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Dear Family and Friends



“NOT THAT I HAVE ALREADY OBTAINED ALL THIS, OR HAVE ALREADY ARRIVED AT MY GOAL, BUT I PRESS ON TO TAKE HOLD OF THAT FOR WHICH CHRIST JESUS TOOK HOLD OF ME. 13 BROTHERS AND SISTERS, I DO NOT CONSIDER MYSELF YET TO HAVE TAKEN HOLD OF IT. BUT ONE THING I DO: FORGETTING WHAT IS BEHIND AND STRAINING TOWARD WHAT IS AHEAD, 14 I PRESS ON TOWARD THE GOAL TO WIN THE PRIZE FOR WHICH GOD HAS CALLED ME HEAVENWARD IN CHRIST JESUS.

PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14

Can you believe we are already at the end of February 2020! I have a thankful heart to God for last year. Each month was filled with challenges and opportunities. The circumstances we lived under really pushed us to trust God more because we believe that the victory belongs to the Lord.

Before Christmas last year, one of our bible school students invited me to come to his village to inaugurate a new church building. It is amazing to see where he is now. God has really put a fire in his bones and passion for reaching the lost. He went to Malaysia and worked, later he came back and started working in his own village. So it was a great joy to celebrate the completion of the church building in Dhading Ree.

Pastor Dal Tamang and Pastor Dal Thami traveled with me from Kathmandu and it was quite an adventure. Road trips in Nepal are not quite the same as road trips in the US. Dusty, narrow mountain roads and the jeep we rented broke down after only a few hours of drive on these roads. We then decided that it would be quicker to walk to our destination. Every time I go on trips like these, I see that I am not as fit as I think I am. Climbing up and down these mountains gives you a lot of time to appreciate God’s wonderful creation, and in the late evening, we reached our destination. We stayed there for three days and were blessed to teach, preach and meet with the pastors in this area.



The day after I arrived back from that trip, something happened. Sarah was walking home from the neighbor's house (as she had done so many times before) and Anne Lise had just talked to her mom so she knew she was on her way. Then suddenly the neighbor's children came running, telling us that Sarah had been hit in the head by a car. The Lord spoke to Anne Lise and said "She is going to be okay", but we still went running to find her. We are grateful that the driver did not run over Sarah a second time to try and kill her. In Nepal, this is quite common, because the medical bill will be more expensive than paying compensation to the family. In our area, it has happened twice just last year. We rushed her to the hospital and did a CT scan and some x-rays and they found that her foot had muscle damage, and her skull was fractured. However, her foot looked a lot worse than her head, but she ended up staying in the ICU for 24 hours and then in a normal hospital ward for another 24 hours. The doctors wanted to perform all kinds of precautionary treatments, but we decided to believe in the word that God had spoken to us and told the doctors that she was going to be okay. Anne Lise stayed in the bed with her the first night and woke her up every hour and talked with Sarah. Hospitals in Nepal are not like hospitals in the West.



After staying home for around 5-6 days, Sarah's face started changing and when we went back for the one-week checkup, they confirmed that she had been partially paralyzed in her face. At that time, Sarah could not close her right eye, smile, move her right eyebrow or wrinkle her nose. The same day we started physiotherapy and the doctors said it would take 3-6 months for her to recover completely.

If you see her now, you cannot tell that she was ever in an accident. She is still seeing a chiropractor that specializes in neurology once a month, but she is just showing minor problems with her hearing and balance. He is pretty amazed and believes that she will fully recover.

What a good God we serve! Thank you to everyone who helped with the medical bills and who prayed for us during that difficult time.

In the end, I would like to just share a couple of pictures from Mahima Children Home from Christmas. It is always such a joyous occasion and we are grateful that we are still allowed to celebrate Christ's birth in Nepal.

I would also like to thank each one of you for your generous support and continuous prayers in 2019. We could not have done this work without you! We would like to give a special thanks to David and Cynthia Foote for Asish children's home property.

Prayer requests

1. Would you please cover in your prayers all the servants of God in Nepal, Because of the anti-conversion law, many are facing court cases against them. Neighbors around Mahima children have filed a lawsuit against me, saying that I am converting people into Christianity.
2. Continue to pray for our neighbors around Mahima children home who have piled mud around us and have threatened to take away our property. Pray that God will intervene.



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