



'Being Deeply Accountable'

Leading Cause of Life Initiative Gathering

From the 6-11 November, a small group of LCLI Fellows met in Greyton, South Africa to talk about what it might mean to be 'deeply accountable' at this point in our common history.

Many aspects of our life together are in question: the state of democracy, rising autocratic regimes, a medieval-like plutocracy that shapes our political economies and generates super-elites often accountable to themselves alone, growing threats to human rights, loss of species diversity, the impact of climate change.

What we are accountable for and why, what we should do about it, are questions that have grown deeper, more imperative. We found ourselves reaching for fresh ideas and rich metaphors to build a trellis upon which we could hang our thoughts: the idea of Nemesis, the 'intimacy of strangers', 'valuing everything of value', 'meshworks', 'ends the matter'. That's the substance of a 'report' to all LCLI Fellows.

*Look out for the PDF's (emailed). There's more in them than you might imagine. You will find solidarity and encouragement, promise and potential, in the service of what gives life. They come to you **as if you had been present** - and, in a certain sense, you were present as part of this loose, 'strange attractor' collaboration we call LCLI.*

Actually present:

Matthew Bersagel Brayley, Jim Cochrane, Teresa Cutts, Gary Gunderson, Horst Kleinschmidt, Sandy Lazarus, Tyler Norris, Doug Reeler, Arvind Singhal, Craig Stewart, Beulah Tertiens-Reeler



Joining the LCLI Fellows: Tyler Norris

We welcome Tyler into our Fellows group, many of whom know him. A social entrepreneur and advisor to philanthropies and partnerships working to improve the well-being of people and place, he has shaped health & development initiatives in communities across the U.S. and around the world. Board Chair of Naropa University; co-Chair of the CEO Alliance for Mental Health; board member for Mindful Philanthropy, the National Academies of Sciences' Child Well Being Forum, Build Healthy Places Network, the Fireside Project, and the Global Flourishing Study, he was recently named Visiting Scholar of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Over the decades Tyler helped facilitate the Abraham Path through the heart of the Middle East; and led the Kuhiston Foundation to help establish the national park system and micro-finance in Tajikistan.