

Venues:

Belfast; Buses 7a, 7b, 7c, 7d from central Belfast, ask for St John's Church, Rosetta. Immediately after the junction of Ormeau and Ravenhill Roads at roundabout.

Dublin; easily accessible by any bus going through O'Connell street, or by LUAS, or train or DART to Connolly Station. Dublin Central Mission is nearly opposite Wynns Hotel.

Timetable for Belfast and Dublin, all times approximate

9.45 am	Registration and tea/coffee
10.15	Start
12.30pm	Lunch break
1.15	Afternoon session starts
4.00	Close

A World on the Move

A WORLD ON THE MOVE

- A Study Day on - MIGRATION AND MISSION

People are on the move as never before. More than three per cent of the world's population – over 200 million people – live outside their country of birth. Migrants have settled in Ireland in large numbers and many now regard it as their permanent home. As a result the religious landscape of Ireland has grown increasingly diverse. How are the Irish churches coping with the changing opportunities and responsibilities?



with Dr Afe Adogame

Belfast: Friday, 1st October 2010, 10.15 am – 3.50 pm at St John's Presbyterian Church, Newtownbreda, 374 Ormeau Road, Belfast BT7 3HX

Dublin: Saturday 2nd October 2010, 10.15 am – 3.50 pm at Dublin Central Mission, 9c Lower Abbey Street, Dublin.

This is an EDINBURGH 1910 CENTENARY Event

●Organised by World Mission Committee of Board of Overseas Affairs, ICC – everyone welcome

Dr Afe Adogame is lecturer in World Christianity at New College, University of Edinburgh. He previously taught at Lagos State University, Nigeria and Bayreuth University, Germany. He has carried out extensive research on religion in the new African Diaspora and is recognised as a world expert on migration and mission.

A World on the Move – venue & timetable on back

As part of the world-wide celebrations to mark the centenary of the Edinburgh World Missionary Conference of 1910 the Irish Council of Churches is hosting two events, one in each part of Ireland, to study what has been happening within the Christian Community in response to the movement of people from around the world to live in Ireland.

Dr Adogame will set what has been happening locally, within the context of the world-wide situation and will share insights concerning how churches in other lands have responded to similar challenges and opportunities.

Migration and Mission in Ireland will be explored under three overlapping themes. Leaders from established denominations and from newer Christian communities will share their experiences and give examples of best practice:-

- (i) **Welcoming the Stranger** How have the churches welcomed those who have come to Ireland? How have they perceived the attitude of the established Christian Community to them?
- (ii) **Worshipping Together** Migrants bring their own unique religious customs and traditions. What are some of the issues involved in seeking integration in worship and fellowship? Is separate development a necessary interim step on the path to closer unity?

- (iii) **Witnessing in Love** How do the traditional Irish churches seek sensitively to bring the Christian message to migrants from non-Christian backgrounds? How do migrant Christian groups seek to evangelise an increasingly secular Ireland?

Participants will have the opportunity to share in small group discussion with the various speakers and Dr Adogame will end the programme by bringing together insights uncovered and issues raised, and share his conclusions and recommendations.

BOOKING FORM

Please fill in and return to: ICC, Inter-Church Centre, 48 Elmwood Avenue, Belfast BT9 6AZ, e-mail info@irishchurches.org

The fee is £5 for the Belfast study day, €5 for Dublin. Make cheques payable to 'Irish Council of Churches'. It is acceptable to book by e-mail and pay on the day.

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I wish to attend (*please tick/indicate one*)

- 1. **A World on the Move** in Belfast on 1st October
- 2. **A World on the Move** in Dublin on 2nd October

If you have any comments or particular needs please tick the box and add comments overleaf. As you are asked to bring your own lunch, or purchase it in the locality, you can cater for your own dietary needs and preferences. Tea & coffee provided.

Cheque enclosed for: £ / €

Name

Postal address

Phone number(s)

E-mail address