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Loving God,
We pray for the World Student Christian Federation,
a community of students on a journey.
Help us to walk with people who are oppressed,
uprooted, homeless, undocumented
Make your way plain before us

Strengthen the work of the Student Christian Movement
in schools, colleges and universities, so we may powerfully
proclaim your Gospel to the students of the world
Make your way plain before us

Bless all those who plan SCM events, who organise students
and senior friends, who write prayers, magazines and websites,
who participate in liturgies, meetings and protests,
who fundraise to enable our journey together, those who pray for WSCF
and all those who keep the Federation's vision alive
Make your way plain before us

Be with all those who travel for WSCF, those who travel freely
and those who are denied visas, harassed at borders, sent back home
Make your way plain before us

We thank you for our WSCF friends and comrades who have
now completed this earthly journey, especially those who
have been killed because they sought to walk with you.
We give you thanks for their vision and courage
Make your way plain before us

Guide WSCF by your Holy Spirit so that our journey together
may be one of joy, compassion, solidarity and courage, in Jesus' name
Amen.

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INTRODUCTION



Dear Friends of the WSCF,

2007 has been another strong year for the WSCF and the stories of our movements, regions and global work come alive in the pages of this Red Book. We continue to deepen the connections between our movements, build ecumenical leadership and tackle the pressing issues of our day in our churches and in our world.

This quadrennium we have established annual themes to encourage the Federation to engage in collective theological reflection and social analysis, exchange insights and strategies and explore areas of common action and solidarity. The global theme for 2007, migration, brought the Federation's attention to the plight of migrants and to the Christian responsibility to welcome the stranger as we recognize our own lineage as sons and daughters of a wandering Aramean. Our global ecumenical leadership formation event on migration in Mexico trained and empowered student leaders from each region who have in turn taken leadership roles in their national movements and regional programming.

Our meeting of students, staff and officers in Egypt was an occasion to begin an assessment of our work for women's empowerment and gender justice. The WSCF has taken a leadership role in the ecumenical movement on these concerns over the past 25 years and will look to strengthen and advance that work in the coming quadrennium. We are particularly pleased by our re-engagement with NGOs and the UN on issues of concern to women; this year through participation in the World Social Forum in Nairobi and the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in New York. WSCF brought student Christian voices to those forums and introduced this generation of student leaders to those arenas.

We celebrate the continuing growth of the WSCF. In particular, we celebrate the emergence of new Student Christian Movements in Iraq and East Timor and the exploration of work in Palestine. As we build and renew movements, we must acknowledge the vital role of the Ecumenical Assistance Programme and express our deep appreciation to all those individuals and organizations that use this channel to support the work of our SCMs.

Finally, we are grateful for the renewed engagement and commitment of our senior friends from earlier generations in the life of the Federation who see the current WSCF as a place to invest their time, vision and financial resources to ensure the advancement of ecumenism in the 21st Century. This is particularly clear in the decision by senior friends to meet in Montreal for a parallel gathering during our General Assembly in 2008 and by the intensifying work to support the WSCF's Centennial Fund to sustain the Federation's work.

As we approach 2008 we look forward to the 34th General Assembly, under the theme, "Your sons and daughters shall prophesy and your young people shall see visions." We pray that this will be a time of renewal of the WSCF's vision and of careful planning for advancing the work of God through the WSCF.

It is with pleasure that I invite you to explore this Red Book and join us in celebrating the consolidation and revitalization of the WSCF during this crucial quadrennium in the life of our movement. The WSCF is alive and well thanks to the movement of the Holy Spirit among our students across the world and these stories leap from the following pages. We give thanks to you and our many friends who continue to find ways to support this vital work through your prayers, your accompaniment and your financial gifts. And we give thanks to God who is our ever-present guide, comforter and inspiration, leading us into our second century of witness, mission, life and work.

Dr. Kenneth J. Guest
Chairperson

JANUARY

Global

Participation in World Social Forum, Nairobi, Kenya; 'Women, Migration & Poverty' seminar, World Social Forum, Nairobi, Kenya

Europe Region

European Regional Committee meeting, Malta; 'Family Expectations or Exceptions' consultation, Strasbourg, France

FEBRUARY

Global

Universal Day of Prayer for Students; WSCF Staff and Officers' meeting, Geneva, Switzerland; UN Commission on the Status of Women, NGO programme seminars, New York, USA

Asia-Pacific Region

Regional Women's Committee and Standing Committee meetings, Hong Kong; SCM-WSCF Joint Women's Programme, Dili, Timor Leste

Europe Region

'Spiritual Activism, Buddhist-Christian dialogue on ecology, non-violence & justice' Nordic meeting, Stockholm, Sweden; 'Leadership and decision-making in democratic communities', Central European subregion seminar, Sopron, Hungary

Latin America and Caribbean Region

Regional Committee meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina

MARCH

North America Region

Council for Ecumenical Student Christian Ministry 'Celebrate!' Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, USA

Europe Region

'Family- Expectations and Exceptions' conference, Strasbourg, France; 'Migration - slavery?' European national staff meeting, Edinburgh, Scotland

Latin America and Caribbean Region

EEC Planning Camp and Assembly, Parque del Plata, Uruguay

APRIL

Asia-Pacific Region

Amity Easter Tour, Henan Province, China

Latin America and Caribbean Region

'Theology and Science' programme, Buenos Aires, Argentina

MAY

Global

Centennial Fund Board of Trustees meeting, Geneva, Switzerland

North America Region

SCM Canada national conference, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada; Regional Secretary Search Committee meetings

Middle East Region

WSCF & World Conference of Religions for Peace joint interfaith project, Amman, Jordan

Europe Region

"If I Were a Migrant?" Youth Perspectives on Migration and Integration of Young Migrants into Society' conference, Rome, Italy

Latin America and Caribbean Region

Global Migration programme planning meetings, Buenos Aires, Argentina

JUNE

Global

Executive Committee (ExCo) meeting, Alexandria, Egypt; Inter-Regional Women's Commission meeting, Alexandria, Egypt

Middle East Region

Regional Secretary Search Committee meeting, Cairo, Egypt

Asia-Pacific Region

Human Rights Defenders workshop, Manila, Philippines; International Students' Solidarity Mission, Philippines; WCC South Asia Young People's Interfaith programme, Bangalore, India

Europe Region

'Living, Active and Sharper' meeting, Köln, Germany; 'Human Rights -Whose Rights?' Nordic summer meeting, Norway

North America Region

Regional Committee and Search Committee meetings, US & Canada

JULY

Middle East Region

'HIV-AIDS & Reproductive Health' women's training programme, Alexandria, Egypt; Leadership Training Programme for Palestinian Youth, Amman, Jordan

Europe Region

Central European subregion summer seminar, Senec, Slovakia; 'Gender Equality -Is there such a thing?' Lingua Franca language and leadership training course, Kismaros, Hungary

North America Region

Young Adult Ecumenical Forum, Boston, Massachusetts, USA

AUGUST

Asia-Pacific Region

Movement visit to KSCF and NCC Korea Reunification Conference, Seoul, Korea

Europe & Latin America and Caribbean Regions

Agape Ecumenical Centre Political Camp, Prali, Italy; Agape Ecumenical Centre Theological Camp, Prali, Italy

Middle East Region

'Sectarianism' Ayia Napa training programme, Aleppo, Syria; 'Christians, Muslims & the Challenges of Contemporary Life' Muslim-Christian dialogue programme, Fatka, Lebanon

SEPTEMBER

Global

Inter-regional leadership training programme on 'Migration, Movements and Justice' Mexico City, Mexico

Middle East Region

Summer University programme, Alexandria, Egypt

Africa Region

HIV & AIDS and Economic Justice Platform training workshop, Accra, Ghana

Asia-Pacific Region

School for Ecumenical Leadership Formation (SELF) programme, Colombo, Sri Lanka; Burma solidarity actions, vigil and forum, Hong Kong

Latin America and Caribbean Region

Movement visit to MEC por la Equidad, Mexico City, Mexico

OCTOBER

North America Region

Regional Committee meeting, Toronto, Canada

Africa Region

'Gender Advocacy, Policy and Leadership' training programme for female trainers, Accra, Ghana

Europe Region

'Religion - Source of Peace or Violence?' conference, Paris, France; European Regional Assembly, Paris, France

Asia-Pacific Region

General Secretaries and National Co-ordinators meeting, Chiangmai, Thailand; SCM-WSCF Joint Women's Programme, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Latin America and Caribbean Region

CLAI Rio de la Plata youth camp, Ezeiza, Argentina

NOVEMBER

Middle East Region

Leadership Training seminar for Sudanese youth, Khartoum, Northern Sudan

North America Region

School of the Americas pilgrimage & protest, Fort Benning, Georgia, USA

Asia-Pacific Region

Asia-Pacific Regional Women Doing Theology workshop, Seoul, Korea

Africa Region

'Overcoming Stigma' HIV & AIDS subregional training programme, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo

Latin America Caribbean Region

Biblical workshops and youth meetings, Mar del Plata, Argentina

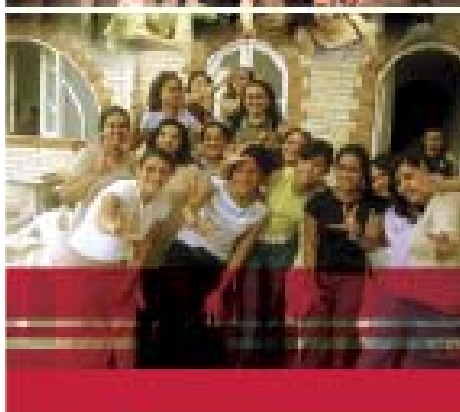
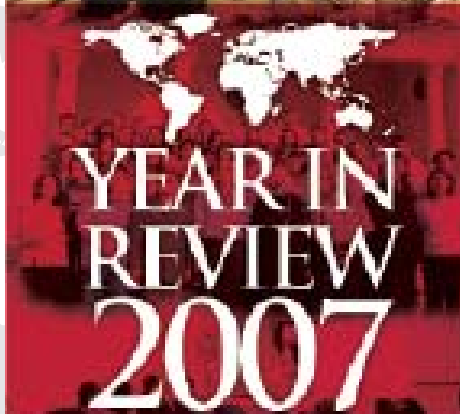
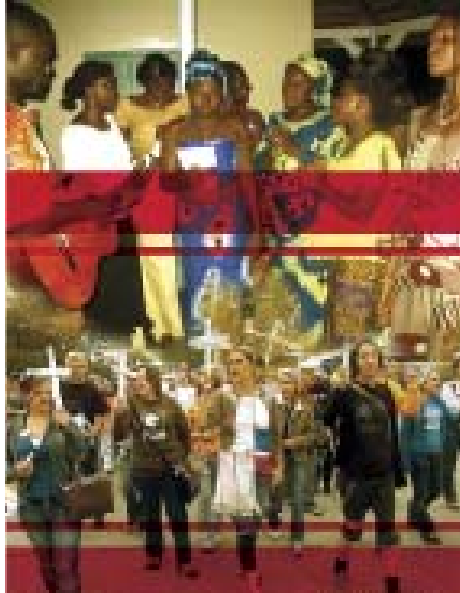
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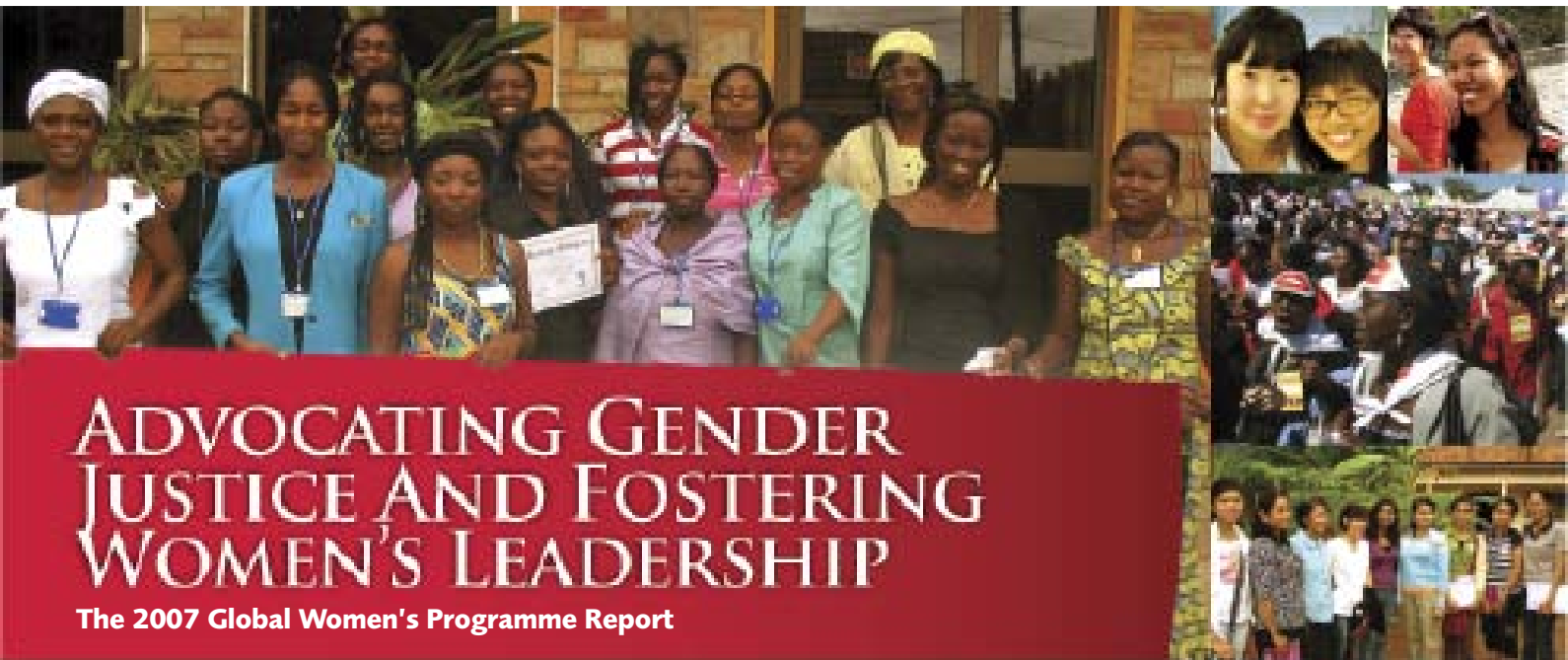
Europe Region

'Religion and Sexuality' WSCF- European Union of Jewish Students programme, Belgrade, Serbia; 'Alternative Globalisation and Social Justice' consultation, Budapest, Hungary

Latin America Caribbean Region

Movement Visit to EEC Uruguay, Montevideo, Uruguay





ADVOCATING GENDER JUSTICE AND FOSTERING WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP

The 2007 Global Women's Programme Report

WSCF works to build a culture of equality and partnership between women and men and to provide young women with the skills and confidence they need to reach their full potential.

In 2007 the Federation continued to shape its programmes and structures to nurture young women's leadership in the ecumenical movement, the church and the world.

Networking on women's rights - World Social Forum 2007

WSCF's global women's programme brought the rights of women migrants to the fore at the World Social Forum in Nairobi this January.

Inter-Regional Women's Coordinator Ms Sunita Suna held a seminar to highlight the impact of migration on women, supported by presenters Dr Belinda Bennet of Christian Aid and WSCF's Africa Regional Secretary, Ms Georgine Kengne Djeutane. WSCF women attended the forum and built up strategic links with ecumenical and secular organisations which aid WSCF in promoting the well being and advancement of women.

WSCF women speak out at the United Nations

WSCF has invigorated its participation in the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) this year. SCMers Ms Cosette Atallah (Lebanon), Ms Annabel Dulhunty (Australia) and Dr Ingjerd Jøssang (Norway) joined Sunita Suna and US senior friend Ms Kathleen Todd at the New York event in March. Taking up the Commission's 2007 theme, the WSCF students presented a forum of national and regional insights into violence and discrimination against women and girls.

WSCF's delegates contributed their Student Christian Movement perspectives to the NGO programme of parallel events and the Ecumenical Women Coalition's programme.

Focusing on women's leadership in the Federation

WSCF's global Executive Committee has launched a gender justice audit to assess women's participation in leadership and decision-making at all levels of the Federation's life. The audit will analyse women's leadership models in national movements, the WSCF regions and the global Federation to identify areas where resources, programming and structural change will most effectively advance the leadership of women.

Resourcing African women in gender justice advocacy

In Africa this year, WSCF held a regional 'training of female trainers' event, focused on gender policy advocacy and women's leadership development. Female students from eleven national SCMs in West and Central Africa gathered in Ghana for a five day training seminar on political and analytical resources for use in women's rights advocacy in movements, churches and wider communities. African women SCMers were introduced to the terminology and policies which enshrine women's rights in the Declaration on Human Rights and other declarations from the UN and African Union. Participants were empowered with increased knowledge and new language by which to challenge gender injustices and strategise for positive change in their home contexts.

Women addressing sexuality

In Europe, women's rights issues were woven into two WSCF

regional training programmes on the themes of 'Family' and 'Religion and Sexuality' this year. Key women's issues in the family conference included analysis of patriarchal theologies, gender politics in the construction of family roles and identities, and challenges to traditional ideas of family composition.

Violence against women, GLBT rights and the connections between faith, gender and sexuality were all core issues addressed in the joint programme between WSCF and the European Union of Jewish students in 2007. In the Middle East, WSCF's annual women's leadership training conference brought young Arab Christian women to Alexandria, Egypt for an eye-opening programme on HIV-AIDS awareness and training in reproductive health. WSCF's Asia-Pacific Regional Women's Committee held its annual 'Women Doing Theology' programme in Korea this year, focusing on 'Women and Sexuality: Transcending Boundaries and Embracing Inclusiveness'. Together with SCMs Timor Leste and Cambodia, WSCF held two national women's programmes, which empowered young South-East Asian women with gender critical perspectives on church teachings and their socio-cultural contexts.



CONNECTING AND INSPIRING YOUNG ECUMENICAL LEADERS

The 2007 Global Executive Committee Report



Young WSCF leaders gathered in Egypt this June to steer the Federation's global work and encounter the churches, culture and history of Egypt. Twenty-four students and staff from 16 countries met in Alexandria for a nine-day Executive Committee (ExCo) meeting, where they shared global and regional stories, put in place global policies, studied and strategised together.

Receiving blessings from the Coptic churches

Egypt's national ecumenical and church leaders welcomed ExCo and shared their country's rich history of faith as well as speaking of their work with Christian youth and students today. WSCF students and staff met with leaders of the Coptic Evangelical Church, the Coptic Catholic Church and the Bible Society of Egypt. Special meetings were held with Middle East Council of Churches General Secretary Mr Guirgis Saleh, Bishop Mouneer Anis, Episcopal Bishop of Egypt and Primate of Jerusalem and the Middle East and His Holiness Pope Shenouda of the Coptic Orthodox Church. Each church or organisation hosted the ExCo delegates and offered their blessings upon the work of the Federation. The WSCF student leaders were introduced to insights from Egyptian Biblical history, church history and the spiritual heritage of desert monasticism and deepened their exposure to the cultural and faith history of Egypt with visits to the Deir el-Suryan Monastery, St Mark's Cathedral Alexandria and the historic Alexandria Library.



Keeping pace with SCMs' development needs

High on the meeting's agenda was an in-depth examination of the Ecumenical Assistance Programme (EAP), WSCF's vehicle for providing assistance to local Student Christian Movement projects. The Programme's core document defining its aims and basis were reaffirmed by the meeting, which committed itself to regular re-assessment of how the Programme is meeting the needs of SCMs and their communities. The ExCo confirmed WSCF's commitment to participate fully and proactively in an external evaluation of the EAP beginning this year.

Assessing and empowering women's leadership

At the recommendation of the Inter-Regional Women's Commission, WSCF's student and staff leaders directed a gender justice audit to be carried out throughout the Federation. The audit will focus on structural inequalities that women face in the SCMs and WSCF and will identify key areas where changes can be made to empower women and

women's leadership. ExCo formed a committee to spearhead the audit, convened by Georgine Kengne Djeutane and Necta Montes Rocas.

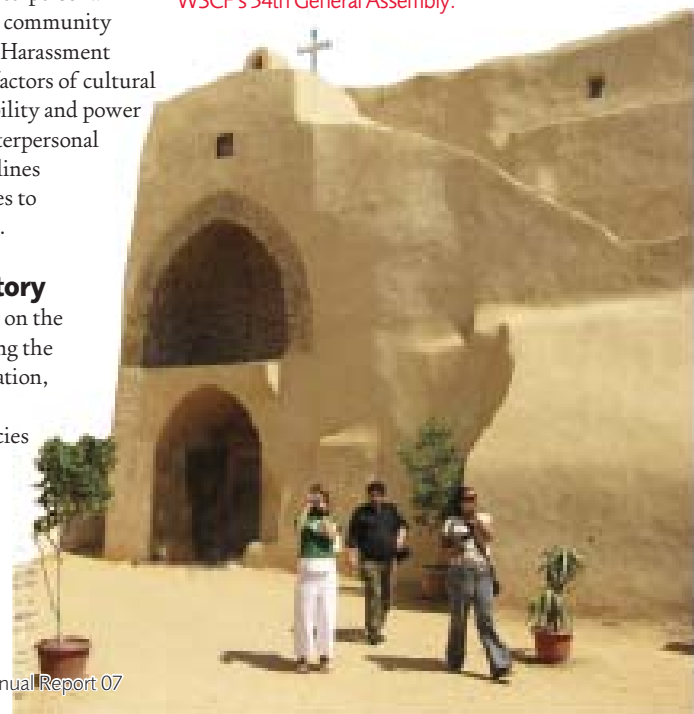
Promoting a culture of respect

WSCF's student leaders adopted a new set of guidelines, which aim to promote a culture of sensitivity for cross-cultural interpersonal relations when WSCF's global community meets. The new Global Sexual Harassment Policy identifies the complex factors of cultural background, roles of responsibility and power in defining best practice for interpersonal behaviour. The policy also outlines pastorally appropriate responses to incidents of sexual harassment.

Protecting WSCF's history

Following recent staff training on the issue of archiving and protecting the historic resources of the Federation, ExCo set up a committee to develop WSCF's archives policies and to maintain awareness of archives management issues.

Elected at the 33rd General Assembly in 2004, the final meeting of this Executive Committee takes place in Montréal, July 2008 immediately prior to WSCF's 34th General Assembly.



RESOURCING STUDENTS TO WORK FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

The 2007 Ecumenical Assistance Programme Report



In 2007, WSCF's Ecumenical Assistance Programme (EAP) supported 36 national Student Christian Movements to undertake cutting edge local initiatives in social and civil society development, human rights advocacy, peacebuilding and much more.

Recurring EAP project themes in 2007 have included human rights awareness raising, education and advocacy on migration and human/child trafficking, peacebuilding & conflict resolution in post-conflict contexts, student and young women's leadership training, HIV/AIDS destigmatisation education and interfaith dialogue.

WSCF's Ecumenical Assistance Programme supports national movement projects in:

- women's empowerment initiatives
- anti-racism and interfaith dialogue work
- poverty alleviation projects
- civil society development through student empowerment, skills development, educational and informational exchange
- capacity building for new and emerging movements
- empowerment work with marginalised groups and communities
- global solidarity building and inter-movement resource sharing
- emergency support for national movements and their communities in the case of political crisis or natural disaster

The EAP supports national movements by assisting with the funding of their ongoing projects designed to work for positive and lasting social change and mobilises resources for emergencies or critical situations. In 2007, WSCF began taking part in a professional evaluation of the Ecumenical Assistance Programme, at the request of principal EAP funder the German churches' aid and development agency EED (Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst). This year saw an exceptional example of movement solidarity and resource-sharing through the EAP, with Norwegian SCM making an EAP donation of 60,000 US dollars to support the work of other movements around the globe.



Ecumenical Assistance Programme Projects in 2007

Africa Region

Burundi	Re-integration of ex-combatants
Cameroon	Women's rights and HIV/AIDS destigmatisation programmes
Côte D'Ivoire	HIV/AIDS issues in post-conflict project
Ethiopia	Youth & women's public health training
Lesotho	Peacebuilding and human rights promotion project
Liberia	Vocational training for unemployed youth
Nigeria	Child trafficking awareness raising/advocacy
Rwanda	Student leadership development
R.D. Congo (FNJP)	Conflict resolution training
R. D. Congo (AJEC)	Post-conflict rehabilitation for sexual abuse survivors
Sudan	Interfaith peacebuilding programme
Tanzania	Poverty reduction & good governance advocacy
Togo	Young women's leadership formation
Uganda	Vocational training for orphans and at risk youth
Zimbabwe	National crisis response

Asia-Pacific Region

Bangladesh	Women's rights, ecological justice & interfaith dialogue training
Cambodia	HIV-AIDS and interfaith development programmes
Hong Kong	Youth conscientisation and empowerment
India	Human rights advocacy training
Indonesia	Migration, women's rights & interfaith dialogue programmes
Korea	Student leadership training
Myanmar	Education and advocacy on human trafficking
Philippines	Human rights fact-finding & solidarity mission
Thailand	Ecological justice and human rights advocacy training
Timor Leste	Civil society development & women's leadership training
Sri Lanka	Ethnic conflict analysis and peacebuilding

Ecumenical Assistance Programme Projects in 2007

Middle East Region

Egypt	Peacemaking and interfaith dialogue
Iraq	Youth leadership and ecumenical formation
Jordan	Youth & women's participatory development education
Lebanon	Leadership and conflict resolution training
Palestine	Civil society & leadership training
Syria	Young women's leadership training

Latin America and Caribbean Region

Chile	Conflict resolution programme
Cuba	Training on migration and youth issues
Haiti	Re-integration of delinquent youth
Uruguay	Student conscientisation programme



Iraq

Three EAP-funded youth leadership training events were held in Iraq during 2007. The Iraqi Christian Youth Committee (ICYC) brought students and youth from different Baghdad churches together for three day-long ecumenical leadership building workshops on diversity, interfaith dialogue and issues affecting Iraqi youth. Undertaking any kind of Christian activity is difficult in Iraq, where visible Christian leaders fear for their lives and churches are the targets of extremist bombing attacks. In 2006, the ICYC's programmes and organisation suffered serious setbacks due to the war, which prevented programmes from being held and decimated the Committee's leadership, as Iraqi Christians fled to neighbouring countries in large numbers to escape the violence and instability at home. ICYC Chairperson Fady Amin explains how in 2007, the Committee had finally reached the point where they could no longer wait for peace, but chose just to continue - regardless of the ongoing threat. The ICYC's events brought Baghdad's Christian youth together to enjoy the positive challenge of participatory education and to learn the necessary leadership skills for civil society development. Youth and students at the events were resourced with insights from Iraqi youth returning to the movement with reports from WSCF Middle East programmes - addressing issues of fanaticism and pluralism, Muslim - Christian dialogue and civil society reconstruction and took away skills and encouragement to remain in their society and reach out to their communities.



Cambodia

Cambodian SCM's 2007 EAP projects focused on building social conscience and community development skills amongst Christian and Buddhist students and young Christian women. Cambodian SCM held seven training events this year, focusing on human rights advocacy, ecological justice, feminist analysis, women's leadership and HIV & AIDS education. The workshops and seminars reached a core group of 40 students with a further 120 community members attending joint events. Local and international aid and development NGOs offered tools of analysis and global perspectives to the CSCM programmes through invited speakers and research materials. A high point in the 2007 EAP project was the women's leadership programme, which strengthened the number of young Christian women active in women's rights advocacy within and beyond the SCM. In addition, CSCM's HIV & AIDS programmes have increased understanding and commitment to combat the disease among Cambodian youth. Project Co-ordinator Dith Sareth reported that the combined EAP projects have helped facilitate a new generation of students to become actors in the development of Cambodian society this year.

Sudan

In 2007, the Sudanese SCM held its third reconciliation workshop for Muslim and Christian youth and student leaders in Southern Sudan, since the outset of the movement's EAP-funded Interfaith Peacebuilding project. This year's seven-day workshop brought 38 young leaders from Muslim and Christian communities in Southern Sudan to the town of Juba, where together they confronted the communal impact of the mass killings and destruction of life-supporting infrastructure in the region. African peacebuilding and reconciliation network facilitator, Dr. Festus G. Uffulle, helped participants to analyse the social, political and religious factors that had led to the region's conflicts and to identify what common factors could play a part in building the road to peace. The programme participants from Western Equatoria, Central, Lakes and Unity States had first met in 2006 at SCM's interfaith reconciliation workshops in Rumbek and Yei. In the first days of those pioneering meetings, SCM organisers feared that violence would break out, due to the high levels of tension between participants who were hearing others' grievances for the first time. In 2007, SCMer reported they had observed "tremendous subsiding of tension between the Muslim and Christian communities in public places, schools and public offices in the region," following the reconciliation workshops. While healing or resolution of the very complex issues at stake is a long way off, young leaders from both communities have committed themselves to work together towards peace and reconciliation through this project into the future.



BUILDING SOLIDARITY AND MOVING HEARTS TOWARDS JUSTICE

The 2007 global student training programme report

IN 2007, SCMERS FROM ROUND THE WORLD GATHERED IN MEXICO CITY FOR AN INTENSIVE TEN-DAY PROGRAMME ON WSCF'S ANNUAL THEME OF MIGRATION. THE PROGRAMME DREW STUDENTS' ATTENTION TO THE PLIGHT OF MIGRANTS AND TO THE STRUCTURES, SYSTEMS AND CRIMINAL FACTORS THAT PUT PEOPLE IN DANGER AS THEY MOVE ACROSS BORDERS.



Students representing 16 countries shared perspectives, studied and worked together to build a global plan of action on migration for the world's Student Christian Movements. The 'International Migration Solidarity Plan' affirms the dignity and right to movement of all human beings, denounces criminal and state violations of migrants' rights and calls for global partnership building and critical analysis of migration. It emphasises the need to listen first and foremost to the voices of migrants and "to critique the global economic system, international financial institutions and economic structures, as the major causes of migration injustice and to look for just alternatives".

Students shared their movement's research and action on migration realities, describing the economic and social factors that lead to forced or voluntary migrations in each different context. Mexican host movement 'MEC por la Equidad', shared video testimonies from Latin American migrants, whose graphic descriptions of life-threatening illegal border crossings showed their

vulnerability to criminal and judicial abuse and human trafficking. The migrants' heart-breaking stories of survival against the worst of odds deeply affected many of the participants and helped give the theories a very human face.

The big picture perspective came through experts on migration, theologians and Biblical scholars. Former WSCF Latin America and Caribbean Secretary, Dr. Juan Artola, presented an overview of current migration trends and threats to people on the move, from his position as Director of the International Migration Organisation in Mexico. Seminars offered by Dr. Carmen Fernandez and Dr. Valentino Morales added perspectives on women & migration and global migration patterns. Students studied the theological context and Biblical stories of migration, with the help of scholars Rev'd Dr José Ramon Alcántara and Ms. Elizabeth Hernández. Opening up the Biblical texts, participants struck the Gospel's recurring

messages of generosity and welcome, finding them in stark contrast to national and regional reactions of hostility, racism and xenophobia. Reporting on the conference, many students were moved by the radical demands of Christ's welcome to outsiders and encouraged by the deep values of hospitality towards the stranger found throughout the Judeo-Christian tradition.

WSCF's global training programmes intentionally develop the skills and knowledge of individuals who attend, but they often activate new national advocacy and education projects on the topics they address.

By December 2007, five students had already reported on new projects on migration justice they had begun with their movements, while many more planned to integrate the migration solidarity plan into their movement's future programmes. Three students brought their newly formed perspectives to the WCC Global Platform on Migration in November 2007.

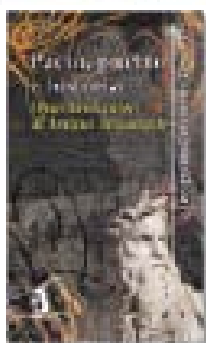
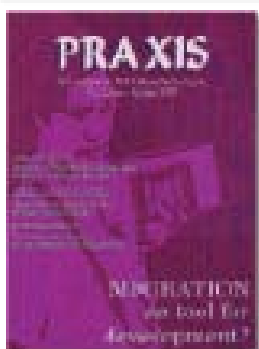
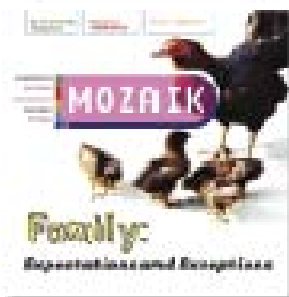
WSCF's global training programmes bring each new generation of students together from worlds apart, so that they can form bonds of friendship, understanding and solidarity that cut across the social, economic and cultural divides that would normally separate them.

Supported by the resources and experience of the Federation's more than a century's work with students, these annual programmes help each generation to find their own global perspective, to make connections and critiques and find their call to justice as Christians engaged in their world. WSCF's global training programmes continue to be a priority in the Federation's life.



MAKING CONNECTIONS AND SHARING OUR STORIES

The 2007 WSCF Global Communications Report



In 2007 WSCF's global communications have continued to build the Federation's capacity to share our stories and connect with our friends and supporters.

Continued strengthening of electronic communications and developing relationships with media teams at Ecumenical News International (ENI) and the World Council of Churches have seen a further increase in WSCF's connection with the global ecumenical movement through external media sources.

Federation News

Federation News is the primary global news publication of WSCF and plays an important role in updating students, senior friends and supporters about the global activities of the Federation. In 2007 two editions of Federation News were published, with the November edition rising from the previous four pages up to eight. The November edition is the sixth consecutive issue of Federation News this quadrennium.

Regional Publications

Numerous national and sub-regional publications were produced electronically and in print this year. Four of WSCF's regional offices produced publications including the Asia-Pacific region's Praxis magazine, which was published three times in 2007 addressing issues of sexuality and spirituality, migration and human rights. WSCF's Europe region focused its two 2007 editions of Mozaik magazine on issues of migration and family. In Latin America and the Caribbean WSCF produced two issues of Siembra magazine and co-produced a new introduction to the Old Testament with Mexican SCMer Leopoldo Cervantes-Ortiz. WSCF's Africa region published Daily Bible studies booklets and two editions of its regional electronic newsletter. Both Africa and Asia-Pacific regions produced comprehensive illustrated annual reports in 2007.

Student World

Founded in 1908, Student World is WSCF's annual journal, which publishes writing on critical issues in the Movement today. This year's edition focuses on WSCF's 2007 theme of migration and draws on analysis and reflection from the WSCF global programme on 'Migration, movements and justice' in Mexico this September.

WSCF on the web

WSCF's website www.wscfglobal.org has become increasingly important as the first port of call for enquirers on the global life of the Federation. Intended primarily as an introductory site, the wscfglobal site contains regularly updated news from WSCF and WSCF-related stories from external media sources. Site traffic has grown steadily through the year, with 7890 site visits recorded in December 2007, representing connections from a wide variety of searches and countries. National movements and WSCF regions with independent web presence now link searchers to the wscfglobal site for global news.

Communications plan for the General Assembly

In mid-2007 WSCF began work on the communications plan and website design for the 34th General Assembly in August 2008.

Opportunity for young communicator

WSCF established a Communications Internship this year to increase the Federation's communications capacity and provide a unique opportunity for a young communicator to use their skills at the global level. The internship will enhance WSCF's capacity to expand its web presence, produce publications and manage WSCF news; the internship is part-funded by a grant from the World Council of Churches.

While WSCF's communications have greatly improved over the last three years, the Federation remains committed to increasing its capacity and the quality of communications across the spectrum of formats and forums in the coming years.

WSCF GOVERNING BODIES AND STAFF LEADERSHIP 2007



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GLOBAL ADMINISTRATION

Global office

WSCF is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. The WSCF Inter-Regional Office (IRO) in Geneva manages finance and administration at the global level of the Federation. IRO staff organise statutory and programmatic meetings, fundraise for global activities and produce global publications - the website www.wscfglobal.org, the newsletter Federation News and the journal Student World. Global office staff co-ordinate the Ecumenical Assistance Programme and provide administrative support to the Centennial Fund.

Networking and UN representation

The WSCF global office maintains working relationships with numerous ecumenical organisations in Geneva, including the World Council of Churches, Lutheran World Federation, the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, the Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance, Ecumenical News International, World YWCA and the World Alliance of YMCAs. The Geneva office is responsible for organising the Federation's representation at the United Nations, through UNESCO (Paris), the UN Commission on the Status of Women (New York) and the UN Human Rights Council (Geneva).

Location

WSCF's Inter-Regional Office is located in the Ecumenical Centre, Geneva. Through its position at the Ecumenical Centre, WSCF builds connections with key players in the global ecumenical movement and benefits from collegial relationships and professional support amongst the Geneva organisations.

Staff in 2007

In 2007 the Inter-Regional Office staff consisted of one full-time executive position (General Secretary) and two part-time support positions (an office administrator and an accountant). Other staff were contracted for communications, translation and policy development. In 2007, the Inter-Regional Women's Co-ordinator was based in the WSCF Africa Regional Office in Nairobi, Kenya.

General Secretary

The General Secretary, Rev'd Michael Wallace, has executive responsibility for the Federation. He oversees all global level programmes and projects and manages the work of the Inter-Regional Office.

Financial management

WSCF's Honorary Treasurer, Mr Youhanna Kamal Shawky, is the chief fiscal agent of the Federation. He is supported in his work by WSCF's part-time accountant, Ms Henriette Brachet, who manages the IRO accounts, global meeting accounts, payroll for regional and global staff and the Ecumenical Assistance Programme accounts. Ms Brachet assists with financial reporting for statutory meetings, the Centennial Fund and donor partners, and is the Federation's copyright administrator.

Office administration

The Inter-Regional Office's part-time administrator, Ms Samia Ouraïed, oversees logistics for WSCF global meetings, manages production of global publications, office records and maintains the WSCF database.

PARTNER ORGANISATIONS 2007

Anglican Church of Canada

Bread for All

Canadian International Development Agency

Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst (EED)

Evangelisches Missionswerk in Deutschland (EMW)

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WSCF Centennial Fund





MOBILISING RESOURCES FOR THE FUTURE

The Centennial Fund Board of Trustees Report 2007

ESTABLISHED IN 1990 BY THE 30TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE WSCF CENTENNIAL FUND'S PURPOSE IS TO MOBILISE RESOURCES FOR THE FEDERATION'S COMING CENTURIES. TODAY THE FUND CONTINUES TO GROW STEADILY UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND ITS INVESTMENT ADVISORY GROUP.

Positive growth

The end of 2007 saw the Centennial Fund grow to a total of 2.5 million US dollars due to generous individual donations and accumulated retained earnings on the Fund's equities. While the growth of the Fund is promising, its earnings currently grant 50,000 USD per annum to WSCF, or approximately 5-6% of WSCF's budget for global level activities. In 2007, the Board allocated funds to WSCF's global programme on migration, the Ecumenical Assistance Programme and the Executive Committee meeting.

New trustees and investment advisor

Two new trustees were welcomed to the Board in 2007; Professor Bungaran Saragih (Indonesia) and the Rev'd Jorge Domingues (Brazil/USA) and Mr Olav Nomeland (Norway) was welcomed to the Fund's Investment Advisory Board.

Originally from Brazil, the Rev'd Jorge Domingues has worked for the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church USA since 1996. He is currently the United Methodist Church's Deputy General Secretary for Evangelisation and Church Growth, Mission Contexts and Relationships and Mission Education. Jorge holds an M.Sc. in management and international public service. A member of the US Trustees of WSCF, Jorge has a long association with Latin American SCMs and the WSCF.

Professor Bungaran Saragih is a former member of Indonesian SCM and a graduate of

WSCF's 1970 Asia-Pacific student leadership training programme. During the 1980s-90s, he served as the Indonesian government's Minister of Agriculture and is currently Director of the Centre for Development Studies at Bogor Agricultural University in Bogor, Indonesia. Senior friend of SCM Norway and its highly successful investment manager Mr. Olav Nomeland, has joined the Fund's Investment Advisory Group, bringing to the Fund his more than twenty years of experience in building the financial resources of the Norwegian SCM.

Strategic Fundraising plan - Fund Development Officer

In 2007 the Board of Trustees took decisive action to increase its level of support for the Federation. In 2006, research on fundraising and development had been carried out by the Board, which this year led to the establishment of a new full-time position of Centennial Fund Development Officer. The Fund Development Officer will be engaged to work on long term strategies for building up the Fund.



North American news

An exciting development in 2007 was the establishment of WSCF Canada. Under the far-sighted leadership of the Very Rev'd the Hon Dr. Lois Wilson, Canadian senior friends set up a new body entitled WSCF Canada to support the SCM and to raise funds for all levels of the Federation.

Named Funds

This year the Board of Trustees established five funds in honour of individuals who have made a significant contribution to the life of the Federation. These funds will provide an opportunity for donors to give in honour of the named individuals and to support the areas of the Federation's work that are related to the Fund's namesake. The Board established funds in honour of Marie-Jeanne de Haller (Coleman), Milan Opočenský, Phillip Potter, Kentaro Shiozuki and Suzanne de Diétrich.

Gifts gratefully received

The Norwegian SCM made an outstanding contribution of 1,000,000 Kroner (approx 183,000 US Dollars) to the Centennial Fund this year. The Board was delighted to receive the Norwegian gift, which has been added to the Centennial Fund's principal. Prof. John Coleman, Senator Nancy Ruth, Dr. Paul Warner of Canada and Bishop KH Ting of China and family have all made generous donations to the Marie-Jeanne de Haller Fund and the Suzanne de Diétrich Fund was launched by a generous donation from Rev'd. Thomas Wieser of Switzerland.

Senior Friends Committee

Recognising the need to build relationships with senior friends of the Federation, the Board formed a Senior Friends' Committee in 2007. Foundation members of the new Committee are: Dr. Christine Ledger (Australia) and the Rev'd. Alice Hageman (USA). The Committee will continue the work started by the 1995 meeting of senior friends in Berlin.

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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Income
2007



Undesignated Income

United Church of Canada	74,858.81
Anglican Church of Canada	2,528.06
United Methodist Church USA General Board of Higher Education Ministries	4,475.00
United Methodist Church USA General Board of Global Ministries	15,000.00
United Church of Christ USA	5,000.00
Finnchurchaid	4,054.05
Evangelisches Missionswerk in Deutschland (EMW)	328,296.08
Bread for All	4,237.29
Methodist Church of Great Britain	14,755.50
US Trustees of WSCF	10,000.00
Total Undesignated Income	463,204.79

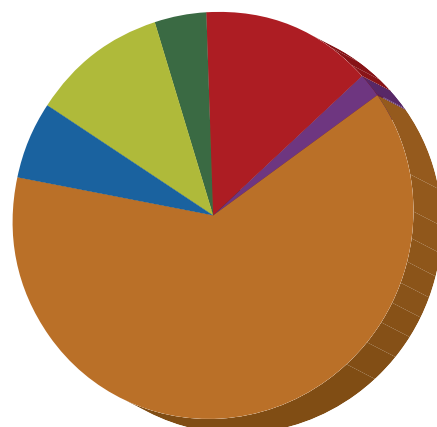
Designated Income

Churches & church agencies Canada & US	
United Church of Canada	4,704.11
United Methodist Church USA General Board of Global Ministries	14,000.00
Church agencies Europe	
Bread for All	4,098.36
Evangelischer Entwicklungsdienst (EED)	200,000.00
Canadian International Development Agency	13,000.00
National Council of Churches in Australia	10,264.50
World Council of Churches	23,810.54
WSCF Centennial Fund	45,695.16
Total Designated Income	315,572.67

Member Contributions

WSCF membership donations & fees	81,597.69
Exchange gain, interest, copyright fees	10,725.06
Total Member Contributions and Fees	92,322.75

Total Income 871,100.21



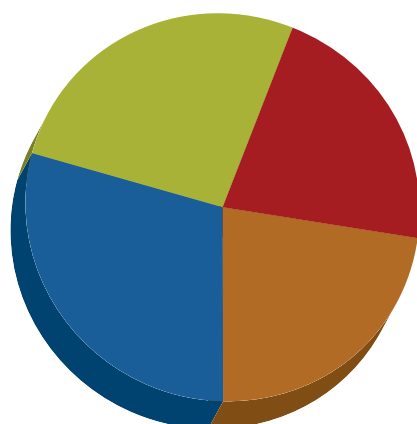
Churches & church agencies - Canada & USA	120,565.98
Aid & development agencies	21,335.65
Churches & church agencies - Europe	547,105.63
WSCF Centennial Fund & US Trustees	55,695.16
Member Contributions and Fees	92,322.75
World Council of Churches & NCC Australia	34,075.04

This overview lists figures in US dollars for finances managed by the WSCF Inter-Regional Office. Each WSCF region has its own budget.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Expenditure
2007

Regional salaries & operational support	
Africa	24,003.15
Asia-Pacific	46,733.20
Europe	31,469.80
Latin America	19,371.82
Middle East	20,285.44
North America	24,371.49
Regional operational support	21,694.74
Global programmes	
General Assembly preparations	8,560.83
Executive Committee meeting, Egypt	40,789.72
Global Programme on Migration, Mexico	46,986.53
Inter-Regional Women's Coordinator	14,898.89
WSCF archives and data base development	1,020.06
Strategic planning & staff development	20,737.54
Internship	8,371.72
National & regional movement building	15,637.12
Communications programme	43,246.71
Global expenses	
Inter-Regional staff and programme support	202,971.67
Global administration	37,288.20
NGO/Geneva networking	5,571.07
Financial management & banking costs	8,382.76
Ecumenical Assistance Programme	
Ecumenical Assistance Programme project grants	232,939.51
Total Expenditure	875,331.97



Regional support	187,929.64
Global Programmes	200,249.12
Global Expenses	254,213.70
Ecumenical Assistance Programme	232,939.51

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WSCF MEMBER MOVEMENTS 2007

(Affiliated and associated)



Aotearoa New Zealand

Argentina

Australia

Austria

Bangladesh

Belarus

Benin

Brazil

Bulgaria

Burundi

Cambodia

Cameroon

Canada

Chile

Colombia

Congo (Democratic Republic of)

Congo Brazaville

Côte d'Ivoire

Croatia

Cuba

Czech Republic

Denmark

Ecuador

Egypt

Ethiopia

Finland

France

Gambia

Germany

Ghana

SCM Aotearoa

MEC Argentina

Australian SCM

Evangelische Hochschulgemeinde in Oesterreich

SCM Bangladesh

Orthodox Fellowship of the three Vilnya Martyrs

Jeunesse Chrétienne Universitaire et Scolaire du Bénin

Movimento Ecuménico de Estudantes de Teologia

Christian Youth Council in Bulgaria

Département des Jeunes, Eglise Episcopale du Burundi

SCM Cambodia

Mouvement des Étudiants Protestants du Cameroun

SCM Canada

Jeunesse Étudiante Chrétienne

MEC de Chile

Pastoral de Jóvenes y Estudiantes de Colombia

Fédération Nationale des Jeunes Protestant

Association des Jeunes et des Étudiants Chrétiens

Union de la Jeunesse Protestante

Association Congolaise des Étudiants Chrétiens

Association Chrétienne des Elèves et Étudiants

Protestant de Côte d'Ivoire

Studentski Evangeoski Pokret

MEC de Cuba

Oikumené Akademicka YMCA

Ecumenical Youth – SCM Denmark

MEC de Guayaquil Ecuador

Coordinadora Ecuatoriana para el Accionar Juvenil

El haq wa el Adel

Ecumenical Youth Committee

Evangelical College Youth of Egypt

Coptic Catholic Youth Egypt

Orthodox Youth Movement Cairo

The Youth of Evangelical Synod

University Student Christian Association

Haimonate Abew Ethiopian Students' Association

The Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus

Suomen Kristillinen Ylioppilaisliitto

Ortodoksinen Opiskelijalitto

Fédération Française des Associations Chrétiennes

d'Étudiants

L'Action Chrétienne des Étudiants Russes - Mouvement

de Jeunesse Orthodoxe

SCM of the Gambia

Evangelische Studentinnengemeinde in Deutschland

SCM Ghana

Haiti

Hong Kong

Hungary

India

Indonesia

Ireland

Italy

Japan

Jordan

Kenya

Korea

Latvia

Lebanon

Lesotho

Liberia

Lithuania

Madagascar

Malawi

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Myanmar

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Singapore

Slovakia

South Africa

Sri Lanka

Sudan

Sweden

Syria

Taiwan

Tanzania

Thailand

Timor Leste

Togo

Uganda

United Kingdom

USA

Uruguay

Venezuela

Zambia

Zimbabwe

MEC Haiti - Alianza Cristiana de Estudiantes Haitianos

Hong Kong SCM

Keresztény Ökumenikus Diákegyesület

SCM India

Gerakan Mahaiswa Kristen Indonesia

SCM Ireland

Federazione Giovanile Evangelica Italiana

Japan Student YMCA

Orthodox Youth Fellowship of Jordan

SCM Kenya

Korean Student Christian Federation

Kristigo jauniesu biedriba KRISTA

Apostolic Youth Federation

Armenian Evangelical Youth Association

Armenian Christian University Student Association

Jeunesse Étudiante Chrétienne

Orthodox Youth Movement in Lebanon

SCM Lesotho

National Student Christian Council

Vilinius Evangelical Lutheran Academic Youth

Fellowship

Mpianatra Kristiana Malgasi

SCM Malawi

MEC por la Equidad

MEC de México

SCM Myanmar - Myanmar University Christian Work

SCM Namibia

Landelijk Steunpunt Studentenpastoren

SCM Nigeria

Norges Kristelige Studentforbund

SCM Pakistan

SCM Philippines

Fellowship of Orthodox Youth in Poland

Romanian Christian Orthodox Students Association

Mouvement des Étudiants au Service Social au Rwanda

Rassemblement de la Jeunesse Étudiante

Protestante à l'Action

Mouvement des Jeunes de l'Eglise

Protestante du Sénégal

SCM Sierra Leone

SCM Singapore

EKUNET Slovakia

Federation of South African Christian Students

SCM Sri Lanka

Khartoum University Caucuses

Sudanese Student Christian Mission

SCM Sweden

Orthodox Youth Movement in Syria

SCM Taiwan

Tanzania Student Christian Fellowship

SCM Thailand

MEC de Timor Leste

Association Chrétienne de Elèves et Étudiants du Togo

Church of Uganda Provincial Youth & Students Unit

Student Christian Movement - UK

Council for Ecumenical Student Christian Ministry

Lutheran Student Movement

United Methodist Student Movement

Espacio Estudiantil Cristiano

MEC de Venezuela

SCM Zambia

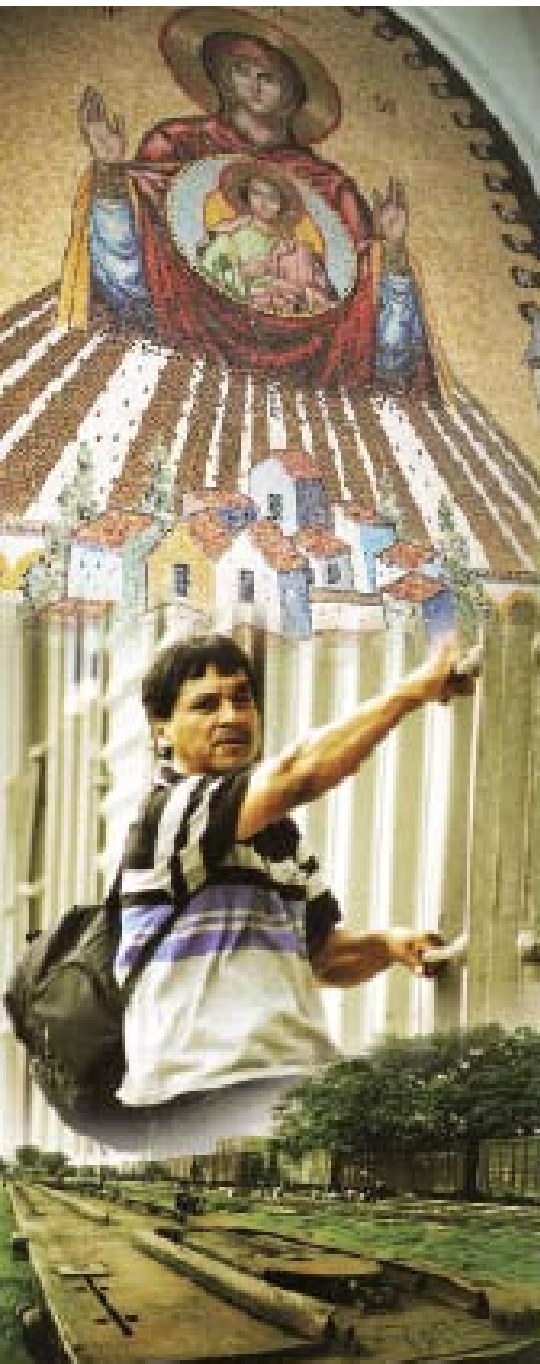
SCM Zimbabwe



WE, THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE WSCF INTER-REGIONAL PROGRAMME “MIGRATION, MOVEMENTS AND JUSTICE”

BELIEVE THAT EVERY PERSON IS CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF GOD AND THAT EVERY PERSON DESERVES TO BE TREATED WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT NO MATTER WHAT THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS MAY BE. WE DENOUNCE THE ABUSE OF CHRISTIANITY OR ANY OTHER RELIGIOUS OR NATIONAL IDENTITIES THAT PROMOTE XENOPHOBIA AND SYSTEMIC RACISM.

WE RECOGNISE THAT MIGRATION IS AN AGE-OLD GLOBAL PHENOMENON. WE RECOGNISE THAT MIGRATION IS A COMPLEX ISSUE AND THAT THE REASONS MOTIVATING MIGRATION VARY IN DIFFERENT CONTEXTS. WE NOTE THAT MIGRATION HAS VARIOUS FORMS, SOME POSITIVE AND SOME NEGATIVE.



We believe

- that each person has a right to move in safety and with their dignity respected
- that the voice of migrants be heard in all deliberations on migration
- that migration can have a dehumanising effect on the most vulnerable people (dehumanising conditions faced by migrants include: refusals at borders, being treated as security threats, being used for political purposes, suffering human rights violations, being treated purely as resources or burdens, being subject to the illegal markets of migration)
- that some states are encouraging the creation of xenophobic policies
- that hospitality and care of the stranger are inherent in the Abrahamic traditions and that our religions are based upon stories of migration
- that Christ teaches us to make ourselves vulnerable, this applies to welcoming migrants. We must be willing to make ourselves vulnerable when meeting the migrant, the stranger, the other.

We recognise

- that in looking at migration we have to critique the global economic system, international financial institutions and unjust economic structures as the major causes and to look for just alternatives
- that the consequences of migration are shared by the migrants and their families, the sending and receiving countries
- that migration takes place within the context of patriarchy and therefore women and unaccompanied children migrants are especially vulnerable to exploitation, sexual violence and abuse
- any assault against a migrant as a crime against humanity.

We denounce

- the commodification of labour and people
- those who profit from the misery of migrants
- systems that kill the bodies, souls, hopes, skills and communities of millions of migrants
- the criminalisation of migration

We affirm

- the work of migrant groups who fight for their rights and we stand in solidarity with them
- the efforts of all those working for migration justice

We call

- for critical analysis of the concept of migration, development, and co-development
- for increased and integrated south-south co-operation on migration, promoting solidarity between countries on the periphery of the global economic systems
- for increased north-south co-operation on migration
- for the wealthy to give up some privileges in order to stop exploitation of the poor including migrants
- for international action and solidarity for the protection of migrant women and unaccompanied children
- for the recognition of the inalienable Human Rights of migrants





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