

COMPASSION FOR ASIA

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DEAR FAMILY AND FRIENDS,

I have returned from some areas affected by glacier-collapse flash floods, such as Galchi, Nuwakot, Topche, Kispen-4, Kholabesi, Trishuli, Batar and Betrabati. In Trishuli, I walked on the roofs of the homes, which were filled with sand and debris. Many houses were swept away, moved and some buried so deeply in sand, mud, and debris that I was standing on top of the houses. I could not believe my eyes at the damage the flash flood tsunami had caused.

I travelled with our team to Betrabati; the entire town was no more – it was completely washed away. There remained only wiped-out sandy areas. I visited Galchi, all the way to Trishuli Bazar, Kolani, Batar, Topche, Kholabesi, and Kispen-4, to see the damage for myself and bring urgent supplies. In some places, floodwater and debris reached as high as 40 meters above the riverbed. Most of the schools and houses were swept away. Houses were carried hundreds of meters from where they once stood, and others were simply gone. Roads and bridges were damaged or washed away, so reaching many communities meant a long walk and was very challenging. For the few houses remaining of the families by the river, clearing their homes could take months of work. Many villages are cut off from the rest of the world.

Kholabesi: Starting Over, Again

About 40 families live here, and many of the men used to work on hydropower projects in Rasuwa. Because of the flood, hydropower was destroyed, and jobs and regular income were lost. This isn't the first time these families have lost everything. After the earthquake in 2015 destroyed their homes in Rasuwa, they moved to Kholabesi to rebuild. Now another disaster has struck. Most have no extra land to farm and very few ways to earn a living. We have provided them with temporary food supplies. They also need long-term support to rebuild their livelihoods.

Three Sisters in Topche

In Topche, I met three girls who had lost their parents and their home. Their parents ran a poultry farm. The house, farm, and parents are all gone, and there are no signs of remains, as the area is entirely washed out.

The oldest sister was working in Kerung, Tibet, when the flood struck. The second was a teacher, but her school was washed away. The youngest was in the church when the flood came. They also have a younger brother. The family is now in temporary shelter provided through the church that is pastored by our Bible school graduates.

They asked for help finding a more permanent place to live and for opportunities to work and support themselves. We are exploring different options and long-term help, but that will take careful planning and additional funding.



Our journey crossed many places where the river has claimed countless homes



Trishuli was once a vibrant market place



Three sisters, now orphaned & homeless

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I also met a young boy from Kholabesi who lost his father in the flood. Behind every number in the news is a child like him, facing enormous uncertainty.

Some Christian families, churches, and believers were hit hard by the flood themselves. Several churches were swept away. At this moment, we are still helping families with urgent needs and providing practical help.

During this visit, we also met three graduates of our Bible school who are now serving as pastors in these areas. Their churches are affected. They live among the people they serve and know who is struggling and where help is needed most. Seeing them be faithful in the middle of a disaster was a gift.

What We've Done, and What Your Gifts Make Possible

In the Galchi area, we have provided 50 families with food supplies; in Rasuwa, 28 families were provided with the most urgent necessities; in Topche, we provided tin roofing to 12 families to repair or rebuild temporary shelter, and food supplies to 40 families. In Kholabesi and other communities, we are also providing food and household supplies.

Getting help into these communities is slow because of the lack of roads or poor road conditions. Vehicles go as far as they can. Then people carry supplies across damaged roads, such as at Kholabesi – down steep trails and over temporary crossings. They have to cross the river to get to that place. We walked and used a cable wire to cross to the other side of the river. Recovery will take a long time. We are continuing our work with longer-term help.

We appreciate your continued prayers!

For the three sisters and their brother, that they would find a safe, permanent home and work.
For the 40 families in Kholabesi, that they would find new ways to earn a living.
For the pastors serving in the disaster area, for strength and wisdom as they care for their communities.
For our team's safety as we carry supplies over damaged roads, trails and crossings.
For wisdom as we plan care for children who have lost their parents.

Thank You!

Thank you for your generous contribution to the Nepal flood relief effort. Your kindness is helping bring essential support and hope to families affected by this devastating disaster.

"CARRY EACH OTHER'S BURDENS, AND IN THIS WAY YOU WILL FULFILL THE LAW OF CHRIST." - GALATIANS 6:2

Blessings,

–Sudip Khadka







Pastor was kind to accommodate us



Pastors Hira & Deepak



Dropping tin roof for the people



People living in a tent

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