Full Life Training, Gorkha Nepal
Reflection on two events
September 3 and 6, 2026

First of all, we are grateful that we could welcome Kevin Cooney in Nepal. We are thankful for his time, sermon (at Grace Community Church Reformed Presbyterian Seminary Kathmandu), and two talks in Kathmandu and Gorkha. I want reflect his visit in two fold. One is about blessings, and second is about challenges. Let me begin with blessings.

Through Kevin I got to greet, and know a little bit about Raju Maharjan, his family and the work he does. It is amazing to build a friendly relationship despite our different faith and practices. It was a blessing. Also, I heard Kevin speaking about 'Who is your God?' iIn four different places, and it was encouraging to me as well.

Our country is away from God's intent design in many ways. Community is not flourished well. We have not stable politics, economy is not booming as it could have been, immorality is going up, drugs and addiction is going up, and youth are leaving country in quest of potential opportunities. In this context stands the church and pastors are called to preach the gospel. As a pastor, one of our biggest challenges is spiritual. We have to fight with Tantra – Mantra, and narratives that Yogi, and Baba have set up for the society. And the second challenge is about balancing resources to love and care for family and the church. In many ways, I struggle in balancing resources and finances. In this line, Cooney's message was encouraging to me. God, identity, misplaced identity and our relationship with Christ often becomes transactional rather than redemptive. I discovered that God as the father loves me and I as a child of HIM must fully trust upon him.

Second, we also discovered some challenges. Our group in Kathmandu were all Christian professionals and they hoped that our presentation and discussion would rather focus on worldview as a guiding principle. In other word, what is biblical worldview and how one can put or apply it in daily activities such as a job, family and other given contexts? These were some topics they wanted to hear. I think next time; we will also work on contents. Another challenge was the long road diversion due to a flash flood. It was long road travels. It is monsoon season in Nepal, which is unpredictable. So next time, we will explore more on scheduling. Third, I do not have a vehicle (church vehicle: van or Scorpio), so I could not include my family in traveling

with us, and even in two different talks. That said, Cooney visit was spiritually rich, and blessings.

Finally, we are thankful for your generous giving to make these events fruitful. Thank you so much and May God Bless you all. Amen.

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