Relief Distribution Program in Darbanga of Gorkha

On 5th of June, the National Mission Commission of Nepal organized a relief distribution program in the leadership of Pastor. Rudra Thapa in Darbanga village of Gorkha District, epicenter of the earthquake. We distributed 200 packs of food and 100 tents.

The situation of the place where we went for relief distribution was quite pathetic. When we came with relief materials, people gathered with children to get relief, we could see the light of hope and





happiness on their face. The place where we went was 30 km far from the main road, in

Mountainous regions. Since the road was so much destroyed, we had a problem going there; however, we took risks to get our relief materials to the villagers. Our truck was hit by the tree; we nearly fell over the river which was almost a hundred meters below. By God's grace we reached their safely.

Pastor Rudra who was trained by us and supported as a missionary, had arranged the relief distribution locally because he had a list of the people whose houses were damaged by the earthquake. We are thankful to him and other local leaders for all the arrangements. While distribution of relief material most of the people were from the Hindus. Their view or reaction, towards Christian turned very positive and supportive. Some of them have shared that they would visit to the church in the future.

Some member of Darbanga village committee had also come. They gave encouraging feedback and were thankful for the help which other people were unable to do. Some of them were saying that 'we have to select pastor Rudra as our representative in the next election because he has served the whole society in the times of suffering and trouble.

Church Demolished:

Pastor Rudra has about 400 church members. On 29th of April, while church was worshiping, suddenly whole building started shaking due to the earthquake majoring 7.8 magnitude. The epicenter was in the same region, Though there was huge panicking and chaos but God saved the believers. The Church building is destroyed and it is not usable unless rebuilding the church. He still smiles despite the destruction of the church. He has requested to the



National Mission Commission of Nepal to help financially to build his church.

On behalf of National Mission Commission of Nepal, I would like to extend our sincere thank you for praying and sending funds to provide the relief materials to the earthquake victims as well as building their temporary houses.

In Him,

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