A Celebration of Cultures

“My first Assembly was in Calcutta, India, in 1997 – a gawky 17-year-old then! I volunteered at the first ever Global Church Village where I worked with an international group of 18 people. The entire experience helped me see that even though we are from different cultures and languages, we worship the same God.”

Those were the words of Jessica Mondal, Assembly's Global Church Village coordinator, about her first global church experience in her home country.

Fast forward six years, she attended another first: the Global Youth Summit (GYS) in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. “By being a GYS delegate, I saw that young leaders need to exhibit initiative and integrity that will enable church leaders to trust us.”

Jessica Mondal has since become a part of church leadership in Emmanuel Chapel and later Hastings Chapel, both part of the Bharatiya Jukta Christa Prachar Mandali (BJCPM) conference in India. She taught Sunday school classes, was secretary of the church board, led worship, prayer meetings and Bible study. She now ministers as a pastor’s wife while being the children's representative of the BJCPM conference for the last three years.

Assembly only circles back to the same continent every 25 years, so upon hearing that Indonesia would host the Assembly, she was already planning to come with her husband. “And then Liesa asked if I would like to organize the Global Church Village. I was immediately transported back to my experience in Calcutta, excited about bringing a miniature global village to life once more! I’m thankful for the opportunity to contribute,” Jessica Mondal says.

The Global Church Village will be a celebration of what each Anabaptist culture represents, and will be available to virtual participants.

- Each continent will have a booth to host activities, display photos or videos of their churches, and share their perspective
- A stage will host a multitude of cultural performances
- A storytelling booth will host people who want to share their unique faith journeys
- Everyone will also be able to participate in a mural or collaborative art project

Indonesia as the host will be given its own space to showcase their diversity. “Here, all Assembly participants can learn a little something about other cultures and churches. It will be a multisensory experience: people can taste, dance, sing, watch, listen, feel, and interact with each other!” Jessica Mondal says.

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Workshop
Assembly offers sharing and discussions in peace and justice, youth, creation care, baptism, interfaith dialog, creative ministry and more! Or submit another topic to mwc-cmm.org/A17workshops if you feel called to host a virtual or in-person workshop.

Attend a different workshop every day.
Photo: Jonathon Charles

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Global speakers.
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Registration
Registration opens in December 2021

Registration fee for adults will be A $35, B $75, C $150, D $550 US or E Rp. 500,000 depending on country of citizenship (see rate groups on website). Registration includes lunch and supper, Semarang airport pick-up and drop-off and Semarang hotel shuttles to and from Assembly site.

There will be special rates for children, youth, families, volunteers and GYS attendees. Please see website for more details: mwc-cmm.org/A17-registration

Lodging, breakfast included
Hotel Rooms: $30 to $50 US room per night at a 3- to 4-star hotel
Dormitory-style lodging at local school: $10 US per person per night

Registration fee GYS:
including food and lodging A $15, B $35, C $75, D $275 US, E Rp. 200,000 depending on country of citizenship (see rate groups on website).

Online Registration Fee
Assembly
A - $US 0, B $US 25, C $US 50, D $US 150, E IDR 200,000

GYS
A - $US 0, B $US 12, C $US 25, D $US 75, E IDR 100,000

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For more information
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400 henna at Global Church Village’s Asia booth, 2015.
Photo: Kazutomo Ray Epp

Assembly Gathered Program

July
Daily Themes
05 Tuesday (opening): following Jesus together across barriers
06 Wednesday: following Jesus, learning together
07 Thursday: following Jesus, living together
08 Friday: following Jesus, caring together
09 Saturday: following Jesus, celebrating together
10 Sunday (closing): following Jesus together

Global Speakers, International Choir
For five days, be part of a multicultural worship experience that involves an international choir and ensemble, global speakers and a truly global communion. Apply to be part of the international choir on mwc-cmm.org/A17choir

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