



**CCIH**  
Christian Connections  
for International Health

# ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT 2025

Visibility.  
Quality.  
Fellowship.



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# MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## Friends and Partners,

2025 reminded us that Christian health organizations are resilient because our hope is not rooted in political cycles or funding streams but in faith and service inspired by that faith. The funding freeze, stop-work orders, and abrupt dissolution of USAID created confusion and fear among many Christian organizations serving vulnerable communities.

In the midst of this unprecedented strain on the entire global health landscape, CCIH leaned fully into our strategic pillars to improve Christian health services by raising **Visibility**, **Quality**, and **Fellowship**.

We elevated **Visibility** for faith-based health organizations, joining sign-on letters, meeting with Congressional offices, facilitating CEO outreach, and mobilizing campaigns to preserve resources. Our Christian Health Asset Mapping Consortium provided key data that was used in the U.S. government's new Global Health Strategy. We told stories of how U.S. support strengthened Christian health ministries and ensured the faith community's perspective was represented in major news outlets.

We strengthened **Quality** across our network. The 30x30 Health Systems Initiative advanced its commitments by training leaders in governance, advocacy, and maternal mental health and by creating resources to strengthen Christian organizations.

And in a year when it was badly needed, we fostered **Fellowship**. Our forums became places of honest dialogue, prayer, and encouragement. Our global conference in June carried the theme "Change Agents for All," and for me, it was a turning point from lamenting what was lost to focusing on our future together.

One of our most powerful moments of 2025 came in November, when CCIH partnered with the Africa Christian Health Associations Platform and the All Africa Conference of Churches to convene Christian health executives and religious leaders from 10 African countries. The consultation affirmed what we have long known: **faith-based networks are not peripheral actors in health systems; they are central, community-rooted partners whose leadership matters.**

In a difficult year, CCIH members **adapted, innovated, collaborated, and advocated.** CCIH's role is to come alongside our members: **making them stronger, more visible, and more connected.**

This work in 2025 laid the foundations for new efforts in 2026, including completion of an innovative "resilience" assessment developed by our Faith for Climate Resilient Health Consortium, strategies to strengthen Christian formation among our members, and a new global collaborative focused on faith actor response to pandemics and global health security.

Thank you for standing with us. Together, we continue to demonstrate that faith-inspired health work remains vital to global health systems worldwide.

With gratitude and hope,



**Doug Fountain**  
Executive Director





**VISIBILITY**

GLOBAL ADVOCACY

## A UNIFIED CHRISTIAN VOICE FOR HEALTH IN AFRICA

At a pivotal moment for global health policy and financing, CCIH convened **48** faith and health leaders **from 10 African countries** in Nairobi in partnership with the Africa Christian Health Associations Platform (ACHAP) and the All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC).

Together, they addressed urgent health challenges and elevated African Christian leadership in shaping the future of health systems across the continent. The challenge to the assembled leaders was to consider how they envision the future of health for their nations. This goes far beyond how to obtain resources for Christian hospitals or how to serve vast populations living on the margins.



The consultation culminated in the release of **One Faith, One Voice: A Shared Commitment to Health and Wholeness in Africa**, a unified statement affirming that holistic health is a sacred expression of faith and a central calling of the Church. The leaders committed to advocating with national governments, strengthening collaboration across Church networks, the private sector, and public institutions, and calling upon governments to partner with faith-based providers to advance health for all.

CCIH coordinated a press conference immediately following the consultation and launched a strategic media outreach campaign, resulting in coverage across **22 media outlets**, including Devex, major global Christian publications, and denominational media, amplifying the unified message well beyond the consultation itself.



## COORDINATED ACTION TO PROTECT ESSENTIAL HEALTH FUNDING

When U.S. foreign assistance was initially halted at the beginning of 2025 and later severely limited, CCIH mobilized quickly to provide guidance and resources to Christians and advocate to protect the vulnerable. In the face of this, CCIH:



### Launched a Resource Hub

to help Christians navigate the [funding freeze and contraction of resources](#).



### Participated in a direct appeal

to the Secretary of State, coordinated by other partners, to release malaria funds for life-saving care.



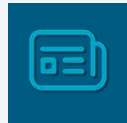
### Hosted member-only forums

to share the latest intelligence on the evolving U.S. government funding situation and help members connect and share challenges.



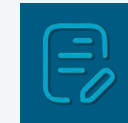
### Gathered data and stories

from members showing how U.S. funding amplified the work of Christian organizations and how the funding freeze affected programs and vulnerable communities.



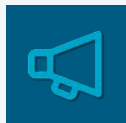
### Generated media coverage

in major outlets such as *Religion News Service* and *Christianity Today* to inform the Christian community about the impact of the funding cuts.



### Coordinated CEO letters

to key Senators from Christian leaders in multiple states expressing support for U.S. Foreign Assistance.



### Joined advocacy efforts

to protect the President's Malaria Initiative funding and PEPFAR resources and express support for U.S. foreign assistance.



### Conducted Capitol Hill visits

with both Republican and Democratic offices, sharing the experiences and concerns of CCIH members with health system disruptions.



### Supported the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition

#SaferStronger campaign showing the importance of foreign assistance to U.S. security and economic development.

These collective efforts contributed to renewed disbursement of critical health funds.



## MEASURING THE SCOPE AND SCALE OF CHRISTIAN HEALTH ASSETS

CCIH serves as the secretariat for the [Christian Health Asset Mapping Consortium \(CHAMC\)](#). Under CCIH's leadership, the consortium continued to reveal the scale and reach of Christian health systems with new studies and products in 2025:

### Global Health Strategy Recognition

The U.S. Government referenced CHAMC sub-Saharan Africa mapping data in the [2025 America First Global Health Strategy](#), underscoring the credibility and relevance of our work.

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### Initial Data Brief on Christian Health Assets in 11 Asian Countries

Documenting [4,409](#) Christian health assets.

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### Review and Analysis of Christian Health Worker Training Institutions

Revealing [1,365](#) Christian health worker training institutions globally.

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### Expanding the Global Christian Health Evidence Base

Compiled databases of Christian health assets in [Latin America and the Caribbean](#) and of Christian medical residency programs, for release in [2026](#).



The [Christian Health Asset Mapping Consortium \(CHAMC\)](#) meets the urgent need for high-quality data and information on the worldwide Christian health asset landscape.

## ELEVATING THE CHRISTIAN VOICE IN GLOBAL HEALTH

In 2025, CCIH staff amplified the voice and visibility of Christian global health by speaking at key national and international convenings, including:



### 7 MAJOR CONVENINGS AND PLATFORMS

spanning family planning, climate and health, community health, pandemic preparedness, and faith-based advocacy.

#### **Future of Family Planning Convening in Washington, D.C.**

Speaking on Faith and Family Planning and advocacy. The gathering brought together roughly 200 global leaders to explore family planning challenges and opportunities amid shifting global health policy.

#### **Webinar Hosted by the Global Consortium on Climate and Health Education (GCCHE) and EarthMedic/EarthNurse**

Building alliances between health professionals and faith communities to advance climate and health action.

#### **Webinar Briefing Hosted by Strategic Principles for U.S.-Based Pastors**

Addressing the suspension of U.S. foreign assistance funding, trends in global health financing, and implications for church engagement.

#### **Christian Community Health Fellowship Conference**

Speaking on community health and the global contribution of faith-based health systems.

#### **The Gathering Annual Conference**

Presenting a landscape overview of the Christian global health movement.

#### **The International Conference on Family Planning in Colombia**

Sharing the work of faith-based organizations as reliable partners in supporting the healthy timing and spacing of pregnancies.

#### **G20 Interfaith Meeting in South Africa**

Highlighting the role of faith-based organizations in addressing pandemic preparedness and response, as well as youth mental health.

# **QUALITY**

**Strengthening Health Systems Through Tools, Training, and Data**

# 30 CCIH X HEALTH 30 SYSTEMS INITIATIVE

The **CCIH 30x30 Health Systems Initiative** aims to strengthen 30 health systems through faith-based health services by 2030. It supports commitment makers by clarifying goals, fostering accountability, and connecting them to a peer network for learning and inspiration.

In 2025, the 34 commitment makers in CCIH's 30x30 Health Systems Initiative:



**Trained 15,500+**  
individuals in health.



**Reached 1.14+ million people**  
through their health programs.



**Supported 13,300+ institutions**  
Health facilities, drug supply organizations, and NGOs.

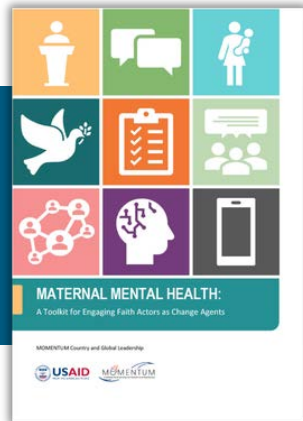
CCIH supported the 30x30 commitment makers through peer forums on workforce and health information systems, data reporting, a member directory, and shared learning. See the full [2025 30x30 Health Systems Initiative Annual Report](#).



Midwife Training with Helping Children Worldwide, Healey International, and the Christian Health Association of Sierra Leone (CHASL).

## BUILDING CAPACITY OF FAITH ACTORS IN MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH

In October of 2025, CCIH hosted a three-day Virtual Learning Institute focused on using a [Maternal Mental Health \(MMH\) Toolkit](#) developed earlier with USAID support. The toolkit equips faith actors with the information and tools they need to remove barriers that inhibit positive maternal mental health. Attendees left the training with increased knowledge, a tailored action plan, and a certificate in maternal mental health.



“Thanks to you and your team for a fantastic Virtual Learning Institute. The toolkit is great, the speakers were excellent, and the program was so well thought through and executed!”

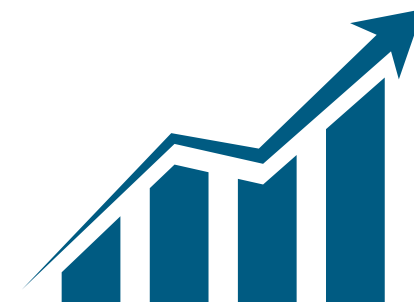
**Richard Lundie, Sikunye, part of Common Good (South Africa)**



## A MEMBERS-ONLY FUNDING RESOURCE

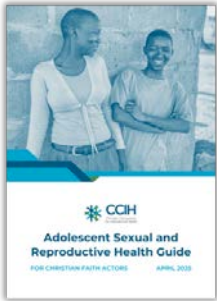
**Access to funding remains one of the greatest challenges facing Christian health organizations.**

In 2025, CCIH curated and distributed **64 grant opportunities** to members, carefully reviewing funding announcements and sharing those most relevant to faith-based global health work. Our member-exclusive service supports organizational sustainability and helps our network compete more effectively for resources that expand health services to vulnerable communities.



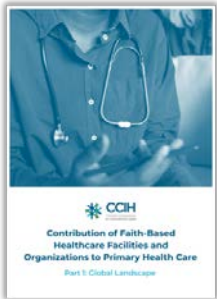
## EQUIPPING THE FAITH-BASED HEALTH SECTOR WITH PRACTICAL TOOLS

CCIH produced assessments and reports on a variety of topics, from the contribution of faith actors to primary health care to climate resilience and more.



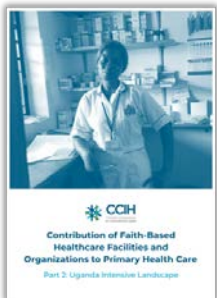
### Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health Guide for Christian Faith Actors

A values-informed, evidence-based guide supporting Christian organizations in addressing adolescent sexual and reproductive health with theological integrity and public health excellence. A task force of CCIH members provided input in the drafting and review of the guide, which equips faith actors to engage young people, reduce stigma, and improve health outcomes while remaining grounded in Christian conviction.



### Contribution of Faith-Based Healthcare Facilities and Organizations to Primary Health Care: Global Landscape

This global landscape report documents the scope, scale, and strategic importance of faith-based providers in delivering primary health care worldwide. It provides data and analysis that strengthen advocacy efforts and elevate the visibility of Christian health services within global health systems discussions.



### Contribution of Faith-Based Healthcare Facilities and Organizations to Primary Health Care: Uganda Intensive Landscape

Building on the global report, this country-level analysis offers an in-depth examination of the role of faith-based providers in Uganda's primary health care system. The report demonstrates the measurable contribution of faith-based facilities and offers a model for similar additional country analyses.



### Faith-Based Climate-Health Readiness and Adaptation Assessment

CCIH's Faith for Climate Health Resilience (Faith4CRH) produced this practical assessment tool designed to help Christian health organizations evaluate their preparedness for climate-related health risks. Tested by volunteers across the globe, this resource enables facilities and networks to **identify vulnerabilities, strengthen resilience, and integrate climate adaptation** into health programming and systems planning.



## EXPANDING ACCESS TO RESOURCES

In addition to new publications, CCIH translated its popular [USAID-supported Promoting Vaccination: A Toolkit for Collaborating with Faith Communities](#) into French and Hindi to expand access and enable the use of the tool in even more areas.

## STRENGTHENING LEADERSHIP, GOVERNANCE, AND TECHNICAL CAPACITY ACROSS THE NETWORK

In 2025, CCIH strengthened the capacity of Christian health leaders and institutions through targeted training and global convenings.

### Co-Facilitated ACHAP Leadership Training

At an [Africa Christian Health Association Platform \(ACHAP\) gathering](#), CCIH co-facilitated leadership and governance training for staff from **11 Christian Health Associations**, addressing board roles and responsibilities, staff-board relationships, and innovative financing approaches to sustain faith-based health systems.

### Advanced Leadership and Governance Resources

At the [CCIH 2025 Conference](#), staff co-led a pre-conference session on Leadership and Governance, which included a new resource to support FBOs in strengthening accountability, oversight, and strategic direction.

### Strengthened Maternal Mental Health Capacity

CCIH trained staff of a member organization from **10 countries** on maternal mental health and the effective use of the [Maternal Mental Health \(MMH\) Toolkit](#), equipping practitioners to better identify, address, and integrate mental health services into maternal care programs.

### Led Faith-Based Advocacy Training

In the [Faith Preconference](#) at the [International Conference on Family Planning](#), CCIH conducted an advocacy training and facilitated the preconference, bringing together participants from **23 countries**. The training provided faith leaders with tools for engaging policymakers, strengthening messaging, and advancing evidence-informed, faith-based advocacy in family planning and primary health care.

## KNOWLEDGE SHARING

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### New Resource Library Additions

CCIH expanded its [Resource Library](#) with 31 new additions in 2025, strengthening the evidence base and practical capacity of Christian health organizations through research publications, policy reports, multilingual toolkits, mental health resources, and tools addressing primary health care, reproductive health, vaccination, disability inclusion, and climate-related health risks.

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### Blogs Published

In 2025, CCIH [published 18 blogs](#) highlighting the impact of faith-based health services worldwide, with topics ranging from the role of U.S. foreign assistance and PEPFAR in strengthening Christian health systems to climate-resilient care, maternal and midwifery training, and noncommunicable diseases, as well as organizational strategy and the power of partnership and networking across the Christian health community.



# **FELLOWSHIP**

Building Community in a Year of Uncertainty

## GLOBAL CONFERENCE: CHANGE AGENTS FOR ALL

The [CCIH 2025 Conference](#) brought together around 200 in-person attendees from 29 countries at Catholic University in Washington, DC, with many more joining virtually, to explore how faith actors serve as catalysts for positive change in global health through collaboration, innovation, and spiritual witness. [Presentations](#) focused on how Christians working in health are Change Agents for All.



"The 2025 CCIH Conference was an incredibly enriching experience. I was inspired by the global network of passionate professionals integrating faith and health to serve communities. It provided me with new insights and connections that I believe will enhance my research and advocacy moving forward."

**Frans Judea Samosir, PhD Student, University of Memphis**

## NAVIGATING CHANGE TOGETHER: WEBINARS AND FORUMS

In addition to our monthly executive forums and quarterly francophone forums, CCIH held **7 member forums** and **4 public webinars** in 2025 on topics ranging from U.S. government policy shifts and funding requirements to artificial intelligence in health care, academic and research partnerships, and faith-informed approaches to family planning, primary health care, and community engagement. Across member forums and public webinars in 2025, CCIH engaged over **1,600 registrants**, with nearly **800 participants actively attending**, demonstrating strong and sustained interest in timely, faith-informed global health dialogue.



## NEW CONNECTIONS

Through a connection facilitated by CCIH, the Disabled Children's Fund donated 110 unused blood pressure monitors to the MAMA Project for use in clinics in South Sudan, ensuring valuable equipment reached communities where it was urgently needed.

"Thanks so very much for connecting us with the MAMA Project. This is one of the great things about being part of CCIH!"

**Jack Walsh, Disabled Children's Fund**

## MOVING FORWARD



In 2025, CCIH demonstrated that in times of instability, faith-based health networks are **not fragile; they are foundational.**

Through **Visibility**, we ensured Christian health voices were heard.  
Through **Quality**, we strengthened systems and tools.  
Through **Fellowship**, we sustained leaders and nurtured community.

*And together, we moved forward.*

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY



	2024	2025
<b>REVENUE</b>	\$989,115	\$1,549,045
<b>EXPENSES</b>	\$1,211,202	\$1,172,119
<b>NET INCOME</b>	(\$222,087)	\$376,926
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$447,047	\$855,302
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	\$57,302	\$88,612
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	\$389,745	\$766,690



“Learn to do right; seek justice.  
Defend the oppressed.  
Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow.”  
**ISAIAH 1:17**