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Nepali Family Inc

Thresh the Mountains (Isaiah 41:15)

DANCE AWAY THE NIGHT AT OUR FUND RAISER FOR OUR CHILDREN IN LOCK-DOWN

Valentines Supper Dance on Saturday 13th February at 7-45pm. This is our first fundraising event for 2021. Tickets are \$50, and can be purchased online at www.nepalifamily.org.au or by contacting Anne on 0428 194 144. Our children in Nepal are having an even more than usually difficult time due to the Covid19 and we have been unable to get to Nepal for twelve months.

By supporting this worthy cause, you will not only be having a delightful Lovers Dance to the famous **THREATENED SPECIES BAND**, but we promise raffles, plenty of delicious food, a cash bar, lots of fun and good company. Non dancers will also enjoy the music and ambience. Get tickets today before they all go.

GOOD NEWS FROM OUR CHILDREN

Although we have been unable to travel to Nepal for almost a year we have good phone and email contact. So far none of our children have caught Covid 19, though it is all around them. Schools are open again and our older children now have modern Tablet computers which we have provided for their courses.

What we are most missing is direct interaction with the children and helping them to make good decisions in their school years that will affect their futures. It is more difficult in a Hindu environment where even today birth determines what you can do in life. We have encouraged girls to select health and teaching if they can manage tertiary level education, but we want all our teenagers to acquire marketable skills. Our Skills Training Centre building is housing a crowd of teenage boys, but we want it to start courses very soon. Getting non-academic teenage boys job-ready is a big challenge. Crafts and businesses are still familial. We will start training courses as soon as we are able.

We have been happy to see almost all of our many hundreds of assisted our children achieve success in work and lead happy useful lives.

“OPPORTUNITY NEPAL” the local Nepali organization we formed from past- supported young people to maintain the work locally in Tansen is working out well. Under Ganesh’s leadership the team continues to develop, and we feel able to rely on them, while we are unable to visit.

LOVE STORY IN LOCK DOWN

Many years ago we watched as Rajan's mother built her mud brick shop with her bare hands near our home. At that time we met her bright little son Rajan (not his real name). We supported him in school and sent him to an Army recruit preparation course. One of our visiting helpers, an athlete from Australia tutored him in fitness training. He missed out on selection for the British Gurkhas by one place but was recruited by the Indian Gurkhas and is serving in Dehra Dun in the Indian Himalayas.

On leave, Rajan fell in love with a poor and fatherless Nursing Student (whom we shall call Sarita.), who we are supporting in the final year of Staff Nurse training. His parents believing themselves of higher social status are bad mouthing this smart and hard working student. So we get midnight video calls from Rajan in India every few days, saying: "My family want to separate us. What shall I do??".

We encourage them to disregard such racial nonsense and snobbery. They love one another and we love them both. The path of true love !!!! We know they have the makings of a fine family and encourage them to ignore the rudeness and stick firm to one another. Soon they will both be earning well and he will be senior enough to marry as an NCO. Please pray for them to stick it out!

PLEASE CONTINUE TO DONATE

Altogether, with your support our team is educating and supporting almost 200 needy orphans and children in Nepal living with poverty, disabilities and homelessness to live independent lives.

**Thank you,
Anne and Digby Hoyal**

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