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# Hello!

Welcome to our spring 2022 edition of Transform, full of amazing stories about God's work through Langham around the world. We've got some exciting new features to share with you. Alongside the regular 'Word on the World' from Global Ambassador and Ministry Director Chris Wright (**pages 10-11**), read a 'Word from the World' on **page 3**, by Hwa Yung. He tackles the challenging and highly contemporary issue of Christian leadership. I was so



encouraged to hear from Pastor Thomasraj in India and his story of how Langham training transformed his preaching (**page 4**). And find out the latest on one of Langham's landmark one-volume Bible commentaries, this time for Central & Eastern Europe (**page 5**).

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# Word from the World

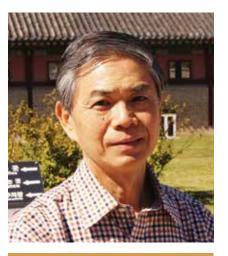
Langham recently published *Leadership or Servanthood? Walking in the Steps of Jesus* by Hwa Yung, bishop emeritus of the Methodist Church in Malaysia. Here he explains the reasoning behind his new book. (Extract from langhamliterature.org)

rowing up with a strict father who had been a senior military officer in China during the pre-Communist era meant that academic success and driving ambition were instilled into me from a young age. At university there was only one goal, that of becoming a successful research scientist. But God had other plans. It was at university when my Christian faith began to deepen. For the first time in my life I understood clearly the meaning of the call to follow Jesus, to self-denial and dying to one's ambitions and dreams (Mark 8:34; John 12:24–26). That was the beginning of a long spiritual battle against ambition and pride in my life, a battle that does not end even when a person surrenders to God's call to fulltime vocational ministry.

This is particularly true when we are called into positions of prominence and leadership in the church or some Christian organisation. Our unsanctified ambitions will assert themselves in various ugly ways, especially when the rules of the game are often defined by competition and public success. The ever-present temptation to "steal God's glory" lurks somewhere. And **often our supporters are among our worst enemies – because they flatter us** and thereby effectively encourage us to develop messianic complexes about

How do we counter these pressures? First, we need to resolve from the very beginning to fight pride and personal ambition through dying to self and seeking constantly the path of humility. Second, setting aside time to cultivate a life of prayer is integral. Third, stop thinking of yourself as the leader

ourselves.



pile? These leaders are being cheered on by the thousands of Christian publications and seminars on how to become successful leaders, even though the Bible's constant emphasis is on being faithful and obedient servants. Are we reading the same Bible?

In recent years we have witnessed the flood of revelations concerning leadership failures throughout the global church. With the constant drumbeat about leadership in the modern church patterned on secular models, are we largely blinded to the serious leadership crisis facing the church today? If there is one central focus in my book, it is the call to return to servanthood (not servant leadership) as the heart of Christian ministry.

Finally, my concern is also missiological. Sometime around 1980, the center of gravity of the global church moved out of the West into the Majority World, where two-thirds of all Christians in the world live today. Despite the amazing

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without whom nothing moves, for that is a sure recipe for megalomania! It is good to remind ourselves of Jesus' parable about the "Unworthy Servant." When we have done everything that our position requires of us, even if we are highly successful, we are still unworthy servants who "have only done what was our duty" (Luke 17:10).

So, "Why this book?" It all began with my own pilgrimage as a Christian and my struggles to set aside personal ambition in response to Christ's call to ministry. Much of the book is based not on my successes but on my struggles and failures. But what troubled me deeply along the way was that so many were striving to be leaders and to be known as leaders. However, how many true servants do we find at the top of the growth of the churches in the Majority World in the past century, discipleship and leadership are major challenges confronting us. This is a challenge facing the whole global church today, but especially the younger churches in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the MENA (Middle East and North Africa) region. The shift of the centre of gravity of the global church into the Majority World confers a greater degree of responsibility upon these churches. And only if those of us in these churches adequately address the challenges of discipleship, and recover the spirit of true servanthood, can our churches fully mature into what God intends them to be. Only then will we be able to embrace fully our God-given responsibilities for this generation.

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## Lives transformed in India

More than 80% of pastors around the world have little or no biblical training. That's why the Langham Preaching programme walks with the global Church, training pastors to preach and teach the Bible.

ne pastor who attended a Langham Preaching seminar in India four years ago says his preaching completely changed. And as a result, people's lives are being transformed.

#### Meet Pastor Michael Thomasraj:

"I am married with two daughters, and live in Bangalore, India. I've been a Pentecostal pastor there for 17 years. My church, which is predominantly Tamil-speaking, is attended by around 500 people. I started the church straight after studying at SAIACS (the South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies).

"I came across Langham in 2018 after having something of a mental breakdown. At the time, I was unable to preach anything meaningful. I was also teaching at SAIACS and was given the opportunity to meet Paul Windsor (Langham Preaching Director) for counselling.

"Paul asked me to come to Hyderabad where training was happening. During the Level 1 seminar, Paul preached from Nehemiah. This was a small breakthrough for me. I was given a Philippians passage and eight steps to write a sermon. "While I was preparing this, I felt lifted up and had an experience I'd never had before. I got back the urge to preach God's Word and the passion I had lost came back. During the next few days, the whole training was so different and helpful. I returned to Bangalore and immediately began working with Tamil people in improving their preaching and saw huge results."

Pastor Michael urged his fellow Pentecostal pastors to get on board with Langham Preaching training. To his surprise, 100 people came to a 'Langham Vision Meet' he arranged.

"They all wanted to come back for a Level 1 preaching seminar. Everywhere the training happened, over a hundred people attended - all in the Tamil language. I thought just a handful of

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Pastor Michael Thomasraj and his family in Bangalore, India.

people would come. I felt the Lord was doing more than we imagined.

"I'm so grateful to God for that. Please pray for these young pastors. We usually don't preach biblical sermons in the Pentecostal church. There was a lot of pushback. Other churches and denominations, **people who have come to Langham training, have shifted their entire method of preaching**.

"Many of my pastor friends are preaching from a passage and people's lives are being transformed. It's making a huge difference. People have liked it so much they don't want to go back to using topical sermons. They've caught on to learning and applying God's word. I see it every week. It's been a great experience. This has been a great turnaround even in our churches, by what God has been doing through Langham."

Your support of Langham is transforming lives in India – thank you!

## 'A **dream** come true for the region'

Since 2005, Langham has spearheaded multiple groundbreaking one-volume bible commentary projects. It started with commentaries for Africa (which is being revised and has had many translations), South Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Why? Because unlike churches in the West, believers in the Majority World have very few resources written by people in their regions, and speaking into their contexts.

ne such project is finally nearing the finish line after six challenging years: the **Central and Eastern European Bible Commentary (CEEBC)**.

The CEEBC was born out of a recognition that the evangelical church there is in a minority, and lacks locally authored resources to equip pastors and leaders.

There is also a severe shortage of next generation ministry leaders.

The CEEBC is for nineteen countries\*, who all share a similar spiritual and cultural geography. The countries face a number of challenges as they move on from a Communist past, in a context of aggressive capitalism.

**Katharina Penner**, a university librarian, is the coordinator of the commentary. She explained how she is well suited to the role because of her training and background.

"I was born in Kyrgyzstan when it was still part of the Soviet Union, and when 15 my parents who were native Germans decided to move us to West Germany. My studies were in the US and Canada, my library studies were in Wales, then we lived in St Petersburg Russia, and Prague, and finally now in Vienna." Katharina's involvement in the CEEBC came about just as they were leaving Prague.

"We knew some Eastern European Scholars and knew there are not really national commentaries available in these countries. Most of them are translations, and so it is a personal **dream come true** for me and for the region.

"We had many contacts and friends in these countries who do not feel understood, they are never heard in their own terms.

"It's a very diverse region - but they are part of one Church and serve one Christ. "This commentary brings all those voices together so that the worldwide Church will hear the voices of these diverse Scholars who often have been supported by Langham to get their doctoral education."

A number of Langham Scholars are involved in the CEEBC, such as Romanian **Daniel Oprean**, the articles editor, who is also a Langham Preaching coordinator.

The commentary has faced many challenges, including the tragic loss of its general editor, Langham Scholar Corneliu Constantineanu, to Covid-19. Other hurdles included tensions among the editorial team.

"Many of these nations had wars between each other, which are in the

collective memories. Certain remarks trigger certain responses. Humanity doesn't leave us even though we are united around the Bible.

"There were many moments when I thought is this going to happen, will the project be completed? God's grace and presence was part of it. It was His goal to get this done."

At the time of writing, the New Testament is in typesetting, and the Old Testament text has all been gathered together. The 121 articles on current issues have all been written.

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An editorial meeting in Budapest, 2018.

Please pray for wisdom and guidance as the CEEBC approaches its final steps of publication, distribution and promotion.

Your support will enable this muchneeded resource to reach all 19 countries in the region, equipping pastors to disciple the Church and giving believers there a voice.

\*Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia.

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# Impact Stories:

Through its Scholars programme, Langham supports Majority World leaders in gaining theological PhDs. Many go on to impact their societies in extraordinary ways. Here is a small snapshot:

## 1) Relieving poverty and bringing good news in Uganda

For Pastor Emmanuel Mukeshimana

of Uganda, the most strategic response to the poverty he saw across East Africa was to attend seminary. Why? Because a sustainable response to an urgent issue like poverty is one rooted in Scripture.

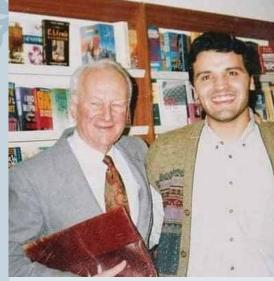
Emmanuel says, "I want to bring God's truth to the broken beliefs and systems that lead to poverty."

That's why, with scholarship support from Langham, he pursued his PhD in theology. He graduated in February 2020. Today, as a Langham Scholar, he is positioned to be an agent of transformation across Uganda and beyond—and he is multiplying others to do the same.



Emmanuel (at far left) visits Irene and her family who now have a home, and a glimpse of hope, because of his ministry.

## 2) Engaging with culture in Macedonia

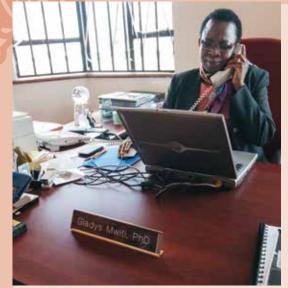


John Stott with Langham Graduate Kosta Milkov.

Kosta Milkov gained his PhD in Patristics (the early church fathers) at Oxford University back in the 90s. He also spearheaded Langham Preaching's work in his native Macedonia. Kosta set up the Balkan Institute for Faith and Culture in Macedonia in 2011. His vision is for the Institute to help Church and society by connecting the best practices of Christian faith to the immediate context in Macedonia. It is a neutral, welcoming environment, allowing for human flourishing and discovering God's goodness in creation. For example, they support local artists by displaying work in a gallery, providing opportunities for discussion and debate. The Institute also promotes opportunities for young people to engage with faith and culture. You can listen to an interview with Kosta, as he talks about the impact of our founder John Stott in episode four of The Stott Legacy podcast. Listen on our website: uk.langham.org or via usual podcast apps.

# Beyond the church walls.

## 3) Dealing with suffering and trauma in Kenya



After receiving her PhD with support from Langham, Dr Gladys Mwiti returned to Nairobi, Kenya to launch Oasis Africa Counselling Centre in response to the suffering she observed in her community. Today she is a global authority on trauma counselling—work that has put her on the frontlines of tragedies like the Rwandan genocide and Nairobi's Westgate mall attacks. Gladys is teaching the Church to not only proclaim that God is good all the time—but to live it out by drawing near to the broken and the suffering. Gladys says "For me, my theme in life is to know Christ and make Him known." You can hear more from Gladys in Langham US' podcast, 'On Mission with Chris Wright'. Listen on their website: us.langham.org/ podcast or via usual podcast apps.

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## 4) A passion to help refugees and trafficking victims in Greece

Dr **Myrto Theocharous** focused on the book of Deuteronomy for her PhD, and now teaches at the Greek Bible College in Athens. She also works with a number of women's ministries in Athens, including for those trafficked into the sex industry. Dr Myrto and other volunteers offer help and support, set up doctor appointments, offer Christian literature and arrange rescue operations if necessary.

She also ministers at a centre that serves homeless women, many of whom are refugees. Dr Myrto said: "It has been fascinating to talk with them about how the Bible speaks to them, how it provides comfort."



Dr Myrto Theocharous teaches at a bible college in Greece and volunteers among vulnerable women.

# Supporter's Page

## Langham at All Saints Ecclesall, Sheffield

It's always so pleasing when parts of your life join up. Instead of living in what can seem different boxes, there are times when it is possible to know that there is an integration, a weaving together. For me recently, having Chris Wright preach at my church and speak about Langham,



and Simon Foulds there with magazines and books for people, was such a time. I have recently moved to Sheffield and joined All Saints Ecclesall. I was so glad to be able to share with new friends the wonderful unique ministry that Langham has - that very special, strategic mix of scholars, preaching and literature targeted to provide energy and fruitfulness where it is most needed. I was glad to be able to pray for the work of Langham as I led prayers in the morning service. I felt privileged to be associated with such a fine organisation and to serve on the UK Board and to give financial and prayer support. **Gill Phillips** 

Langham Trustee

## Join Langham Live

We gather on Zoom for 45 minutes on the fourth Thursday (7pm) and Friday (10am) of each month, to hear from a member of the global Langham family and pray with them. If you would like to join this call or for any further information please email: uk@langham.org



## Prayer Clusters Northern Ireland

"Prayer is the very way God Himself has chosen for us to express our conscious need of Him and our humble dependence on Him." – John Stott.

Langham Partnership is aware that prayer has historically been the prerequisite for God's blessing in the past. The need for prayer continues as Langham continues to partner with the Majority World Church.

We're keen to encourage 'prayer clusters' who will spend time praying for Langham. A prayer cluster is already meeting in Co. Armagh, Northern Ireland, with more in the pipeline. These groups receive updated prayer points monthly.

They don't have to be formal gatherings. For example, you may meet friends regularly in a social capacity – could you consider giving some time to pray for Langham? Or perhaps your prayer group in a local church could give a portion of time to pray regularly for us. If you would like to hear more about setting up a prayer cluster, contact Mark: mark. armstrong@langham.org

## Why do you support Langham?

"We support Langham because it aims to see God glorified, and the gospel proclaimed around the world, by training and equipping mature disciples who, in turn, can train and equip others."

Vernon and Jane Farewell, Cambridge



## The Stott Legacy Podcast: Langham Graduate Ruth Padilla deBorst

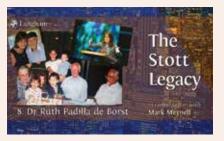
John Stott holds a unique place in 20th Century Church history, both in Britain and across the globe. And he founded Langham! In each episode of The Stott Legacy podcast Mark Meynell – Langham Preaching Director for Europe & Caribbean – meets someone who has been impacted by John Stott's legacy.

n episode eight, recorded last year, Mark spoke to Langham Graduate Dr Ruth Padilla deBorst. She is a noted theologian and missiologist in her own right, and lives with her husband in a community house called Casa Adobe in Costa Rica. But her connection to John Stott is mainly through her late father René Padilla. René became an important colleague and close friend of Stott's through their work with IFES in Latin America and with the Lausanne Movement.

Here are some highlights of the episode:

## Q: What are your earliest memories of John Stott?

"In my young adult years when I was involved with the Christian student movement IFES we had the incredible privilege of having him with us for



two weeks of bible exposition, at one of our intensive training retreats. He lived with us in the retreat centre for two weeks, so we would have chats outside of the formal meeting times and because I am bilingual I had the privilege of helping to translate conversations with other people and seeing his pastoral heart and concern for real people. That was amazing. It wasn't just a relationship with my parents, he chose to build a relationship even with



us as younger people and then when my late husband died he wrote me a wonderfully encouraging letter and I was so honoured to think he would take the time to write a handwritten personal long letter to encourage me in the midst of my loss.

Q: With an American mother and an Ecuadorian father, you're well placed to understand the deep-rooted problems in the Western Church. Are there other issues as significant as Western pragmatism that need to be examined?

"I think the individualism of Western North Atlantic culture filters then the understanding of what it means to be the body of Christ, to be the Church, to what extent we owe ourselves to others. Our expression of the Gospel, the most core means, is by being the people of God, living in such a way that demonstrates what God's purposes are. But if each one is in their own little corner vying for their own personal interests or their own little family, then there's not that coming together in a way that illustrates what God intends for humanity.

#### Q: How would you sum up your abiding memory of the impact of Uncle John?

"Growing up in Argentina, there's a stereotype about 'Brits', being stiff, cold and having an air of superiority. But when I think of John, he breaks those stereotypes by being humble, by his integrity in his life, by his love, his authentic respect for people. His love for God's word and inspiring that in the lives of others and his very peace-granting presence. Also his incredible generosity in giving his royalties to Langham, and nourishing generations and generations of bible expositors, writers and scholars."

Listen to the whole episode online: uk.langham.org/the-stott-legacypodcast/ or find via the usual podcast apps.





## Word on the World

## Chris Wright seeks a biblical response to the crisis in Ukraine.

## *Why, LORD, do you stand far off? Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?* (Ps. 10:1).

write this on Day 5 of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. I have no idea what the situation in that country will be by the time you read this in April. But right now where else could one look for a "word on the world" than to the Psalms. Book I of the Psalter contains familiar gems: the wonders of creation (Pss. 8 and 19); the Lord's shepherding care (Ps. 23); God's royal ownership and authority over all the earth (Ps. 24 and 29) and more. But a dominant theme, especially in the first dozen Psalms, is rampant wickedness, violence and injustice, and the desperation of those who suffer such attacks and cry out to the Lord God of justice to act in their defence.

There are many believers in Ukraine today (along with believers in Russia too who deplore and grieve over the actions of their President) for whom the words of these Psalms speak directly and powerfully. So rather than trying to write an essay myself, let the Psalms speak for themselves, and for our suffering sisters and brothers in the midst of this conflict.

#### There is the face of ruthless and arrogant evil, linked with greed and ill-gotten wealth.

<sup>2</sup> In his arrogance the wicked man hunts down the weak,
who are caught in the schemes he devises.
<sup>3</sup> He boasts about the cravings of his

heart; he blesses the greedy and reviles the I ORD.

<sup>5</sup> His ways are always prosperous; your laws are rejected by him; he sneers at all his enemies.

<sup>7</sup> His mouth is full of lies and threats;

trouble and evil are under his tongue. <sup>8</sup> He lies in wait near the villages; from ambush he murders the innocent.

His eyes watch in secret for his victims; <sup>9</sup> like a lion in cover he lies in wait. He lies in wait to catch the helpless; he catches the helpless and drags them off in his net.

<sup>10</sup> His victims are crushed, they collapse;

they fall under his strength. (Ps. 10:2-10).

And, while there are no wholly innocent parties in human affairs, there is the protest of **those who are wrongfully and undeservedly attacked**, knowing God is the righteous judge.

<sup>3</sup> LORD my God, if I have done this and there is guilt on my hands—

<sup>4</sup> if I have repaid my ally with evil or without cause have robbed my foe—

<sup>5</sup> then let my enemy pursue and overtake me; let him trample my life to the ground and make me sleep in the dust (Ps. 7:3-5)

<sup>4</sup> For you have upheld my right and my cause.

sitting enthroned as the righteous judge (Ps. 9:4)

<sup>7</sup> The LORD reigns forever; he has established his throne for judgment.

<sup>8</sup> He rules the world in righteousness and judges the peoples with equity (Ps. 9:7-8)



#### And because of that ultimate

**confidence in the justice of God**, the victims of unjust attack can appeal to God, crying out for him to act in line with his known character, in words that we must surely echo and pray with the victims of this latest aggression.

<sup>14</sup> But you, God, see the trouble of the afflicted;

you consider their grief and take it in hand.

The victims commit themselves to you; you are the helper of the fatherless (Ps. 10:14)

<sup>18</sup> God will never forget the needy; the hope of the afflicted will never perish.

<sup>19</sup> Arise, LORD, do not let mortals triumph;

*let the nations be judged in your presence.* 

<sup>20</sup> Strike them with terror, LORD ; let the nations know they are only mortal (Ps. 9:18-20)

"Let the nations be judged..."The Psalmists have no illusions about the **machinations of the nations in general**. In the present fog of war and escalation of rhetoric and belated action among western nations, we should not naively overlook the collusion of some governments (especially the UK) in facilitating the laundered criminality underlying the astronomical wealth that protects Putin and his friends. Such whitewashing of blatant but concealed wrongdoing brings its own curse in the international arena.

Whoever says to the guilty, "You are innocent," will be cursed by peoples and denounced by nations (Prov. 24:24)

Those who turn a blind eye to evil, even when it is exposed with serious warnings by official commissions and reports, will find themselves ensnared by their own action (or inaction).

<sup>15</sup> The nations have fallen into the pit they have dug; their feet are caught in the net they have hidden. <sup>16</sup> The LORD is known by his acts of

justice;

the wicked are ensnared by the work of their hands (Ps. 9:15-16).

Indeed, there is a bleak logic about evil, that it tends towards its own destruction. The Evil One sometimes



overreaches himself and **the worst** wickedness destroys its perpetrator. Only God the sovereign judge knows how and when. The cross is the ultimate

how and when. The cross is the ultimate proof, when God took the worst that human and satanic evil could hurl at his Son and turned it to its own defeat, and then raised Jesus in victory from the dead. The Psalmists had not heard of that yet, but they could thank God for the certainty of his righteousness. Wickedness and evildoers will not have the last word with impunity in God's moral universe--an assurance of the biblical gospel narrative that the Psalmists can thankfully anticipate as an ultimate reality.

<sup>14</sup>Whoever is pregnant with evil conceives trouble and gives birth to disillusionment.

<sup>15</sup> Whoever digs a hole and scoops it out falls into the pit they have made.
<sup>16</sup> The trouble they cause recoils on

them; their violence comes down on their own

heads.

<sup>17</sup> I will give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness;

*I will sing the praises of the name of the LORD Most High. (Ps. 7:14-17).* 

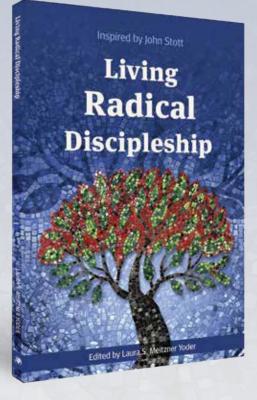
<sup>5</sup>You have rebuked the nations and destroyed the wicked; you have blotted out their name for ever and ever. <sup>7</sup> The LORD reigns forever; he has established his throne for judgment (Ps. 9:5, 7).

"The LORD reigns!" And therefore even in the midst of the most evil events, we must look for the signs of the kingdom of God – the God who can bring good out of the most terrible evil (again, remember the cross). When I visited Ukraine in October 2017, there was so much to give thanks for: a growing number of Langham Scholars; expanding impact of evangelical seminaries; favour with the government for higher theological education; significant biblical "salt and light" by Christians in the public arena. God does not do waste. The mustard seeds of his kingdom will grow, and we will have reasons to be amazed at the work of God's hands, just as we are now so appalled at the blood-stained hands of fallen humanity.

There is hope in the midst of the horror. And so we pray with and for our sisters and brothers that one day they will be able to

Sing the praises of the LORD, enthroned in Zion; proclaim among the nations what he has done (Ps. 9:11).

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This is a book to be pondered by all who care for the credibility of the church in our contemporary world.

-VINOTH RAMACHANDRA

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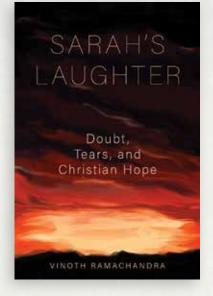
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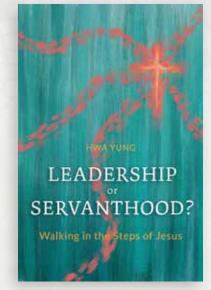
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