

## GLT Report

Global Leadership Team meeting recently held in Naning, China. Here's Loren's report:

I would like to share a few highlights of what has been happening recently in YWAM internationally.

The Global Leadership Team, YWAM's international eldership, met together in Nanning, China August 25-30, 2002. It was one of the sweetest times of fellowship and one of the most productive meetings we have ever had, including wonderful times of worship and seeking God.

Highlights: Todd Johnson gave us a global view of the growth of Christianity worldwide and YWAM's role within it. There was also a presentation by a GLT sub-committee on "Project 4K." We are truly expecting YWAM to grow into 4,000 locations—which will be approximately four times what we are presently—providing a challenge for young leaders to become pioneers into the future. By the end of the year, we will post a listing those 4,000 locations on the YWAMconnect website—empty places, just waiting for a YWAM team to come.

To mark the significance of the things God spoke to us during this GLT and the new apostolic surge we sense within the Mission, we all signed a commitment called the Nanning Covenant. This document will be posted here in a few days time. We desire to see it processed throughout the YWAM world over the coming months, so that we can all sign it together at our next international gathering: the U of N workshop (called Synergy 2003) which will take place in Singapore, September 1-12, 2003.

One of the most significant elements of this GLT was the fact that we were meeting in China. Dr. David Aikman, former Beijing bureau chief for TIME magazine, who is currently doing a special research project for a foundation, brought us a tremendously encouraging update on China eventually becoming a Christian nation.

The GLT finalized an internal judicial process, Guidelines for Justice and Reconciliation ([www.ywam.org/documents/rc.html](http://www.ywam.org/documents/rc.html)) We also received a special presentation and letter from Mercy Ships, adjusting their status with YWAM to more appropriately reflect the collaborative nature of this relationship ([www.ywam.org/ywamglt/statemnts/mercyships.htm](http://www.ywam.org/ywamglt/statemnts/mercyships.htm))

We visited Mothers Love, an orphanage in Nanning that has saved the lives of 1,500 "throw away" babies—infants that would have died, but for the rescuing arms of this ministry. As Kit Ying and Gary Stephens took us through the home to meet these babies, telling us their stories, there were few dry eyes. The bottom line is, one out of every six people in the world is Chinese, and YWAM's future certainly must include China as a major focus in prayer, giving and going.

May God give us the privilege of pioneering mission movements from China into the rest of the world!

—Loren Cunningham  
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\*For a more complete summary of the GLT meeting, visit:  
[www.ywam.org/ywamglt/minutes/ywam\\_glt\\_2002.htm](http://www.ywam.org/ywamglt/minutes/ywam_glt_2002.htm)