

Himalayan Church of Lutheran Confession (HCLC) Nepal

Ministry Report

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(A Report on the HCLCN presented to the Joint Asia English Pastoral Conference-2012)

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God -*Romans 10:17 NJV*

Praise the Lord!

Honorable CLC Missionary, Respected Chairman of the conference, respected leaders, Pastors and delegates of the CLCI, BELC and CLC Myanmar.

Warm greetings to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from Himalayan country Nepal!

It is my privilege to present a report on HCLCN to Joint Asia English Pastoral Conference 2012.

HCLCN MISSION WORKS:

PASTORAL MEETING

Pastoral meetings are conducted monthly basis since couple years.

The meeting mostly focuses on the fellowship with our pastors and leaders serving the Lord in different parts of the country. We have study on different materials and also revision classes were done to advance their knowledge on the Scripture and the doctrinal issues.

Our study with pastors is based on the basic books such as: Martin Luther's Small Catechism, My Church and Others, What the Bible and Lutherans Teach, etc.

Pastoral meetings were conducted in Kathmandu and Chitwan for the convenience of our Pastors. In average 15 pastors attend the meeting and learn from the Word of God.

HCLCN Statistics 2012

HCLCN Churches 25

This year baptized believers 250+

HCLCN church members 4000+

Pastoral Conference 2012

We had a pastoral conference with Prof. John Ude and Pastor Matthew Ude in Chitwan. There were 25 pastors and leaders from the different congregations at the conference. The conference was effective and it helped to broaden our knowledge on the infant baptism and the Lord's Supper and various doctrinal issues.

PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION

We are praying to translate and publish Martin Luther's Large Catechism in Nepali and teach our Pastors with the book.

This year we lacked publication works, we are praying for the translation and publication of various books and materials so that the HCLCN can be enriched with the Word of God and true doctrinal knowledge.

Prof John Ude and Pastor Matthew Ude's Visitation 2012

We are glad to pronounce that this year we got opportunity to welcome Prof. John Ude and Pastor Matthew Ude to Nepal. It was interesting to hear that was first overseas trip for Prof. John Ude. We are blessed with his stay in Nepal and both of the missionaries hiked on mountains to see our local churches in remote villages.

The people on the hills welcomed them and the teachings and seminars were appreciated by our believers. We are sure that those seminars were helpful to us and our believers.

The works of our missionaries will give us more returns with the more believers. All these things will lead to expand the Kingdom of our Savior in Nepal.

CHURCH CONSTRUCTION

This year the Lord blessed HCLCN with two new church buildings. We are thankful to the Lord and His provision through our generous brethren who shared their resources with us.

The church construction was held in Maidi Village, Dhading District, now the church is growing in the number of believers. CLC Board of Mission provided roofing for the church and local resources were utilized to construct the building.

Another church building was constructed in Lalitpur, (Kathmandu Valley), the land is leased for 10 years and now the church construction is completed and regular services are administered.

The CLC Board of Missions is going to provide funds for the roofing for this church building too.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

We are conducting monthly youth fellowships with the different churches and sometimes we excited with the consequences of the fellowships. The youth are doing encouraged in the ministry and they are involving in the ministry as well.

We are praying and planning to manage the youth fellowship in an orderly fashion, i.e. providing them the proper guidelines for the youth fellowship, which could be effective and fruitful to our congregations.

CHURCH CONFERENCES

We have church conferences! Seminars for the church leaders as well as the believers. Pastor JB mostly travels to different mission stations and he led the conferences. It was being successful and it helped people to grow in faith. Therefore we are going to the places where we are called by the people and church groups.

The conferences done this year in these places:

Kathmandu, Hetauda, Nijghad, Chitwan, Shaktikhor, Butwal, Dhading, Pokhara, Surkhet, Humla.

Altogether in these conferences the participants exceed 4500 and among them many are blessed.

ORPHANAGE

The orphanage is providing care now to 9 destitute children. The children are provided food, clothing, education, medication, etc. The most important thing is they are given Christian environment which is helping them to grow.

It will be good to share that they are progressing in their studies. They need more prayers to grow in proper guidance and with discipline.

The CLC Kinship project is sponsoring the orphans. An one time gift was provided and with the money we purchased Solar System for the house and bunk beds and beddings and clothes for the children.

PASTOR RAJU BHITRAKOTI AT IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE, USA

It is an opportunity for the HCLCN to send Pastor Raju Bhitrakoti to the USA for further studies on theology, which would be beneficial for the HCLCN, he will be studying at the ILC for 3 years. We are thankful to the CLC.

Prayer Requests

1. HCLCN church member .
2. HCLCN Pastoral meetings that many pastors can be taught truth from the Word of God and prepare them for the harvest field.
3. orphanage needs and necessities.
4. New mission fields
5. For Raju that his stay in the US be more fruitful and he can come back Nepal with the theological knowledge to teach our Christian brethren.
6. For the construction of new church buildings in needed areas.
7. For our Pastors that they can carry out their duties assigned by the Lord in faithful way.

Respectfully submitted to the conference

Presented by the HCLCN