



*Welcome to*  
IRECT FAMILY RETREAT 2017

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Atas nama panitia retreat, kami mengucapkan puji syukur kepada Tuhan atas kesempatan mengadakan IRECT Family Retreat yang ke enam belas. Salah satu definisi kata ‘retreat’ adalah mengundurkan diri dari atau menjauhi kehidupan rutinitas untuk bisa belajar, berefleksi, dan berdoa.

Para pembicara kita: Dr. Yudha Thianto, Pdt. Agus Sadewa, Han Gil Lee, dan Rev. Lisa Vander Leek akan memberi pengarahan dan pengajaran mengenai Christian Character. Ada banyak definisi dan atribut dari ‘character.’ Namun yang paling mudah dimengerti adalah definisi yang diberikan oleh Bill Hybels: “Who you are when no one is looking.”

Sekali lagi, selamat datang dan menikmati IRECT Family Retreat.

Panitia Retreat 2017

TO GOD BE THE GLORY...

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# Shepherd's Note

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Welcome to IRECT's Family Retreat 2017. Each year we can gather is a gift from God. We pray these days are used by Him to strengthen and encourage us in our lives as disciples of Christ. Thank you for the time, expense, and effort to join this Family Retreat. Know that we have been praying along with many of you that God will bless the messages, the singing, and the fellowship – all to the equipping of His church and the glory of His own name. Each time this Family Retreat is put together we treat it as its own, as if it may be the last one of these we do. Coordinating schedules, getting time to pray and plan and talk are challenging. We each have our own works and ministries that we are responsible for. Each time is a privilege, too. All of us in the committee feel that it is a privilege to be able to serve and lead a retreat like this. We do not take it lightly.

There are some changes in the lineup of speakers. This year Professor Yudha Thianto will be speaking at our plenary sessions. We anticipate his teaching and preaching, praying for God to instruct our minds and challenge our hearts. Our teenagers will have Han Gil Lee as their speaker. And finally, Lisa Vander Leek is with us again, teaching our children.

Another thing that is different this time is, of course, the theme. Last time we considered the Christian Ministry. We considered how the gospel can guide and shape our ministries. This time we want to focus on character formation. As Christ's disciples, we want to grow in conformity to His image. We believe that the acid test of all character formation is this: Are we becoming more like Jesus? Are the contours of our character being shaped by His image, formed in His likeness?

This ongoing transformation is possible for each of us. We can become more and more like our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. But there is only one way, that is through our increasing understanding and application of the gospel. The goal of our theme "Till Christ is Formed in You" is to help us in this process – to help us discover new depths of joy in what God has accomplished through Christ and the Holy Spirit to deliver us from the guilt, the shame, and the grip of sin.

Every message is bent to this end. The speakers have prepared and prayed trying to understand what burden the Lord has given them to share with us. Pray that God will pour out His Spirit on us during these days.

That's the prayer of your pastor and servant,



Pastor of IRECT

# TATA TERTIB Peserta Retreat 2017

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*Tiap peserta wajib mengikuti seluruh acara yang telah dijadwalkan dan hadir 5 menit sebelum acara dimulai dengan membawa alkitab, pen, badge nama dan buku acara retreat.*

*Menggunakan waktu istirahat dengan sebaik-baiknya agar dapat mengikuti keseluruhan acara dengan baik dan segar.*

*Tidak membawa makanan keluar dari ruangan kebaktian adult & youth.*

*Menjaga kebersihan dan membuang sampah pada tempatnya.*

## **PESERTA YANG MEMBAWA ANAK**

*Agar bertanggung jawab terhadap anaknya masing-masing dengan memonitor mereka dengan baik, terutama di waktu istirahat dan di luar acara yang telah terjadwal, dengan tidak membiarkan anak-anak berlari-lari atau berteriak di dalam ruangan dan sekitarnya. Mengantar anaknya ke children program di ruangan yang telah ditentukan, dan menjemputnya kembali apabila session telah selesai*

*Apabila ada masukan atau hal-hal lain yang diperlukan oleh peserta, harap mengkomunikasikannya langsung dengan panitia.*

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*What God has begun in you, he will complete. Your destiny has already been decided. The One who decided it will give you all you need to get there. – Timothy S. Lane*

*My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! – Philip Paul Bliss*

*In justification, the word to be addressed to man is believe – only believe; in sanctification the word must be "watch, pray, and fight." – J. C. Ryle*

*Do you mortify; do you make it your daily work; be always at it whilst you live; cease not a day from this work; be killing sin or it will be killing you. – John Owen*

# The Speakers

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## Dr. Yudha Thianto

Dr. Yudha Thianto is Professor of Theology at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, IL, USA, where he has been teaching since 2001. He is also the chair of the Theology Department at the College. Having received his undergraduate degree from Diponegoro University, Semarang, Indonesia, he studied at Calvin Theological Seminary where he earned his Master of Theological Studies (MTS) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Historical Theology. An ordained elder at Hope Christian Reformed Church in Oak Forest, IL, he serves the church primarily by doing some preaching as well as playing the organ.

## Pdt. Agus Sadewa

Pdt. Agus telah menjadi gembala Indonesian Reformed Evangelical Church in Toronto (IRECT) sejak 2006. Sebelumnya, ia pernah menjadi chaplain di Reformed After-Care (RACE), pusat rehabilitasi narkoba; youth pastor di Gereja Kristen Indonesia (GKI) Perniagaan; asisten gembala Gereja Reformed Injili Indonesia (GRII); dan staf pengajar di Sekolah Teologi Reformed Injili Jakarta (STRIJ), sekolah teologi bagi kaum awam. Saat ini, selain menggembalakan Jemaat, ia juga sedang menyelesaikan studi doktoralnya dalam bidang Spiritual Care & Psychotherapy di Wilfrid Laurier University.

## Han Gil Lee

Originally from South-Korea, Han Lee is a recent graduate and obtained a Master of Divinity degree from Canadian Reformed Theological Seminary in Hamilton. Prior to this, he completed a double major in Law and Literature from Handong Global University.

He is currently helping Burlington Fellowship Canadian Reformed Church with preaching and teaching Catechism.

## Rev. Lisa Vander Leek

Rev. Lisa Vander Leek is a campus minister at the university of Toronto and a Th.D student at the Toronto School of Theology at the university of Toronto. In her spare time she enjoys baking bread, cooking, spring strolls, leisurely picnics, and digging in the sand with her sons Jonny and Benji.

# LITTLE BY LITTLE

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Little by little, day by day  
Little by little in every way  
Jesus is changing me (He's changing me)  
Since I've made a turn about face  
I've been growing in His grace  
Jesus is changing me

Refrain:

He's changing me, my precious Jesus  
I'm not the same person that I used to be  
Sometimes it's slow going  
but there's a knowing  
that one day perfect I will be

S'dikit demi sedikit  
Tiap hari tiap sifat  
Yesus mengubahku (Dia ubahku)  
Sejak kut'rima Dia  
tumbuh dalam anug'rahNya        2x  
Yesus mengubahku

Refrain:

Dia ubahku, oh Jurus'lamat  
Ku tidak seperti yang dulu lagi  
Meskipun nampak lambat  
Tapi kutahu 'ku makin sempurna nanti

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*The will of God for your life is pretty straightforward: Be holy like Jesus,  
by the power of the Spirit, for the glory of God. - Kevin DeYoung*

# Time Table

## IRECT FAMILY RETREAT 2017

DAY/DATE	TIME	ADULT (OAKWOOD)	TEENS (TRILLIUM)	CHILDREN (WELLINGTON)
<b>SATURDAY MAY 20TH</b>	9:30 - 10:45	ARRIVE, REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN		
	11:00 - 12:00	OPENING SESSION (OAKWOOD)		
	12:00 - 13:00	LUNCH (OAKWOOD )		
	13:00 - 15:45	FREE FAMILY TIME & OPTIONAL PICNIC		
	15:45 - 16:00	SNACKTIME (OAKWOOD)		
	16:00 - 18:00	How People Change	Total Depravity	God's love letter: Reading our Bibles
	18:00 - 19:00	DINNER (OAKWOOD )		
	19:00 - 21:00	SUMMARY IN THE FORM OF FAMILY NIGHT (OAKWOOD)		
	21:00	Bed Time		
<b>SUNDAY MAY 21ST</b>	7:30 - 8:15	BREAKFAST (OAKWOOD)		
	8:15 - 8:45	Group Morning Devotion (OAKWOOD)		
	8:45- 9:00	PREPARATION FOR SERVICE		
	9:00 - 10:30	SUNDAY SERVICE: "A Goal to Reach" - Bible text: Gal 4:1-20 (Indonesian and English)		
	10:30 - 11:00	SNACKTIME (OAKWOOD)		
	11:00 - 12:30	From Geneva to Toronto and Beyond: Reformed Theology and Practice for Christian Character	Deliverance: Faith & Justification	Living God's way: When we fall short of God's commandments
	12:00 - 13:00	LUNCH (OAKWOOD)		
	13:00 - 15:45	FREETIME (OPTIONAL PICNIC)		
	15:45 - 16:00	SNACKTIME (OAKWOOD)		
	16:00 - 18:00	Disciples of the Great Master: Discipline and Exercise to Form Christian Character	Why do we do good works	Welcoming others: The parable of the great banquet
	18:00 - 19:00	DINNER (OAKWOOD)		
	19:00 - 20:30	One Body and One Spirit: The Church's Calling to Shape Christian Character	Movie: Luther	Caring for God's world: The Lorax
	20:30 - 21:00	Summary of Today's Event		MOVIE NIGHT
	21:00 - 22:00	Night Chat with Rev. Yudha Thianto		
22:00	BED TIME			
<b>MONDAY MAY 22ND</b>	7:30 - 8:15	BREAKFAST (OAKWOOD)		
	8:15 - 9:00	Group Morning Devotion (Oakwood)	Morning Devotion	Morning Devotion
	9:00 - 10:30	It All Starts From Here: Home, Family, and the Formation of Christian Character	Practical, social, life discussion (Abortion & Assistant suicide)	Community: why do we go to church?
	10:30 - 11:00	Reflection		
	11:00 - 11:30	SNACK (OAKWOOD) + CHECK-OUT		
	11:30 - 12:30	CLOSING CEREMONY AND GROUP PHOTO (OAKWOOD)		
	12:30 - 13:30	LUNCH (OAKWOOD )		
	13:30	GO HOME		

# I ASKED THE LORD

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1. I asked the Lord that I might grow  
In faith and love and ev'ry grace,  
Might more of His salvation know,  
And seek more earnestly His face.
2. 'Twas He who taught me thus to pray,  
And He, I trust, has answered prayer,  
But it has been in such a way  
As almost drove me to despair.
3. I hoped that in some favored hour  
At once He'd answer my request  
And, by His love's constraining pow'r,  
Subdue my sins and give me rest.
4. Instead of this, He made me feel  
The hidden evils of my heart  
And let the angry pow'rs of hell  
Assault my soul in ev'ry part.
5. Yea, more with His own hand He seemed  
Intent to aggravate my woe,  
Crossed all the fair designs I schemed,  
Humbled my heart and laid me low.
6. "Lord, why is this," I trembling cried;  
"Wilt Thou pursue Thy worm to death?"  
"'Tis in this way," the Lord replied,  
"I answer prayer for grace and faith."
7. "These inward trials I employ  
From self and pride to set thee free  
And break thy schemes of earthly joy  
That thou may'st find thy all in Me."

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*To mortify a sin is not utterly to kill, root it out, and destroy it, that it should have no more hold at all nor residence in our hearts. It is true this is that which is aimed at; but this is not in this life to be accomplished. -  
John Owen*

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## Links

1. Buku Retreat: <http://mississauga.irect.org/retreat2017.pdf>
2. Devotion (Indonesian): <http://mississauga.irect.org/devotion.pdf>
3. Devotion (English): [http://mississauga.irect.org/devotion\\_eng.pdf](http://mississauga.irect.org/devotion_eng.pdf)

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*Till sin be bitter, Christ will not be sweet. - Thomas Watson*

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*I know of no other way to triumph over sin long-term than to gain a distaste for it because of a superior satisfaction in God. – John Piper*

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*You pray and make your requests made known unto God, and God will do something. It is not your prayer that is going to do it, it is not you who is going to do it, but God. “The peace of God that passeth all understanding” – He, through it all, “will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.” – Martyn Lloyd-Jones*