

What does integral mission look like?

The following is Tearfund's working definition of integral mission

- Basic needs being met – the meeting of people's absolute basic needs for food, water, sanitation, health, shelter, education and information
- Participation and empowerment – the enabling of poor people to make choices, take part in actions and decisions that affect their lives, and become agents for change.
- Good stewardship of resources – the sustainable and compassionate use and distribution of resources, ensuring that the material needs of all are met now and in the future.
- Advocacy - the engagement of people in advocacy to address structural injustice and to protect the vulnerable
- Values change – the recognition by people of their true worth as made in the image of God, and the challenge and transformation of their values and worldview
- Local church engagement - the encouragement of sustainable Christian communities in their commitment to Jesus Christ through worship, prayer and their service of the poor.
- Opportunities for exploration of the Christian faith – the provision of opportunities for people to encounter, acknowledge and follow the Lordship of Christ
- Christians in leadership – Christians serving their communities and taking positions of leadership and responsibility outside the church