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A Call to Sustainability

The Asia Church Leadership Consultation (ACLC) ended on a high and sustainable note with a clarion call for holistic sustainability. For this to happen, it must firstly, involve the participation of every pillar of the Church—men, women, youth and children need to be welcomed and strengthened. It must go beyond the fulfilling of gender and intergenerational quota and in the true spirit of respect and recognition, affirm the divine mission and gift endowed on everyone for church and communion building.

Secondly, Asia has organized itself into several networks for effective and efficient accompaniment to empower churches unto holistic sustainability. Therefore churches need to be committed to such networking via the sharing of their resources with each other in order to be mutually strengthened as they collectively build up sustainable churches in their sub-region in particular and Asian in general.

Thirdly, Asia needs to develop a contextually viable model of discipleship that is undergirded by Lutheran theology. It needs a form of discipleship that addresses challenges on a personal and corporate level, one that effectively strengthens the preaching of the gospel, spirituality and biblical diakonia.

Let all Asian churches with one resolve pray and work toward holistic sustainability of our churches that we may continue to be a faithful partner in *missio dei*.