Mobilising the church

Key objective
To enable groups of church members and leaders to gain an understanding of integral mission and the role of their church in meeting community needs

TOOLS required
Relevant pages in Mobilising the community, Mobilising the church and the Facilitation Skills Workbook

Personnel required
Trainer and church leaders to share skills in facilitation and to give confidence to group facilitators

Anticipated outcomes
− Understanding of servant leadership promoted
− A biblically-based approach to addressing the material as well as the spiritual needs of individuals is encouraged
− Church better equipped to prioritise leadership development, with an emphasis on servant leadership approaches
− Church members better able to realise their potential in working together to bless not only church members but also the surrounding community in being salt and light
− A plan of action for priority issues developed by church members.

Suggested approaches
− Use PILLARS Guides to facilitate a discussion with church leaders around how to encourage and envision church members to engage more actively in the life of the wider community.
− Lead home groups or other established church groups through Mobilising the church, ensuring time to think through application of each discussion.
− Call a 2 – 5 day workshop for all church members and centre this around small group discussion of priority areas using selected topics from Mobilising the church for small group work.

Case studies
− There has been a very positive response to the guide ‘Mobilising the church’ from church groups in Colombia and Bolivia, L America.
− Church leaders in Pakistan are keen to have an Urdu version of ‘Mobilising the church’ to help strengthen church development.
− CMAI in Delhi, India immediately saw the need to make this guide available in Hindi to their network of Christian health workers.