4. Sharing information at community level

Local churches are well placed to share information with church members and community members, information that can then be used to address injustices and hold politicians and power-holders to account. Local churches provide a natural forum within which such information can be shared, as people gather together on a regular basis to share news and also to hear teaching.

For example, local churches can help people know how they can contact their Member of Parliament, or inform people about how they can join the local hospital’s stakeholder group, or form one if one does not exist. They can educate and empower citizens as to their rights, and how they can exercise their democratic rights where these exist.

Example

One national church network in Kenya has mobilised churches to publish on notice-boards how much money the government has given to the school and to hold teachers to account for the use of this money.

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