

# LCLI UPDATE 2019-July

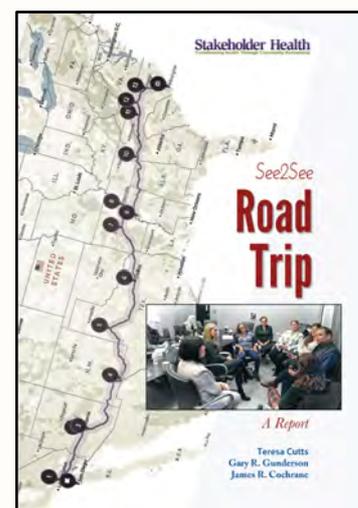
Things are happening: Two **publications**, some **new LCLI Fellows**, and a long sought opportunity for a **gathering of Fellows**—in a typically LCLI, thought provoking engagement of the kind we usually don't have the time or space to be in. *Read on ....*

## See2See Road Trip: Soundings

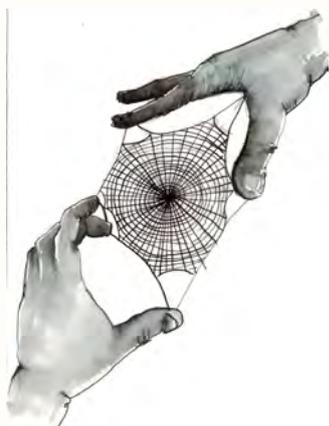
The epic journey that four of us (Gary, TC, myself, and Jeremy Moseley for the first days), all LCLI Fellows, took from coast to coast across the US South shortly after the mid-term elections is now captured in a book. That's its title above—140 pages of text and photographs with rich detail about our encounters with some 28 projects, programmes, or groups of people engaged on the ground in break-through initiatives for health, mercy and justice, plus our reflections on what we learned.

Along the way we met significant number of our LCLI Fellows, a bonus but also not incidental to the reasons for taking the trip in the first place. We were "looking for life," its emergence where it matters, and the way it plays itself out in transform-ative practice! The point was to look for it, hence, "See to see", which can't be done in front of a computer or listening to a conference presentation.

So it's a book, and it's coming your way if you haven't received it already! I hope you enjoy it.



## Generative Leadership: Releasing Life in a Turbulent World



We are in need of genuinely moral and effective leadership, at every level, this despite literally hundreds of books, training programmes, consultancies, and more aimed at improving "leadership." The sixth in the Barefoot Guide on "generative leadership" is our response to this situation, it's far from just another 'how to' book on the issue, and it's about to arrive.

You have been hearing about it for a while and now it's done. With some 23 LCLI Fellows contributing as authors or in other ways. You will hear more very soon about how to access it. Don't be misled by the fact that it's illustrated, or its style of presentation! A 180 degrees from a dumbed-down, simplistic insight into leadership, it is written by serious people who have played leadership roles at many levels in many different organizations and contexts. Be ready to be surprised!

## Gathering of Fellows: a long-desired dream

Finally ... finally! ... we are in a position to open the possibility of an international Fellows Gathering for whomever can be there! This long-awaited hope has become real thanks to our relationship with Arvind Singhal (also a new Fellow; see below) and his colleagues at the University of Texas in El Paso—a propitious place at a challenging time for such a gathering.

It WILL be from 16-19 April 2020 in El Paso, and all LCLI Fellows are invited to be there. We will seek to make this possible for those who otherwise could never cover the costs, and this is a heads-up.

For more details, see the separate email you will also be getting soon after this Briefing.

## New LCLI Fellows

### **Arvind Singhal**



Arvind (PhD) is Samuel Shirley and Edna Holt Marston Endowed Professor of Communication and Director of the Social Justice Initiative at The University of Texas at El Paso, the William J. Clinton Distinguished Fellow at the Clinton School of Public Service, Little Rock, Arkansas, and Distinguished Professor in the Faculty of Business Administration, Inland University of Applied Sciences, Norway. He teaches and conducts research on the diffusion of innovations, the positive deviance approach, organizing for social change, the entertainment-education strategy, and liberating interactional structures, covering fields as diverse as public health, education, human rights, poverty alleviation, sustainable development, civic participation, democracy and governance, and corporate citizenship. Co-author or editor of 14 books, three of which have won awards, he has also authored some 200 peer-reviewed essays, mainly in communication journals, several of them also

awarded. Multiply honoured in other ways too, in the USA, India, Japan, Slovakia, Germany, Arvind has served as an advisor to the World Bank, UN-FAO, UNICEF, UNDP, UNAIDS, UNFPA, U.S. Department of State; U.S. A.I.D., Family Health International, PATH, Save the Children, the BBC World Service Trust, International Rice Research Institute, Voice for Humanity, and several private corporations, and has visited and lectured in some 90 countries of Asia, Africa, Latin America, Australia, Europe, and North America.

### **Naiema Taliep**



Naiema recently received her Ph.D. and is a research psychologist with expertise and experience in community-based participatory action research, community engagement, violence prevention, and programme development and evaluation. Her doctoral dissertation focused on the participatory development and evaluation of a complex, community-based, interpersonal violence prevention intervention, of which she has been part, that focused on the promotion of positive forms of masculinity and safety and peace. She is currently employed at the joint South African Medical Research Council and University of South Africa Violence Injury and Peace Research Unit. She has produced several peer-reviewed publications and training manuals in collaboration with community members. She loves gardening and cooking, if she is not busy in the community.

### **Maria Teresa Jones**



Maria (M.Div, BCC, SD) is a native of San Juan, Puerto Rico, and is an ordained minister with the United Church of Christ serving as the associate pastor of Green Street United Methodist Church in Winston Salem. She is also a board certified chaplain through the Association of Professional Chaplains and a Spiritual Director currently serving as the Chaplaincy Program Manager for Staff Support of Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center, Winston Salem campus. Maria received her Masters of Divinity with certification in Spirituality, Religion, and Health Professions from Wake Forest University School of Divinity. In her role at Wake Forest, she works with healthcare providers, faculty, and staff to provide spiritual support and grief counseling. In addition, she provides support and education on compassion fatigue, burnout, and moral distress with emphasis on self-care/self-compassion, and emotional resiliency. Maria is a veteran of the United States army, a retired ballet dancer, and mother of three adult daughters: Nina (40), Melissa (38), and Jessica (36).