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Vital Statistics:

(July-Dec, 2009)

- 1 one-month Women's Leadership Trainings.
- 1 four-month Leadership Trainings in Tikapur, Kailali.
- 1 Three-month Leadership Training in Butwal, Rupandehi.
- 34 students
- 4 Family Seminars
- 2 Leadership Seminars
- 1 Women Leadership seminar
- Over 250 participants in seminars
- Over 25 different teachers assisting

Experiencing Cross cultural Mission

My UK Visit in the month of September, organized by Church Missionary Society, was exciting and a time to understand missions cross culturally. A co-worker, Ram Prasad Shrestha, and I were the Church in Nepal and several churches and

I was surprised to see that very special place for people, and Nepali publicized and prepared reached any part of UK. We were encouraged and their responsibilities for UK when we shared about the unusual church growth in Nepal. They expressed regret for the decline of the Church in their own country.



asked to speak about our ministries in groups.

people in UK have a Nepal, the Nepali churches. CMS had for us before we We were warmly number of people challenged to fulfill church growth in the

I am encouraged to know that people in the UK who never have seen us have been praying for us. One of the leaders, John Cooper, from Lachlade wrote to me, "I have been concerned about the health of your wife Anjila, and I have been praying for her every day." I was touched by this letter. I am convinced that we can learn a lot from the Church in the UK and they too can learn a lot from the Church in Nepal. I feel closer to them than before and am praying more seriously than ever before after this visit.

My special thanks go to the CMS family and hosting churches who made this visit possible.

Director, LTD

Tikapur Leadership Training Institute

The 5th batch of the Tikapur Leadership Training started from 4th Aug 2009 with 5 men and 6 women. The students represented different denominations such as Agape, Alpha, Full Gospel, AG and National Churches Fellowship of Nepal from 4 different districts of Mid and Far West Nepal. The students have learnt subjects like leadership, Biblical Preaching, Bible Study Method, Religion, the Church, Mission and Evangelism, Bible Survey, Spiritual Formation, etc.



Along with regular quiet times in the morning, Bible study in the evenings, and Bible verse memorization everyday, students also completed reading of the whole Bible within the 4 months. During the five-day outreach program they went to 3 villages and shared the Gospel with 1500 people.

In the first week of the training one student had to leave the training centre due to sickness.

Graduation was held on 4th Dec. Pastor Prem Narayan Adhikari challenged the students to follow Jesus' footprints by sitting at His feet. One of the students, Mr. Pyare Lal Chaudhary, astonished participants by reciting 79 verses within 10 minutes.



Five years ago I suffered from Typhoid and Malaria while working in India. I could not go through treatment since I did not have enough money and I came back home. When I returned home I found that my family had become Christians. I took medicine but could not be healed. Then, I asked my elder brother to pray for me. He asked me to believe Him before he prays. Then I accepted Jesus in to my life as my Lord and Savior and got healed. By seeing leadership quality leaders of my Church sent me to Tikapur Leadership Training Centre in 2008 where God confirmed my call to His vineyard. One day at the training centre I was watching Nick's film I was challenged by his preaching who has no hands and no legs. If he can do such great things for the Lord then why can't I do it? A thought provoked my mind. I have been helping my Church in youth fellowship and also preach in the church in the absence of my elder brother who is leader of the Church.

Mr. Shyam Chaudhary, 3rd batch, Aroma Church, Kailali

Christian Leadership Training Centre, Butwal, West Nepal

The 2nd batch of CLTC started on 20th Sep. with 16 students from different parts of west Nepal and different church groups. However, three of the students had to drop because of health problems. Most of the students were mature leaders, but without any formal training. Some of them have even completed Bachelor-level studies.

Students have learnt very practical subjects such as Bible Survey, Leadership, Basic Doctrines, Biblical Counselling, Bible Study Method, Comparative Religions, Personal Spiritual Growth, Church, Mission and Evangelism and Church History.

They have spent quiet times and participated in group-devotions every morning and Bible study every evening,

as well as completing the reading of the whole Bible during this training. The last week of October, students went to two different districts of West Nepal for outreach, and shared the gospel with 500 people. They had to walk up to 3 hours to reach the area, after several hours travel by bus. The graduation was held on 18th Dec in which the General Secretary of NCF Nepal challenged the graduating students from God's Word and awarded them with certificates.



I came to Christ 5 years ago and have been serving in the Church ever since. I had an opportunity to go to CLTC in Butwal with a friend from our Church. Before coming to the training, I did not know how to expound the Bible or what a leader should be like.

Now I can preach the Word of God in the right way. Believers in our Church are growing in the Lord spiritually and the number also has been increasing. I am encouraging those who are going through persecution and trying to get back those who have backslidden.

Khuma Thapa, Shalom Juan Presbyterian Church, Syangja

Women Leadership Training



The 9th session of the Women's Leadership Training was completed 15 Dec. Once again women gathered from different rural areas of the country for one month of learning and experiences.

This time there were 11 women from 5 different districts. There were quite a few contrasts in the students this time: illiterate to Class 12 graduates; unmarried, married, and abandoned wives; quite new Christians to '14-15 year olds' in the Lord; daughters of previous graduates and Christian families, to the only two believers in the whole village. It was truly a way to experience the diversity of the Body of Christ and the added blessings of learning from each other and definitely growing together. The month was filled to the brim with classes, study, hands-on activities, and practical experiences.

As the women shared about their learning a common thread was a new appreciation, understanding, and ability to read and study the Bible- something that most had little experience with previously. Students were especially encouraged to consider practical application of the teaching for their lives, their families, and their own churches.

Women Leadership Seminar

Women from 12 different churches gathered for a 3-day seminar organized by Bardia Area Community



No. 3 in Bardiya District of Mid West Nepal from 15-17 Sept.. LTD provided the teaching and materials for the 40-50 participants. The women were challenged in areas of Personal Spiritual Growth and Discipleship, their Roles in the Family and Church, and Interpersonal Relationships. One of the organizing pastors later expressed his opinion that from now on they would have 'seminars' rather than 'conventions' because of the concrete impact of these days. Another pastor has reported a real healing of friction among the women in their church related to the seminar.

Relationship Restored

Sunita came to Women leadership training in June 2009 from Palpa, West Nepal. She shares her life before training with these words: I used to quarrel with my husband. I didn't help my husband in ministry. I even didn't attend some of the church meetings. One



year ago she was in a position to separate from her husband.

Now Sunita has been supporting her husband in the ministry. She realizes her role as a wife to understand her husband and support her by all means. Now she is happy with her husband. she is leading house fellowships and worship services on Saturdays.

Her husband Indra testifies, " Sunita, my wife, used to quarrel with me even for small matters before the training. Now she has been going with me in the ministry whenever required." Bishnu, Sunita's Pastor, who encouraged her to go to this training is very grateful to leadership Training Department. He has also witnessed restored relationship between Sunita and her husband.

Family Seminars



Family seminars for pastors and leaders were organized in Surkhet, Mid West (25-27 Oct), Koinonia Patan Church, Lalitpur (29-30 Oct), Butwal, West Nepal (1-3 Dec) and Church of God, Lalitpur (5-6 Nov) with the participation of 60 couples. Mr. Johnny and Koki Desai facilitated the seminar on various topics related to family life, such as God's Blueprint for Marriage, Parenting, Sex in Marriage, the Role of a Christian Husband/Wife, and Expectations.

Leadership Seminars

This year LTD, in partnership with the Churches in the far west hill region organized a 4-day seminar from 16-20 Nov. in Dadeldhura. 40 pastors and other church leaders participated in the seminar from different denominations.

A senior pastor of Kathmandu, M. J. Joseph and Manoj Pradhananga were the facilitators,



I came to Doti three years ago as a missionary to work among young people. I was disappointed over my performance since I could not do much. I almost felt burnt out. This seminar in Dadeldhura has refreshed me. I understood what kind of leader I am. Now, I believe that I can work more closely with my pastor who is different type of leader than me. I understood how significant it is to work together as leaders.



Sarah, Doti
Aashish Church

discussing topics such as Team Leadership, Types of Leaders, Integrity, Time Management, Simplicity, Prayerful Life and Ethical Issues.

A four-day leadership seminar in partnership with the Churches of Salyan (Mid West Hill region) was also organized in Marke, a remote village, of Salyan from 9-12 Nov with 50 pastors from different denominations. Norbu Tamang, a pastor from Friends Evangelical, and LTD director were the facilitators. Chitra Bahdur K.C., pastor of a Church, shared his learning:

"I have learnt the value of working in a team and I have decided to raise 4 leaders from my Church to work with me. The teaching on stewardship has really touched me. I have set up a goal to plant 3 fellowships in three villages within a year as a result of this seminar."

Praise

- Praise God for a meaningful time in UK for Manoj
- Praise God for His providence to supply all of our training needs in the midst of economic crisis.

Praise God for His grace to hold all the trainings despite the political chaos of the country

Prayer

- Pray for Partners International summit in Chennai, India from Jan 13-15 and Manoj who will be attending this meeting.
- Pray for all the upcoming programs of LTD
- Pray for God's intervention in the politics of Nepal so that the constitution may be drafted on time. Please pray that political parties may have consensus among them.
- Pray for Milan and Grace who are responsible for the training in Butwal, Sagun and Somati who are responsible for the Tikapur training, Buddha who is responsible for administration and Becky who is responsible for the women leadership training in Kathmandu.
- Pray for God to connect those in need of the trainings/seminars with the right trainings, and for ongoing impact in student's lives and ministries.
- Pray for Buddha who is engaged this month and getting married in Feb 2010
- Pray for Anjila, Manoj wife, for normal delivery of the child as they are expecting new babe in April.

Coming Programme Schedule

Program	Place	Date
WLS	Makwanpur	Jan 4-6, 2010
CLTC	Butwal	Jan 18, 2010
WLT	Lalitpur	Feb 1, 2010
TLTI	Tikapur	Feb 20, 2010
AWLT	Lalitpur	March 22-25, 2010



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