

South Asia Partnership Prayer News



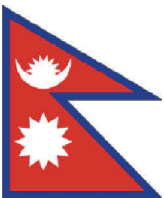
"I was so afraid to stand up and share"

The child development program of NCM Nepal is having a tremendous effect. Within just a few years, the number of children washing their hands before they eat has more than doubled. The same is true for children brushing their teeth. Most of the mothers implement what they have learned from the health workers. Before the program began, the school dropout rate was huge. Now 94% of the children are passing their final examination. Two thirds of those children are attending Sunday School activities and hundreds of lives have been transformed. Samjhana is one of those children.

Samjhana has been a student of Manohara CDC since the beginning of the program. Her father served in the Nepal army and died in confrontation against Maoist warriors in Western Nepal when his daughter was just 5 years old.

Samjhana has an older and a younger brother. Their future seemed dark after their father's death. One day Samjhana's mother came to the CDC and requested to enroll two of her children in the center. She had no job at the time and her children were too small to work. There was no one to earn any money.

Samjhana and her brother were both enrolled in the CDC. Now Samjhana is 14 years old and studies in grade Seven. During the four years in the program, Samjhana has made lots of experiences. She has participated in many activities and learned many things that help her to sharpen her skills and potentials. She said, *"When my teachers proposed my name for participating in various activities like speech or dance competitions, debates etc. in my school, I used to refuse all of them, because I was so afraid to stand and share something in front of a crowd."* She is quite happy of what she has learned in the CDC. She added, *"In the CDC my teachers never forced me to do anything but they always encouraged me to participate in the activities they had planned. After participating in various activities in small groups of CDC friends, I decided that I also can stand up and express my thoughts in front of my school friends and teachers. So, I began to participate in various activities in the school. Consequently I have won many prizes in various competitions. But the credit for all these successes goes to my teachers in the CDC and to the CDC program itself."*



Praise & Prayer—Nepal

We are grateful for a major donation that helps us to finish the Kathmandu Ministry Center. Please pray for the timely completion of the work and for additional funds to purchase necessary equipment for the center.

Pray for open doors to new ministries in the Western parts

of Nepal.

Pray for the preparation of the SANBC graduation and district assembly in January. 13 pastors are preparing for ordination.

Please pray for the new child development center in Kathmandu that will be located in the ministry center. Pray that

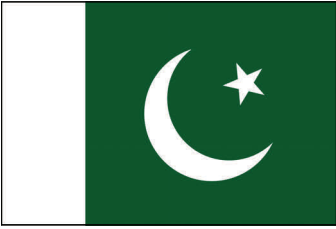
we may find good teachers and develop good rapport with the community.

Please pray for the delegation from Nepal to the South Asia youth congress in Bangladesh.

Praise God for a two-week outreach program of NYI Nepal. Pray for protection and blessings on all participants.



Praise & Prayer—Pakistan and Bangladesh



Pakistan:

Pray for the new JESUS Film teams as we have started the training and are looking to start them on the field in January. We need prayer for the teams as well as the leaders who are training and working on the new vision for the district. Please also pray for urgently needed equipment for the new teams.

Rev. Iqbal—he has pain in his right shoulder and around the heart area. He is going through tests and we need prayer for the results to come out well.

Continued prayer for a revival of the heart in our people and pastors so that we can effectively love and minister in the footsteps of Christ.

Please pray for the following people who have recently been given coordinating responsibilities: Rev. Iqbal N. (Church Operations), Rev. Padras B. (JESUS Film), Rev. Padras I. (Pastoral Training), Mr. Iqbal B. (Church Properties).



Bangladesh:

We praise God for the Power of One II training in Dhaka.

We are grateful for the W&W team visit to the North District (Boleya) and thank God for healing one of the team members who was sick.

The visit of the North-West District Superintendent Rev. Nathan to KNU was very fruitful and he returned safely. Please pray for the development of this new partnership.

We praise God for a successful AWANA program in Noa-gaon organized by Mr. Milton. We are grateful for good visits of international partner organizations.

Please pray for the preparation of district assemblies in the month of January, 2013.

Pray for the Christmas programs in our churches and ministry sites.

Please pray for the SANBC graduation in December.

Pray for approval of the project for a proposed new ministry center in Srimongol.

Pray that the Holy Spirit may guide our three District Superintendents: Rev. Nathan, Rev. Moses and Rev. David.



General Prayer Requests

You will find general prayer requests from each country in South Asia on the South Asia Field website: www.southasiafield.org. If you have not received these prayer news by email, we'll be glad to add you to our mailing list. Please contact **Field Strategy Coordinator** Dr. Hermann (drhermann@eurasia-help.org).

Praise & Prayer—Sri Lanka



We praise the Lord for blessing our ministries. We were able to get new land in Haliela for a district center.

We praise the Lord for several motorcycles we received for our JESUS Film ministry.

Please pray for protection and wisdom for our JESUS Film workers as they minister in remote areas. Please also pray

for the follow-up ministry in all regions.

We praise the Lord for newly organized churches and new JF teams. Please pray for the new teams and members as they are working in new areas.

These days our pastors are facing a lot of challenges in their communities, especially from the majority religion. Please pray for this situation so God will give strength to the ministers to overcome these obstacles.

We teach and train ministers through our theological insti-

tution SANBC. Please pray for SANBC and its needs. Also pray for new students.

Pray for the pastors, church workers and NCM workers as they meet for their Christmas gathering in early December.

Pray for the Christmas programs at all CFCDP centers and churches in Sri Lanka.

Pray that the Sunday School program will develop its ability to train and educate children in Sri Lanka.



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