

OC Ministries in INDIA

partners with their local community and church leaders as well as with those in other countries as an OC Global Alliance Mobilization Center, since its formation 26 years ago. Here is a snapshot of some of their ministry projects:

PASTORS AND LEADERS CONFERENCES

Annually, OC partners with other agencies and many independent churches in 14+ conferences in India with more than 3,500 pastors/leaders and women leaders.

NORTH INDIA LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Ron says, "We see a diverse group of leaders and pastors heading the body of Christ in their parts of the nation. God is doing something marvelous."

TRAINING IN BIBLE SCHOOLS

OC workers teach and train students in B.Th., B.D.M.A. M.Th. and Ph.D. levels.

LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

New Testaments and Gospel packets are in great demand. OC's role is to provide the literature, train the volunteers, and help in times of need and counseling.

...AND MUCH MORE

Open air preaching ministries, church planting mentoring (Indian, Nepali, and Bhutanese believers), neighbor ministries, new Bible schools, youth conferences...

Ministry Challenges

While OC Ministries in India has seen much fruit over the years, it also continues to persevere through difficulties.

- The self-supported mission concept is not widely understood in India, making it difficult for missionaries to raise support.
- Churches are often unwilling to fund those outside their congregations.
- The cost of living dilemma (it is cheaper to live in India) makes it difficult to send missionaries beyond borders.
- Ethnic tensions flare up from time to time – Dalits (lowest caste in India) are the majority of India Christians.

However, OC India is dedicated to training locals in India and its neighboring countries to take up the harvest.

With your prayers, they will continue to be a significant part in reaching the world for Christ.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for more people to come to faith, for sound doctrine in churches and Bible schools.
- Pray for the Lord's strength for believers who often suffer as minorities.
- Pray for the general elections coming in April and May, that God will bring the right people who can give the church more freedom.
- Pray for new financial donors and prayer partners for projects and new missionaries.

Fast Facts

- India opened as an OC field in 1988, but it took 4 more years to become officially registered with the Indian government as Outreach Challenge Ministries.
- India is the second most populous country in the world at 1.2 billion, but OC India has very few missionaries: 9 in India, 2 in Nepal.