

19 & 20 April 2021

INTERCULTURAL  
CONFERENCE

# Corona, Connection, and the Cross

Permanente Educatie  
Predikanten, theologen  
en kerkelijk werkers

*Challenge to Face the Existential Questions  
for the Global Church Today*

The core question asked  
by the actual pandemic  
is about connection: how  
are Christians connected  
- to God and to each  
other - locally and  
globally.

Actual physical – embodied – connection is under severe pressure where Corona-measures make us keep 'social distance' and turning our relationships into virtual meetings. In this context the question comes up what 'salvation' means for churches and believers. And how do we receive and experience this salvation? Do these existential questions differ per culture and context? And if so: what can we learn and receive from each other? In the West, questions arise such as: where is God in this crisis? What does "salvation" actually mean, if there is such a lack of connection, and our experience of God has become as flat as our computer screen. But what are the questions in other parts of God's world?

*What does the difference in crisis  
experience say about Christian faith  
in North, East, South and West?*

What does the Covid pandemic tell us about God, and what does God say to us through this crisis? What does the difference in crisis experience say about Christian faith in North, East, South and West? What does the sharing of experiences of salvation in corona time from other parts of God's world have as a consequence for our faith and church experience?

**MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION**  
[www.pepredikanten.nl/connection/#English](http://www.pepredikanten.nl/connection/#English)

## SPEAKERS

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## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### COSTS

Voluntary fee

### DATE

19 & 20 April 2021  
10 - 12 AM / 14 - 16 PM (CET)

### REGISTRATION DEADLINE

7 April 2021

### LOCATION

Online

**Intercultural encounters for  
existential questions**

**Dutch, Indian and African  
theological perspectives**

**Two days, four online sessions**