

We are mission partners working in Africa to equip the church in Africa by training lecturers in theological institutions to teach the next generation of “pastors and teachers”

It is the work of the church to build up the body of Christ to maturity. For this purpose, Christ has given us the gift of “pastors and teachers”. We are working to equip the church in Africa by training lecturers in theological institutions to teach the next generation of “pastors and teachers” in a way that is effective, contextual and relevant.

Dick set up Theological Education Development Services (TEDS) to train lecturers and provide consultation on curriculum in Kenya. Requests for training from all over Africa soon exceeded Dick’s limited capacity and budget and there was need to extend TEDS further. A partnership was set up with Overseas Council Australia (OCA) to work with the Africa Mile Deep Strategy. This is a vision to deepen capacity for theological education across Africa by training lecturers in Pedagogy (teaching skills) and upgrading resources in six key hub institutions in Egypt, Nigeria, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and South Africa.

Caroline and Dick are based at George Whitefield College in Cape Town, which provides a resource centre for the work of TEDS and OCA across the continent. Dick was ordained in South Africa in 1981 and was involved in church planting, ministry and lay and pastoral training in southern Africa,

the UK and Germany until 1999. After his initial theological training, he completed a master’s degree in theological education and a PhD in mission. Since joining CMS in 2000 he has taught theology, run a theological college, trained lecturers and consulted for Christian higher education in West and East Africa.

Caroline originally trained as a language teacher but diversified into theology, doing an MA in mission studies in 2001, an MTh in 2009 and a PhD in 2015. She has taught theology and languages in five sub-Saharan colleges and universities and has had administration roles in several of them. She supervises doctoral students for a South African university.

Please pray for:

- Transformational training courses to be run at the six hub centres in the next two years.
- Preparation of training materials for the courses.
- The Africa Mile Deep Strategy of OCA.
- Building up resources for theological education at GWC in Cape Town.



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Our call: To train Bible teachers in key theological institutions across the African continent

Our role: We work together on the TEDS project, training lecturers at several hub institutions. Caroline teaches lecturers how to teach the Bible, supervises post graduate research and provides academic and practical mentoring for potential theological educators. In his capacity as director of TEDS, Dick provides consultation on biblical curriculum development. He also researches and publishes on theological education, culture and learning.

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