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The Role of Faith Communities in Improving Maternal and Child Health

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Noon-1pm

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Lunch Provided

Featuring:

- Dr. Larry Sthresley, IMA World Health, Country Director for Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Dr. Samuel Mwenda, Christian Health Association of Kenya
- Dr. E. Anne Peterson, MPH, AmeriCares, Senior Vice President of Programs
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Moderator:

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Healthy mothers and children are the foundation for strong families and ultimately, strong communities. However, we know that the first five years of a child's life are the most dangerous with challenges such as inadequate nutrition, malaria, diarrhea, tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS and other challenges resulting in the deaths of 6.6 million children under 5 each year, most of them from preventable causes. We also know that the death of a mother profoundly affects the health and well-being of her children. In some parts of the world, a mother is more likely to die in childbirth than she is to finish secondary school. This briefing will discuss the leadership role faith-based organizations are taking in addressing child survival and maternal mortality and promoting health and wholeness for the entire family through programs focusing on malaria, health systems strengthening, ebola, and healthy pregnancies.

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