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**BERITA INTERN UNTUK
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BAGI KALANGAN BISNIS DAN
PROFESI KRISTEN**

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DIMANA PESAN KRISTUS BAGI
KITA DI ZAMAN INI DIJABARKAN,
DIBAGIKAN DAN DINYATAKAN
TERHADAP DUNIA BISNIS

NEW NATIONAL BOARD

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From the desk of National President

Sahabat dan Mitra kami di Marketplace

Dalam kesempatan ini, saya ingin menyinggung tentang salah satu nature Tuhan dan diri kita yaitu bekerja/berusaha.

Bekerja adalah panggilan nature manusia karena Allah kita adalah Allah yang bekerja, Allah yang hidup, DIA sangat giat dalam bekerja sehingga menguduskan atau mengkhususkan hari sabat sebagai hari peristirahatan.

Tuhan mengingatkan kita untuk belajar dari semut, Paulus mengatakan bagi yang tidak bekerja untuk tidak makan, karena dari bekerjalah kita dapat diberkati sehingga kita dimudahkan memenuhi tanggung jawab pribadi dan sosial kita sesuai dengan rencanaNYA. Dunia adalah tempat dimana kita masih bekerja dan produktif dengan cara yang benar, kudus dan transparan dihadapan Tuhan. Sorga juga bukan semata-mata tempat dimana kita hanya menyanyi dan bernyanyi dalam kekekalan.

Tuhan dengan jelas memberikan perumpamaan, yang diberi satu talenta, dua talenta dan satu talenta. Hamba yang tidak produktif Tuhan meminta pertanggung jawaban dan menuntutnya karena kita harus dan masih bekerja bukan di dunia orang mati, jadi hidup kita harus terbiasa menjadi orang yang bekerja dan produktif dalam karier dan bisnis kita tetapi untuk kerajaan Allah bukan untuk kerajaan kita. ICCC-Indonesia, sungguh berkomitmen untuk menjadi mitra anda bertumbuh bersama dalam pembelajaran bagaimana menerapkan nilai-nilai Firman Tuhan dalam setiap praktek bisnis dan pekerjaan kita, karena itu kami mengundang saudara/i untuk terlibat dalam in-group TWL kami setiap bulannya.

Kami mengundang Anda juga untuk hadir dalam seminar sehari, kami tentang "God's Yes on Your Business Life" pada tanggal 09 September 2017. Mengenai lokasi akan kami akan sampaikan menyusul.

Mitra Tuhan di marketplace, mewakili seluruh National Board, kami menyampaikan terimakasih untuk seluruh doa, donasi dan partisipasi anda untuk ICCC-Indonesia (International Christian Chambers of Commerce)

Sampai jumpa di edisi bulan depan dan Tuhan Yesus memberkati anda, keluarga dan bisnis Anda.

Umbu Pekuwali

National President

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MEMBERS FORUM

MEMBERSHIP FEE

Bagi anda yang ingin bergabung dan member yang akan memperpanjang kartu keanggotaan anda untuk tahun 2017 agar segera menghubungi Simon Aditan – V.P. Membership Domain (HP: +62816974647 atau email: simonaditan@yahoo.com)

Annual Membership Fee untuk tahun 2017 kategori Developing Nation menjadi Rp. 750.000 (tujuh ratus limapuluh ribu rupiah) dimana US\$ 50 dikirim ke Kantor Pusat di Swedia sebagai syarat dan kewajiban International Membership

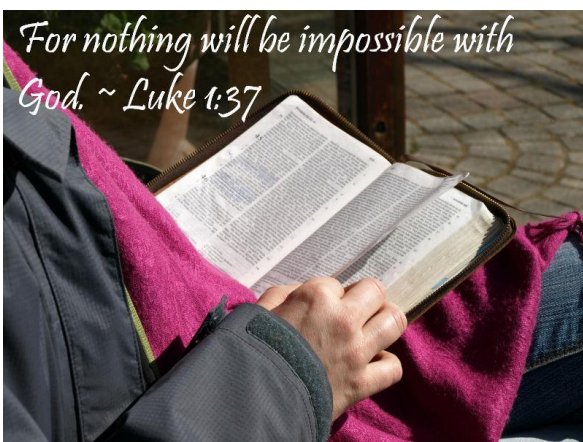
Membership Fee dapat ditransfer ke rekening ICCC Indonesia atau FORUKIN dibawah ini, dan mengirimkan bukti transfernya dengan fax ke alamat yang tercantum pada halaman pertama kiri bawah dari Newsletter ini:

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CONGRATULATION & HAPPY WEDDING

Dimple
(Daughter of our Brother Mohan U. Vasandani)
and
Fredrick
(Son of Mr. & Mrs. Bjorn Roland Waara)

On Sunday, 11th June 2017



NATIONAL BOARD ACTIVITIES

National Board Monthly meeting was conducted on Saturday, 17th of June 2017 at Bro. Simon Aditan's new office: P.T. Gempita Mas Tur Jaya, at Pertokoan Greenville Blok A No. 12A, Jalan Greenville Raya, Jakarta Barat 11510, our main agenda is to prepare for the ICCC Annual Membes Gathering and also to pray for the blessings of our Brother Simon new office. We also took the opportunity to study Transformed Working Life shared by Bro. Benjamin N. Juwono



Bro. Benjamin B. Juwono sharing the TWL session, listened by Bro. Tonny Soetjoadi, Luhut M. Sitorus and Umbu Pekuwali (National President) and also others.



Mr. & Mrs. Simon Aditan



Eliezer H. Hardjo, Maria Sitorus, Tonny Soetjoadi, Luhut M. Sitorus and Umbu Pekuwali

• ICCC REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

The ICCC Regional Director for Asia, Bro. Benjamin B. Juwono on the 9th of June 2017 visited Phnom Penh, Cambodia to meet with the Christian business people for the main Agenda sharing of The ICCC Vision and Purpose for and in the marketplace. This event was arranged and assisted by Mr. Markus.

This initial meeting was attended by 15 businessmen and businesswomen who in the end of the meeting committed to form a group who will meet regularly to further study the Transformed Working Life (TWL) sessions and form the ICCC National Chamber in Cambodia.

In order to strengthen the Cambodian chamber the next step need be arranged is to send the ICCC Teachers from neighbouring countries like Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore to share the TWL sessions.



Benjamin B. Juwono and Nigel Boatman (white hair gentleman at the back row) with the Cambodian Christian Brothers and Sisters



The Incredible Story of John Kirkby and Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

BY GILLAN @ GOD AND POLITICS



Every now and then I have the privilege of meeting someone who has such an incredible faith and passion for serving God that it is



Bro. Benjamin B. Juwono, Regional Director for Asia sharing the TWL

impossible not to come away inspired and in awe of God's abundant blessings.

I had one of those occasions earlier this month when I met the founder of [Christians Against Poverty](#) (CAP), John Kirkby at the Conservative Christian Fellowship's monthly Westminster Briefing event. John had been invited to talk about the work of CAP which works across the UK lifting people out of debt and poverty through their free debt counselling service. In the end he spent most of the time going through his life story and the road that led him to forming CAP. It's such an amazing story that I thought it would be worth sharing some of it here.

John Kirkby was born in 1961 and grew up in Heckmondwike, West Yorkshire. Although his parents were Christians, he had little interest in church as he grew up. He spent much of his teenage years rebelling, developing an increasingly destructive relationship with the classic combination of drink and drugs. At fifteen he made up a National Insurance number in order to get a job at a paint manufacturer fitting lids onto the paint tins. Over the following years he worked through a series of apprenticeships and jobs discovering along the way that he had a strong entrepreneurial streak.

At the end of his teens, he began a job as a debt collector and loan salesman for a finance company called Avco Trust. Over the next seven years he worked his way up through the company until he was running several of their branches. After moving on, John set up a number of businesses including a financial services company, a loan brokerage firm and what became the largest sun-bed retailer in the North of England. Through his success he was able to fund a lavish lifestyle including a large home, cars and holidays.

However through a series of mistakes and excessive borrowing to finance his

businesses, John's world soon began to fall apart as the banks started to ask for their money back. In 1992 he was advised by his accountant to declare bankruptcy. He avoided doing so, but lost virtually everything and found himself with debts of £78,000 and nowhere to turn.

One thing John was left with was a house he had acquired through a property deal. It had a huge mortgage and he was desperate to get rid of it, but instead ended up renting it out to a pastor and his family who had recently moved over from Norway. John gradually got to know them and one day, when he visited to collect the rent, they offered him a Bible and invited him to attend their church. He accepted and was so overwhelmed by the experience that afterwards he gave his life to God.

Having encountered Jesus, John found himself desperate to share God's love often going to the Bradford Royal Infirmary talking to and praying for ill people he met there.

John said at this point as he was speaking that you would expect him to say that after becoming a Christian his life started to transform and went from strength to strength, but in fact his circumstances worsened. His precarious financial situation began to deteriorate and his marriage of twelve years failed. During the following year his life completely fell apart. He became destitute, hurting, lonely and afraid. He was left camping out in a friend's bedroom. His two young girls would sleep on camp beds in the room when they came to visit. He was struggling just to find the money to feed himself and his children, regularly relying on the kindness of his family and friends at church to get by.

After hitting rock bottom, John gradually began to sort his life. He was able to find a job at a financial services company that he had helped found several years earlier. This

position paid enough to allow him to considerably reduce his debts, but it also made him feel increasingly uneasy about the business of lending money. He often had to deal with people who were unable to pay back the money they had borrowed and were really struggling. His Christian instincts were telling him to help them and do what he could to reduce their payments.

In March of 1996, two years after finding work again, John decided that he needed to make a choice; either carry on as he was or put his life in God's hands and see where it would take him. He believed God was calling him to sacrifice his career in finance and use his knowledge of the industry to help the poor. He chose the latter and soon afterwards finished working for the company. Following that, his intention was to set up either a Christian building society or finance company, but during a telephone conversation with someone he had never met he was asked what he could do that wouldn't require any start-up funds. As soon as the call was over he went to his computer and typed in 'debt counselling'. As the weeks progressed he prayed and studied the Bible along with researching money advice. He registered a charity using the name Christians Against Poverty. In August, armed with a lot of faith, but no money except a £10 gift, CAP was launched and in September, John met his first clients. God was about to put all of John's experiences of debt, poverty, personal breakdown and dealing with finance to very good use in an amazing way.

The miraculous story of how CAP grew from these humble beginnings into a large and respected charity is another story entirely. It is full of incredible faith, answered prayer and God's repeated provision. John's book, *Nevertheless*, which is [available for free from the CAP website](#) explains how CAP grew at a remarkable pace, with thousands of clients being set free from crippling debts.

Marianne Clough, CAP's National PR Manager has given me a taster from her perspective:

'My first experience of John Kirkby and CAP was when I was working as a reporter at the Telegraph and Argus in Bradford. I went to interview him (because the press release made little sense!) and we sat round his kitchen table. He explained what he was doing for Bradford families crippled by debt and the plans he had to help more people. Back then, it was just him and his mate working out of the spare room of his family home doing what they could for the very local community. It was 1997, my first year in Bradford and the year I married. Considering it is not that long ago, the growth is utterly mind-blowing. Yes, the need for debt help has grown but so have the number of people who are prepared to sacrificially give their time, money and expertise to help the poorest – there's a willing army of them and that's what gets me most.'



Colin Bloom, Executive Director of the Conservative Christian Fellowship and John Kirkby, founder of Christians Against Poverty

Seventeen years on and CAP has grown to be one of the most respected organisations involved with debt in this country and has [won many awards](#) for its work. Sister CAP organisations are now running in Australia, New Zealand and Canada. It works alongside some of our largest financial institutions such as Barclays and Lloyds providing advice for their debt recovery divisions. Before speaking at the

Conservative Christian Fellowship's Westminster Briefing, John Kirkby had met with the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby to discuss how CAP can support the Church of England in rolling out credit unions over the coming years.

CAP has 230 employees at its head office in Bradford along with numerous others employed by churches to run debt centres of which there are now 239 around the country. CAP provides debt help for 26,000 people in a year. In 2012, 1,658 clients became debt free. CAP's money management course, the CAP Money course runs in 1,029 churches and in the 12 months of 2013 around 10,000 people will have completed it. CAP also runs a Money Youth course for schools to teach financial management along with CAP Money Students for those at university. In March, CAP Job Clubs was launched. There are now 72 of these centers helping people find work.

CAP's expenditure for 2012 was £7.2 million, but not a single penny of funding is provided by the Government. CAP runs entirely on donations with 22,000 regular givers (known as Life Changers). During the financial crash of 2008 John Kirkby was asked by a politician how CAP would be able to keep going in the financial climate. He replied that he was not worried because his funding came from God! Since then, whilst many charities and state services have cut back, CAP has trebled in size.

This is a testament to the generosity of God's provision through an increasing number of people who support and believe in CAP's work. CAP is always open about the fact that it is a Christian organisation. The lack of state funding does actually mean it can be more open about the faith aspect of its work. CAP will work with clients from all backgrounds and faiths, but its staff want to give others the opportunity to learn about and experience God's love. With the permission of clients,

CAP staff and volunteers talk about Jesus passionately and directly. As well as the offer of prayer, every client is given a befriender from a local church – this person will be with them throughout the often long journey to become debt free. In the last year 500 people have become Christians through the work of CAP.

The story of John Kirkby and Christians Against Poverty is one full of God's grace and mercy. Those in need are provided for in practical and life-changing ways and God's love is poured out in abundance. It also demonstrates how God can turn our failures and the painful experiences of life into something powerful when we put our faith in Him, potentially using it to bless many others in ways we cannot begin to imagine.

VISI DAN TUJUAN ICCC



International Christian Chamber of Commerce (ICCC) lahir dari kepatuhan terhadap visi yang diberikan selama kurun waktu enam tahun kepada seorang usahawan Swedia J. Gunnar Olson, yang diteguhkan dengan nubuatan dan terbukanya pintu kesempatan disekitarnya yang

sebelumnya tertutup.

ICCC merupakan panggilan yang serius dan menantang bagi pengusaha Kristen untuk mengenali jaman yang sedang kita masuki dan dengan terang dari pengenalan itu memasuki dimensi iman yang baru yang disediakan bagi mereka yang ... "takut akan TUHAN ... berbicara satu sama lain ... dan menghormati namaNya." (Maleakhi 3: 16)

Visi ini memanggil para pengusaha dan kaum profesi di seluruh dunia yang terbeban untuk saling berhubungan, bertukar pendapat, memperdagangkan barang dan menyediakan jasa, saling mendukung dan menguatkan secara rohani dan materi.

Berdasarkan eksistensi dari visi itu sendiri memproklamkan otoritas Kristus yang mutlak diseluruh dunia.

Pada intinya ICCC adalah kehendak TUHAN untuk memperluas tali kasih-Nya, melalui gereja-Nya, didalam dunia usaha. Hal ini menuntut para pelaku bisnis mencari terlebih dahulu Kerajaan-Nya dan segala Kebenaran-Nya.

Urapan tersedia bagi mereka yang dengan mata melihat dan telinga mendengar panggilan jaman.

Sebagaimana halnya Raja Daud yang menerima urapan untuk menjadi raja, jauh sebelum dia menjadi Raja, yang keadaan pada saat urapan diberikan sama sekali tidak mungkin bagi Daud untuk menjadi Raja, demikianlah ICCC memanggil para pengusaha Kristen sebelum peristiwanya terjadi untuk mengalami kebebasan masuk ke dalam dimensi baru, dimana sasaran, strategi dan perencanaan bersama-sama diwujudkan-nyatakan sesuai dengan iman di dalam Kristus.

ICCC mencanangkan panggilan itu sejalan dengan rencana TUHAN bagi jaman ini sebagai kunci memperoleh berkat dan pertumbuhan dan agar dapat bangkit berkemenangan diatas gelombang ombak yang mengancam.

Panggilan ICCC: *“Mereka akan menjadi milik kesayanganKu sendiri, firman TUHAN semesta Alam pada hari yang Kusiapkan. Aku akan mengasihi mereka sama seperti seseorang menyayangi anaknya yang melayani dia. Maka kamu akan melihat kembali perbedaan antara orang benar dan orang fasik, antara orang yang beribadah kepada TUHAN dan orang yang tidak beribadah kepada-Nya.” (Maleakhi 3: 17-18)*

KEYAKINAN IMAN ICCC:

- Satu-satunya TUHAN pencipta segala sesuatu dalam kesatuan Trinitas: Bapa, Anak, dan Roh Kudus.
- Keilahian TUHAN Yesus Kristus. Kelahiran-Nya dari rahim seorang Perawan. Karya penebusan dosa manusia melalui kematian-Nya diatas kayu salib. Kebangkitan-Nya. Hak otoritas diri-Nya atas dunia dan Kedatangan-Nya yang kedua kali dalam Kuasa dan Kemuliaan-Nya.
- Alkitab, sepenuhnya sebagai Firman TUHAN yang memberikan inspirasi dan berbagai peraturan bagi kehidupan yang dilandasi iman.
- Keselamatan pribadi orang berdosa dan kebutuhannya untuk mengalami proses regenerasi melalui8 karya Roh Kudus dalam menuju menjadikannya sebagai manusia yang dikehendaki oleh TUHAN, seutuhnya.



Transformed Working Life (TWL) adalah Pelatihan resmi dari Kantor Internasional bagi anggota ICCC dalam memperlengkapi anggota dengan pengetahuan dan pemahaman latar belakang, tujuan dan penerapan prinsip-prinsip Kerajaan TUHAN bagi dunia bisnis dan profesi.

TWL diperuntukkan bagi anggota dan dapat diikuti secara cuma-cuma, namun terbuka juga bagi siapa saja yang berminat untuk mengikutinya.

TWL diselenggarakan dalam bahasa Indonesia dan dilengkapi dengan buku panduannya, yang telah diterjemahkan kedalam Bahasa Indonesia juga, sehingga para peserta betul-betul akan memperoleh manfa'at yang besar dan mengalami transformasi dalam kehidupan pribadi maupun bisnisnya.

TWL difasilitasi oleh anggota National Board yang terlatih dan dikoordinir oleh V.P. Teaching: Benjamin B. Juwono bersama dengan Teaching Team: Johanis S. Najoo dan Eliezer H. Hardjo

Transformed Working Life (TWL) akan ditayangkan dalam salah satu channel di Indonesia agar dapat dimanfaatkan oleh para pebisnis & profesional Kristiani di Indonesia bagaimana menerapkan prinsip-prinsip Kerajaan Tuhan dalam kehidupan berbisnis dan bekerja mereka.

TWL bagi members secara rutin diadakan pada hari Sabtu ke 2 setiap bulan dan terbuka dan dianjurkan bagi semua member untuk mengikutinya sebagai pembekalan wajib.

DEVOTIONAL

Shaping Your Thoughts

by Inspiration Ministries



"Remember, O Lord, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach. Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens." Lamentations 5:1-2 KJV
It is a subject that some find unimportant. A subject that can seem tedious. But for the poet, form is essential.

Poems can express everything from grief to love. They can be complex or simple. Long or short. Many feature rhymes; some do not. But, in one way or another, all have form. And this form helps define their shape and impact.

Some forms are clearly recognized. For example, to qualify as a sonnet or haiku, a poem must meet specific requirements. There even are forms that define the shape of poems featured in greeting cards. Reading the Bible, we may not realize how often its writers used very strict forms. For example, regardless of how we might read Lamentations in modern English, in reality, in the original Hebrew, this is a series of five poems.

The first four chapters all are alphabetic acrostics. This means being organized into stanzas, each beginning with letters of the Hebrew alphabet (which has 22 letters). As a result, chapters one, two, and four have 22 "verses," while chapter three has 66 verses (three each for each letter).

The fifth chapter also contains 22 verses but is not an acrostic. Our minds and

hearts might be drawn to the message. But, in subtle ways, this message is impacted by the form.

The fact is that the Bible is filled with many kinds of forms. Descriptive passages. Narratives filled with stories. Genealogies and laws. Teachings and prophecies. And poems.

In your life, remember that there are many ways to speak to God, and be used by Him. Your heart might overflow freely as you share concerns. But you also have the opportunity to seek to organize thoughts. Giving shape and form to your expressions. Whatever you do, make a commitment to excellence. Giving your best as you seek to serve God.

Prayer

Father, let me be Your instrument. Show me how I can communicate Your message to others. I want to serve You with excellence. In Jesus' name. Amen. Pray that God would give Inspiration Ministries' programs creative excellence.

TERIMAKASIH