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Our Dear Praying Friends and Family,

Farming and Agriculture ...



Monsoons bring the much awaited relief, and the much needed respite from the intense heat of the months of may and June. However monsoons also bring the dreaded humidity and the big black mosquitoes that multiply rapidly on any stagnant water. We are so grateful to God for the days when it's cloudy, and windy. Transplanting of the paddy saplings has begun and we pray for plenty of rain which is absolutely necessary for the paddy fields. Some of our land where we grow vegetables for the girls, gets flooded during the monsoons so the yield is affected We would need to raise it by filling it with a few truckloads of mud. but it will need extra funds so will have to wait.

At the Mahima Dairy Farm, we have 3 milking buffaloes, one male calf, and a female calf. Presently one is giving milk as the other two are at the dry stage. We just sold a cow and her two babies as the milk yield was very less and they were eating us out of our "buffalo budget". We will be buying another milk giving buffalo with the money. Another area we request your prayers is to re do the Buffalo House as it is falling apart. These buffaloes have really "blessed" us with tons of manure for agriculture and as a result a much much better yield of rice and wheat! Our barns still have plenty of wheat and rice from the last years stock ..

Praise God !! Please pray with us for a new buffalo house !

Hens and Poultry.....As of a few months ago the Mahima niwas girls are now proud owners ofhens, .. cockerels and a new hen house. There are not enough hens for all the girls to get eggs but we collect them and then have an "egg day" which is.....days in a month. The hen/cockerel house also serves as "wake up" alarm for the girls as its right next to them! As the girls get the eggs, they have to learn to feed them and water them and take care of them.



Pets..Rabbits ...Along with the hen house the girls now have rabbits. Its fun when the rabbit babies are born.

Far West Nepal: The group of girls that spent three weeks in Far West Nepal did a great job. They cooked their own food, taught in the AG school we founded 19 years ago, and introduced Art and Craft for the first time there. They made such a huge impact and we hope this has been very beneficial for the school and their impact in the neighbouring villages. We request prayer for our schools in Far West Nepal to become self sufficient as many of them are really struggling to pay salaries to their staff because the students are so poor and they receive no help whatsoever from the government. Needless to say our team from Mahima Niwas has been invited to come again!



Ratto Ranawho many of you know and have heard her remarkable story is now with us and working in the school and Seema. She has completed her Batchelors in Arts and three years in Information and Technology. As she represents her tribe the **Rana Tharus** she is keen to do something for them as they are so isolated and neglected. We are encouraging her to get her village ladies to make some beautiful baskets with the bamboo they find growing there and are experts at weaving. Then we will try to sell them through SEEMA! This is still just a thought and we need your prayers. But how lovely it would be to see the Rana Tharu tribe making progress instead of being exploited. Please uphold this in prayer that God will grant us wisdom and insight. If we do go ahead with this it is going to be an uphill task. Just reaching Ratto's village is intimidating especially after the monsoons. It is only negotiable on a bullock cart after crossing the rivers !! But then this is what Rajministries is about....going to places that are neglected and needy and not reached by others. The bigger the challenge the more exciting it becomes for Rajministries !! Pray with us for the dangers we may accost on the way....slippery roads, rocky river beds where our feet may slip while crossing them on foot, the slithery snakes, and of course the diseases which we may be open to...!



We also have **Renu** visiting us. She was one of our girls and is now studying in Delhi College of Art. While on vacation she offered to paint the newly constructed walls of the kids classes. She needs help to complete her course and we have no sponsor for this. Any help will be much appreciated...! We are very grateful that she is using her talent to bless us here.

AGC School is busy and exciting !! We held our very first Leaders Retreat and even organized it completely. With no experience whatsoever but with just Mr. Google to help and guide we had an extremely exciting three days of **Retreat**. At first the Leaders were a bit upset that they had to give up three days of their vacation but as the days went on with the activities and venues they actually wanted it to carry on and even requested that next time we should have a Retreat for five days! They felt refreshed, and very inspired and bonded so well with each other. Since school reopened after the vacation we have been having many new admissions and the count for Nursery has gone up to 40 students! Even though we will have **four new rooms** we are still tight for space !! Our new rooms are such a blessing. As the monsoons have begun, we are still to complete two rooms as work has to stop in between because of the rains. There is much excitement about the **LIBRARY** as well ! We have now got some chairs and children are enjoying going there. However we really need to have lots of new books. We have been promised by our friends that they will be helping us out with this need... Praise God!! We also want to put up a wall Television and have a DVD player so that students can watch educational talks and good children's movies....Please pray for this. Yet another "high" we experienced this term was the announcement of one of our students of the batch of 2014 has cracked the IIT government exam and has been selected in one of the top colleges to study Economics....Praise God !



SEEMA..... is buzzing and busy. We received our first big order from a women's organization in USA and its been ever so busy which in turn makes all of us happy. We have been getting occasional comments from clients in India as well about how well made the bags are. Right now we have three targets for SEEMA!! The first target is to get our bags to sell online on popular sites like Flipkart and Snapdeal. The second is to add to our repertoire bamboo and cane baskets made by the Rana Tharus and the tribals from Jharkhand and the third target is to open a new centre in Nepal. We have been offered land by none other than Indra and Sumitra. We are keen to help the Nepali girls and women especially in the aftermath of the earthquake. And finally we have been requested by a Hindu lawyer to please open a centre in his village as there are very poor ladies. Please pray with us for direction and wisdom, and for continued good sales!



Rupaidiha Christian Fellowship... We praise God for our outreach work in Jharkhand and Nepal as well. Pastor Kishore who is our co-worker has given us a very encouraging report. He is serving in Pakur a district of the Jharkhand state. Most of the state has been taken over by Naxalites. Pakur has a population of 9 lakhs with many living under the poverty line. It is the most poorest and illiterate district in Jharkhand but one of the richest in minerals, like coal, precious stones etc. Particularly women are exploited and as they have hardly any education they work as labourers and sell homemade liquor. Pastor Kishore's ministry which began in 2011 in a small room with four people now has 20 people. who have joined. He also has a village outreach in three villages nearby Pakur. He has one young boy to help him. RAJ Ministries supports the work there. It is an immensely needy area and we will be visiting Kishore later on in the year to encourage him. Our church in Rupaidiha is yet to be completed. We have had to make many changes to the construction as it has been quite a challenge because of the size of it and with the earthquake that took place in Nepal. Because of the many changes we have a different estimate and now are in need of extra funds in order to complete it. Do pray....



Ramble FamilyThere has been a major change in our lives. As you all know our Abby, Nathan and their kids were living with us and waiting on the Lord for direction. It was a busy 10 months with a new baby in March. The Lord opened the door for them to work in Dehradun in the New Theological College and they have settled there well and enjoying the good weather since June 25th. It's so good to know that they are not far away across the oceans but that we can visit them easily enough. Our Paul has been to see us in July for a week to rest and relax. Many of you know that he has been doing relief work very near the epicenter of the massive earthquake in Nepal. It takes three hours ordinarily to climb up the hill where he has helped build a school and teach the very poor kids. He has also been asked to help by the UN and hopefully have a vehicle and a helicopter at his disposal. He has already been airlifted twice in the helicopter as he was in dangerous situations. Rachel is doing well in school and is developing a love for reading books. Her favourite game is to play "Library" She misses Aria, Sarkis and Ismail a lot but fortunately does not have much time to think about it as she is a very busy person.

Solar Energy ProjectWe have been doing a lot of research in this area. Both of us have learnt a lot about Solar energy in these last months. We even got an opportunity to visit a huge American School in Gurgaon which has a Solar Energy Plant for 400 KV and it was very informative for us. We have been consulting with three people and they have been giving us a lot of input. In the next week we should have made a decision and the work will begin very soon. Watch this space !!

Thank you so much for upholding us in prayer and for your generous support. We value your friendship and more especially your prayers.....Roy and Jenny with Rachel.