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The Alliance for Vulnerable Mission encourages some missionaries from the West to engage in their ministries using local languages and resources.

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**The AVM welcomes (The Rev. Canon Dr.) John A. Macdonald
onto its executive board**

(The Rev. Canon Dr.) John A. Macdonald is the Director of the Stanway Institute for World Mission and Evangelism and Associate Professor of Mission and Evangelism and at Trinity School for Ministry, Ambridge. He is also an ordained minister in the Anglican Church in North America.



Dr. Macdonald received his B.A. in English (Hons.) from Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA, and has attended Trinity College, Bristol, England, and the Université de Rennes, France. He was awarded the M.Div. from Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry in 1986 and the D.Miss. from Fuller Theological Seminary in 2011.

Prior to joining the Faculty at Trinity School for Ministry, Dr. Macdonald had five years of parish ministry in the United States, before returning to Honduras with his family as missionaries with the then South American Missionary Society. In Honduras, He was the team leader for an ambitious church planting project in Tegucigalpa, then served as Canon for Evangelism for the Episcopal Diocese of Honduras, and then he was Dean of the Catedral El Buen Pastor in San Pedro Sula.

He has preached and taught in five continents and has an insatiable desire to talk about the Church's mission. He co-authored with Francisco Guardado *Evangelismo en la Iglesia Local* and is the author of the children's fantasy novel *Pachunga*. He has also published a number of journal and popular articles on evangelism and mission.

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- Is integral mission integral, or can it be a means of trying to sidestep sometimes complicated issues associated with sharing the Gospel? See here <http://www.kouya.net/?p=7173> for Eddie Arthur's look at integral mission entitled '**Integral Mission Isn't.**'
- Down load this book http://www.wciu.edu/docs/resources/AgentsOfIDandShalom-10_15_15.pdf then search for 'Harries' to find the short piece Jim has contributed. Harries, Jim, 2015, '**Interpreters and Champions as "Inside" Agents for Development**', 195-198 in: Snodderly, Beth, (ed.) 2015, *Agents of International Development and Shalom*, Pasadena, LA: William Carey International University Press.
- <http://www.rts.ch/info/monde/7241931--l-aide-au-developpement-n-a-jamais-aide-un-seul-pays-en-afrique-.html> Benin Expert says that "**[development] money does not solve the problem and never helped a single African country.**"
- Advanced notice: give thanks for provisional plans to hold **AVM events in the USA in the 'Fall' of 2017**. Details in due course ... ! Please keep praying.
- "Bund stoppt gescheiterte Lehrlingsausbildung in Nigeria" Mit 1,5 Millionen Franken wollte der Bund Lehrlinge in Nigeria ausbilden. Nach drei Jahren wird das Projekt abgebrochen. Die

Bilanz faellt katastrophal aus. <http://www.bernerzeitung.ch/schweiz/standard/Nigerianer-kritisieren-Schweizer-Hilfsprojekt/story/20100396>

- Jim Harries is to teach a Swahili language course in Kenya in January / February 2016. Anyone wanting to join write to him at jimoharries@gmail.com Details: <https://goo.gl/d1rBE4>
- “There’s no such thing as the ‘deserving poor’ (blog by Craig Greenfield) ... http://www.craiggreenfield.com/blog/deserving?utm_source=Craig+Greenfield&utm_campaign=6ad0dfd57-RSS_EMAIL_CAMPAIGN&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_0ea5bbe7fa-6ad0dfd57-105849101

The AVM is looking for volunteers to assist in administrative roles and in developing the AVM web-presence. Anyone interested please write to Jim Harries at jim@vulnerablemission.org