

STAFF BIOGRAPHY



Dr. Cherian Thomas

Executive Secretary Health for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), General Board of Global Ministries, The United Methodist Church.

“My work with UMCOR Health,” comments Dr. Thomas, “has taught me not to underestimate the resilience of women and men however adverse their condition may be.”

Dr. Thomas draws from his medical experience to direct the domestic and international programs of Health and Welfare. His work includes coordinating the hospital revitalization program which strengthens the outreach of United Methodist Hospitals in Africa and Asia; HIV/AIDS ministries in the US and abroad; congregational health ministries; and community-based primary health care programs, among others.

Earning both his undergraduate and MD in internal medicine at Christian Medical College, Vellore, South India, Dr. Thomas worked in India for most of his career as a medical doctor, hospital administrator and as the General Secretary for the Christian Medical Association of India.