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ISACC is a research and training organization engaged in development, missiology and cross-cultural studies within Asian contexts aimed at social transformation

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Once again, we wish to invite you and your organization to our annual **Transformational Development (TransDev)** course, designed for leaders and field managers to deepen in integrating their faith in doing culturally-sensitive development work. For some time now, Integral Mission has been a flag for many development organizations, but very few organizations really know how this actually works out in their day-to-day operations. This will be held on September 21 to October 2, 2015.

This two-week certificate course helps participants to have a better grasp of wholism, the socio-cultural context that causes poverty, theories of development, and a tool kit of practical approaches. The first module is on Integral Mission and Development Work, the second module is on Practical Approaches to Poverty-Reduction and Social Change. A unique feature of this year's course is a survey of Christian social teachings and movements, to be done by the distinguished missiologist-historian, Prof. Andrew Walls of the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

TRANSDEV assembles a unique blend of multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary scholars and practitioners. This time, we have also Architect Jun Palafox, internationally known for his expertise in human settlements and urban planning, to help us think through housing for disaster survivors. There are also case studies from Mexico and Kenya, to be done by our guest scholar, Dr. José Ramón Alcántara-Mejía of AMEXTRA and Universidad Ibero-Americana, and Dr. Grace Dyrness of Urban Initiatives in the US.

For more information on our resource persons, registration and course description, please log on to <http://isaccnet.weebly.com/transdev.html>. We offer discounts for groups of 3 or more. We hope you and your colleagues can come.

Yours warmly,

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