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“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, ‘Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’”
(Rev 7:9-10 ESV)

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your open-handed participation in our matching funding appeal! Your generosity warmed our hearts, and we truly appreciate your support and belief in our mission! It's not too late to donate if you missed the deadline, use the QR code below.

Before sharing updates on our recent activities, allow me to first extend an invitation to two important upcoming events:

- The first is our **fundraising banquet to be held on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 7:00pm** in The Atrium, Immanuel Bible Church, 6911 Braddock Rd, Springfield, VA 22151. Please join us for an evening of delicious dining, and inspiring stories from our global advocates; and have an opportunity to make a meaningful impact by supporting our mission. RSVP: Please confirm your attendance by October 23, 2024, at lvallejo@advocatesinternational.org. Attire: Cultural dress or semi-formal. We would love to have you there!
- The second is **the annual conference of the Christian Legal Society** being held at the Capital Hilton hotel in Washinton DC from Oct 31-Nov 3, 2024. We are very excited about our participation in the conference! Global Council member, Supreme Court Justice Mike Chibita, from Uganda, is the plenary speaker at the first main session. Advocates International Board member, Ben Bull, is presenting a workshop on *Sex Trafficking Law and Litigation*. Our board Chairman, Prof Jeff Brauch, and I will present a workshop, *“Combating religious-based violence in Africa”*. You can still register for the conference and book hotel accommodation at a special rate on the website: <https://www.christianlegalsociety.org/events>

In September, I had an amazing time in Korea.

- I was privileged to visit [Handong International Law School \(HILS\)](#) in Pohang, about two and a half hours from Seoul by speed train. Advocates International has maintained a valued relationship with HILS since 1992, when our former board chair, Lynn R Buzzard became the school's first dean. In June 2024, another former board member, Hee Eun Lee, was inaugurated as the current dean. HILS uniquely prepares international students for U.S. bar exams. During my visit to HILS, I had the opportunity to speak to the student body, meet with faculty members and the university president, and attend a student-faculty barbecue. Dean Hee Eun Lee and I discussed expanding opportunities for more

international students to attend HILS. I am tremendously excited about the potential of our partnership.

- CLS CEO, David Nammo, and I were hosted by Dong-Sub Sim and the lawyers from Advocates Korea to a wonderful dinner in Seoul. We are thrilled that Dong-Sub, David Lyou, and Sungjea Park, from Advocates Korea, will join us at the end of October for our Global Council meeting and Fundraising banquet!
- At the end of September, I was honored to be one of 5,200 Evangelical Christians from more than 200 countries to attend the fourth [Lausanne Congress](#), in Incheon, South Korea! What an experience!

Each time we worshiped together, I glimpsed a preview of the scene described by the apostle John in Revelation 7:9-10—a vast, diverse multitude from every nation and language, standing before God's throne, praising Him and the Lamb!

Board member, Tehmina Arora, and I hosted a meeting for those Christian lawyers we met at the congress, gathering participants from India, Pakistan, Indonesia, Korea, Philippines, Kenya, Malaysia, Israel, Costa Rica, Peru, Mongolia, and Bangladesh. Among them were leaders of national fellowships from India, Hong Kong, and Costa Rica. We were amazed to learn that the Hong Kong fellowship has no less than 200 members!

One of my highlights was participating in the “Christianity, Radical Politics, and Religious Freedom” collaboration track. Alongside delegates from Romania, Brunei, Pakistan, Chad, Korea, and Jordan, we explored innovative approaches to addressing the challenges faced by those persecuted for their faith. There was significant interest in our work with the Daniel Project.

During the Congress, I had the opportunity to record a television interview with Dr. Gordon Klingenschmitt, “Dr. Chaps”, the host of [Pray in Jesus Name News](#), which airs on 8 TV networks and 16 online platforms across the USA. In the interview, I introduced our various initiatives aimed at identifying and training lawyers to advocate for the persecuted.

Thank you for joining us in prayer for the upcoming events and for the incredible work our advocates are doing around the world.

Warmly in Christ



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