7 nights, all inclusive, will be approximately \$1000. National fellowships and those planning to attend should start budgeting as soon as possible.

## Registration

Registration will be via an online registration form, to be published soon. Delegates will register and pay the **registration fee** to HCFI. They will then obtain a **Conference code** which will enable them to pay the **hotel** via a separate payment platform. The combined registration fee and hotel fee will be approximately \$1000 as mentioned above.

#### **Translation**

Spontaneous translation via an **Al link** to personal mobile phones will be available for the larger groups of non-English speaking delegates. Delegates requiring this facility will need a smart phone with earphones or ear buds.

# **And Finally...**

Together with Chris, Angelina, Priscilla, Sophia, Thembi and Marti, I wish you all a very blessed Christmas season!

With His blessing

Dr Keith Michael

CEO HCFI

#### Fundraising in HCFI

**Individuals** can contribute directly to our international account via this link: <a href="https://www.hcfglobal.org/support-hcfi/">https://www.hcfglobal.org/support-hcfi/</a>.

You can opt for a once off or recurring gift.

National Fellowships can use the International account as follows:

Account Name: Healthcare Christian Fellowship International

Bank name: Standard Bank Account Number: 020199325

SWIFT Code: SBZAZAJJ

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