



10 May 2007

Dear Faithful Servant of the Lord:

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

Christian leaders from the more recent immigrant communities in the United States of America, including Latin American, Chinese and Korean, met to discuss their shared burden over the current social and cultural condition plaguing our nation today. As immigrants, we came to appreciate the vital importance of the core principles and values upon which the American society was built, and we marveled at the promise of the American dream borne of this nation's history. In a remarkably short amount of time that is without historical precedence we have witnessed a dramatic departure from these same guiding principles that were established as the foundation of this nation and were elemental in its formidable rise to becoming the most successful standard bearer of democracy and liberty to the world.

We considered Cotton Mather's words; a man considered one of the most influential religious leaders in America who set the "moral tone" in the early 1700's, when he wrote: "Religion (Christianity) brought forth prosperity, and the daughter destroyed the mother." Could it be that freedom, peace, and prosperity--the very things that were the fruits of the biblical worldview, are leading us astray? It appears that Thomas Jefferson, third President of the United States, thought so as engraved in the "third panel" of the Jefferson Memorial, Washington D.C.

And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are a gift of God? That they are not to be violated with his wrath?
Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just: that his justice cannot sleep forever...

As we interchanged our thoughts with those who had enjoyed the many benefits we had received from living in the United States, we reflected on the need for spiritual and cultural renewal in the nation. We were reminded about the findings of Robert W. Fogel, 1993 Nobel Prize winner in economics, who linked authentic renewal to transformation in the United States when he wrote:

The First Great Awakening, which began in 1730, laid the ideological foundation for the American Revolution. The second, starting in 1800, introduced many daring reforms, including the abolition of slavery. The Third Great Awakening, from 1890 to 1930, emphasized social injustice and launched the welfare state¹.

Following a time of reflection and prayer the decision was made to convene a gathering in Washington, D.C. called Transform USA 2007 to reflect, repent and reconcile with servant leaders from the different ethnicities in the country who have the same desire for the United States to experience the blessing of God and seek the renewal of her Church and culture.

Transform USA 2007 fits into the stream of other worldwide Transform World initiatives, committed to the transformational mission of God that results in the healing of the nations. Our objectives are to reflect on the cultural values while revisiting the historic monuments in Washington D.C. and to repent of those things which demonstrate our departure from the values of the founders of the nation. We seek to consider ways to bring healing to the people of the United States and begin by reconciling differences between ourselves and the ethnic communities we belong to. We plan to consider the need for transformation in the Church and several cultural molders, including the area of the Arts and entertainment, the Market Place, Media and Technology, Education, Family and Governance. The program includes plans for a briefing at the White House and prayer walking on the Mall.

The gathering in Washington D.C. aims to recover the biblical principles that made this nation great. “In one review of 15,000 writings of the Founding Fathers of America, 94% of their quotes were based directly or indirectly on the Bible.²” Recognizing our own country’s need for transformation, our main purpose is to gather servants of God from among recent immigrant communities to encourage them to act as catalysts to renew the Church and culture in the United States of America. Please complete and email registration form below.

In Jesus!

Luis Bush & Steve Chang

Co-Facilitators



¹Robert W. Fogel, 2000 *Fourth Great Awakening and the Future of Egalitarianism*. Chicago, IL: U. of Chicago Press, p 10.

² John Eidsmoe, *Christianity and the Constitution*, Baker Book House, 1987, pages 51, 53.

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Highlights

Purpose: To gather servants of God from among recent immigrant communities to encourage them to act as catalysts to renew the Church and culture in the United States of America.

Major objectives:

1. To reflect on the cultural values and biblical worldview while revisiting the historic monuments in Washington D.C.
2. To repent of those things which demonstrate our departure from the values of the founders of the nation and for quenching the Holy Spirit.
3. To seek to bring healing to the people of the United States.
4. To reconcile differences between ourselves.
5. To consider the need for transformation in seven cultural molders including the following: The Arts and Entertainment, Business and the Market Place, Church, Media and Technology, Education, Family and Government

Date and time: July 3-5, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd to 5 p.m. on the 5th. If you decide to participate, please plan to remain for the entire time. The tour of Washingtonian historic cites begins at 10 a.m. on the 3rd.

Place: Mayflower Hotel, 1127 Connecticut Avenue N.W., Washington DC 20036 Washington D.C. Telephone: (202) 347-3000

Costs:

Registration: \$100 per person covers tour on 3rd, meeting room and two dinners. Make payable to **One Body** and mail to Transform USA 2007, 3901 Fair Ridge Drive, suite 220, Fairfax, VA 22033

Hotel: Group Discount rate is \$189.00 Plus tax per person for 3rd and 4th July (double occupancy). Discounted rate likely available on 2nd and 5th as well.

Meals: Breakfast and Lunch on your own.

Participation by invitation only—100 people from different ethnic groups

Honorary Co-Chairmen: Russell Begaye: (for native Americans) Alberto Mottes: (for Hispanics), Thomas Wang (for Chinese in USA), Lee Won Sang: (for Koreans), Paul Tan and Sam Sikitari: (for Indonesians) Loren Cunningham: (for rest of the nations)

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REGISTRATION FORM

Send to regist@transformUSA.com for your registration

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DATE: 3-5 JULY 2007

LOCATION: Mayflower Hotel, Washington D.C.

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Bio-Sketch(100 words)			

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Example of Bio-sketch: Rafael Navarro (Philippines): Chito, as he is known to friends, serves as Founder and Director of the *Foundation for Transformational Development* (a poverty alleviation program)—an NGO in Mindanao. He has an engineering degree, a doctorate in ministries, and is an ordained pastor and church planter. In the past, he was a director of World Vision Philippines, director of Church Growth with the Philippines Council of Evangelical Churches, and International Training Coordinator of World Evangelical Fellowship, among other positions. Responding to the poverty in Asia, he established the Foundation for Transformational Development that provides low cost housing technology, appropriate technologies for food production and health maintenance and cooperatives.