



## DBI Partnership Medical Vision Paper

### **Vision**

*DBI Partnership Medical seeks to show the holistic love of Christ through ministering in deed alongside of the word ministry of Delhi Bible Institute and DBI Partnership*

### **Purpose**

*DBI Partnership Medical seeks to support the work of church planting through the ministry of DBI by meeting the medical and physical needs of those involved in the ministry of DBI, as well as those in the communities DBI is reaching.*

### **Goals**

DBI Partnership Medical seeks to fulfill its vision in three main ways:

#### 1. Annual Medical Missions Teams

- These teams will include physicians, dentists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, dental hygienists, and other support staff – from the U.S. and the U.K.
- These teams will serve the DBI missionaries, students, staff and their families. There are currently 40 DBI-supported missionaries, as well as 22 DBI staff. The medical teams will perform assessments and treatments of these church-based workers and their families, especially critical for the majority of church planters and their families who lack access to what we would consider basic medical care and education.
- These teams will visit all three centers (Delhi, Dehradun, Lucknow) in order to assess the overall state of health and quality of life that the church planters and their families daily experience. Assessments and treatments will take place at all three centers.

#### 2. Establishment of Medical Fund for DBI Missionaries and Staff

- This fund will be used to offset the costs of medicines, diagnostics, surgeries, physician visits, dental work, etc.
- This fund will also be used to support the work of center-based Parish Nurses

#### 3. Creating and Financially Supporting Center-Based National Parish Nurse Positions.

- This parish nurse would be an integral part of the DBI center in a given city, and who would provide ongoing medical care and health education to the DBI missionaries, students, staff, and their families.
- This parish nurse would also serve in community medical outreach (alongside DBI missionaries) in the form of community health education, disease screening, health counseling, and advocacy.