

## **GLOBAL SIKH COUNCIL**

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**Dear Members** 

WaheguruJi Ka Khalsa; WaheguruJi Ki Fateh.

My attention was recently drawn towards a website sponsored by Christian evangelist foundation known as the **Lausanne Movement**. The Lausanne movement is basically a well-organized think tank actively promoting conversion of Sikhs across the world to Christianity and to who they refer to as 'the ultimate Guru Jesus Christ'. They plan to do this through missionary influence and the promises of monetary benefits. They have a control over scores of Christian missionary societies and have been funding them.

Upon perusal of the contents from one of the recently published articles I found some quite alarming and disturbing information pertaining to their designs for Sikhs not only in India but across the world. This evangelist society has been in the forefront for motivating people from other faiths to embrace Christianity but their plans for Sikhs seems to have been very methodically designed after a thorough research on Sikhism and our way of life. According to this article they have even pinpointed particular geographical destinations to further their project, perversely called, the **Global Sikh Consultation** (GSC)

While we will counter these attempts on organizational and political fronts, it is the duty of every one of us to warn the community of this impending danger. I would like to remind everyone that such attempts were discounted or taken lightly in the past also and we had to pay the price. In Panjab one of the main reasons for success of evangelist conversion groups are social issues, which over the time has marginalized Sikhs coming from weaker sections of the society. What happened with BhaiNirmal Singh Khalsa was matter of shame for the entire Sikh panth. Let us all work towards eradication of casteism which has no place in Sikhi.

In other parts of the world we have noticed Sikh youth getting influenced by preachers and missionaries. I think we need to look beyond Langarseva to other Sikh teachings, in order to bring back our young generation who are vulnerable to such attempts. The GSC Sub Committee on Religious Affairs should hold discussions and suggest measures which should be taken up by country level Sikh organizations and Gurudwaras. I have attached the link to this particular article for your information

http://evangelicalfocus.com/blogs/5230/Leading Sikhs to the utimate guru

Warm regards

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