



News from Nepal

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"They are new every morning; Great is thy faithfulness."

Lamentations 3:23

Beloved Co-laborers in Missions,
The recent scourge by the COVID19 virus has made us very mindful of the words of the prophet Jeremiah, "Through the LORD'S mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is thy faithfulness." - Lamentations 3:22-23

MERCY CENTER - CHITWAN (SOUTH CENTRAL NEPAL)



Construction Complete

There is so much for us to give thanks for in the Gospel ministry in the Chitwan. Although most of the Pandey family and the orphans contracted COVID19, God in His tender mercy sustained them and restored them to good health. Amazingly, in spite of illness, they were able to complete the construction of the Mercy Center's 2nd floor, water storage system, and exterior (see picture below). This means we now have private rooms for our orphan girls so that when they turn 18 years old they do not have to leave the protection of the orphanage (as mandated by the government). The new floors also provides a larger and more adequate place for Trinity Reformed Church to meet for worship. MANY THANKS to our supporters whose hearts were moved by the Lord to give generous gifts to make this possible.

One pressing need right now is for us to continue helping the nearby villagers who are suffering greatly from COVID19. We hope to be able to assist them with food and medicine that are so scarce.

MERCY CENTER - KOHALPUR/BARDIYA (WESTERN NEPAL)

We give thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ for bringing healing to Pastors Mohan, Prashant, and Udaya and their families as they also suffered from the COVID19 virus. Pastor Mohan wrote, "I was struggling hopelessly to the point of death. I felt like I was dying, but Christ gave me the opportunity to live again. First of all I thank almighty God for healing me, and I thank you all who prayed for me and my family."



A New Sister in Christ

However, not all of our pastors recovered from the virus; God in His infinite wisdom called two of pastors to Himself. While it is heart rending for their families and loved ones, we know they are rejoicing in the presence our Lord Jesus. Please pray that the Lord will fill the vacancies left by these brothers in their families and churches. Pray also that their legacy will be one of unfeigned faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the only Saviour for the world.

NOTE: Worship services continue to be conducted using the internet as COVID19 continues to rage and the government mandates lock downs. However our leadership continues to conduct visitation and evangelism in the villages and rural areas of Nepal. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to make His word effectual in the hearts of those ministered to with the Gospel.

BETHLEHEM MERCY CENTER – KATHMANDU

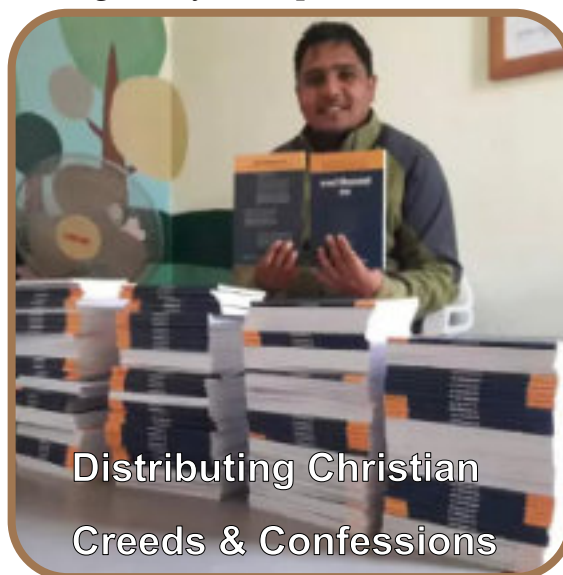
Praise God that our brother Janak and his family have also recovered from severe illness caused by the COVID19 virus. As you may know, Janak has personally financed the property purchase and building expense of the three story Mercy Center at Kathmandu. He owns and operates a tourist business. As would be expected, the tourist industry (the largest income producer in Nepal) has for the most part shut down. This has put our brother in difficult situation trying to repay his building loan. Please pray for his financial situation to improve.

In spite of his difficulties Janak continues to serve Christ among



Food Distribution

his neighbors. He recently started to keep quail, chickens, and turkeys at his home. This allows him to distribute quail and quail eggs to his COVID19 affected neighbors. Through the Bethlehem Mercy Center, WBM helped Janak to provide financial assistance to five local families who were isolated and in desperate need of help. He recently was able to help sixteen Nepalese migrants who were destitute and in need of food. In April, Janak's mother passed away in the remote Himalayan village of Jumla. He used this as an opportunity to encourage people there to follow Christ. Please pray for Janak, his family, and this vital ministry in the largest city in Nepal.



Distributing Christian Creeds & Confessions

KATHMANDU – SLUM MINISTRY

This past month Pastor Purna and his wife were hospitalized with COVID19. We are so very thankful to the Lord that they are home now and are expected to fully recover. Please continue to pray for them. As we mentioned in the last newsletter, the believers in the slum area needed to find a new place to meet for worship. Through your generosity, funds were given so that they were able to purchase a building adequate for their needs. In addition, enough funds were given so Pastor Purna was able to provide food relief (see picture) to many of the poor in Jesus' name! Also, Pastor Purna has helped distribute approximately 500 copies of the newly published book, "Creeds and Confessions". This booklet includes the Apostles, Nicene, and Athanasian Creeds, the Belgic Confession and the Heidelberg Catechism in the Nepali language. Please pray that God will use this little book to help the Nepali people to embrace an historic, Biblical Christian faith. Please pray for the slum ministry in Kathmandu, the important capital city of Nepal, to be blessed by the Lord.

In Christ's Service and Yours,

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