

# ENGAGING THE UNIVERSITY

2020 Vision paper

**Our Vision:** *To see all IFES national movements having an incarnational, integrated and intellectually credible Christian witness in the university world.*

**Incarnational:** Our ministry is primarily *within* the university, not *to* the university. We encourage all Christians who study and teach in the university, fully embracing the shared culture of a university, sharing in its pains and upheavals, affirming its God-given potential for furthering human flourishing, and discerning critically its idolatrous tendencies.

**Integrated:** Our ministry is to support, encourage and equip all Christians who study and teach in the university to develop Christian character, Christian practices, and a Christian approach to academic scholarship and pedagogy, so that the Lordship of Christ may be demonstrated in every aspect of life.

**Intellectually credible:** Our ministry is to support, encourage and equip all Christians who study and teach in the university to be deeply rooted in both the Bible and the Christian intellectual tradition so that they can, humbly and courageously, bring a Christian voice and sensibility into the various academic conversations of the university.