

Deeper Consult #1 Our Vision So Far

We asked you how best to continue what we've started and Go Deeper with DUIM. Here's what you're saying so far. Please let us know which of these programs you can see yourself participating in or contributing to (and how).

MOVEMENT BUILDING

examine how to..

foster/strengthen an intercultural movement in our **communities / contexts / congregations**

build awareness – eg. examine culture w different lenses

shift from multicultural to intercultural -

APPLICATION/ PRACTICE

develop opportunities to.. practice intercultural ministry skills / apply learning / discern effective approaches

practice first (then deepen knowledge)

create “**application labs**”

facilitate intercultural **community engagement/ building** - apply anti-racism training

facilitate intercultural **rituals** (ongoing) – diverse facilitators/resources (DUIM; non DUIM)

foster intercultural “beloved community”

examine better online engagement (webinars: worship)

peer mentorship – small groups (3-4)

assess how best to apply content in own context (“value, limitation, needs”)

“Hofstede's Dimensions” ; “Intercultural Hermeneutic”

share stories of successes; failures

INTERCULTURAL UNDERSTANDING

opportunities to **share and learn more about each other's cultures**

intercultural **workshops/presentations, interactions/conversations & story sharing**

history, traditional values, way of life, political/cultural tensions - training on how to share what we

learn with others

cultural **immersion** event – many cultures - engage senses – explore differences and similarities -

visioning (our future world - discuss how we move forward together

examine **worship** interculturally – “language, movement, prayer, scripture, reflections from different cultures/traditions” - “what unsettles us and why”

TRAINING OTHERS

develop “intercultural **toolkit**” for congregations

train the trainers program

awareness building

INTERFAITH CONNECTIONS

inter faith program - “not only ecumenical”

deepen understanding of other faiths –

foster/strengthen intercultural relationships between faiths – expand our “beloved community”

SOCIAL JUSTICE

explore:

oppression of women;

human rights abuses that “hide behind culture and/or tradition

Truth and Reconciliation Commission's recommendations

where DUIM intersects with the question of poverty.

MORE UNPACKING (OF)

sitting with (and reflecting on) “**the discomfort**” “disquiet” “unease” - guidance/support – testimonials (various lenses/perspectives)

meeting **resistance** (our own and others')

self reflection; “transformation of the heart”

“identifying and supplanting the **Characteristics of White Culture**” - eg systemic manifestations
discerning “whether dominant culture is dominating in [our own program/ministry] conversations”

discernment questions for **mission work** abroad – motivations; is this the best way to help?

scripture – relevance / lack of relevance for other cultures – eg. First Nations

short modules (for DUIM alumni)

retreat setting

advance prep (readings)

ENGAGING *OTHER* DIFFERENCES

examination of content through lenses of people marginalized for **differences other than race**

SUPPORT OFFERED

references for accessing Philiphine culture (JO-Ann Hills)

help shape program (Irene Ty, Niki Andre)

help to facilitate program (Niki Andre – interest: embodied practice; rituals; application)

pull together diverse panel – “how worship can be/feel different without feeling exclusive” (Elizabeth Bryce)

facilitate conversation on “being uncomfortable” ; “how to engage in these difficult conversations” (Cheryl Barker)

lead a one hour unit re boundaries of “racism and non racism” ; “true justice” and “unjustice” (Lark Kim)

telling others about events (Frances Brady)

OPEN TO MORE CONSULTS?

Yes! (All)