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Father Teum Berhe serves as Pastoral Office Coordinator and Acting Secretary General for the Adigrat Diocesan Catholic Secretariat in northern Ethiopia. A long-standing partner of Catholic Relief Services, ADCS is one of 10 Catholic Diocesan Secretariats in Ethiopia mandated to initiate, plan, execute and coordinate the socio-pastoral and development interventions of the Ethiopian Catholic Church across the country. With the mission of integral human development, ADCS responds to the prevailing social and development constraints affecting the people in the diocese. Primary social and development interventions include education, health care, food security, integrated rural development, water and sanitation, urban development, tourism, social accountability, emergency relief, and HIV prevention, care and support services.



In his current roles, Fr. Berhe administers and manages the pastoral, social and development activities of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Adigrat. Key CRS-supported projects include emergency relief, food security and HIV interventions.

Previously, Fr. Berhe served as Rector and later as Lecturer of Moral Theology and Sacramental Theology at the Major Seminary in Adigrat, which is affiliated with the Pontifical University Urbaniana in Rome. He also served as a Parish Priest in Holy Savior Cathedral in Adigrat from 1986 to 1989.

Born in the Irob District of northern Ethiopia's Tigray Region, Fr. Berhe was ordained as a priest on April 20, 1980, in Adigrat. He holds a master's degree in Theology from Pontifical University Gregoriana in Rome and a diploma from the Institute of Community Development in Dublin.