

# Moving Stories

## Commitment for Life

Committed to supporting our global partners **BANGLADESH**

### Facing the conflict in Ukraine

*Commitment for Life* is pleased to be supporting the work of our URC partner churches in Hungary and in Transcarpathia, Western Ukraine.

NATO expansion into Ukraine has been met by a devastatingly bloody, Russian special military operation. The conflict has led to the mass dislocation of ordinary Ukrainians. People have fled to the safer, western parts of Ukraine and into neighbouring countries like Hungary.

Our partner churches are doing brilliant work to support these refugees.

Watch our CFL video:

[https://youtu.be/IK9s\\_v4ebPU](https://youtu.be/IK9s_v4ebPU)

and support our appeal here:

<https://gofund.me/d99524e8>

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"The URC Supporting our Church Partners in  
Ukraine"



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**C**hristian Aid reports that there are around 6.5 million Dalits in Bangladesh. Many are descendants of migrant labourers from India under colonial rule. This history, their caste, and their ethnicity are all causes of discrimination. Little is known about these Dalits, who have come to be known as the 'missing poor'.

Women and girls among ethnic minorities in Bangladesh face intersecting challenges. These include restricted access to decent work opportunities. Older women and women with disabilities are especially denied access to public services. Christian Aid works to promote inclusive societies in Bangladesh and India.

Usha (pictured) was born into a family of Dalit farm labourers in Uttar Pradesh. She gradually emerged as a leader within her community. She organised Dalit agricultural labourers to oppose caste domination and negotiate for better wages. Some in her family and community rejected her new-found voice. This led to family violence and Usha was forced to leave her marital home. But the backlash has not dampened her resolve to fight for oppressed communities and Dalit women, and she now leads the women's collective supported by Dynamic Action Group.