

**3 March 2021**

**Dear Iain and Rev Ian Scot, and all the members of both Marks Tey and Aldham parish,**

**Greeting to you!**

Thank you very much for your email a while ago. Extremely sorry for not keeping touch with you for a long time. I have just been occupied with the workload and financial burden for the Church building

How are you and what is the covid-19 Situation in your country? We are always praying for you and your Church.

The life of people in Nepal as normal as before. No one worries any more with covid-19 . In part of our world hunger is bigger than diseases! The government wanted to keep lockdown, but people had ignored it. We are now three months since lockdown. No one can visit the hospital unless they need it. However, India and China donated 1.5 million dozes of vaccines and it has been given to the frontline people of Nepal.

It's amazing that there are less cases comparing our country! I don't why it is less cases? It May be government not doing enough testing on the public unless people go to hospital themselves!

Good news is that schools and colleges are opened as normal as before.



**Physical Church building**

Praise the Lord for Your prayer and financial support to enable this.

We have completed 3 floors of the new Church building! The ground floor is built for the pastor's quarters (manse)! The 1st floor has already been in used for worship for a month. We are still working on the interior of two floors, fixing the tiles in the bathrooms, granite on the staircase, and also fixing slate in the Church surrounding!



As I mentioned in my last email, we are using this building for multiple purposes for the ministries! I never thought that the expense of the building would go so much higher than we expected. Maybe it is happened because of lockdown.

The Church congregation is fuller in numbers than ever before now we have a new building! There are new people visiting our Church. Having seen the big congregation some time we think oh! God is turning us into a Mega Church! Churches at the villages also doing good! Thanks for the prayer. The special function is yet to come. We have not fixed the date yet. Of course, you will be informed for it!

We are still working for the Church building we already have a 2 millions rupees [£12,000] loan for it. Now we are working to sell the old orphanage building and move the children into the new Church accommodation! It is not easy to sell. It needs a lot of paperwork to be submitted to the district officer to show him the reason for selling it. We are halfway through for the paperwork. We have to go through the local government and lastly to the district. This strong rule is only for the Charity's properties! If the district officer is convinced, then he would have to visit the new building to supervise whether we have a building project or not before he will allow us to sell it. If we get permission to sell it, we can complete the interior work and pay off the building debt please pray that we may be able to sell the orphanage building.



**Orphanage Children**

As normal the central welfare council [a kind of OFSTED] has visited yesterday to our orphanage to oversee whether we are following their norms or not! They considered and gave us a certificate saying we doing good. They further suggested we should employ a part-time children's psychologist!

There were 12 orphanages and 3 have finished school level.

Praise God none have had Covid-19. So far all are healthy children. All upgraded into another classes!

### **My health**

I went to the hospital last week and had 2.6 inches (?) screws removed from my right foot. The surgery wound is still there. I hope it will heal soon. Please pray for my instant healing. I am not having enough rest for it, so it is taking longer! My back is good enough for walking and standing though some parts of back feel numbness.

My Dear wife is so good encourages me for the Lord's works. Mahima [daughter] has finished college and prepay entrance exam to study for MBBS! To study for Medicine she has to pass the entrance exam. Please pray for her. Sumina and Pravab are starting their school after corona lockdown!

We are always thankful for your enthusiastic love, prayer and financial support for our Lord's ministries in Nepal.

Sorry again for being delayed to reply you!

Your brother in Christ,

Chitra Karki