

# WORLD AIDS DAY 2008

## Stop AIDS. Keep the Promise.



Ratna, an HIV/AIDS-positive survivor from India, received rehabilitation, treatment and care at the Comprehensive Rural Health Project in Jamkhed, India, a program supported by United Methodist Global AIDS Fund. *Courtesy of the Comprehensive Rural Health Project*

Ratna is an HIV/AIDS-positive survivor from India. Both her husband and young child died of AIDS. When Ratna herself was near death, her in-laws pushed her out of their home.

Thanks to the United Methodist Global AIDS Fund-supported Comprehensive Rural Health Project in Jamkhed, India, Ratna received the treatment and care that helped restore her life. Through this program, women like Ratna learn skills that help them reintegrate into the community. Today, Ratna is a leader—she has been selected and empowered as the program's farm manager.

### Comprehensive Rural Health Project

The Comprehensive Rural Health Project (CRHP) in Jamkhed, India, is empowering women like Ratna to take health into their own hands. Women are learning about health education for attitude and behavioral change, social rehabilitation and family planning. They also learn about micro-credit and income generation with an emphasis on women's empowerment—raising the level of self-esteem, especially among girls.

CRHP has a 40-bed general hospital that provides low-cost medical care to patients with leprosy, HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis or other chronic diseases — helping them reintegrate into the community successfully through education, training and holistic care. The program serves about 350,000 people in 100 villages throughout India.

Your gifts to the United Methodist Global AIDS Fund helped save Ratna's life. Help others like her live positively with HIV/AIDS. Give to the United Methodist Global AIDS Fund.

### United Methodist Global AIDS Fund

The United Methodists Global AIDS Fund was established at the 2004 General Conference to raise \$8 million dollars and represents the commitment of every United Methodist to help put a stop to HIV/AIDS in our world.

### How to Give

Help fight AIDS all around the world by giving to **UMCOR Advance #982345, United Methodist Global AIDS Fund**. Write the Advance # and name on the memo line of your check.

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