



Our dearest friends and family,



It's almost Easter. Where has the time flown? Our lives have completely changed in a way we never ever dreamed of! We must apologize for not sending a newsletter before this. We have kept in touch and Facebook is a wonderful tool to use for the lighter moments of everyday activities in Rajministries!

However, we do realize that a newsy newsletter is appreciated by all – so here is all that is happening in Rajministries!

AGC School – is **BUSY** and that's an understatement! Since school began in January after the extreme cold we have been on the roll! After more than 18 months of intermittent online teaching when one lives in a village, the cog wheels pick up a lot of rust. We have had innumerable problems, and not just with the internet but students who have been indulging in malpractices. Students weak in studies had suddenly begun to score high marks in the tests conducted online



and we had to deal with traumatized parents who were suddenly faced with children who were addicted to video games, to the extent that they threatened suicide if not allowed to play them! Harassment of girls by boys who hacked into their passwords etc. – and so when school resumed in person the parents heaved a sigh of relief. The

students began to look forward to games, friends, and studies – in that order! But we didn't only have to deal with rusty students but also rusty teachers! Yes, believe it or not, Jenny faced an uphill task of having to retrain the staff, work on their teaching skills, and in short complete overhauling. It has been nerve wracking, and exhausting. Added to this is the herculean task of bringing stability to the finances. We



are dealing with the loss of 200 students – not to COVID, but COVID related problems with small scale businesses collapsing, displacement of parents, homes etc. We are trying our best to get things back on track, however, its extremely difficult and we request prayer.





The new academic year begins on 1st April, 2022. We have 60 new admissions already for this new session. We are hoping there will be many more coming as this will enable us to stabilize our finances. Please can you pray there will be more new children joining us for this session. ***Please also pray for wisdom and patience to deal with the situation right now. Please also pray for staff who are capable, called by God and filled with God's love. Jenny is overburdened and we are not getting younger.***

House of Glory ~ MAHIMA NIWAS – continues to bustle with activity and 70 beautiful girls. We had a scare in December when one of our girls', who was already suffering from TB, also developed severe Jaundice. After a few days, however, and the intervention of some of our former students who are now practicing medicine, she stabilized. Praise God!



The piano, violin, guitar, and vocal lessons continue and each of them is performing very well.



They are moving forward in their grade performance exams as well in ABRSM UK online and we are so proud of them. They are also conducting music classes in school as well as singing classes and after a long time we can hear the melodious singing of small children in their classrooms! Blessed! ***The oldest girls are appearing for the second year of their Bachelors Exam right now. Please do uphold them in prayer.***

Rupaidiha Christian Fellowship – is once again open to the public. We had a team of young people come from Kathmandu, Nepal for 10 days and they were a huge blessing. They held Worship workshops and taught about the heart of worship and the Kingdom of God. There were emotional breakthroughs among the girls and many tears were shed when the team left. The entire team of 9 young people were hosted by us in March this year. So it was a busy time with meal





preparations, and a house full of guests, along with the running of the school. During this time, we also invited group of 18 young boys and girls from Dang in Nepal as they had never attended a workshop. This was challenging as these boys and girls had no idea of the word “discipline” and ate three times more than what our girls do! The four days they were here soon came to an end and we do hope and pray that what they learnt will have impacted them for life. Now as we get ready for Easter we also will be having some baptisms which we praise God for.

SEEMA – as always continues, with much prayer and faith. However,



the unfailing love of God and His faithfulness is so evident each day. In spite of low sales, COVID and other factors, SEEMA has remained open albeit with lesser ladies. Our friends in the USA have made sure that there is an order every month so that we can



have the finances to ensure the wages of the women are provided for. This has been a life saver and we are so very grateful to them for their endeavours and high commitment. We can see the hand of a very faithful God. There are days when we think that we may have to shut down SEEMA and then suddenly we get an order from unexpected friends! It's just so humbling to see the hand of God each day. ***Please do uphold the SEEMA ladies in prayer and please visit the website if you are in USA and place an order for a bag. These sales are lifelines to desperately needy women and young girls. Thank you so much.***

Shalom Raj Niwas – the boys Home in Pakur, Jharkhand is on the fast track too – Hallelujah! We now have 7 boys, as two little ones joined the family last month. One of them is an orphan who lost both his parents to COVID and the other has no mother and a very poor father. In faith we took them and the Rupaidiha Christian Fellowship is supporting them. Pastor Kishor, who looks after the Boys' Home, is doing a brilliant job and has started several meeting places. The Home that was incomplete due to the lockdown has resumed work. ***Please pray with us for the completion.***





Building And Construction – We are continuing building slowly and steadily. The first storey of the House of Glory is yet to be completed. We have not received any extra funds for this as yet. The woodwork, electric fittings, wiring and necessary furniture has yet to be funded. We are looking at an amount of \$8,000 (Eight thousand US dollars) here. With this we



hope to complete what was started BEFORE COVID and the lockdown and was left incomplete because of the lockdown and then the high debts incurred as a consequence of the lockdown. This is because the lockdown took place at a critical time of the roof installation and the scaffolding charges as a result tripled and it took us months to recover the loss incurred. ***Please do pray for this need.***

The Emergency Room – construction is well underway. As mentioned earlier, our unique location of being sandwiched in between two check posts of two countries has led to losses of lives as we are unable to cross into either country in the middle of the night. Most emergencies occur in the odd hours of night. With Roy's heart problems and no medical help as well as many other staff and children's medical issues we have faced extremely critical situations and that has given birth to this **Emergency Room**. This room will have an ECG machine, an Ultrasound and First Aid with a nurse on call. We are also in conversation with a renowned Doctor who would like to connect us to Doctors via internet – Tele Medication.



This summer we would like to build bathrooms in a new location for the school. We renovated the old ones a few years ago and have been using them, however, with the new road and the use of our Septic Tank by our neighbours, the Border Security Force,





we are forced to build new bathrooms in a different location from where they are now. ***Please pray for this need too as it is of utmost importance.***

Family – On the personal front , we are totally absorbed in work, and baby **Ruth** and lovely **Rachel**. We are very thankful that Ruth now sleeps through the night. She is now six months old and is a full package of fun, laughter, hard work, attention and joy! She is slow in her milestones and is still behind in her weight. But her loud screams, laughter and good appetite belie that for sure. She is so loved by everyone here and her older sister Rachel adores her. When we take her to Church, all her other many sisters want to carry her!



Our lovely Rachel has completed her Grade 6 Exam in the Piano and has performed extremely well in her academics too. It has been a season of adjustment for her as she transitioned into the role of a big sister and juggled her studies and piano practices all at the same time. Yesterday the results were declared and what joy for us to see Rachel come 2nd in her entire class with an overall percentage of 90%. We are overjoyed as she has achieved this because of her hard efforts and consistent studying. She now begins Grade 9 in two days' time.

Roy has kept good health and only had one episode of palpitations in the last 3 months. He is a very loving, caring and doting father to Ruth and they both enjoy each other's company. He works from home mostly as Jenny has to be present in school. ***Pray with us for dedicated staff with a calling to ease the burden on teaching for Jenny as she has to continue teaching and with each passing year it gets more tiring.***

Meanwhile the chickens, and hens provide a relaxing and fruitful hobby specially for Jenny as it is her pet project along with rabbits and birds! The sale of the eggs goes towards Missions and support to the Boys' Home and Pastors who we support in India and Nepal.

Abby and Nathan with their lovely children who are 12, 10, 8 and 7 have shifted to a new 5 bedroom house in a beautiful area called "Indian Village" and are loving it. It's close to school and rather convenient.





Paul, Julia and Narayan are happily settled in their new workplace in Ho Chi Min, Vietnam where Julia heads the department for special needs children and Paul teaches English. FaceTime, video calls and chats is how we communicate.

As of now we do not know when we, as a family, will be able to visit you all. We would absolutely love to as we haven't seen our grandchildren, and family and friends for such a long time. But we are so grateful to all of you for not forgetting us! You have reached out to us in prayer, and sent us generous gifts from time to time which has enabled Rajministries to remain alive and kicking! You have been faithful in your sponsorships and stood with us during all the good times and bad times. Your loving words through email, WhatsApp, or Messenger has greatly encouraged us. We have also been blessed by having Amazon deliver our Wishlists through our friends at Christmas and Easter.

We love each one of you so much and thank our loving and faithful God for each one of you. Wish you a Blessed Easter.

He is not here; He is RISEN — Luke 24:6

With all our love at Rajministries,

Roy, Jenny, Rachel, Ruthie and the extended family

