

rehearse it, or memorize it, or think of different ways to share it. We just have to get out there and do it!

Thomas Wang: World evangelization is possible by the end of this century. I can't think of anything else that should excite a real Christian more than this.

Narrator: Today, there are still two billion—or two thousand million—people who remain unreached by the gospel. We are the ones who must evangelize our own generation, and we must pray, plan, and work together. The time is now!

Message to the Congress

Corazon Aquino
President of the Philippines

On behalf of the Filipino people, I extend a warm welcome and our world-renowned tradition of friendship and hospitality to the Lausanne II delegates. I wish to express my appreciation to the leaders and organizers of this conference for choosing Manila as the venue for this gathering of more than four thousand delegates from all over the world. I understand this conference is being held for the second time, since the 1974 meeting at Lausanne, Switzerland.

As President of the Philippines, I urge the delegates to include in their discussions pressing problems besetting Third World nations today. The discussion of spiritual topics in this conference is well appreciated, but I take cognizance of the fact that in some Asian countries there are other imperatives which will have to be resolved, particularly those that involve the physical being such as hunger and poverty. My wish is that this gathering of spiritual leaders will be able to offer alternatives to modern day problems that beset cities around the world.

In a world ravaged by war, pain, hunger, and disease, accompanied by a definite trend in the breakdown of moral strength, Christian conferences which encompass all faiths are a welcome respite. I send my best wishes for the success of Lausanne II in Manila.

(Mrs. Aquino's message was read, in her absence, by her special assistant Ruth Romero.)