

International Council of Ethnodoxologists (ICE)

Website and Forum News

1) Did you know that the ICE site is now getting over twice the number of hits it did last year? We broke our all-time record in May 2007 with:

-- over 1000 unique visitors and over 20,000 hits

-- more gigabytes of bandwidth used in May 2007 than all the months of 2006 put together

-- and June was only slightly lower!

This is exciting, mainly because one of the main goals of ICE is to be a "platform for heart music principles" -- a clearinghouse for information related to ethnodoxology. We are meeting this goal!

2) For an interesting model of a mp3-download-enabled music-in-missions site, check out the IMB's South Asia Region [Music Room!](#)

3) Check out this article on learning insights into culture through the study of indigenous proverbs and myths - <http://www.missiology.org/animism/Learning/proverbs.htm>

4) Are you missing out on some ICE fun? The **Music Gnus forum** includes tidbits which are newsworthy, odd, useful, provocative, or just plain hilarious. If you want to share bits of music-related information which will make others think, laugh or sigh, click [here](#) and sign up today!

5) The ICE site is starting a new section of links related to 'Global Music and Social Justice.' If you know of any online articles, songs, recording or artists we should reference, please contact the Virtual Librarian, <PaulN...@gmail.com>.

Pre-SEM ICE Retreat and Consultation (Oct 22-24)

Important note for those presenting papers at the Society for Ethnomusicology (SEM) Meetings: You should be registered for the SEM meetings by August 1! Click [here](#) for the registration page. For non-presenters, the deadline for SEM registration is October 16.

ICE Retreat Registration is FREE for ICE associates registering by Sept 20!

*Non-ICE associates are welcome, and can register for \$55.

*Late registrations (after Sept 20) for ICE associates will cost \$40

*Registration includes 6 meals (Mon. dinner through Wed. lunch)

*Housing: each person is responsible to cover his/her own housing.

To register for the retreat, or if you have questions, write to RHa...@worldofworship.org

Retreat Begins: Monday, Oct 22, 5:00 p.m. with dinner

Retreat Ends: Wednesday, Oct. 24, 4:00 p.m. or whenever the welcome reception begins for SEM.

The fun continues all the way through the SEM meetings!

Book News

An exciting new book is *Contextualization and Syncretism: Navigating Cultural Currents* (William Carey Library, 2006), edited by Dr. Gailyn Van Rheenen. A seven-page summary can be found online (www.missiology.org/mmr/mmr38.pdf). This book includes studies of syncretism in Western evangelical churches, and in churches planted by evangelical missionaries, as well as churches in other cultures. The book is guaranteed to be thought-provoking and step on the toes of just about everyone. :-) Some reader responses are posted at this [link](#) on the same site.

Arts Exchange - China 08

Do you know of indigenous artists and musicians that might be interested in performing in China? For information on how to apply, as well as the vision and strategy for **Arts Exchange - China 08** (an initiative of the Arts and Cultural Exchange Institute), click on the links below.

<http://aceinstitute.org/nwsltrs/dl.php?id=1> and <http://aceinstitute.org/nwsltrs/dl.php?id=2>

The vision of ICE is that Christians from every culture will have the opportunity to express their faith through their own heart music and arts.
To further this vision,
we seek to promote the application of insights
drawn from the fields of ethnomusicology, worship studies, and other disciplines
in Christian ministries worldwide.