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Dear Brothers,

We are writing concerning the work of Dong Yu Lan carried out by his workers in Germany, Switzerland and Italy and the effects this work has had on the churches in this area, most of which precede the Brazilian work. Sadly, the characteristics of this work have been manifested in four main ways. Their work is characterized by:

- A lack of fellowship on the part of the Brazilian workers with the co-workers and churches in Europe which were established through much fellowship and were known to the saints in Europe.
- Meetings held by the Brazilian workers that conflict or compete with established annual conferences in Europe.
- Frequent public speaking by Dong Yu Lan's workers against the co-workers in Europe and elsewhere and criticisms of the ministry of the age.
- A sense of confusion and concern among the European saints resulting from the words and actions of Brother Dong's workers and their work.

In 2002, Joao Antonelli, one of Brother Dong's workers, began a work in Italy and later moved to Italy (*attachment, report on visit to Italy*). Joao's presence and the Brazilian work in Italy were unknown to the co-workers in Europe for some time. Eventually, both became known. Joao and Solomon Ma came to London in early October, 2006 at the invitation of Joe Davis and others to fellowship about their work. During that fellowship time, the co-workers expressed surprise and concern at the scope and extent of the Brazilian work (in Italy, Germany, Spain and Portugal) and the lack of fellowship involved with it. Solomon Ma indicated that he had purposely postponed fellowship with the co-workers in Europe but when challenged about this, offered no compelling reason for his decision (*attachment, Davis to Ma and Antonelli*). This lack of fellowship characterizes much of the Brazilian work in Europe and is further illustrated in the incidents below.

In Germany, Alex Kemmer, a Brazilian brother promoting Brother Dong's ministry in the area, has (perhaps with the involvement of Joao and Solomon) arranged weekend gatherings in conflict with established conferences in Europe. On October 1, 2006, there was a regularly scheduled blending meeting in Regensdorf (*attachment, report from Regensdorf*). Invitations were sent out on August 10 to the saints in Stuttgart and the scattered saints in southern Germany and Switzerland. The next day, August 11, Alex Kemmer sent out an invitation to the same group of saints inviting them to Loerrach, a small German town close to Basel, Switzerland, for an all-weekend gathering. This was in direct conflict with the previously scheduled blending time in Regensdorf (one that was already known to the saints in the area) and was initiated without any fellowship with the saints or co-workers in the area. The invitation to the competing gathering caused much confusion among the saints.

A few brothers, Gilbert Chang, Po-Yi Liu, Thomas Yang, David Cheng and Daniel Hui, at the urging of Alex and because they realized that there was confusion among the saints in Italy because of the Brazilian work, traveled to Mantova, Italy in May of 2006 to fellowship with Joao. The brothers pled earnestly with Joao to open the door of fellowship to them and to the other co-workers in Europe, especially those who labor in Italy (*attachment, report on visit to Italy*). This plea for fellowship has not borne fruit to this day. Moreover, none of the saints in Italy who closely fellowship with Joao and Solomon came to the conferences in Italy in 2006 and 2007.

On August 6, 2006, Robinson Kemmer spoke numerous times in the meeting in Regensdorf (attachment, report from Regensdorf). He attempted to instruct the saints how to sing the songs in a certain way and declared that the saints needed to be living, implying that if the saints did not sing in his way, they were dead. Robinson controlled the singing and tried to continue the singing into the time set aside for prophesying. That afternoon, during the viewing of a video from the Crystallization of the Body of Christ, Robinson sat in the back and loudly commented, "Yes, this I can take. This I cannot take." His comments were quite disturbing to most of the saints.

During a November 2006 blending time in Stuttgart (*attachment, Brazilian activity in Germany*), Alex and Robinson attacked the ministry of truth as dead doctrine. Robinson declared that he had read thirty-one books by Watchman Nee and Witness Lee and after he read them he felt, "dead, dead, dead." Alex and Robinson had been pressuring the brothers in Stuttgart to drop the "Holy Word for Morning Revival," to stop selling the ministry books and to not mention to the saints the European conferences listed on the Amana web site. All three of these goals are quite disturbing. The actions of the two Kemmers at this blending time convinced many saints in Stuttgart that their intent was to divide the saints from the ministry and the fellowship of the churches in Europe. The result was that the saints in Stuttgart stood strongly for the ministry of the age and the fellowship of the Body of Christ, rejecting the proposals of Alex and Robinson.

After many of the events listed above, especially those with the negative speaking, many of the saints were confused. They asked, "Why were there competing conferences? Why would these brothers speak this way? Why would they be so negative against their fellow serving ones?" Many saints were troubled by these things and others were very concerned about the brothers who promoted Brother Dong's ministry and that ministry itself.

The Brazilian workers have publicly expressed their intention to spread their independent work throughout Europe (*attachment, report of spread in Europe*). They have stated that they plan to travel from city to city in Europe to do this. They also said that they intend to make Stuttgart the center of their work in the German-speaking parts of Europe. By their words and by their actions, they intend to do this without the fellowship of the existing churches in Europe or the existing co-workers.

We hope that this brief report (much more could have been added) makes the situation here clear concerning the work of Dong Yu Lan in Europe and its effects.

Your brothers,

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