

Media Communicators Network: Towards a Community

This final interactive session invites the Network participants to reflect together on their own media ministries in the light of the various Network sessions. It also opens up for an exploration of how to build a community of evangelical media communicators, enabling a year-round sharing of experiences, strategies and resources from different arenas.

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I. Reflecting together as a community

a. *Cape Town Commitment*

i. A missional platform for our media engagement

ii. Connecting the Media Network (at the Forum) and the Global South?

b. *Content*

i. Media awareness and critique

ii. Media presence

iii. Media ministries

iv. Media usages / Word and image

c. *Concerns*

i. Truth, humanity, holiness, calling, love

II. Revisiting our key questions from the first session

- a. Media messages and information technology increasingly influence and impact our lives. How should we respond as evangelical Christians?
- b. How can we develop proper media awareness as global and European evangelical Christians?

- c. How can we as evangelical Christians be present and visible with truth and love in the major news and entertainment media?
- d. In technology-rich countries, young people live in a media world of internet, movies, television series, computer games and social media. How should we as evangelical Christians respond in our mission?
- e. How do we equip young evangelical Christians in Europe and around the world to become media missionaries and media professionals?
- f. How can we as evangelical Christians remain committed to the Truth of Christ and personal holiness in a challenging media world?

III. Resourcing each other as a community

If needed and if appropriate, how do we find realistic ways of enabling a year-round sharing of experiences, strategies and resources from different media arenas?