# **NEPALI OUTREACH MINISTRY**

# Living Water Community Church, Chicago November – December, 2022

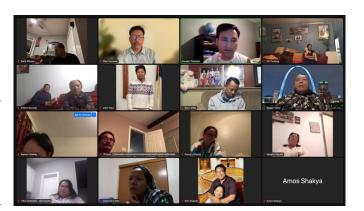
Dear prayer partners,

Greetings in the name of our savior, Jaimashi!

Happy New Year to you all. I do not tire of expressing gratitude for your prayers and support for this ministry. This ministry provides the opportunity for Nepali pastors and leaders to listen, learn, grow and laugh together. The last two months were joyous months for the Midwest Nepali Churches because of Christmas season. I explain below some of the significant ministry activities in the last couple of months.

#### Midwest Bible Study

Midwest Pastors and leaders have been meeting virtually on every Thursday from 6 pm-7:30 pm for the Bible study. Since last month, we have been studying the twelve tribes of Israel. Pastor Ganesh Poudyal from Illinois and Pastor Kishor Gurung from Minnesota were co-leaders in the teachings. Pastors and leaders from Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, St. Louis, South Dakota, and Iowa have been joining in this study. This Bible study became a threshold for some Midwest leaders who are now willing to attend seminary for formal theological study.



Midwest Bible Study

## Midwest Pastor's Meeting

Midwest Nepali pastors and leaders met virtually on November 12 and December 30 to pray and share how God has been moving within the churches in 2022. We also discussed plans for Christmas celebrations in the Midwest churches and priorities for 2023.



### Teaching at Nepali International Theological Seminary



I have been teaching virtually two courses annually at Nepali International Theological Seminary (NITS) in Nepal. I taught Christian Ethics and Christian Leadership courses in 2022. There were 25 students from Nepal, India, S. Korea, Japan and Malaysia. These students have been serving as pastors and leaders in their local Nepali speaking Churches.

#### Midwest Pre-Christmas Celebration

Midwest Nepali Churches gathered at the International Nepali Church in Wheaton, IL to celebrate the pre-Christmas on December 10, 2022. Approximately 250 members attended from Minnesota, St, Louis, Wisconsin, Kansas, Illinois, and Nebraska. It was our first pre-Christmas celebration and Church members and leaders had good fellowship and shared the joy of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

# Meeting with Asian Theological Association (ATA) members





I have also been teaching Christian Ethics at Himalayan Graduate Theological Seminary in Nepal. The Seminary is seeking to be accredited with the Asian Theological Association (ATA). It was my great privilege to talk about the need for formal theological training in Nepali churches and the support of

ATA. In the meeting, ATA members and HGST faculty members discussed options to proceed in the accreditation process.

If you have any questions regarding the ministry or would like to contact me, please use the contact information below. Thank you!

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