



Dear family and friends

"Change does not roll in on the wheels of inevitability, but comes through continuous struggle. And so we must straighten our backs and work for our freedom. A man cannot ride you unless your back is bent."

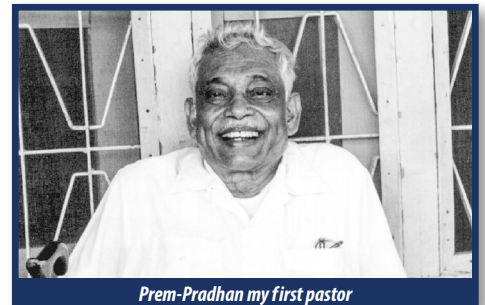
- Martin Luther King, Jr.

My Story

I accepted Christ while I was only 11 years old. In those days it was illegal to be a believer and own a Bible. I remember how I used to wrap the Bible in a plastic bag and bury it in the ground so authorities would not find it. We used to have the police visit us at the children's home once in a while. We knew that if they found the Bible we would be put in prison. Every time it rained I would pray that my Bible would not be ruined. I loved my Bible, it meant more to me than gold and silver. What do you do with your Bible? Sometimes we forget to thank the Lord and appreciate the things we have.

History of Christianity in Nepal

My pastor (Prem Pradhan), who was the first believer and missionary, came to Nepal in 1950. He is the one who introduced me to Christ. Christianity was illegal until 1990 in Nepal. Despite the challenges, churches continued to grow in Nepal. Then in 2006, the 275 years old only Hindu Kingdom in the world fell, and the country was declared a secular country. The Lord has done great things, but the word secular is mostly on paper. The government has tried to suppress the church and there has been limited freedom of religion. On October 17th 2017, Nepal passed a law criminalizing religious conversion. The consequence is three years in prison. This means if you are born into a Hindu religious family, you will die a Hindu. Are there people preaching the gospel now in Nepal? Yes, but now believers have to be extra cautious. If someone files a complaint against you, then you will be taken into police custody and wait for your trial, and if found guilty you will be imprisoned.



Prem-Pradhan my first pastor

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The Recent Update

A radical Hindu priest shot himself in his arm with his followers and blamed Christians in Biratnagar, Nepal. His action resulted in riots and anger against believers. Later this person was convicted of the false accusation as they found he had made his friend do it. Extreme groups have created movements to threaten believers. Their goal is to bring back people to Hinduism. These radical groups have come to different places and taken evangelists and pastors to police custody. Seven people were arrested for evangelizing on the 10th of May in Taplejung. Three people were sent to police custody in Kathmandu for preaching the gospel last week. On May 11th the Indian prime-minister visited, three Hindu religious sites in Nepal and continues to promote Hinduism. He is very much a part of this persecution. On the 13th of May, there were bomb explosions in two different churches. Thank God, that no one was hurt! These are just the top of the iceberg of what is going on in Nepal right now. Believers are everyday choosing to take up their cross and follow the Lord. There are so many Hindu movements, violent actions and at least 15 people in police custody, because they preached the Gospel. Please be praying for Nepal.



Bomb was planted by extreme groups exploded in Taplagung church (Photo by Turahi)

I asked you to pray and consider partnering or sponsoring national missionaries. We have 124 languages groups and the only way to reach them is through the nationals. At this moment they are pressed on every side and these are the people who are offering up their lives at this moment to share the gospel. To support one person it costs \$100 a month and we are in need of a financial miracle! Would you adopt a native missionary for the next year, or the next three years and pray, support and make a commitment to reach the unreached people groups? These people have enough to worry about, so if you can help, please email us at [**info@compassionforasia.com**](mailto:info@compassionforasia.com)



Always wonderful to be with Pastor Josh and Kristin

Special Thanks

I would like to thank First Assembly of God in CA, with Pastors Samuel and Jessica for hosting me. I appreciate all your hospitality.



We really enjoyed being with children mission Sunday after speaking to the adults at charity chapel.

Thank you Charity Chapel and Liberty for your faithful and steadfast support and letting us share during mission's week. We appreciate you all so much!

Sudip, Anne Lise, Rebecca, Samuel, og Sarah Khadka



Pastors Samuel and Jessica

Prayer Request

- 1. Children have finished their final exam and a new academic year has started. Sangita and Alisha have completed their 12th grade. Be praying for them for their future direction*
- 2. Pray for the believers across Nepal that they will stand firm. That the Lord will be their protection and angels will guard them.*
- 3. Pray for us as our plan is to go to Nepal this summer. Pray for guidance and protection for us as a family.*