2019 Nepal Mission Recap

Summary: The purpose of the mission was to make disciples by building up the Nepali churches through ministry, teaching, evangelism, and faith. Through your prayerful support, Rusty Russell and Dennis Nelson are grateful to report the following.



2 October Wednesday - Our in-country host, translator, and Dean of Antioch School of Ministry, Thapa Thakur met us in a 4x4 Jeep and took us up a windy washed out dirt roads driving 80km over the mountains to Hetauda that is located in southern Nepal.

3 October Thursday - Early in the morning, we drove and hiked with some of the students to a mountaintop about 4470' to pray and worship. We proclaimed that the people and nation of Nepal for the Lord Jesus Christ. On the way, back we stopped at Christian home and prayed for their sick children. After lunch we met in Pastor Deepak's church for a special meeting, Dennis shared a dynamic powerful teaching on the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and 16 were baptized in Holy Spirit, and spoke with a new language. Rusty taught on hearing God's voice and how to ask the Holy Spirit for the Gifts to be manifested in each of us. He proclaimed words for healing and half of 80 people stood for prayer and were used to pray healing over the other members! Two deaf ears were opened and healed, a lame man walked without pain, and many were the miracles, which God gave us in the power of His Holy Spirit! Pains in the arms and legs were healed and the man ran about thanking Jesus! A left ankle was healed and a woman with a withered hand was able to have more mobility. Many waved their hands saying, I am healed, "dunyabat Yesu!" Thank you, Jesus!!



4 October Friday - Fifty-five students, former attendees, and friends of the Antioch School of Missions came to a special meeting. Six were in-filled with the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in a heavenly language. While Rusty showed the practical ministry of the Holy Spirit to the students, he spoke words from God and prayed for the healing of others. Our Hindu driver was very open to Jesus and we gave him a Nepali bible and tract on how to become a Christian.

5 October Saturday (Church Day in Nepal) – We traveled 110km to Aanbu Khaireni and Thapa arranged for us to do the church service at a small village church. These twenty-five believes demonstrated love and devotion through their worship of Jesus. He planted this church—one of twelve—and was dedicated to seeing them

grow strong in the Lord. The local Deacon shared the salvations of many from his family with 7 out of 12 groups forsaking Hinduism. His faith was to see the other five families become Christians within 18th months. Wow, what great faith to see one's family clan all come into the knowledge of Jesus Christ. We left an offering for the pastor, and audio / printed Nepali bibles. We came away with a great sense of God's mighty hand working upon the souls and Nation of Nepal. Later that day we arrived at the YWAM Leadership Training Centre.



6 October Sunday - Due to a scheduling glitch, we had the day off so we decided to pray by visiting one of the high places riding up 9000 feet of cable on a Gondola over the top of three mountains where the Hindu Shrine named "goddess of your heart's desire" was worshiped. Many Hindu pilgrims traveled to sacrifice goats so we prayed for the blood of Jesus to cover all the Nepali people and that their mind's eye would be open to the Gospel.



7 – 8 October Monday / Tuesday at the YWAM Leadership Training Centre - We traveled a short distance to a church hosting a two-day youth conference. Dennis spoke on benefits of praying in the Holy Spirit with 200 out of 300 standing and asking to receive the Holy Spirit in a new way. We all felt a great outpouring from above. About half the youths received the Holy Spirit with evidence of praying in God's spiritual language. Rusty taught on "How to hear the voice of God" and to pray for healing miracles. Our thanks goes to Sabin and Pastor Tek Baramu for hosting and inviting us to speak at this YWAM event. (https://www.ywam.org/results/) Dennis ministered to a traveling bible theologian, giving him bibles, and teaching materials. He travels up to 12

days to meet with 1-3 pastors in the remotest mountains. We then traveled onto Pokhara for a much need day of rest.

9 October Wednesday - Pokhara is a city on Phewa Lake, in central Nepal. It is known as a gateway to the Annapurna Circuit, a popular trail in the Himalayas. We got up at 5:00 am so we could see the sunrise shining upon Mount Machhapurchre called the fishtail of the Himalaya Mountains. We were not disappointed seeing God's beautiful creation with a beautiful glow from the golden sunrise.

10 October Thursday - We returned to the YWAM Training center where nine students are being trained in theology and practical discipleship. They would eventually be sent back to local villages to build and strengthen the church. Dennis spoke on the history of the Holy Spirit beginning from Acts 2:38 to the modern outpouring at Azusa 1905. Three students received the heavenly language of tongues. Rusty ministered the healing promises from Isaiah 61 with several works of healing. We then traveled back on the winding mountainous roads and were joined by thousands of Nepalese returning from a national holiday. We traveled fours back to Kathmandu; the capital of Nepal and had to say good-bye to our Hindu (soon to be Christian) driver.



11 October Friday - Rusty and Dennis walked about the city tourist areas, shops, and find gifts for our sponsors. We had a desire to eat a buffalo burger and ran into a man from Philadelphia who was in Nepal learning how to use the Hindu ceremonial healing bowls. We could not find the burger but Rusty prayed for his wrist that was painful from a previous broken bone and he was healed in Jesus' name. Hmmm, the power of God demonstrated and no need for the Hindu treatment.

12 October Saturday Church Services in Kathmandu - Rusty and Dennis, split up to speak to several churches. At Upasana Methodist Church, Dennis presented children's English reading books and notepad computer to the local assistant pastor. Speaking to 80 members on the character of the Holy Spirit three came forward to receive the Holy Spirit with the language of tongues. That afternoon there was a special meeting for the We3B Youths where we presented a new AV projector donated by Mankato MN Campus Church. Speaking on the Trinity of the Godhead to 90 youth from 11 different churches and 6 pastors in attendance. One person proclaimed salvation in Jesus and many more were filled with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Rusty had two-morning services of 250

people each at Jorhat Church where a former witch doctor had both deaf ears opened and three others with deaf ears were healed. Then over 100 asked God to receive healings and miracles. During the second service, another soul was saved, two with deaf ears, a woman with a withered hand were healed, and the local mission team is prayed over and released into ministry.

13 October Sunday - This was our last day in and Nepal, Rusty, and I spoke at different venues. I met with fifteen youths from the leadership team of We3B. I encouraged them to seek Jesus through the knowledge and experiences from the Holy Spirit. Rusty spoke to 57 students and professors at Jesus College the largest Christian University in Nepal. Before we left for the airport, Mission River and our sponsors gave an offering to Antioch Bhutan Children's Home Indo Bhutan.



The beauty and grandeur of the Nepali Mountain ranges are only surpassed by the heartfelt love of the Nepali Christians towards the one and only Lord Jesus Christ. Our Hindu driver who attended every event said it this way: "I have driven for other Christians before but I have never seen Jesus like the one you preach. You truly came to bless the Nepalese people!" AMEN!

Ministry Impact:

- ~ 1,137 People received words of faith and ministry from the Holy Spirit
- Over 20 Documented healings of deaf ears, lame legs, withered hands, and many more miracles
- Four Salvations in Christ
- 11 Churches, Schools, and College visited
- Distributed 50 audio Nepali bibles, 15 printed bibles, Nepali Christian literature, English children's learner books, a note book computer, and an AV projector
- Offerings given to pastors, churches, schools, missionaries, and an orphanage

Rusty Russell and Dennis Nelson extend our deepest thanks to the three sponsors and to all those who prayed for the success of this mission. As King David decreed, you will have an equal share in these rewards. Thank YOU JESUS!