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Revival in Myanmar

Whatever chaos your country may have faced during the last few years of Covid lockdowns it is probably little compared to the people of Myanmar, who in addition to Covid restrictions, have been forced to endure civil war, a genocidal campaign by the government, indiscriminate shooting of people in the streets, starvation, deprivation, economic collapse, and a military that has systematically raped and slaughtered many segments of the population, especially in the Christian tribal areas.



There is clear evidence that the evil genocide sweeping Myanmar has been conducted with the explicit help of the Chinese Communist Party, which seems to view Myanmar as a virtual vassal state of China. The bullets, bombs, tanks, and even air assaults have been done with machinery supplied by China.

Amid this chaos, the stubborn pride that has kept generations of Buddhist Burmese from believing in Jesus Christ has been eroded, and in their state of humiliation and brokenness, tens of thousands of Burmese have repented and given their lives to God. Truly, **"God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble"** (James 4:6).

From across the densely populated plains of Myanmar—inhabited by Buddhist peoples like the Burmese,

Chungtha, Mon and Rakhine—reports have emerged of families and sometimes whole communities being transformed by the Lord Jesus Christ. People who were dead in their sins have been given new hearts; the hopeless now have hope and purpose in their lives; families that have worshipped idols for centuries are now praising the Living God; and many broken people are being put back together as the Lord Jesus has pity on the suffering Burmese and declares: **"I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion"** (Romans 9:15).

Despite the wonderful breakthrough among groups in Myanmar that have long been considered resistant to the Gospel, the revival at this stage is numerically small compared to the tens of millions of lost Buddhist people there. But it is a blessed start.

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Revival in Myanmar...

Please pray the Holy Spirit will continue to fan the flames, and that millions of people throughout Myanmar will find Christ and glorify His Name.

The current move of God is also unlikely to produce a single visible church building. Myanmar does not need one more cathedral or church building. Now, tens of thousands of newly redeemed brothers and sisters with a simple yet powerful faith gather in homes, basements, shops, halls, thatch huts, teahouses, or wherever else they may choose to meet.

The nature of the current revival, which has been gathering steam for several years, is that many thousands of sinners have repented and surrendered to Jesus Christ. Each believer then disciples others, and in that way the Gospel has spread rapidly to their friends and relatives, who then share it with their contacts. Like every movement where many people come to faith there are challenges, but the Holy Spirit has brought peace and love to communities that for centuries had been trapped in spiritual darkness and depravity.

Although no one except God currently knows the extent of the revival in Myanmar, what we can tell you is that when our co-workers there (who we have known for 30 years) began to field requests for Burmese Bibles, in a short space of time requests flooded in from more than 100 different Myanmar church and ministry leaders, begging for the Word of God so that new believers could be established in the faith and the gains from the revival would not fall by the wayside.

In our experience in China and other parts of Asia, when much needed Bibles reach thirsty and desperate new Christians, the result is that the Scriptures act like fuel being added to a fire, causing the blaze to burn much brighter which results in a surge in the number of new believers, who also need Bibles, and so the need escalates.

We at MO see our role in this move of God in Myanmar is to provide the Word of God to new believers as part of Pearl 22. Please pray that God's flock will continue to grow and be spiritually nourished and anchored in truth.

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Emmanuel School Student Sponsorship

What a blessing it was to visit Emmanuel School in Pokhara as part of my recent trip to Nepal.

One of the highlights of the day was meeting Kabita, a Mum of two beautiful daughters, Reshika (6years old) and Rejina (2years old). Kabita is from a poor family and is unable to pay the school fees. Fortunately the School offers education to a small percentage of non-paying students through a sponsorship program.

Since this beautiful family qualifies for this, I have taken on the responsibility of sponsoring these two beautiful girls so that they are able to go to Emmanuel School, and be supplied with a uniform and study materials. Kabita was so grateful with tears in her eyes at the thought of her daughters being able to attend school, and I was overwhelmed that such a small sacrifice on my part would bless this family so much.

There are many more families in Pokhara who are in very poor circumstances and cannot afford to send their children to school. If you would like to bless a child, a family and a community, I encourage you to consider sponsoring one or more of these children like I am.

By sponsoring a student, you are giving them the opportunity of an education, imparting value and dignity, and blessing their family and community.

-Raewyn

(Photo is of Raewyn holding Reshika and Rejina, and Emmanuel School coordinator/manager, Sipora)



'No weapon formed against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and this is their vindication from me,' declares the Lord. Isaiah 54:17 (NIV)

PEARL 22

Myanmar Bibles - NEW

We are very excited to be able to add this new Pearl 22 Project of bibles for Myanmar. We have heard many are coming to Jesus in this nation and there is a great need for bibles to help grow the new believers. Price per bible is \$4.50, and our initial goal is for 40,000 bibles.

Pearl22 Project Goal: 40,000

Uganda Bibles

The need for Bibles in Uganda is greater than ever to bring encouragement, give instruction, direction and transformation for individuals, couples, families and communities. What an honour to be able to meet this need. Price per bible is currently \$8.00.

Pearl22 Project Goal: 25,000 Balance: 23,120

Chinese Bibles

Project Pearl in 1981 was significant for Eddie and the many others who helped with this epic delivery of Chinese bibles. Despite the Communist Party significantly reducing the quota of printed Bibles and closing down Bible websites and apps, we believe God will make a way where there is no way. Price per bible is \$4.50.

Pearl22 Project Goal: 100,000 Balance: 87,300

India Bibles: Telugu & Hindi

We have several contacts for India who all have a need for bibles in the churches they work with. The church in this nation is growing rapidly, as fear and persecution have opened the door for the Lord's people to reach out and share the gospel of Jesus. The cost per bible is \$3.50.

Pearl22 Project Goal: 50,000 Balance: 46,115

Bibles for Pakistan & Afghanistan

We are excited about what the Lord is doing and will do in these nations through the provision of P22 bibles, and are able to purchase them for \$5.30 each.

Pearl22 Project Goal: 15,000 Balance: 12,568

Nepalese New Testaments with Q&A

As part of our Pearl 22 One Million bibles, MO has committed to help supply 15,000 Nepali New Testaments with Psalms, Proverbs and approximately 240 Questions & Answers. These are common questions and biblical answers with references. This is extremely valuable for the young people and those who have converted from Hinduism. Cost per New Testament is \$3.80

Pearl22 Project Goal: 15,000 Balance: 4,580

Emmanuel School Student Sponsorship, Nepal

Emmanuel School in Pokhara has been running since 2013, to give children of very poor families in Pokhara an opportunity to receive education. Many being from lower caste, suffer not only poverty but discrimination from society on a daily basis. You are invited to sponsor a student in Emmanuel School that will make a difference both to them, their family and their community. Monthly cost to sponsor one student is \$60. For More information email: wendy@nzmo.org

Give so someone else can go

Encouragement, impartation and empowering are only part of the blessings of joining a team and its impact on the church in that nation! We have teams going to Nepal Pakistan and Philippines. Contact Neil for more information, or if you are unable to go, please consider giving so someone else can go.

RESPONSE COUPON

MAY 2023

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Pearl 22:

Myanmar Bibles NEW (MYPRL22) \$.....

Chinese Bibles (CHPRL22) \$.....

Uganda Bibles (UGPRL22) \$.....

Nepal NT with Q&A (NPNTPR22) \$.....

India Bibles (INDPRL22) \$.....

Pakistan /Afghanistan Bibles (PKAFPRL22) \$.....

Pearl 22 Where Most Needed (PRL22WMN) \$.....

Nepal Radio Programme (NEPRAD) \$.....

Nepal CMTC Bible College (NPBC) \$.....

Nepal Student Sponsorship (STUDSPON) \$.....

Tibetan Leaders Support (TIBLDRAH) \$.....

China Pastors (CHPSTR) \$.....

'To Catch the Wind' Book (EDBOOK) \$.....

Gift for someone to Go (GIVE2GO) \$.....

Where Most Needed: (WMN) \$.....

Payments can be made from our website at: nzmo.org or via online banking to our BNZ bank Account number: 02 0466 0034018 00. Please specify your preferred project or funds will be allocated to 'Where Most Needed'.



PEARL 22

1. Pray for more God appointed partnerships to continue towards the supply of 1 million Bibles.
2. Pray that the seed of God's Word will be sown into hearts of 'good soil'. Pray for the watering and nourishing by the Holy Spirit that it would produce 30, 60 and 100 fold harvest of souls.
3. Speak a blessing on every giver, that they be blessed beyond all expectations. Declare divine provision, protection and healing.

MYANMAR

4. Praise God for the way He is moving in this nation, and that people are responding to the gospel.
5. Pray for the church to become a strong and righteous witness of Jesus love, that the gospel will spread to the entire nation.

NEPAL

6. Praise God for the ministry that the MO team were part of in March and April. Pray ministered to will continue to be touched and grow in their relationship with God.
7. Pray for the women learning sewing and doing bible training that they will grow in wisdom and knowledge and become powerful witnesses for Jesus.
8. Pray for Emmanuel School and it's teachers. Pray for more student sponsorship, so more children from the lowest caste can be educated.
9. Give thanks for the recent medical clinics and that those treated will be touched by the love of Jesus.
10. Pray for Samuel and Mangali for health, strength, wisdom, and continued favour with authorities. Pray for the Deborah leadership team as they minister to the women of Nepal.

PERSECUTED CHURCH

11. Pray for the Uyghur people who suffer much oppression, that in their despair and affliction, they would lift up their heads to the true God.

12. Pray for the Kingdom of God to spread to Tibetans, where Buddhist traditions and fear have held them captive. Declare the fear of the Lord over this people.

13. Pray for imprisoned believers to be strengthened by the Word, by supernatural provision, dreams, visions and angelic visitations.

MIDDLE EAST

14. Pray for those recently released after being imprisoned for their faith that the joy of Lord be their portion. Pray for physical and emotional healing from trauma and mistreatment while in prison.

PAKISTAN

15. Pray believers would have spiritual perspective and insight and that non-believers would receive the revelation that hope is not found in Islam but in Jesus Christ alone.

TURKEY & SYRIA

16. Pray that people would seek the Lord as they rebuild their lives after the devastating earthquakes. Pray for practical help, love and compassion from the Church to those in need.

17. Pray for Michael and Natasha that the Lord continue to position them for Kingdom fruitfulness. Pray for safety, encouragement, strength and health.

INDIA

18. Pray that despite the enforcement of anti-conversion laws, Christians would stand strong in Christ. Pray their witness will greatly impact the nation.

19. Pray for those who have fled to the jungle after their houses were torched, for strength and provision.

20. Pray for covering and protection for Pastor E and team as they give out Bibles.

21. Pray that the recipients of Bibles would find healing and deliverance as they read the scriptures.

UGANDA

22. Pray for Pastor John and Ruth, for healing and strength of body and spirit. Pray they be filled with hope and peace, and declare blessing on their family and church.

GLOBAL CHURCH

23. Pray for repentance from focusing on self, and set their hearts to pray for the nations, to see heaven's agenda manifest on earth.

24. Pray that churches would not let religion divide them, but be united.

25. Pray for boldness and awakening on the church that it become a unified, powerful voice of righteousness.

26. Pray for an increase in signs, wonders, miracles, and healings. Pray that people be restored and made whole, that God be glorified.

27. Pray for a return of the prodigals to their heavenly Father. Pray that seeds sown in the past be watered and brought to life and they have a revelation of the Father's heart.

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28. Pray for a great hunger in the church of NZ, for true repentance and that they put aside their religious differences and focus on the great commission.

29. Pray that there would be a softening and humbling of hearts before the Lord.

30. Pray that ungodly laws will be repealed so that this nation would not suffer the corresponding judgement. Pray for salvation of national leaders, and that the nation be led back to righteousness.

31. Praise God for miracles and healing through the LifeTalk radio ministry such as the man making a miraculous recovery from a coma after prayer. Praise God for families coming to church for the first time. Pray for Robinson and Esther as they faithfully serve in this ministry.



Weekly Prayer Meeting:

Join us on Monday nights to pray for the nations at 'The Sanctuary' 159 Durham St, Tauranga at 7:30pm or via ZOOM. Email: alan@nzmo.org for an invite.

Legacy Giving:

A bequest to Mission Outreach in your will is a way to leave a lasting impact of eternal value - contact wendy@nzmo.org for more information.