Mission Outreach

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CONTENDING FOR AFGHANISTAN

Many may say that Afghanistan is a country defined by war. Yet what is the significance of this country for the Kingdom of God? This central Asian country is one of the most restricted and least evangelised nations in the world and is now home to over 32,225,000 people. If the whole world is to be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, this people must hear the Gospel!

Afghanistan's geographical location in the midst of ancient trade and invasion routes from central Asia to India, has been the greatest influence on its history and population, as invaders often settled there.

It has been fought over by nearly every world empire from Alexander the Great (330Bc), the Persians in the 6th century, Buddhists in the 1st- 8th century, Genghis Khan in 1220 and many more, the British in1838 and 1878, the Soviets (1979), and more recently, the Taliban in 1996 and the USA and allied forces in 2011. The Taliban government was quickly toppled but never fully defeated. They regrouped and have continued battling the government to this day.

Despite the vast history of conflict and unrest, Mission Outreach along with many other Christians, believe that God wants to liberate this nation and give its people opportunity to respond to the provision of God's Love, through Jesus Christ His Son.

We believe that God has spoken the following scriptures to us about Afghanistan and pray this often during our weekly prayer meetings. We declare them again now over this nation:



Joel 2:19–27 "I am sending you grain, new wine and oil, enough to satisfy you fully, never again will you be an object of scorn to other nations... I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten, the great locust and the young locust, and the other locust swarms... Never again will my people be shamed."

Isaiah 62:10 "Pass through, pass through the gates. Prepare the way for the people (of Afghanistan). Build up, build up the highway. Remove the stones (principalities and powers of darkness over this nation). Raise up a banner for the Nations."

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Body Builders for Christ Releasing the Holy Spirit

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COUNTRY REPORTS

TOUCHED BY FORGIVENESS

A training school in Afghanistan reports experiencing an "open heaven" with countless testimonies of breakthrough. Here is one:

"(A student) told us he was pushed out of a cab in Kabul. That's how he lost his cell phone with all his contacts on it- phone numbers, the book, and all his studies.

He was very nervous when he shared what happened. I told him that God can turn a bad situation around for good. We prayed for peace for the student, which he received.

A month later, his wife got a text message. She replied with, "Who are you and what do you want?" The man said that he lived in a city where the T'ban also lives, five hours from their town. He wanted to speak to the owner of the phone he had.



To make a long story short, the student and his wife met with the man in a restaurant and spoke with him for several hours. When they asked him, "Why did you come all the way

here to bring back my stolen mobile?" the man told his story.

He was very poor and could not take care of his family, so he started to steal phones. But when he took a good look at this phone, he found the book and the studies. He began to read regularly, and when he came to the chapter on forgiveness, he felt convicted to contact the student so that he could ask for forgiveness. He became a Christian that day."

COMPELLED TO RESPOND

Pakistan was created to provide an independant homeland for Indian Muslims and is 98.9% Muslim. Christians comprise of less than 1% of the total population of about 200 million.

Christians are mistreated, often violently by murder, rape and suicide bombings which target the churches. The blasphemy laws are often used to target Christians, and many have been killed as a result of often false accusations.

A recent survey shows that nearly 1100 women from Christian and Hindu communities are abducted, raped and forcibly converted to Islam every year. In rural communities most women are forbidden to leave their village and young girls are often forced to become child brides, which deprives them of their rights.

Many people and communities face persecution, injustice and oppression because of the numerous and complex realities within the nation which also create challenges physically and spiritually for the gospel and work of the Kingdom.

However, our mission partners are compelled to respond to these challenges, and do so by providing opportunities for education and counselling to release, encourage and empower the oppressed and help them to believe in themselves, believe in education, and ultimately to believe in the Living God.

In the primary education centres, all subjects and activities are in-line with the government curriculum but also include Christian perspectives, values and stories. In addition to primary education, they also teach on health, hygiene and sanitation.

Our partners also offer training for evangelists and pastors to equip them and build current and future leaders within the body of Christ in Pakistan.

Without God's help none of this could be done, so we thank our God for His abundant provision for the work in Pakistan.

Please pray for liberty for those who are oppressed and for protection over God's people in this nation.

Luke 4:18 "the Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free."



PROJECTS IN FOCUS

NEW BIBLE PROJECT

We are very aware of the challenges to our brethren and the gospel in the nation of Afghanistan, a country that is very hostile and dangerous for believers and also for those helping them.

Regardless of the challenges, Pashto and Farsi Bibles are still needed. Last year 3000 were delivered, and the goal for this year is 4000. Farsi is a language spoken mostly in Iran and Afghanistan and used by 110 million people worldwide and Pashto is the second most commonly used language.

As part of our call to help reach this nation with the Gospel, we wish to help provide 250 bibles in each of the 2 main languages, a total of 500 bibles, at a cost of \$15 each, making our total commitment for this project \$7,500. We invite you to join with us to reach this nation for Jesus through prayer & giving.

Bibles for Uganda, Africa

"Pastor, give us Bibles!" Is the cry from many Pastors in Uganda for themselves and their church. It will be such a blessing to be able to meet the huge need and put



God's Word in the hands of hungry Believers. Oh the joy of village folks who might only eat one meagre meal a day, to hug their new treasure - their very own Bible! The provision of bibles is critical to the growth of the church in Uganda and will bring comfort and encouragement, give instruction and direction for individuals, couples, families and communities. Our initial committment for Bibles for Uganda is for 100 English Bibles at \$7.50 each and 285 Lugandan bibles at approx. \$15 each. **Total Project: \$5,025**

CMTC Bible College -Monthly commitment \$1600

Nepal Radio Programme -Monthly commitment \$700



China Full Bibles

The need of our Chinese brethren continues to be Bibles and is greater than ever before. The large number of new Christians has seen the demand far outstrip the supply. MO believes it is timely to help with this great need and have committed to raise funds for 2000 bibles at a cost of only \$2.80. We invite you to join us in helping our brothers and sisters in China. **Total Initial Commitment \$5,600 Balance needed: \$3300**

Nepal 1000 Equipping Centres

We are excited to be getting very close to completing this project to train and equip up to 20,000 believers in one year, and thank you for your support. Your help to complete this, would be a great blessing to all those being trained and for the Kingdom of God in Nepal.



Total Commitment: \$127,000 Balance needed: \$36,972

RESPONSE COUPON

AUGUST 2019

Name:		China China Pastors (CHPSTR) China Full Bibles (CHBBL)	\$ \$
Email:	Post Code:	Nepal Radio Programme (NEPRAD) CMTC Bible College (NPBC) 1000 Equipping Centres (NPEQ1000)	\$ \$ \$
Afghanistan Farsi/Pashto Bibles (AFGBBL) Africa Bibles for Uganda (AFRBBL)	\$ \$	Thailand Tribal Training Centre, Chiang Mai (TTC) Disaster Relief Fund: (DRF) Where Most Needed: (WMN)	\$ \$ \$

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EMMANUEL SCHOOL, NEPAL

Teaching opportunity in Emmanuel School, Pokhara Nepal!

For several years we have watched the growth of Emmanuel school that is in the beautiful city of Pokhara, Nepal which the Lord has blessed in many ways. There are currently nearly 300 children attending the school, which includes a portion from the lowest Dalit caste (known as the Untouchables), that are unable pay, who



are subsidised by those from the higher castes. However, the

school has a capacity for over 600 students. To help grow the school, they need teachers from NZ to increase its profile and attract more students from the higher castes.

Whether you are a retired teacher or new graduate, if you can commit for a few weeks or a few months you would be very welcome. Accommodation and food would be provided for a minimal fee. For the willing volunteer, it would be a great

holiday in a picturesque tourist destination, amongst lakes and mountains. It is also an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of children and teachers in this nation.

If you are interested call Neil 027 543 0971 to find out more.

BODY BUILDERS FOR CHRIST

The project of 1000 Equipping Centres, is making significant progress. In Nepal they have named it "Body Builders for Christ" (BBC). Pastor Samuel Rai reports that with the help of Mission Outreach, the project has seen 497 Equipping Centres established across Nepal so far, which is just about half way to achieving our goal of 1000. Praise God!

The newly equipped church leaders are now training over 7000 student leaders who meet for two hours a week at the Centres. This too is almost half way to achieving our goal of up to 20,000 leaders equipped by the end of 2019. God is so good!

The training and discipleship is aided by five teaching books MO has provided which have been translated into Nepali. We are well on the way to completing the printing of these teaching manuals. Thank you for all your support!

Pastor Samuel Rai has requested prayer in the following areas:

- 1. Prav for the trainers and trainees.
- 2. Pray that we are able to continue to print the training books for the increasing number of students.
- 3. Pray for the M.O. team as they prepare for the next leaders training in September 2019 in Far East Nepal.
- Pray for BBC as we seek the Lord for greater vision to expand the Equipping 4. Centres in Nepal and the surrounding nations in 2020.

THANK YOU!

Pastor Samuel Rai and his wife Mangali and the MO Board wish to thank everyone who opened their church, home and hearts to them during their visit to NZ last month. The warm NZ welcome and the opportunity to renew old relationships and build new ones was greatly appreciated. May the Lord bless you all for your love, kindness and prayers.



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RELEASING THE HOLY SPIRIT ON MT EVEREST



Matthew 4:8 'Jesus was taken up to an exceedingly high mountain ... '

Recently I was on the highest mountain in the world - Mt Everest. At about 5400 metres I was looking down on Base Camp, an exhilarating place despite the cold temperature and thin air with low oxygen levels.

I had taken a bottle of pomegranate anointing oil known as a fertility oil) from Israel to pour onto Everest.

Biblically, oil is a symbol of the Holy Spirit, so while pouring it onto the mountain I prayed and declared:

"You Lord dwell in the high places and your Holy Spirit is most welcome here. Move with power over Nepal, Tibet and in all the countries to the north, south, east and west of this great mountain."

Let it be - In Jesus name, Amen! Neil