

## Testimony - The Power of Collaboration

In this issue the focus is on collaboration, which is in the 'DNA' of Faith2Share. Pranab Kishor Kumar, Director of Faith2Share member *New Life for India*, explains how the network has helped him build collaboration.

'We are really blessed by the partnerships we have made with other missions because of Faith2Share.'

### 1. A Partner from Kenya

'It was great to meet Rev. Livingstone (of Faith2Share member Church Army Africa) in India at a Faith2Share consultation. We became friends and have kept in touch. Livingstone came to India and trained our church planters - and those from other organisations. We are planning to continue this training programme because local people feel it is relevant in our region. Personally, I am blessed by the friendship, fellowship and partnership with Livingstone.'

### 2. A Team from SOMA-UK

'I was pleased to meet Rev. Stephen Dinsmore at a Faith2Share consultation. We became friends and shared with each other about our ministries. They sent their team to Raipur and we saw why their ministry was so vital. In 2016 Faith2Share member SOMA-UK sent a team to Odisha and we were able to learn from one another. We appreciated their lifestyle and fellowship. Our church planters benefitted from their teaching. We would like to work with SOMA in other parts of India in the future.'

### 3. A Mentor from NAMS Network

'I met Rev. Manik at a Faith2Share consultation and we became partners in Christ. Since we met we have visited each other and shared about God's calling on our lives. It is a great blessing for me to work with NAMS (a Faith2Share member). This collaboration is a blessing and it is growing stronger and stronger. Working with NAMS is shaping our vision.'

'All these partnerships have been formed through Faith2Share so I am so thankful and grateful to Faith2Share.'

Pranab Kishor Kumar (New Life for India) with Livingstone Nyanje (Church Army Africa)



## The Miraculous Impact of Unity and Collaboration



**Bisoke Balikenga (Anglican Church, Bunia)**

In November 2015 four local Christian leaders were travelling 650 kilometres across the D.R. Congo. They were from different denominations and had seen a great deal of division between their churches.

Their destination was a Faith2Share consultation on the shores of Lake Kivu in Eastern Congo. Focused on mission and in the context of intense suffering, the gathering and their fellowship would prove life-changing for all of them.

On their return to Bunia, the group of four resolved to work together with a new commitment to collaboration. They organised a conference for 60 local pastors to share with them what they had learned at the Faith2Share gathering.

They have since supported each other in a number of different ministries and seen amazing results. Young people have given their lives to Christ and people with HIV/AIDS have been served. A drug dealer was miraculously healed and left his old way of life - he now attends church and asks for prayer visits.

It's amazing what happens when Christians commit themselves to unity and collaboration!

***'How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! ... For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life for evermore.'* (Psalm 133)**



**Bible gifts to orphans as part of literacy programme in Rwampara, Congo**



# The Power of Collaboration

Collaboration is at the heart of the Faith2Share vision. Mission is too important to be impeded by duplication of effort, disunity and empire-building. Instead, mission movements can work together for God's glory, enjoying the power of synergy which brings greater effectiveness in the task of making disciples. Faith2Share plays a unique role in networking missions from global north and global south with a focus on leadership, collaboration and discipleship.

The stories in this issue of Missionet are just two recent examples of Faith2Share's crucial impact. Collaboration multiplies the work of individual mission movements so that the whole is greater than the sum of the parts. **This is why we are asking you to consider making a special commitment.** Networking for collaboration requires ongoing work and attention so we are asking you prayerfully to consider supporting Faith2Share regularly.

I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one — I in them and you in me—**so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.**

John 17:22-23

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Pranab Kishor Kumar,  
New Life for India



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## Praise / Thanks

**Praise God** for the partnerships with Livingstone, SOMA, NAMS

**Thank God** for the partnership of the four leaders in Bunia.

**Praise God** for using Faith2Share to develop unity and effectiveness in discipleship.

## Prayer

**Pray** that these partnerships will continue to bear much fruit.

**Pray** that God would protect their unity and use their collaboration as a model for others in DR Congo.

**Pray** that God would use Faith2Share to nurture more and more fruitful partnerships for God's glory in the nations.

**Partner with us in prayer!** If you don't already receive our prayer news emails, send your name, address and email to [prayer@faith2share.net](mailto:prayer@faith2share.net) and become a valued prayer supporter.

**Sharing our vision!** We'd love to speak at your church. Interested? Email [f2s@faith2share.net](mailto:f2s@faith2share.net)



***Delegates at Faith2Share Leadership Consultation in Bangalore (2016)***

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