

Partnership Agreement

CrossTalk Global is purposed to provide the highest quality training in biblical communication possible. It's primary goal is to instruct and equip participants to understand the 'big ideas' that the Bible's authors intended to communicate to their original audiences, how to communicate these ideas in culturally sensitive ways and how to equip others in their culture to do the same.

What CrossTalk Global promises:

- 1. CrossTalk Global will provide a trained faculty/mentor who will equip your first group of 12-20 students for two weeks a year for three consecutive years, and assign a practical post-residency project to be completed after each two week residency.
- 2. CrossTalk Global may provide additional foreign-based mentors to start additional groups, should circumstances warrant and all parties agree.
- 3. CrossTalk Global will employ trained, gifted and committed graduates of indigenous cohorts to start numerous additional cohorts within their home culture. We want to enlist and equip numerous indigenous mentors in the equipping of their peers.
- 4. CrossTalk Global will maintain an ongoing presence in your culture's region and conduct annual gatherings (well beyond the initial three years) to continue to encourage, equip, support and officially certify indigenous biblical communicators.
- 5. CrossTalk Global will ensure quality instruction by certifying its mentors (foreign and indigenous) on a regular basis. Certified CrossTalk Global mentors will meet three criteria:
 - a. Demonstrate exemplary Christian character.
 - b. Demonstrate personal competency in 'big idea' biblical communication (both theory and practice).
 - c. Demonstrate the ability to equip others to understand and practice effective 'big idea' biblical communication.

What CrossTalk Global requires:

- 1. A formal invitation from a strategic person or organization that has significant influence within their culture.
- 2. Provide CrossTalk Global with significant ongoing assistance in understanding the local culture and its educational practices.
- 3. A commitment to freely and generously cooperate with other evangelical denominations and organizations operating in the culture.
- 4. The provision of a cultural liaison. When the mentor is foreign-based, a cultural liaison (ideally with previous training in 'big idea' biblical communication) will partner with the



mentor on a long-term basis. The cultural liaison is a critical member of the CrossTalk Global team who will help:

- a. ensure the cultural appropriateness of the training
- b. ensure that indigenous students and 2nd generation mentors keep their CrossTalk Global commitments
- c. provide a stabilizing and leadership role as CrossTalk Global matures within the host culture
- 5. Assist in the identification and recruitment of 20 significantly gifted and strategically positioned individuals for each cohort.
- 6. Where appropriate, provide adequate food and lodging for mentors, liaison's and students during residencies.
- 7. Provide adequate training facilities during residencies.
- 8. Ensure that all in-country, national generated expenses are covered nationally.
- 9. Collect and remit culturally appropriate student tuition to CrossTalk Global.