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A Flashback to the Year 2020!

Becoming a 'PLANdemic' Leader!



THE NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS & THE SLAP THE YEAR BRINGS TO US!?

Looking back to the year 2020 we are getting to an end, what would be your evaluation? Sad! Regret and repulsion aches us, right? Failure everywhere. It's just overwhelming? Right after the weekend of the Christmas last year, I was much expectant that the new year would come so differently than ever before! As usual, I guess, you also have the same feeling, I counted the days just flipping away from my calendar 2019, they were a lot challenging, yet joyful... were seriously exhaustive to think of a blessing, yet not painful anyway! If compared with the previous ones, it was just as usual. I counted those busy and occupied days with different responsibilities, besides my prioritized services at the Bible college, wider Christian Society and

the church, serving the poor and needy ones, helping people in crises, teaching, admonishing and training, coordinating and lobbying, leading masses to certain movements for Prayer and Witnessing, and administrating the times towards leadership development. All would give satisfaction, whatever were done, were through prayer with many others who stood beside with their generous giving and encouragements. I did not have any regret in saying 'Goodbye 2019!' The reason was that the solely surrendered trust in God with an anticipation that everything would come even better in 2020!

Oh, Corona! We recognized the virus as Covid 19, and we never wished to tested positive. A traumatic phobia threw us into a scarious deep

valley. Scarred to death! I felt like I failed along with all superpowers on earth as they started to struggling for existence. Many of the stablished authorities failed literally. The politics failed. The Government failed. The economic system failed. The market, business and industries were plainly suspended for unknown dates. The rule of demand and supply, the regulations for social responsibilities on productions, distributions and consumptions, all failed! Our hope in improvised means of transportation and tourism gave us a pale fall. Our sophisticated communication technology and all newer inventions did not work for us at all. The rich could not stay protected, because they faced the same challenges as the poor.

We all needed for a safe fortress so all could survive! Thus, they tried hard. The seizers of rights and freedom and unending lockdown didn't work much. The quarantine shelters and isolation rooms, hot and sower soup, antibiotic and aspiratory aids became friends. The traumatic feelings as you suffered with dry



cough, piercing-pain in your lungs and encroaching suffocation to breathe were all came with the unseen enemies. What about social stigma? There must be protocol for a physical distancing, but they imposed on a 'social distancing.' They tabooed you, barred you not to approach them, do not make an eye contact, do not speak, to not touch anything around... stay away from us! Where existed the love, care and compassion? Wearing a mask!

We all trained ourselves to hid a humanity within us with a mask! Oh, a Heaven forbids!

You took it seriously or not; the pandemic was disastrous one. You better listen the unbearable agonies who survived. But awe to those who didn't have a moment to share their pain with you! They hid the sorrow as they deserve for eternal glory before us! Yet, if you had chance to listen – it was real! Yes, the pain and sorrow, the agony and bitter smell of death was so real! Perhaps, you missed it!



This art-work is an artistic portrayal of those Health-Servants who lost their lives during the Pandemic. Have a magnifier and see the picture, so many faces of the doctors and nurses.

I assume, countless people had just given up in hopelessness because they were so scared of the virus. You know, they fainted while returning home and ended up in hospital with no prior symptoms. Other thousands kept just ignoring till the point when they had no time to even think of a safe zone, they were thrown to the

intensive care units at once! Many had no chance to express their will, others went away without letting their loved ones that where was their bank balances and other treasuries kept. Yes, the Pandemic hasn't gone yet. It is still trying to knock you down, so better you stand prepared!



WE FACED A GREATER DISASTER THAN THE COVID 19!

Nepal, along with other developing countries, is one of the disaster-prone country, where people are left to experience all sorts of challenges, risks and jeopardies. We are in a situation that mainly five types of disasters seem to be aiming us any time: natural, economic, social, political and even the religious. They all are to draw us into great misery. This year, the entire country faced greater natural disasters than the pandemic. Perhaps, the human errors in development revealed. The massive flooding and enormous landslides were not just the natural disasters, the unwise development planning and poorer use of technology in the infrastructural works turned to collapsing results. The monsoon seasons this year affected us badly. Thousands of households suffered by flood and mudslides, and other thousands were killed. Indeed, we lost bigger number of people during the monsoon compared to whole year of Corona Virus' invade.





HE REMAINS THE SAME YESTERDAY, TODAY AND FOREVER!

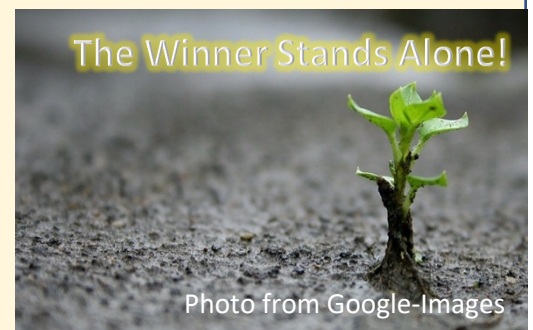
What a God we can trust despite of all disasters, hunger and pain we face! As I reflect on the aal twelve months we are about to spend, mostly all did not come as comforting friends, rather they approached us as a threatening dark night. Yet, From the early days, we all had to force ourselves to be assured that everything would come as favorable because in whom we have trusted would never fail neither He will fail us. Thus, we must stand and keep what we supposed to be doing. Let us think, look, consider and choose to believe what the solutions we must uphold.

In my devotion time on the other day, I was contemplating the scriptures in Romans 5:1-5, where Paul writes, *"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."* I am reminded, what about them who are not into reconciliation with God? Would the long-suffering produce endurance and character and hope for them in the same degree what the Holy Spirit is producing within us? For me, the answer is "No!" in particular, thus we are here to witness of His love, truth and longing for all humanity.

You know, what are media headlines today. Here, in my country, due to the pandemic of covid-19 and authorities' strict protocol for lockdown, the suicidal rate exceeds than all past years by 6241 within one year¹ and you can assume that so happened in the world. Why so many decided to give up? Because, they are hopeless of the situation. What about us? Do we see the problem bigger than solution? Or are we planning for the aftermath of the pandemic? Yes, a moment of clam sitting and planning for tackling the situation for whatsoever may arise, will save you from being drawn of the deep valley of hopelessness!

Recently, received an email from Global Church Network, a blogpost was sent by the James Davis' reflection on the Corona Virus and its epidemic. Davis gives a positive shift to becoming leaders from Pandemic to PLANDemic.² When you are brought to a horrific situation you have two choices: Run away or Stand firm! In Hindi language, they say, **"Bhag lo or Bhag lo!"** Both heard same, but they have different meaning. First tells you to 'run away, quickly as possible' so you can escape the disaster. But the second one invites you to participate so you can learn to adapt the situation and ultimately overcome.

Remember, you cannot run away from the pandemic! The invisible enemy has already pushed you at the edge, and you do not have place to slide back. Rather, take courage! Stand firm and face it, learn to accept, adapt and adjust with, and then you have won it! If you do this, you are a good planner and have



¹Nepal Police Homepage: <https://cid.nepalpolice.gov.np/index.php/notices/crime-statistics> (accessed on 08 Oct 2020 by 17:23).

²James O. Davis, the founder president to Global Church Network, <https://www.hughnews.com/newsletter-posts/the-10-qualities-of-plandemic-leadership> (accessed on 08 Oct 2020 by 17:58).



planned for success. So, make up yourself busy, as Solomon says, *"Sow your seed in the morning, and at evening let your hands not be idle, for you do not know which will succeed, whether this or that, or whether both will do equally well"* (11:6). It's simple, do not run away, rather plan to win! Cast your grain into water. Sow your seed into a field, and wait for the right time to harvest of goodness, mercy and recovery! Yes, we should stop, sit for a while and examine, whether the situation is indeed too worst to handle. If it is so, I guarantee you that you will trust the Lord more and pray. Prayer is something that God permits us to make troubles in the spiritual realms. They say, ***"When we pray, God works!"*** Let us pray, plan and proceed expecting that the best from Heaven will be given to us. Nothing else should take our attention towards the devastation! Let us master the movement!

Just to add what we, as our part of the Christian responsibilities, are doing, I would like to report to encourage you. For us, we keep Praising our Father God for His faithfulness to the promise not to leave us nor forsake us in the misery of lives. He is caring Father, knows what we are concerned of, and whether the cares of our survival are the most urgent. God has been so gracious to us when we were exposed to the Corona viruses, heard our prayer and all the saints with us. He healed from the sicknesses!

As reflected, the monsoon was horrible this year, above the corona pandemic and lockdown. We, as church, should not only to think and pray for our own security, but be responsible to save lives of those who are having nothing to eat, drink, wear or hide their bodies. Thus, our team with Relief Service agencies and local churches actively served the victims, reaching out those affected people and offering necessary supplies. We mobilized teams to take care of the starving ones, the daily wages-laborers living in the slums of Kathmandu metro cities. We also went to the Chepang villages to distribute ration and other supplies, who suffer hunger almost every year, and this year became worst for them due to lockdown. A gesture of gratitude to you for your stand with us in prayer and generous giving, which made us capable to serve relief. Kindly, keep on praying with us so that we may have enough to serve others who are still going to be exposed to severe cold-waves in the winter.

Kindly, also pray with us for the Plan-2021 may go well to us. The Khanals are asking God for a house. As shown here, we are in need of 45% for a house to have in the first quarter of the year. Similarly, we are trusting in His provision for a ministry vehicle, so would be able to have ministries extended in near future. ***Thank you!***



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