



*Ethnic America*  
**NETWORK**

**Encouraging** and **equipping**  
local churches to share Christ's  
love with the growing ethnic  
diversity in our communities.



## vision

**Our vision** is to see a growing number of churches intentionally crossing cultures to pray and care for others, while sharing the love of Jesus Christ, both locally and around the world.

## mission

Our mission is: To **pray** for, **care** for and **share** Christ **with every person** in ethnically diverse America.

- **Pray for**—the foundational effort is informed prayer for the people of this country in general and one's ethnic neighbors in particular.
- **Care for**—seek ways to demonstrate compassion in practical ways through hospitality and acts of kindness.
- **Share Christ**—look for natural opportunities to share our faith both within and across cultures.
- **With every person** in ethnically diverse America—everyone in America is to receive a positive witness in cultural and linguistic terms they understand.

## focus

**Our primary areas of focus are:**

- **Ethnic Workers' Summits**—Undertaking conferences for those ministering to or wanting to minister to Ethnic America.
- **Ethnic America Database**—Developing a system whereby ethnic groups are located, identified and mapped.
- **Regional Networks**—Encouraging the formation of regional networks for cooperative outreach, fellowship and service.
- **Key Projects**—Identifying special projects that will benefit all ethnic ministries when completed.

## The Ethnic America Network

is a ministry coalition that has involved over sixty evangelical denominations and agencies. The focus is on reaching 1st and 2nd generation immigrants in America with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

**The United States is now one of the most ethnically diverse countries in the world...** creating additional ways to fulfill the Great Commission.

The **Network** seeks to encourage and equip local churches to share Christ's love with this growing diversity in our midst.



# history

The **Ethnic America Network** was raised up by believers who were burdened by the growing mission field on our doorstep and the need to equip the local church to meet this mission challenge. The first **Network** vision-sharing meeting was held April 10, 1999, at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. The first **Network** event was a Leadership Consultation in Atlanta, November 10, 1999. The first Ethnic Workers' Summit was launched in April 2001 and held on the campus of Biola University in La Mirada, California.

# core values

- **Our foundation:** Committed to Jesus as Lord, the Great Commission and the Great Commandment to love one another.
- **The desire of God:** God desires that everyone receive a witness of his love and compassion as revealed in Jesus Christ.
- **The Lord has gifted people:** The Lord has equipped his people for the ministry to which they are called.
- **God's people are interdependent:** God's people need each other to function as the Lord would have them.
- **All are called to ministry:** God calls all believers to demonstrate Christ's love and purity to others.
- **Ethnic diversity is eternal:** Those from every tribe, tongue, people and nation will worship and serve the Lord forever.
- **The field is the world:** Cross-cultural ministry in America is as important to God as ministering abroad.
- **America's diversity reveals God at work:** God in his sovereignty is bringing the world to settle in our neighborhoods.
- **Unity amidst diversity is a major witness:** Cross-ethnic unity is a testimony to a world struggling with conflict.
- **Unity pleases God:** God is pleased when people of different backgrounds worship and serve together.

## Ministries involved in Ethnic America Network activities:

ACMC  
Adopt-A-People Clearinghouse  
Advent Christian General Conference  
AIM International  
American Missionary Fellowship  
Asbury College  
Assemblies of God  
Baptist General Conference  
BCM International  
Bethany College  
Bethany Fellowship International  
Billy Graham Center  
CAM International  
Campus Crusade  
Christar  
Christian & Missionary Alliance  
Christian Reformed Church  
Church of God Prophecy  
Church of the Lutheran Brethren  
Church of the Nazarene  
Columbia International University  
Conservative Baptist Church  
Crescent Project  
Cumberland Presbyterian Church  
Evangelical Free Church  
Evangelism Explosion  
Focus on the Family  
Gospel Missionary Union  
Gospel Recording  
InterServe/EthnoServe  
Institute of Theology by Extension  
International Students Inc.  
InterVarsity  
King College  
Mission America  
Multi-Language Media  
North America Mission Board  
Northwestern College  
OMF International  
Open Bible Standard Churches  
Presbyterian Church of America  
SIM USA  
Southeast Asian Ministry  
Trans World Radio  
The Navigators  
The Salvation Army  
The Wesleyan Church  
World Partners USA  
World Relief  
Wycliffe Bible Translators



# Ethnic Workers' Summit

—a model of unity in the midst of ethnic diversity

Every year, **The Ethnic America Network** hosts an **Ethnic Workers' Summit**. This Summit brings the Lord's multi-ethnic resources together from across the nation for fellowship and ministry. The relationships that are forged here are evident to others long after the Summit is over. This unity expresses an answer to the Lord's prayer in John 17:23—

*"May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me."*

## At the Ethnic Workers' Summit You'll Find:

- ethnic diversity among attendees
- ideas churches can use to minister locally
- national and local ministries partnering together
- nationally known speakers who encourage and inspire
- multi-ethnic celebration services
- 40+ seminars lead by ministry practitioners
- three days of encouragement and training
- special ministry tracks
- a diversity of evangelical denominations and agencies



## Who should attend an Ethnic Workers' Summit?

Anyone currently ministering cross-culturally in the U.S. and those who wish to begin a ministry to an ethnic group within the U.S.

## A typical Ethnic Workers' Summit schedule



	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:00 - 9:50 a.m.		Plenary Session	Plenary Session
9:50 - 10:30 a.m.		Break	Break
10:30 - 12:00 p.m.	Registration	Seminars	Seminars
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.		Lunch	Lunch
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.		Seminars	Seminars
3:30 - 5:30 p.m.		Networking	Networking
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.		Dinner	Dinner
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Plenary Session	Plenary Session	Plenary Session

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