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IMPACT STORY

Zekarias Tiruneh



DR. ZEKARIAS TIRUNEH, a native Ethiopian, loves God and is passionate about church ministry and mission work. The man is undoubtedly a leader, a “mover and shaker”, and trail-blazing works to win and build souls for Christ. He acquired a PhD in Missiology from CCM which ignited his already inflamed heart even further. He says, “While my time at university equipped me academically, it also deepened my spiritual calling. It was during those years that I heard God’s voice more clearly about establishing a diaspora mission community and center. I felt a growing burden for ministry – for people, for souls, and for nations. Graduation marked a turning point in my life. It wasn’t just a celebration of academic success – it was a confirmation that God was preparing me for greater service. With my degree in hand and my heart full of vision, I stepped out in faith, ready to go wherever God would lead me.” Today Tiruneh serves as the Director of Worldwide Discipleship Association in Ethiopia, President of Mekahene Mehiret Ministry that focuses on leadership development and church planting, and Founder and CEO of Ethiopian Social Partnership Advocacy for community development. A man on the move for God, he adds, “By God’s grace, I have been able to lead mission trips, start a prayer movement, disciple leaders, preach and teach God’s Word, and serve underprivileged communities. Each day in ministry is a reminder that the harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few – and I am honoured to be one of them.” Tiruneh, now a PhD holder, is a shining example that we never stop learning and growing. He adds, “God is raising through CCM a generation of educated, Spirit-filled leaders who will impact the world both intellectually and spiritually.”