Church & Interfaith

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A little air held up in a drop of water!
A bubble is nothing more
Successful human existence is all about

KEEPING THE SOUL ABOVE THE BODY
"I HAVE BREATHED IN EACH HUMAN BEING
MY SPIRIT "
Centuries old underlying principle of Indian social order

Sarva dharma sampann

Let all faiths manifest
Throughout the millennia of history, the Indian Subcontinent has kept its portals wide open, welcoming the cool breeze coming from different directions, beginning from the Aryans in 1500 BC.
India's spiritual belief

Timeless

Human Interest

is more important than

Time-guided

Geographical Considerations
Indians are blissfully aware that the Creator & Sustainer of the Worlds is Timeless and Spaceless. Timelessness & Spacelessness are manifestations of His Being.
World View
The Common Thread
Strategic Collaboration
Para 3 of the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950 is a Black Law

Christian & Muslims are out from SC definition
Dr Ambedkar's Demand of 1942
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Johnny Tom Varghese (Kerala)  
*Stood 8th in India*

Anees C (Kerala)

Md Iqbal (Bihar)

Raunaq Jamil Ansari (Jharkhand)
Johny Tom Verghese
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Church can sponsor the youth
Church can organize joint women's journey
Church can send interfaith teams to visit areas of possible conflict and try to preempt and diffuse the situation.
Church can initiate
Group Discussions on
Topics of common interest like
Fasting, Light, Environmental Protection, etc
Church can have projects to publish an introductory book of all faiths for primary level children.
Another book on
Fundamental Concepts
of different faiths
But
the inputs in these books
must be given by
persons of respective faiths
who are largely acclaimed with the
respective communities
12

twelve

Suggestions
Commonalities among the scriptural prescriptions of different faiths:

Five in belief and five in practices.
Scriptural instructions for being considerate to the other faith people:
At least two from every faith.
Inner human constraints that usually obstruct the believers' path against being large hearted and genuinely receptive to the other faith people.
Historical baggage prompting an intrinsic urge not to reach out to the followers of other faiths
The Creator & Sustainer of the worlds cannot be expected to discriminate among His creatures.
In the domain of relations among the people of different faiths, how do I wish to visualize the year 2116 that is 100 years from now?
On this topic have I ever talked to my parents, my nuclear family, my siblings, my children, my relatives, my neighbors, my work colleagues, my friends, my regular companions in the place of worship?

If yes, let me share my experience with you.

In any case, what do I propose for myself now?
Why do I adhere to my faith?

Are the reasons different now than at the time of my birth?

In this field what has been the trajectory of my life - early childhood, teenage, twenties, 30s, 40s ...?
If I was or am born
2500 years
before or after my birth
at a distance of
2500 miles
from my place of birth,
what would have been
or is likely to be
my faith?
How many times have I warmly shaken hands with or embraced a believer of another faith?

How much do I like the traditional clothing of the believers of other faiths?

What is my plan in this near future?
Can there be a cause & effect relationship between a religion and a nation?
Let me make 'MY' (not 'our') ACTION PLAN:

What all acts shall I personally do to improve the situation:
(a) before I go to bed tonight,
(b) before the current week ends,
(c) before the current month ends,
(d) during 2016,
(e) during the next 5 years,
(f) during my life time.
I would eagerly look forward to how these ideas ... and many other similar ideas are adopted by the Hon'ble people of the church so that these percolate further down in the community.
Thank you

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