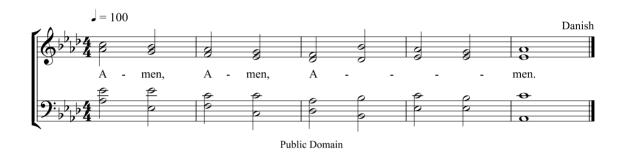
# Workshop A16: Asian Christian Worship Practices Worth Adopting or Adapting Presenters: Greg Scheer and Swee Hong Lim

## **Profile of Asia**

## **Streams of Music**

## 1. Translated / Transplanted



## 2. Adapted



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## 3. Emerging



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## **Existential Approach:**

Liturgy: Mystery embodied in Symbolism in a Multisensory Experience

Mystagogical Instruction in Christian Initiation "What did you see in the baptistery? Water, certainly, but not just that; you saw the presbyters ..."

St Cyril of Jerusalem

http://www.myocn.net/index.php/200911192093/Harmony-of-Thunder/Mystagogical-Catechesis.html

Ambrose of Milan

**Experience accompanies instruction** to form Christian spirituality and identity.

Concept of Community: One Body of Christ, not splintered by individualistic interests
Concept of Community: Traditio: Transmission and Preservation of Heritage
Non-Verbal Communication Symbols, Gesture, Posture, Space: Drawing on all human senses to encounter God
Greetings Posture
Prayer Posture
Passing God's Peace (Asian style) Greeting the presence of Christ that is in you

## Gift from Asia: Accepting the Gift

Adaptation and Innovation must be interpreted through: Scriptural directive (if any), affirmed through Church Tradition Reason Experience

#### Innovation ...

- Is always "for the people and by the people"
- prophetic in nature with the aim of a deeper encounter with God
- never the decision and effort of one individual
- undertaken with much deliberate planning, care, and caution



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