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Transformation**

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Purpose:

- To share the key elements of Spiritual Leader that contribute to Social Transformation in Hong Kong

Successful Outcome from the Research:

- Kingdom Asset Based Community Development (KABCD) vision
- Trustworthy Network Collaborator
- Transform Christian Capital into Social Capital

Research Summary

Identify Problem	Strategy	Purpose	Case Study
<p>poverty situation is alarming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• huge gap between rich and poor• 1 out of 5 people living in poverty• Inter-generational poverty is increasing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• parachurch partnership• 1,300 churches , 800 parachurches• better collaborate /fill the service gap /Empower the poor• multiply the impact of services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poverty Alleviation• Through Integration of Christianity and Social Service• improvement in financial, relational, motivational, and spiritual poverty	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CDF program• Proven to alleviate inter-generational poverty• demonstrate improvement in finance, relationship, motivation, and spiritual being of the youth

Biblical and Theological Foundation of serving the poor

Findings

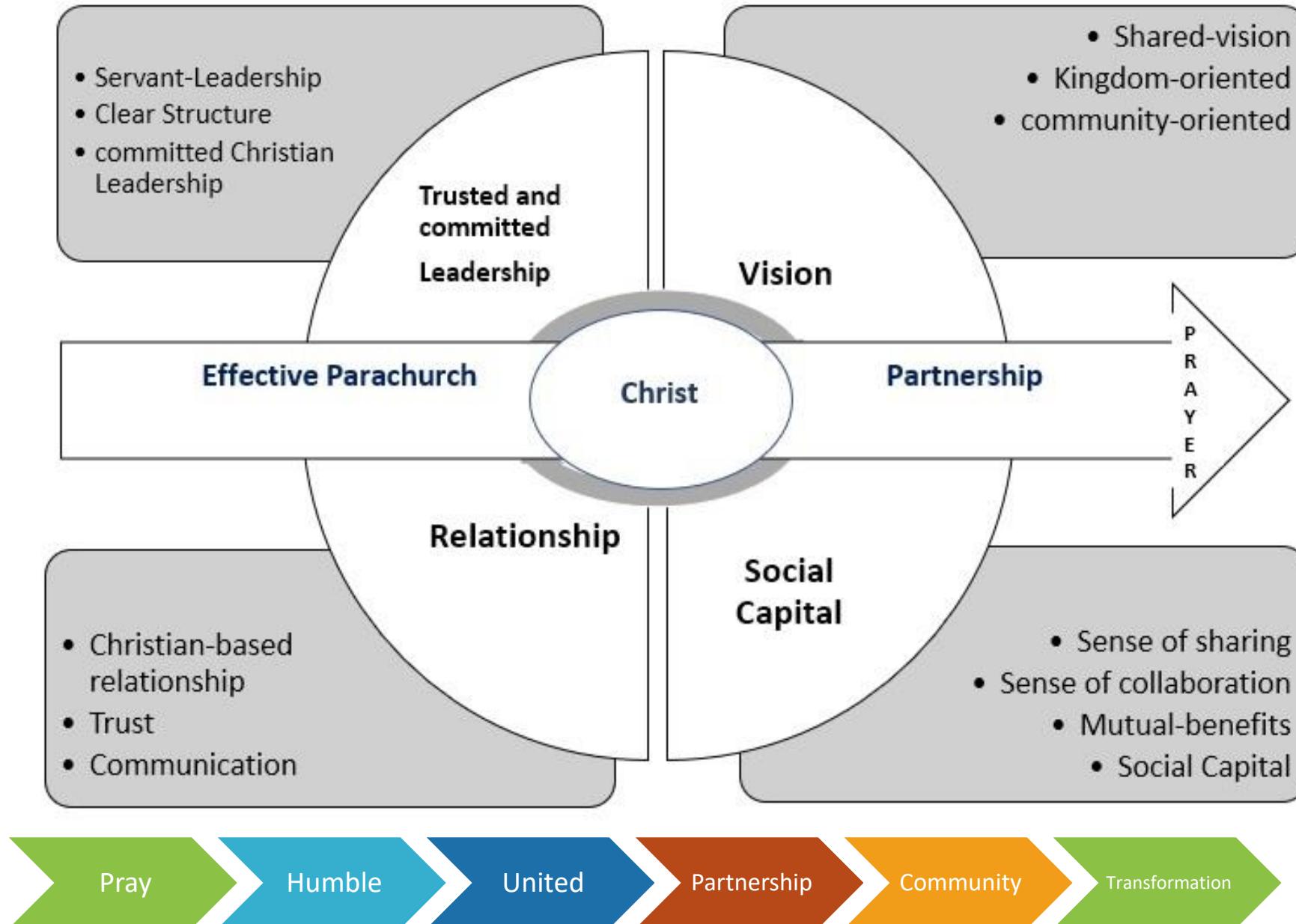
- Ekklesia – community
- Sabbath – caring for each other
- Year of Jubilee – redistribution of wealth
- Jesus – is the good news to the poor
- Trinity - Partnership is very nature of God
- Lausanne Occasional Paper 24- promote church unity
- Mentorship – Moses & Joshua, Paul & Timothy
- John Stott: social responsibility an aspect for Christian conversion

Research application

- How can we serve the poor as a community?
- How can we give the poor opportunities to succeed?
- How can parachurch collaborate with churches in an effective manner in poverty alleviation?
- How to build biblical mentoring relationship?

God commands us to serve the poor as a Christian community, the question is “HOW”?

Model with Key Elements in parachurch partnership for poverty alleviation



Kingdom Asset Based Community Development (KABCD)



Preparation

Share the vision of sustainable community-driven development



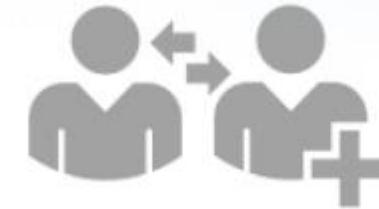
Explore resources

Form core groups and gather individuals, churches and NGOs



Mobilize the community

Respond to and create economic opportunities in community by exploring opportunities and mobilize social assets



Empowerment and self-contained

Facilitate community cohesion and turn a receiver into a giver



Multiply network establishment

Continue to transform communities, all assets are recognized and their power and effectiveness can be multiplied to build the community

A process empowered by God, in which the people of a community grow in their ability to solve their own problems and take control of their lives resulting in growth of the whole person (physical, psychological, spiritual) and improvement of the various aspects of their community.

Through this process the individuals and the community become all that God intends them to be.

THE NETWORK JOURNEY



EXPLORATION

STAGE GOAL

Connect with individuals and key organizations who are influential or interested in the ministry vision of the potential network.

STEP-BY-STEP ACTIONS

1. Broaden knowledge
2. Build connections
3. Conduct interviews
4. Assess interest

SIGNS OF SUCCESS

- Clarity
- Connections
- Common Interest

Pitfall: No Time
(Often takes 6-12 months)

ROLE ► Network Catalyst

FORMATION

STAGE GOAL

Work toward consensus with stakeholders and jointly decide whether to become a network.

STEP-BY-STEP ACTIONS

5. Facilitate introductions
6. Seek consensus on key questions
7. Seek commitment (Go / No Go)
8. Create a plan

SIGNS OF SUCCESS

- Confidence
- Consensus
- Commitment

Do we see Signs of Success?
Have stakeholders decided to collaborate? Is there trust and commitment to a common vision?

Pitfall: No Trust
(Often takes 3-6 months)

ROLE ► Network Champion

OPERATION

NAME: _____

STAGE GOAL

Organize the network for action around shared objectives. Facilitate open conversation, broad participation, and shared ownership. Form working groups. Set goals, define roles, agree on timelines and evaluation.

STEP-BY-STEP ACTIONS

9. Organize for action
10. Document, evaluate, celebrate
11. Communicate
12. Plan follow-up

SIGNS OF SUCCESS

- Groups
- Goals
- Gathering
- Growth

Pitfall: No Task

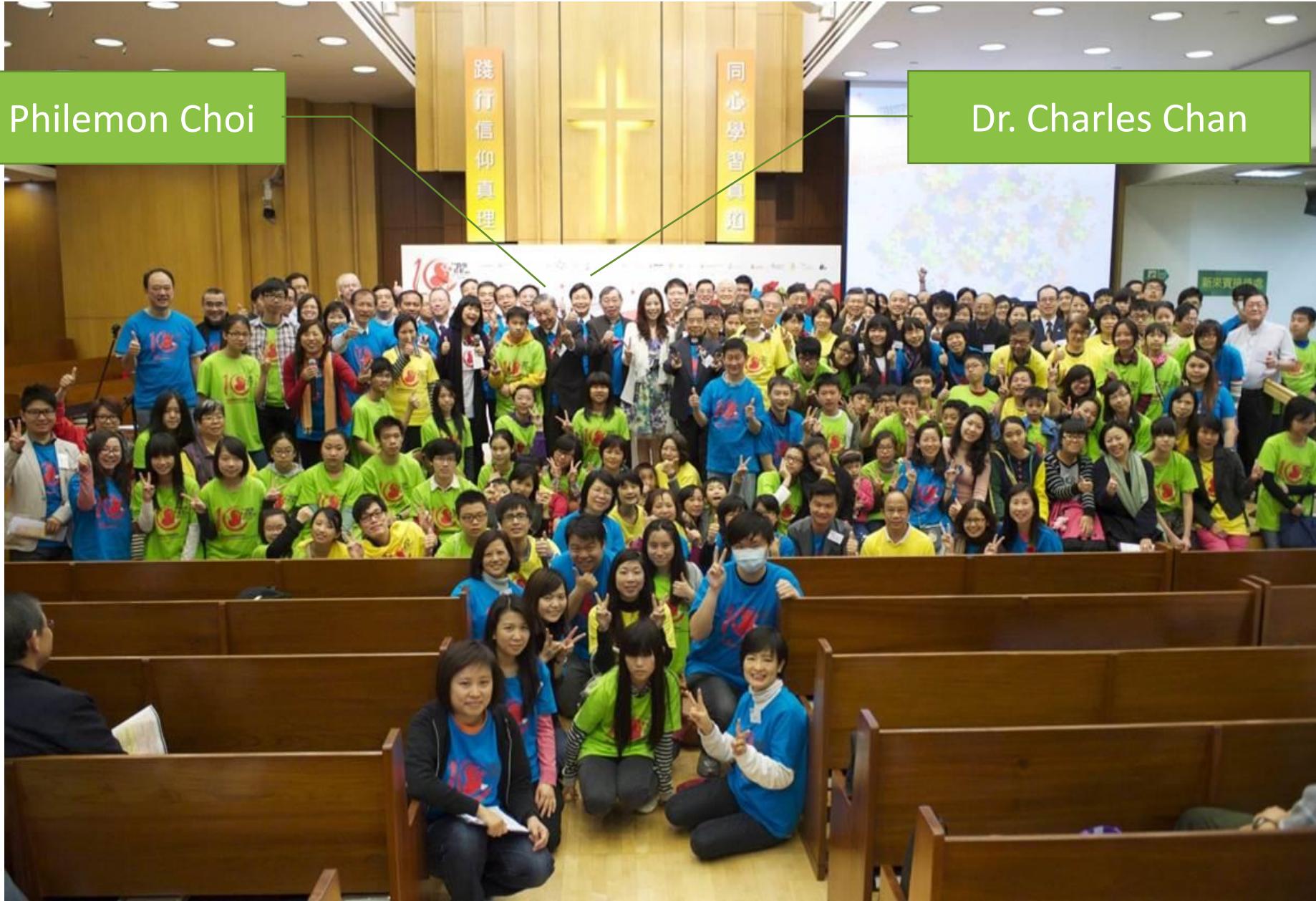
ROLE ► Network Facilitator



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CDF History

- **2007** HKCNP started pilot CDF programs
- **2008** HKSAR Government adapted CDF programs
- **2009** HKSAR Government launched CDF programs; HKCNP start social transformation
- **2021** total 21,300 kids benefited from the program in 18 districts; total 8,370 kids benefited through 40 HKCNP CDF partners
 - ✓ Practically Realise **Kingdom Asset Based Community Development (KABCD)** vision
 - ✓ Good Demonstration of **Trustworthy Network Collaborator**
 - ✓ Successfully **Transform Christian Capital into Social Capital**

“From 1 to 726 Networking Transformation Strategies”

Dr. Susanna Ma

This book uses HKCNP as an example to illustrate a group of loyal and committed Christian leaders who jointly receive visions from God, relying on His guidance and help, and gathering social capital from very few resources, eventually connecting more than 726 partners worked together to gather strength, share resources and exert influence in the Hong Kong community.

