

DYING WITH HOPE

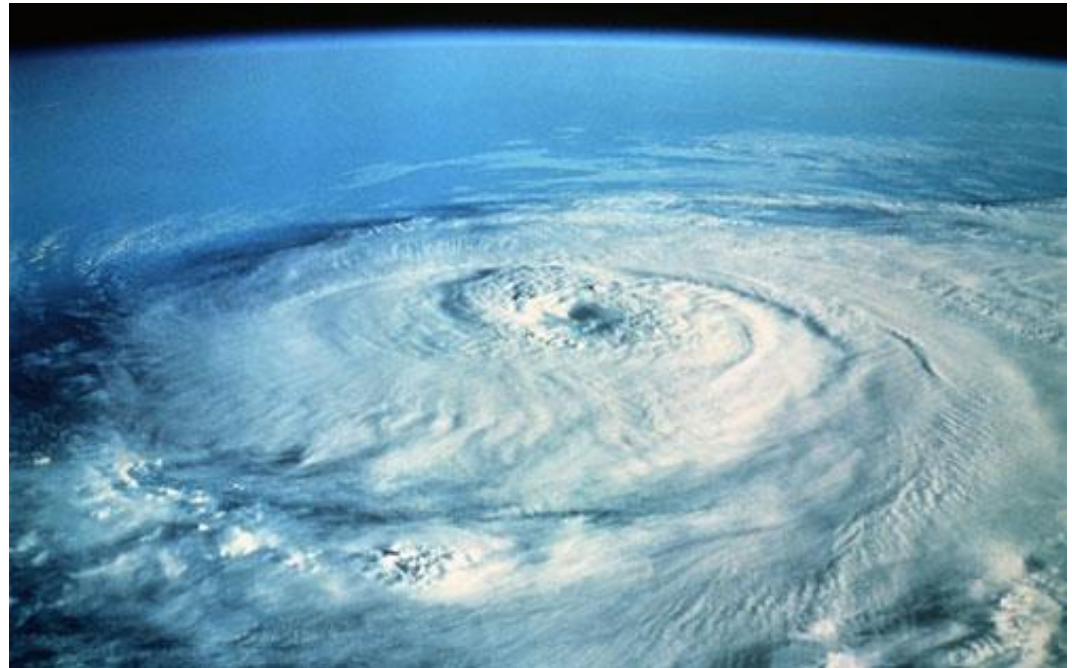
Panel discussion:

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Hurting world

Perfect storm

- Economic inequality
- Environmental degradation
- Displaced peoples
- Lack of access to health care
- Loss of meaning, purpose and hope



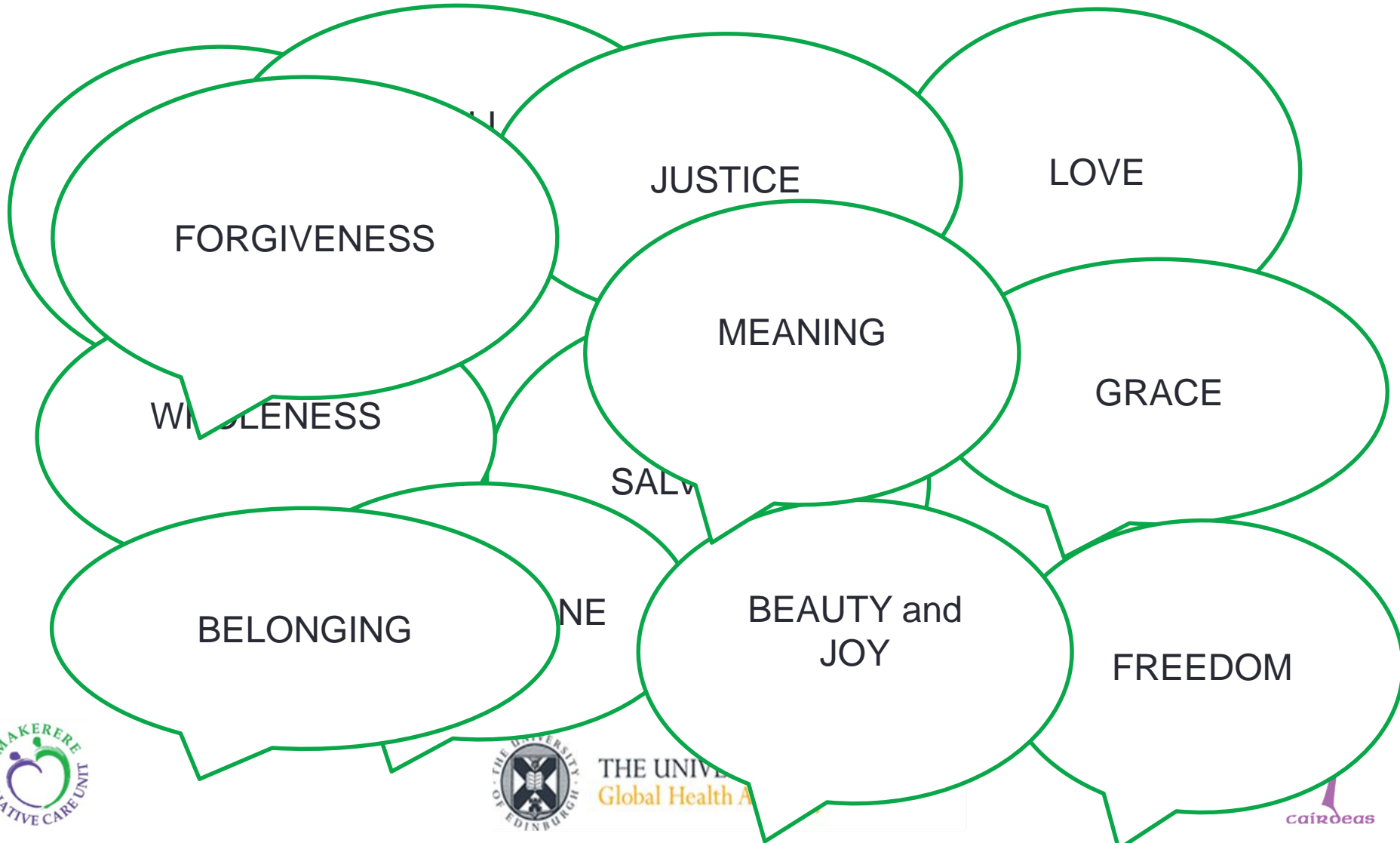
Health care needs; palliative care

- holistic care for those facing severe health related suffering
 - reducing suffering
 - improving quality of life
 - restoring dignity



‘Adding life to days not just days to life’

Healing for the nations



Ttotal pain

physical



emotional

social

spiritual

Catherine asks...

Am I going to be
ok?

Catherine asks...

Am I going to die?

Catherine asks...

Is Satan coming to
get me?



Discussions

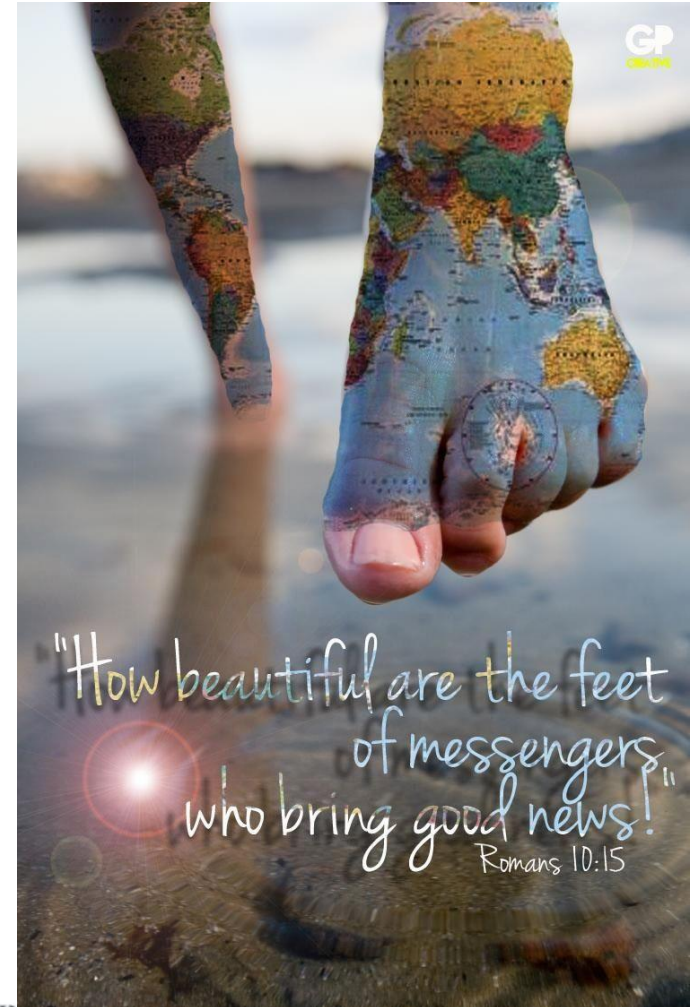
- What is hope?
- How can we be messengers of hope?
- How can break bad news and maintain hope?
- What about people who are in denial, or who seem to have false hope?
- How do we do this in different faith and cultural settings?
- Hope for the best; plan for the worst???

Spirituality assessment

- H; sources of hope, strength, resilience
- O; organised religion or faith
- P; personal issues
- E; effect on care

Healing for the nations

- What is our role?
- **Messengers of the good news of Jesus**
 - Fight for justice
 - Care for the broken and the vulnerable
 - Agents of love and hope
 - Be salt and light in our world
 - Peacemakers



Dangers to avoid

- wrong view of God
 - not trusting in God's sovereignty and power Ps 139v16
 - not relying on God's resources I Cor12v9 Luke12v13-21
- wrong view of ourselves and others
 - misunderstanding vulnerability
 - not 'saviours' and 'victims'
 - we are all sinners saved by grace
 - restore relationships with God, each other, our world



‘When Helping Hurts: Alleviating Poverty Without Hurting the Poor.. .
and Yourself’ *Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert*

How to get started

- Be a global citizen
- Start serving where you are
- Pray and encourage others
- Be willing to learn and develop your gifting's and grow in Christ's image
- Willing to get involved, to serve, to go
- Be concerned for the world and especially those excluded and made vulnerable



Be the presence of God in our world

Transforming lives

- Senior nurse in an Adjumani hospital: *‘Someone needs to speak for the voiceless. When help comes, people change. It is like losing hope — then hope appears suddenly like the sun.’*

SNO Adjumani Hospital



Transforming lives

- ‘you gave me hope, you gave me pain control, you gave me love....thank you and please pray for me...make sure everyone *in Uganda* has this care.’





- Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. *Rev 22v1-2*



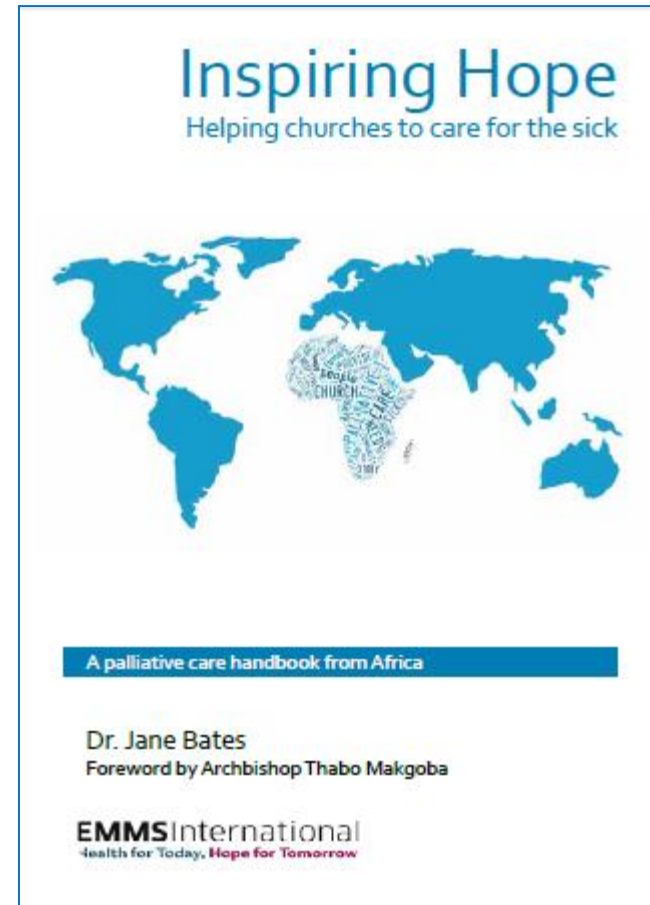
Healing of the nations

- What are the leaves on the tree?
- What can you contribute?



How can the church be involved?

- voice for the voiceless
- partnerships in healthcare
- scholarships for training
- developing pastoral skills
- theology that encompasses suffering
- inspiring hope



- *“I’m not gonna let go of hope, I’m not gonna let go of love, I’m not gonna let go of God.*
- *“God is in the midst. And He loves you, and He’s here for you.”*
- *“God is good in the midst of the darkness. God is good in the midst of evil. God is in the midst, no matter what is happening in the world, God is in the midst. And He loves you, and He’s here for you.”*



“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more **DEATH**’ or **MOURNING** or **CRYING** or **PAIN**, for the old order of things has passed away.”

REVELATION 21:4





'Please keep coming to see me...that is all I ask'

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