UPDATING NEWS FROM CHITRA

Dear Iain, Rev. Ian and all the members of Both St. Andrew and Aldham Parish Church,, Greeting to you! In the sweetest name of our Lord Jesus Christ; who made us one body in Him. I am very sorry for taking me long to write you. We all are doing fine until this writing. Sharda is always heroine for me! Without her support I won't be able to manage time for the ministries. I always smelling good food in the kitchen so do nicely behaving children. Time flies so quickly, now Mahima Karki 17 years is finished her school and waiting for the result. If she passed will be going college for further study. Respectively, Pravab Karki 12 years is upgraded in class six and Sumina Karki 14 years is class 9. Three of them sing in the Church's choir. They are already in the YouTube!

Thank you very much for your constant prayer. Brothers and sisters we are very much in-debt of you and for your constant prayer and financial support for the ministry in Nepal. Our God is always being faithful to us and continue blessing His Church in Nepal at all the circumstances. Our Lord is guiding us in His ministries in Nepal; in result Church is continue growing and growing.

Church in the remote village celebrated Golden jubilee

Since long time we are encouraging, teaching and helping to the Kutal Church from where Pastor



Anurodh comes from. It lies to the west from Kathmandu and takes one day by bus and few hours to reach this village. The gospel had been reached at this remote village in 1967 AD. Pastor Anurod's uncle had heard gospel from tourist as he was serving as a porter during the trekking on the hill and his uncle took the gospel to this village. His name is Pastor Sivaman who is 85 years old to whom we are supporting financially. They have celebrated Golden Jubilee and felt honour to be

their guest speaker. I and Pastor Anurodh have been participated in this special occasion. The program was for three days following with lots of teaching for the Church and honouring for those who had persecuted in the past for their faith in that village. The stories of hardship and trials were told in that program from those who still alive. While hearing the stories most of the Church congregation were wept. We too very much touch to hear the vivid stories. We also inaugurated new Church building. We felt very much honoured to help rebuilding the Church building which was completely damaged by earthquake. The honoured we received pass to you my brothers and sisters for your tireless prayer and generosity in the time of needs.

Easter celebration



Usually we used to march all the way to Ratna Park which is about 7 kiloliters away from our Church. But this year we didn't go to that place instead we have gone marching around our own town with the slogans of Jesus's resurrection. That helped to witness our local people and got to know about Easter. The 15 Churches took part for the special celebration is our area. So do the other parts of Kathmandu and in different parts of Nepal as an opportunity for evangelism. We are not sure whether we get this opportunity tomorrow or not due to government's policy against Christian. We 15 Churches leaders are meeting once in a month for prayer and fellowship since 4 years back. This is really

encouraging each neighbour Churches and helping leaders for recharging each other.

Grace children home

Praise God for his faithfulness. It has been 12 years since we first started Grace Children home



with the each handful of rice collection from our Church members. We have 15 Children had finished their school and some are still in the college and some are started job. It is joy to hear about them. Surva Tamang and Ramita Tamang married and started their lives Where as Tara Basnet is doing Nursing in Banglore in India; similarly Ratan Tamang has finished Bible College and now helping to the Church. Devaki khadka is still doing bachelor in business Study also doing part time job. Two orphans; Suman Tamang and Rita Guragain had finished their school yet result to come. Suman will stay in Church room and Rita will stay in her uncle house for further study. We cannot give accommodation after their school

yet we are looking for another charitable place where they providing orphan college students. Please pray for their future. It is always joy to hear about them and their successful stories after here. We are adopting 5 more children for this year so this makes full house of orphanage home! Thank you very much for your continue prayer and support for the orphanage home.

Baptism



Thank you very much for your prayer God is pouring in his spirit so new people are coming to our Church. We have baptised 15 people last week. My two daughters also involved in it. Praise God for their faith. Again other 10 people are ready for this holy salvation works. We only baptise them when they understand the full meaning of being a Christian and the grace of Christ through faith in Him they receive it. Now our church hall is full and do not have space to sit for more people! We are very thankful for what God is doing. Our small Church hall is holding 300 people in each Sunday. It is good news. We felt care to each members of the Church is very important so we prayed and in according to God's guidance we have chosen17 leaders to look after the Church members. Among them 7 are appointed Elders and 10 are Deacons. Please pray God would fill us with His spirit so we can love and care to our congregation.

Church building in Kathmandu

I remember when I finished my Bible college in Glasgow in 2003 I was worried for the worship



building In Nepal. I have started praying for it in the end of my college. God is so faithful and he has provided enough money (8000 GDP pounds) that was enough to buy land for the Church building once we have provided land God starched out His had further and provided money to build the present Church building. It was build only ground flow using brick and tin roof. It had proofed that catastrophic Earthquake of 2015 also did not harm much and we were safe on that day as were worshipping in the same building. We are sad to say the government pulled the land

in this area and did the town planning. The have provided wide road and electricity but cut off

100sq. metre of our land also raised up the road so our Church went down. This make summer water comes inside the worship hall. The shape of our land also changed it mean we have to knock down our building and need to rebuild it again. It takes lots of money to rebuild the Church. However we have to do it and started collecting money for the Church building. So far congregation already gave 6000 pound still need 30000 pound more to build the proper earthquake proof building we have designed underground car parking and three levels building on it. It seems huge investment but nothing is impossible in God. Please pray so God would provide enough funds to rebuild the Church build better than before.

Political

We have big political changes happening since 1990. The country was first declared democracy after the auto role of king. But the democracy was monarchy system in it. Therefore; again Maoist had started civil war in 1996 for demanding abolishment of king and establishment of People's Republic. Ten thousand people been killed in this war. Our Christian men and women also gave their lives in this tragic turmoil. In result, king and his party step down in 2006. It is good news all political parties gathered together and gave way out by over throwing the king and establishing People's Republic of Nepal; even country achieved the written constitution of Nepal. Thus political map of Nepal has changed. It is divided into 7 province and its capitals. They hold three elections last year and succeeded it respectively central election which is parliament, Province elections and local election. Whatever the changes happened, it is sad for the Churches. The present constitution of Nepal is not in the favour of Christian community instead constitution of after 1990 was good. In according to the new law we are not allowed to do Christian activities. In result already some of the Christian organizations are band for gospel activities. Now two big communist parties Maoist and United Marxist Leninist won the majority seats in three levels election. So they are in the government also soon uniting. The present communist home minister recently spoke out that they will go against the Christian religion activities. This is making us bitter but we do pray Lord His will be done. We know as they oppressed Christian more we grow in the country. Now Our Church bank account under their supervision and not allowing us to use it for religious purpose. They will not allow the missionaries for religious purposes interring into the country. We are conscious of what they are stepping against the Churches. We do pray our God so cares us and protect us from their evil plan. No one can stop our Lord's missions. Please pray in our present situation.

My visit

My brothers and sisters it had been 11 years since I last visited your country in 2007. I have not given up my hope to visit you; continue praying for it probably in 2018. Please pray for my plan. Purpose of my visiting is firstly to meet you and share what God is doing after 2007 and secondly to raise fund for the Church building purpose in Kathmandu. And lastly of course my visit will give me space and relax for myself. Now it is not easy to get visa so please pray to God so British Embassy would give me visa easily! To get a visa I need strong sponsorship letter from British citizen or better would be from the Church.

Again thank you very much for your love and tireless prayer for our ministries in Nepal. We always very much value your prayer.

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