

## EMCC 10 Speakers

### Inger Bang Carlsen

A preschool and special education teacher, with additional degrees in Christian knowledge and Chinese language and culture, Inger Bang Carlsen has worked in churches, preschools, schools and institutions in Norway and with The Norwegian Missionary Alliance in Taiwan.



For many years she has also been in contact with The Church Resource Centre against violence and sexual abuse in Oslo, and has worked with liturgies and workshops about sexual abuse, in Norway, Jamaica and Bolivia. She has contributed to a book for Christian workers on sexual abuse in children.

### Mathilde Companjen

Mathilde (International Teams) and her husband Barth have been mission workers for 30 years. In 1991, when Albania opened up, they co-organized the first evangelical outreach in Tirana. With their family they moved to Greece, to set up a hub close to the emerging missionary community in Albania, doing MemberCare without knowing it had that name.



In International Teams Netherlands Mathilde is the Membercare Coordinator, coaches teams that battle modern slavery. Mathilde is also involved in Lifesprings, encouraging and equipping women to impact their world with the love of God.

### Ulrika Ernvik

Ulrika Ernvik is an MK who herself eventually became a missionary, as she so much wanted to give her five children an upbringing as MKs. Ulrika and her husband have served in Thailand, and for several years Ulrika has served as a Family Therapist at The Well International - a Member Care center in Chiang Mai, serving missionaries all over Asia. She is now based in Sweden, where she is involved in Member Care for both children and adults. She has developed debriefing programs for all ages, and her heartbeat is to help families connect with each other and God on a deeper level, whatever they are going through.



### **Annemie Grosshauser**

Annemie is German and a psychologist. She is married and has worked with her husband in Christian humanitarian projects in East Africa and Central Asia for 18 years. They have 4 adult TCKs and 6 grandchildren. Her ministry was with traumatized local women and expat workers, who struggle with the challenges of cross-cultural living and from the effects of traumatic incidents. Currently based back in Germany, Annemie travels to teach and consult within the international missions community. Her focus is in counselling, crisis debriefing, and training seminars, as well as some radio ministry through MCBR (TWR), facilitating workshops with MMCT and teaching in the MA Member Care programme at Redcliffe/UK.



### **Tim Herbert**

Tim spent five years as a mission worker in southern Africa and has made numerous short-term trips to Africa, Asia and South America, including leading summer teams. In 2004 he started Syzygy Missions Support Network ([www.syzygy.org.uk](http://www.syzygy.org.uk)) to provide pastoral and practical resources for mission workers. This includes training & debriefing, pastoral support & mentoring, regular blogging about missions and lending 4 cars to mission workers on home assignment. A lifelong single, he leads retreats and workshops for single mission workers, and is co-editor with Debbie Hawker of the book 'Single Mission'. Tim is also passionate about skiing and watching England play cricket, even if it keeps him up all night.



### **Harry Hoffmann**

Harry is Coordinator of the Global Member Care Network (World Evangelical Alliance). Drawing on his 20 years of experience in China and Thailand, and as father to 3 Third Culture Kids and husband of a counselor, and in various roles such as intercessor, entrepreneur, leader, conflict mediator and member of various boards, the red thread in his life is a calling to invest into start-up ministries and help revive malfunctioning ones.



Harry co-founded several local member care, counseling and training centers in Asia. Current initiatives are "Training Caregivers of traumatized children," "Luke10 Multiplication - 72 Counseling Ministry Planters" and "The Christian Wholeness Framework," seeking to improve the outdated biopsychosocial model of health for the work of ministry. Harry continues to live in China with his wife and youngest daughter.

### **Marion Knell**

Marion has served on the leadership of Member Care Europe and Global Member Care. She currently chairs the board of Redcliffe College where she inaugurated the MA in Member Care 4 years ago. Marion travels internationally speaking on aspects of Member Care and works with an international relocation company as an intercultural trainer. She has written two books, "Families on the Move" and "Burn-up or Splashdown – the survival guide to re-entry". She is currently working on a handbook for churches and agencies "Foundations for Member Care". Marion has 3 children, 8 grandchildren and is a rugby football fanatic.



### **Sarah Lanier**

Sarah Lanier grew up as a TCK in Israel. It was there that she received her call to work with cross cultural workers on the field. She has a BA in Social Work from the University of Georgia and a Masters in Religious Education from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Louisville, KY. USA).



After directing orientation for a two year program for the US Baptist Home Mission Board, she has worked with YWAM and University of the Nations for 35 years. While based in Amsterdam, she pioneered member care for the YWAM European region, working at the same time in leadership development and training throughout Europe, Middle East and Africa. Sarah served in the core leadership of the YWAM Amsterdam Urban Missions Center, with a full-time staff of 275, in addition to students and volunteers. Her role was as overall director for personnel services, counseling services, staff development and community life.

Author of the book, "Foreign to Familiar", she trains, consults and counsels around the world, working with mission agencies and NGO's in the field of intercultural team leadership, leadership transition and strategy and mediation work. She is an associate of Le Rucher in France where she works with their debriefing team, and trains others in debriefing and leadership development.

### **Peter Nicoll**

Before joining OM Peter was a Pastor in South Africa. He holds an MA from All Nations Christian College (UK). Peter has served in a variety of leadership roles within his denomination and in OM, including serving as Director of the OM Ship Logos II, as OM UK National Director 1999-2004, and as Director of OM's International Human Resource Services (IHR Services) 2004-2009. He is currently CEO for OM Ships.



Peter has always had a burden for discipleship and leadership development and loves to do Bible teaching and training. Until recently, he has been heading up

leadership development in OM and involved with Leadership development courses and Mentoring Clinics.

Peter is married to Bernice, a radiographer, and they have three adult daughters. He enjoys relaxing with music and the occasional video.

### **Evi Rodemann**

Evi is passionate about seeing young people find their Kingdom role and live a missional lifestyle wherever God has called them to be – locally and globally. She got on board with Mission-Net in 2007 and is currently CEO. Besides this, she has also become Youth Consultant to the EEA and with other people set up a European youth ministry network and a European Missional Discipleship network for young people. She models a missional lifestyle herself and works part time in a large Aluminium company. In her spare time she loves to study Europe and is completing an MA.



### **Maria Kofod Techow:**

Maria Techow is a Danish clinical psychologist. She works with member care as part of her job in a private psychiatric clinic. She regularly offers long-distance therapy, conducts group therapy for depressed people in DK who work with People Aid. She is part of the Danish screening programme for Missionaries, offers preparation for families before entry and debriefing after, and is a consultant for the Danish Mission Organization. She is married and a mother of four.



### **Andreas and Ulrike Rüggeberg**

Andreas Rüggeberg MD and Ulrike Rüggeberg MD worked as missionary doctors in Tanzania from 1989-2002. Since then they have been working mainly in the psychiatric hospital „Sonnenhalde“ in Bale/Switzerland. They have three adult children. Andreas is a registered psychiatrist and psychotherapist. Ulrike coordinates the counselling ministry in their local church.



### **Rachelle Streeter**

I was born and raised in Monaco, where my parents were serving as mission workers with Trans World Radio. I grew up speaking English at home and going to school in French. This was where my love of music started. At the age of 6, I started music lessons, continuing until I left for university. In the US I earned my bachelor degree in music performance and also had the privilege to intern at a church, where I learned a lot about worship leading. A few years later, God made it very



clear that He was asking me to go into missions for myself, using my gifting in music as my main ministry. I joined Operation Mobilization in 2010. I joined an artistic traveling team based in Istanbul for two years. Then God took me to the OM team in Belgium, where I have been serving for the last 3 years. I have the privilege of using my music to introduce the Belgians to Jesus. I also have the privilege of serving my team as a part of our people care ministry.

### **Jonathan Ward**

Trained as a clinical counsellor and spiritual director, Jonathan is coordinator of the Ministry Support Network for French-speaking Europe ([www.resam.fr](http://www.resam.fr)) and director of a residential member care centre in southern France ([www.pierresvivantes.org](http://www.pierresvivantes.org)). He serves on the board of the Federation of Francophone Evangelical Missions and on the board of MC Europe as the delegate for francophone Europe.



### **Siny Widmer**

For almost 40 years Siny and her husband, Felix, worked together with TWR serving on different continents and countries! Since Siny is passionate about seeing mission workers thrive in their place of calling utilizing media, Member Care Media was born under her leadership. Simultaneously she was involved in MC Europe and served on the Executive Board. Today Siny still enjoys working with the EMCC workgroup.



They have 2 adult children and 7 grandchildren. Since March 2015 Siny and Felix are enjoying retirement, re-investing time in family, church and friends and Mission organizations.