

## **Statement of CBM's Christian Identity**

CBM is an international Christian development organisation committed to improving the quality of life of persons with disabilities in the poorest countries of the world.

CBM works in the most disadvantaged communities, irrespective of race, gender or Spiritual Beliefs.

As a Christian organisation CBM aspires to follow the teachings and example of Jesus Christ as demonstrated by love for God and love for one's neighbour.

Through Christ each person can be reconciled to God from whom they derive their being and purpose.

Following Christ's example each person can also be reconciled with their neighbour and overcome discord, oppression and exclusion.

Therefore valuing and accepting each person as Jesus values and accepts them, CBM seeks to change attitudes, practices and policies that lead to marginalization, exclusion and poverty because of disability, and to strive for peace, justice and dignity for each and everyone.

This is the particular mission of CBM and is the spiritual basis for CBM's work.

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