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# Nepali Family Inc

*Thresh the Mountains (Isaiah 41:15)*

## DEAR SUPPORTERS - Anne Hoyal

We are well into 2025. How quickly the year is progressing, and certainly time for a news update of *Nepali Family Inc* activities and the achievements of our families.

Although it is 16 months since I was last able to return to Nepal, I am happy to report that the work of housing, clothing, feeding and educating young orphaned and abandoned Nepali children continues, together with the wonderful support of our Christian N.G.O Opportunity Nepal.

As the work is now in its 25th year, we have been hearing great success stories especially with the many nurses we have trained.

One of our nurses, Priskilia (not the first of our nurses to receive an award) won an international prize for her research. Priskilia is head of community health in Tansen.

Also, Nirmala completed her Law degree, meeting many challenges along the way. But through her determination, hard work and support from us, and The Rotary Club of Atherton, she has achieved her goal.



None of the work we do could continue without the wonderful contribution of Lalli's and our great bank of volunteers. Our heartfelt thanks to them all, especially Christine Fairbrother. As joint manager we couldn't manage without you Christine.

Lalli's now funds around half of the monies needed for our work. The rest is by local fund raising and amazing donations. And importantly our work not only helps our Nepali families, it brings many of us with different skills together to work as a community. I thank you all, for the support. A special thanks to the Parish for all your support over so the years.



As we come together to celebrate Easter with family and friends may you all have a Blessed and Happy Easter.

## DIGBY RECOGNISED BY TANSEN SCHOOL OF HEALTH



health science in Nepal.

This week the nursing school which Digby helped found sent a beautiful *Certificate of Appreciation* recognising Digby for his work and thanking *Nepali Family Inc* for its support of

*Dr. Digby Foundation (Nepali Family Inc) On behalf of Tansen School of Health we would like to extend our deepest appreciation to your esteemed organisation for the unwavering dedication and support you have shown over the years, especially as we celebrate our 25th Anniversary. Reflecting on this significant milestone we are reminded of the invaluable role Nepali family Inc has played in our growth and success. Your collaboration & commitment to our mission has been instrumental in helping us provide high-quality healthcare to the community and beyond. As we think on this remarkable journey of 25 years, we want to take this opportunity to recognise the profound difference you have made in our success. We look forward to continuing our journey in the years ahead as we strive to achieve even greater milestones together.*

## UPDATE ON MAHIMA HOSTEL

As you know, the main vision of Mahima Hostel is to help and support the poor and less fortunate children and women in Nepal. Its goal is to provide accommodation and education to the deprived children and accommodation and work skills to the women, as well as support in education sectors.

Padam and Puni continue to care for the students and live in the hostel with their three children.



commitment.

Padam, also the Treasurer as well as the House Parent of Mahima, was recognised for his contribution and our work with Mahima. Thanks to you for all your hard work and

- The President of Opportunity Nepal has already coordinated with Nepali Family Inc. for the scholarships.
- Details of the celebrations and achievements of several students were noted.
- Donations and financial support income listed.
- The graduation of 3 nursing and a lab student noted.
- It was the 25th Anniversary of Tansen School of Health Sciences: Nepali Family Inc. and Dr. Digby Foundation were invited to the celebration. The Treasurer, Shri Padam Bahadur D.C. Jr., attended on behalf of the Nepali Foundation and received a Certificate of Appreciation and a token of love.
- Legal Consultation and Future Plans: A meeting has been arranged with Ms. Sunil Kumar Basyal, the Ward Chairperson of Tansen Municipality Ward No. 1, for legal advice to guide the organization in the coming year.

In reading the update to Mahima It is wonderful to see the support that is provided to students, not only financial, but also through the celebration of their birthdays, Christmas, reunions with past students, and other important events in their lives.

The hostel is going well. An audit was undertaken for 2023/2024. A summary of achievements identified and current activities is below.



### In summary:

- The audit was undertaken and approved at the General Meeting.
- Three students have been selected for scholarships through Opportunity Nepal.



## THE GIFT OF GIVING

Ending the newsletter with a great little story. A few weeks ago, Anne Hoyal was in Lalli's on a phone call with Padim from Mahima. He was urgently seeking extra funds to provide a student with better English to enter the pre-nursing programme. Just as Anne was discussing the matter someone entered Lalli's with an envelope of money to donate to *Nepali Family Inc.* There was enough to cover the costs!