NEWS LETTER - MARCH 2024

Dear beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the almighty name of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ who had struck the stings of death and gave us victory over sin & death in His name!!

I am so happy to get connected with you all once again through this newsletter. Trust, you all would have witnessed the faithfulness of God in every aspects of your lives & ministries in the past month (1).

Todays are the days of bigger confusions, corruptions & collapses around the globe and the tremors of it, is palpable in many families & ministries. Sad part of it is that Christendom takes the lead in some of the most unfortunate happenings than the secular world.

What is expected from me amidst all these?

Believers choose their own options -react or reproach or reside in recession mood etc.

The Lord who carried the cross, buried in a cave and came out in resurrection, expects us to raise up in all our challenges. He equips us too to Race Forward amidst these adverse winds (2).

King David in the Bible is one of the inspiring examples for us to learn the process of gliding forward & upward in great storms! **After anointed** to be the king by Samuel, David was NOT sent to palace to rule but to battle field to fight. As an act of obedience to his father's command, he went to battle-ground but faced the angry comments from his brothers. His brothers were brought to the war front but their hearts were caught to the properties and they abused David by their hard statements about **his Character**, "I know about your pride and deceit." (3). Their primary concern was, "**What about those few sheep you're supposed to be taking care of?"** (4). Love for materialism / money took the hearts of many Christians / ministers today & stopped them in getting the victory in their battle fields.

These did not stop David going ahead. After a few moments, he had faced the strong discouraging statements of King Saul about **his Capacity** (5). He made Saul to understand his weakness, i.e. missed to Trust God's Power & missed to depend on God's care by sharing his testimonies in facing wild animals (6).

Finally, faced his giant, Goliath and he too cursed & mocked at him with **his Contour & Charisma**. But David taught him & everyone there a huge lesson "Battle belongs to God; God doesn't need human armours; His name is Almighty" (7); David proved that his Charisma was not his arms or his armour (as Goliath had a big one, 8) but his anointing, the power of His great God with him (9).

David faced challenges & abuses on his Character, Capacity & Charisma by his own brother, his leader and his giant enemy. He never allowed these barriers to stop him rather became the Champion by leaning on God. He lists the reasons for the victories over ALL of his enemies in 2 Samuel 22 and the summation of it is the Lord's anointing (10).

GOD had two groups with Him in Israelites; the king with his big trained army who fought battles earlier and a single, young shepherd boy who never had any formal training or battle till now. God chose the

shepherd boy over the ruling king. The past experiences, the present position and big number of people with you do not guarantee your victory or sailing forward. It is the true love, trust & passion for God and the power of his holy spirit in you today (not the past) will assure your progress for God's glory. Our God who won the greatest enemy i.e. death, has powered each one of us to experience the similar victory in Christ (11). So let us be strong, immovable, work enthusiastically for the Lord and the Lord will surely reward us (12).

FIELD NEWS - NEPAL

1. R.E.A.C.H Training (Raise Evangelists & Active Church Harvesters)

The Lord helped us to initiate this training for believers in our churches who are committed to do ministry. This is a first level Residential Ministerial training for **21** full days. In the first batch, 10 were selected and started the training in our Jeetpur Church hall which runs on a rented building owned by a Muslim family. Usually, here the house owners do not allow for such long sessions. But by God's grace, the house owner uncle allowed happily and he himself helped to arrange for it. Glory to God.











This training was completed by 13th March 2024. They were taught on 25 different subjects along with field exposures, Skill (Music) training, practical sessions, learning through activities etc. It was a big exposure & training for them. They will be commissioned for ministries on 2nd April and will be placed in the new fields. They will also be enrolled for the next level distance education courses simultaneously. The REACH training aims to raise many more committed disciples as Evangelists to take the gospel to different unreached places & the called one as Missionary Pastors (Active Church Harvesters) to establish Biblical Model Churches.

2. Harpur Church - Special Family evening

A special family evening was arranged for new believers in Harpur church and was conducted on the roof top of a believer's house. This was mainly aimed to encourage everyone to build their home on the principles of the scripture. Lessons of Apostolic day's homes from Acts 2: 42-47 were taught to them.

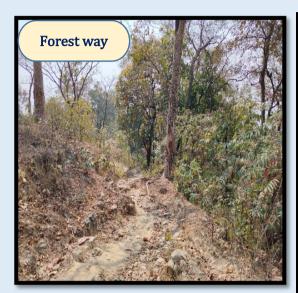




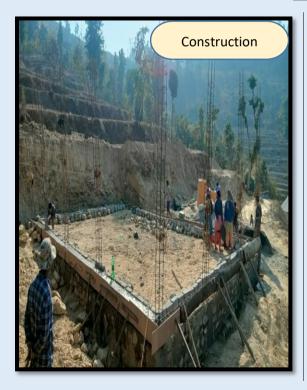


3. DOTE Church Baptism & Church building

Dote field is located at the hill top of Bagmati rural municipality area of Makwanpur District of Nepal. The village has limited resources & poor transport facilities. Children from here after their primary education, have to walk down daily through the forest pathway to get their further education. It doesn't have any medical facilities and even emergency first-aid services.









By God's grace, we could make in-road with gospel in to the houses of Dote and the nearby Villages also. Last week, 3 new believers took baptism. By God's grace, after much difficulties, the construction work was started here. We aim to complete before the rainy season starts in later part of June.

4. Ratanpur Church

By God's grace, the ministry at Ratanpura is growing well and now weekly worship happens in a believer's house. We have extended a room in that and yet to complete the work. This was started by our missionary Bro. Ashish & believers at our Lal Gaov field. Now, one of the believers from this field, Bro. Saroj came for our REACH training.





5. Koilawar Field

This is located at Parsa district of Nepal & was initiated as a result of outreach by our Missionary Bro. Mek Bhagadur at Jeetpur field. Now two families got saved and doing the regular worship in a believer's house. Though they are very poor and deserted by her husband, she & 3 children happily opened their small hut to have weekly service.



Her elder daughter has committed to serve the Lord inspite of the challenging financial condition of the family. Her mother too is very much willing to send her for God's service.

6. New Initiative at Kalaiya

Kalaiya area is one of the most challenging places in the entire Nepal for gospel work. By the grace of God, we have got opening in two villages. Recently the Lord inspired our Missionary Bro. Kesav Roy to start free tuition for the children. This has brought more acceptance and we are planning for a Day care project here for about 50 Children, 5 days a week with one time food.



Addition more people are coming for healing & deliverance from their psychological diseases. Please pray for the divine healing & deliverance along with faith for salvation of souls to ALL as written in Bible (Matthew 8: 16 & James 5:15).



Prayer Points

 TORCH 10 outreach – To reach 10 villages / month through a committed team of missionaries, volunteers & believers. The first outreach was started on 17th March & we reached 5 villages till 26th of March. The remaining will be done before 31st March.

- 2. **EAGLE training for Pastors & Leaders (**Empowering to Achieve Growth & Leadership Excellency) The level1 training is planned for all our missionary families and others who are in our network from 1st -3rd April 2024. This is aimed to ignite Biblical leadership principles & practises.
- 3. Expansion of Care House for Underprivileged Children As there is more need in the rural areas of Nepal, we are praying & preparing to have care House @ strategic towns so that the children can get their education & can be taken care well. This will also help us to minister among the school & college level students.
- **4. Church construction work** By God's grace the construction work is progressing well in DOTE field. Water scarcity is the key challenge.
- 5. **New Fields** By God's grace, we have now opening in another two districts namely Chitwan & Sindhuli & the Church planting work will be initiated from April onwards. Kindly pray for more soul winning.
- 6. **Initiating Community Clinics** Planning to initiate Free / Low-Cost community clinics in 3 places where there is no or less facilities.

May the Lord's sovereign grace continue to keep you all in His Shalom peace & His presence lead you in every step of your walk & work for His Kingdom.

In Christ,

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