

FLTC: Reflections from August Outreach
Grace Community Church in Gorkha
Aug 3 – 10, 2025

Dear friends,

This August, our outreach brought new challenges and caused me to reflect on our evangelism methods. It's our strong desire for the people of Nepal to hear about the love and hope of Jesus, where many will hear it for the first time.

Background of our August Outreach

'Church exists for its non-members', I have heard this phrase somewhere, and this has become a kind of metanarrative for Grace Church. This small church is thriving and active in sharing the love of Christ with its neighbors. I ask myself, "What is best to offer to my neighbor as a church?" The best thing is the gospel.



So, every year we have three outreach seasons: December, Easter, and August. The August outreach was beautifully presented to our LORD Jesus Christ. **480 people heard the gospel** directly through door-to-door evangelism, VBS, house fellowships, and cultural programs: songs, skits, and others. **Three new people attended the worship service on Saturday**, that was on the 9th of August. We are grateful for the leadership provided by Santosh Tamang, who came from a local seminary with 7 friends and helped in the outreach. Also, we are thankful for the FLTC leadership of Keshar, Pradip, Ravin, and Binita for providing hospitality and spiritual support. Glory to God.



Here are some reflections:

1. The cult named “Satya Bachan” is increasing day by in Gorkha. And this is more challenging for us than the Hindu belief system. People are confused as to discerning which is true, the Christian Bible or this new group? To me, this seems a syncretism; mixing the bible with Hinduism and other faith systems. More emphasis in Satya Bachan is given to healing, blessings, and mysterious words. Therefore, more people are flooding to it. I see this as an even bigger threat to the church in the future.
2. People are more receptive to the gospel not as a Savior but as a healer. Moving from this point of faith as healer to Jesus as the Lord of all of creation is a long process. Please pray with me about moving hearts in this direction.
3. Young leaders (students from the local seminary) were encouraged by seeing the positive response of the people while sharing Jesus Christ. Praise God, he is raising a generation.
4. We need more prayer, preparation, and other tools as well. For example, we realized that a projector to show Jesus Film would with evangelism... people were asking questions such as “what does it really mean to follow Christ?” It would help to have a visual for His cross, death, and resurrection. With funds from you, our supporters, we are grateful to report that we have been able to purchase a projector for this purpose!
5. Transportation has become difficult. During the summer, buses and jeeps cannot make it over muddy roads. Dirt roads turn to mud when it rains. A motorcycle can travel on difficult roads... yet praise God for helping us endure hardships and continue to constantly move towards our goals. We are considering fundraising for a motorcycle.

Finally, thank you so much. I am so grateful for your prayer and support.

May God bless all of you,

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Here are some photos

