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New Dawn Association's Nepal Earthquake Fund

Yesterday, 13th May 2015, we learnt about the 2nd big earthquake (magnitude 7.4) in Nepal. Pastor Krishna managed to write an email to us several hours later, following the disaster. He wrote, "Again, so many people have died and thousands are injured. We are out of our home, putting up tents outside, but we are all safe. Our home has also been cracked by today's earthquake". We cannot begin to imagine the situation on the ground in Nepal. The fear of further after-shocks is ever-present and the loss of lives and the damage is huge.

We are writing this brief update to keep you informed, and to thank everyone who has donated to the "New Dawn Earthquake Fund". Last week we were able to make a first transfer of **€8,430** to Nepal. Some money is still coming in and we will make a second transfer in due time.

Pastor Krishna, his wife Pabitra, and their team, have been greatly encouraged by your support and your prayers, and send their heart-felt gratitude.

During the week following the first earthquake, Krishna and Pabitra were involved in meeting the immediate needs of their local community and also his large church community. For about 8 days their home became a refuge for 120 needy people, all eating and sleeping in their house. There have been after-shocks every day, and many buildings have been destroyed or rendered unsafe. Since yesterday's second major earthquake, we can barely imagine just how much the situation must have deteriorated.



Tents for Pyutar



Krishna in Pyutar with tent

The needs are great in the remote areas and Krishna's work, as many of you know, extends to these regions. Krishna and his team are assessing each situation to find out how best to help the villages they are specifically connected to.

On 8th May, Krishna and four other people journeyed to Pyutar, a severely affected village area. Many of the homes in the community of Pyutar have been destroyed and the people had not received any assistance yet. Krishna and his team took tents (ground sheets) and food to meet immediate needs. They spent 3 days with the community, encouraging them and helping them to salvage what was possible from the ruins.

A soon as it is safe enough again, Krishna intends to travel to the Gorkha region to assist 2 more very needy communities. Little-by-little, Krishna and his team are deciding how best to allocate the donated funds. He is keeping us up-dated on an almost daily basis.



Pabitra helps serve a meal in an outside, makeshift kitchen.

the "Little Feet" children housed with them, in Kathmandu. Krishna and Pabitra have a huge responsibility amidst this disaster and they need ongoing encouragement, renewed hope and wisdom.

Once again, we want to thank all of you for your generosity and concern.

Jennie and Don



Distribution of tents in Pyutar

In Kathmandu, the Mission School building, also housing a small orphanage on the ground floor, has been rendered totally unusable. All that can be salvaged from the building is being stored, with the hope of one day being able to re-construct. The orphan children are still not able to return to school. Krishna and Pabitra now have



Provisions

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