Update from the Harvest

Adventure with Him...

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"Thus far the LORD has helped us." — 1 Samuel 7:12

Dear Friends,
Shalom from the Himalayas!
September has been one of those months that reminds us why we call this journey "Adventure with Him in the Himalayas." There have been moments of deep sorrow, unexpected challenges, exhausting days, and yet, alongside them, some of the most encouraging signs of what God is doing among His people in Nepal.
As I look back over the month, one thought keeps coming to my heart: God has been faithful—through the storm, through the sorrow, and through every step forward. So, once again, let me share a little of the journey with you.
As I reflect on the recent months of ministry, family, and the many opportunities God has opened before us, my heart is filled with **gratitude to God and deep appreciation for each one of you**. I realize again that ministry is never accomplished by one person alone. Your constant prayers, encouragement, friendship, generosity, and faithful standing with me, my family, and the ministries have been an important part of everything we have been able to do. Therefore, this letter is first and foremost a **THANK YOU**.

Thank you for standing with us—not only when things are easy, but also through seasons of uncertainty, challenges, and prayer. We continue to see God's faithfulness, and we want to share a few reasons for thanks- giving and a few areas where we would value your continued prayers.

Points to Consider

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1. IN THE MIDST OF TRAGEDY, THE CHURCH RESPONDED

Last month, on the 26th of August brought an unimaginable tragedy to many communities around us. A devastating mud-flood swept through affected areas, claiming more than 8,000 lives and leaving countless families grieving and facing the loss of homes, livelihoods, and the things they had worked so hard to build.

There is no adequate word to explain about the such loss. Our hearts have been heavy as we have listened to the stories of families who lost loved ones and witnessed the pain and uncertainty of those who survived. We continue to pray that God will comfort those who mourn and give strength to those who are facing the difficult days ahead.



In the midst of this suffering, we were deeply encouraged to see the Church respond with compassion. We hurried to join the rescue and relief efforts, doing what we could to reach people who were injured, displaced, hungry, or simply in need of someone to stand beside them. By God's grace, we were able to provide relief and practical assistance to many affected families—indeed, we were able to distribute more than we had initially imagined possible.

But we know that whatever we were able to do was only a small response to an enormous need. For us, this was not simply about distributing relief. It was about being present with people in their darkest hour and allowing the love of Christ to be seen through compassion, service, and practical care. We are profoundly grateful to all of you who prayed with us, gave generously, encouraged us, and helped make this response possible.





Thank you for standing with the people of Nepal when they were hurting. The immediate emergency has passed, but the journey is far from over. Many families still face the difficult work of rebuilding their homes, restoring their livelihoods, and putting their lives back together. We are therefore continuing to pray and prepare for the next phase—not only to provide relief, but to walk alongside people as they rebuild and recover. Please continue to pray with us.



2. CPX TRAINING IN MADHES

In the midst of the disaster-response season, God also opened another important door for mission. We conducted CPX training in Rautahat, Madhes Province, bringing together 87 pastors and church leaders from five districts. Madhes remains one of the most challenging and strategically important mission contexts in Nepal. The Church is still relatively small and often faces significant social and cultural barriers.

That is why equipping local leaders is so important. Our desire is not simply to conduct training events, but to see leaders make disciples, develop healthy churches, equip others, and multiply the mission.

Please pray for those 87 leaders. May what they received in Rautahat travel far beyond the training room and ultimately reach communities and people who have yet to hear and experience the good news of Jesus.

3. MISSION 2033: THE VISION IS MOVING ACROSS NEPAL

One of the most exciting developments of this season has been the progress of Mission 2033. Our provincial vision-casting journey has now been completed in six of Nepal's seven provinces, with only Koshi Province remaining. We have also published the Mission 2033 Conference Manual, built around five foundational pillars: • Evangelism • Discipleship • Church Planting • Bible Engagement • Social Transformation.

Our prayer is that these five pillars will help mobilize churches across Nepal to take responsibility for the mission of God—not as the program of one organization, but as a shared calling of the whole Church. Here is what the journey has looked like so far:

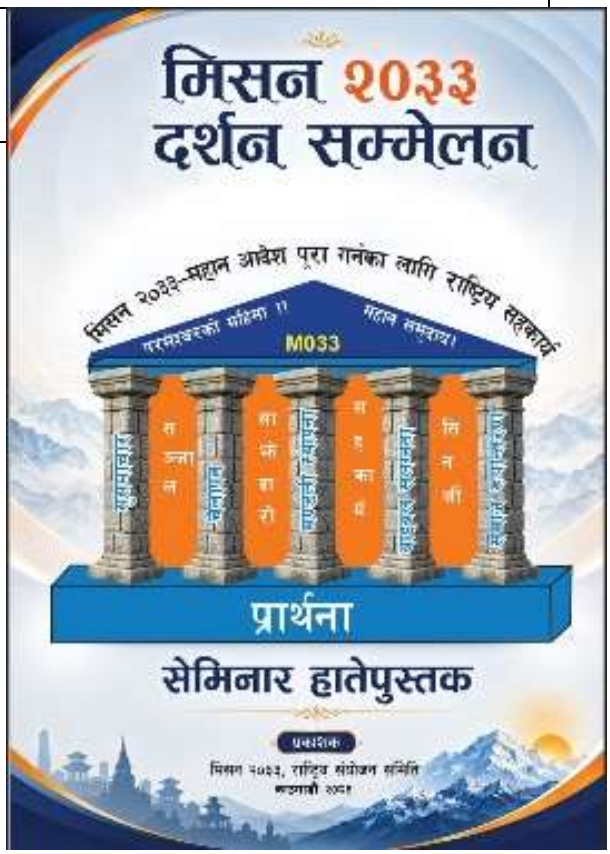
Venue	Date	Participation
Lumbini Province, Nepalgunj	August 8–9	172 mainline churches, denominations, and mission organizations represented.
Sudur Paschim Province, Dhangadhi	August 18–19	135 churches, denominations, and mission organizations represented.
Gandaki Province, Pokhara	August 23–24	175 churches, denominations, and mission organizations represented.
Karnali Province, Surkhet	August 27–28	145 churches, denominations, and mission organizations represented.
Madhes Province, Chandrapur	September 3–4	87 churches, denominations, and mission organizations represented.
Bagmati Province, Dhulikhel	September 10–11	208 churches, denominations, and mission organizations represented.
Koshi Province: The program is yet to be confirmed.	TBA	

Note: Date and Venue in Koshi Province yet to be confirmed.

Across these six provincial gatherings, we have seen 922 representations from churches, denominations, and mission organizations. What has encouraged us most is not simply the numbers, but the response of the leaders. Again and again, we have heard expressions of excitement, ownership, and a renewed desire to participate in God's mission.



We are increasingly convinced that Mission 2033 must become more than a vision—it must become a movement of ordinary churches taking extraordinary responsibility for reaching their own communities and beyond. The next challenge is to move from vision casting to local action. Please pray with us for that transition.



4. SHALOM FOUNDATION: FROM RELIEF TO RESTORATION

When the cameras leave and the emergency headlines fade, the real struggle often begins. That is why Shalom Foundation is now actively mobilizing resources for the third phase of our disaster response—helping families rebuild and restore their lives. The first phase was about rescue. The second was about immediate relief. Now we are entering a phase of rebuilding, restoring, and helping people regain dignity and hope. This will require patience, resources, wisdom, accountability, and long-term commitment. Please pray that God will provide the right partners and resources, and that every contribution entrusted to us will be used with integrity and reach those who need it most. We want not only to rebuild structures, but to help restore lives.

5. NKIC: TAKING ANOTHER LEAP OF FAITH



In the middle of all these challenges, New Kathmandu International College (NKIC) is also moving forward. This year, we are taking a leap of faith, welcoming additional students and expanding our facilities to meet the growing needs. It is exciting—and, honestly, it is also a little frightening!

But perhaps that is what faith sometimes looks like: taking the next step when we cannot see the whole road ahead. We continue to believe that investing in young people is investing in Nepal's future. Please pray for our students, teachers, staff, finances, facilities, and all the many details involved in keeping this educational ministry moving forward.



6. AND THE KHANALS…

And what about the Khanals? By God's grace, we are still moving! We are not moving because everything is easy. We are moving because God's grace has been sufficient. Through ministry responsibilities, travel, disaster response, education, leadership challenges, and the ordinary demands of family life, the Lord has continued to give us grace, protection, strength, and provision. Sometimes we have more questions than answers. Sometimes we feel tired. Sometimes the road ahead looks much bigger than our resources. But we have learned again that God does not necessarily give us everything we think we need for the entire journey. He gives us enough grace for the next step. And that is enough. So, with thankful hearts, we keep going.

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF THE ADVENTURE

Dear friends, you may be far from the Himalayas, but you are not far from this journey. Every prayer matters. Every word of encouragement matters. Every gift matters. Every person helped matters. Every church strengthened matters. Every leader equipped matters. Every young person educated matters. And every person who hears the Gospel matters. So, we express, the gratitude, with grateful hearts and renewed faith, we continue… The Adventure with Him in the Himalayas!



With love, gratitude, and prayers
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Mission to Unreached Millions
"I thank my God every time I remember you." — Philippians 1:3