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Nourish a Nurse A program of NCF New Zealand



“I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty” John 6:35

In saying this Jesus was of course talking about offering us spiritual food,

not that which physically fills our bellies. We can find many instances in scripture though where food was part and parcel of Christ’s teaching, be it on a hill side with thousands of hungry listeners or just on the road with his followers.

Whilst no doubt spiritually hungry, the thought of physical food, and the need for it in their flat, likely plays on the mind of a many a student nurse. Whether they dwelt on the interplay between physical and spiritual nutrition or not, a couple of NCFNZ student members’ Larissa and Aimee’s desire to provide nourishment for fellow nurses, Christian or otherwise, led to their ‘invention’ of the most successful outreach initiatives of NCFNZ – ‘Nourish a Nurse’!

Our ‘Nourish a Nurse’ (NaN as we generally refer to it) outreach is pretty much what it sounds like; nurses come together for a meal, either bringing a contribution or with the host’s provision. These events come with a strap line of ‘food, fun, and fellowship’ –

who could resist?! The NaN format has seen many new members join NCFNZ and we have used it to launch whole new NCFNZ groups, for example



when a few dozen nurses on the lower part of our South Island in the town of Gore first got together for, you’ve guessed it – food, fun and fellowship! Seriously though, whether its just a few nurses coming together for desert, a short devotion, chat and a laugh, or a large group looking for a place to meet and join together on an ongoing basis – Nourish a Nurse has been an outstanding success. You may well do similar in your groups, but if not we would encourage you to explore the power of food and hospitality in sharing the word of our Lord – don’t forget either ‘A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed’! Prov 11:25.

By **Dr Mark Jones, President, NCF New Zealand**



NCFI World Congress Pre Congress Courses

Nurses, midwives and students are being encouraged to enhance their world congress experience by attending a pre congress course, 24-26 June. A variety of professional development and training courses will present concepts and content to help Christian nurses and midwives to integrate their faith into their roles and responsibilities in practice, education and research. Units offered will be:

The Values Based Teacher: Teaching Like Jesus

This is the most recently developed NCFI IICN course. It was designed to help Nurses/Nurse Educators and Midwives develop or broaden an understanding of the importance of integrating Christian values in both teaching and learning. It is highly recommended for those teaching, or aspiring to teach NCFI/IICN Courses, but open to all. The focus is on Jesus, as the greatest role model of teaching principles and techniques.

Caring for the Caregiver is a course is focused on equipping Christian and non-Christian healthcare professionals to deal more effectively with the difficulties they face in their daily lives and in the workplace.

The Art and Science of Spiritual Care

The goal of this course is to provide baseline knowledge for providing evidence-based professional spiritual care. In addition to presenting the scientific evidence, the art of nursing is emphasized as the course uses professional language and will provide practice in communication skills .

Saline Process Witness Training developed by IHS Global, equips nurses and other healthcare workers to be witnesses for Christ in their clinical settings. Participants learn to assess a patient's attitude toward Christ and respond appropriately, applying the ethical principles of permission, sensitivity, and respect. Presented in both English and Spanish.

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World Congress Website

NCFI on Display ICN Canada & ICMDA Tanzania



The NCFI booth at the International Council of Nursing Congress in Montreal, Canada, this month, gave a great opportunity to share the ministry of NCFI. The booth was co-hosted by NCFI and NCF Canada, with volunteers from Canada and other NCFI countries.



NCFI President Anne Biro (middle) and International Board member Judith Mumba (L) were in Tanzania last month to promote NCFI at the ICMDA Conference.

ICMDA is a partner organization of NCFI.



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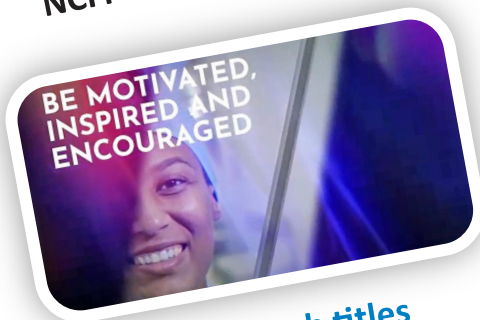


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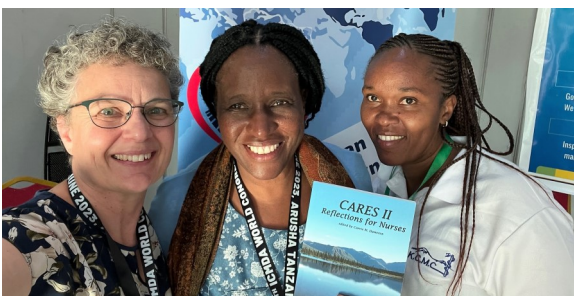
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Anne Biro, Judith Mumba and nurse from Tanzania at the ICMDA Conference Tanzania.

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