

# Mission



# News

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Therefore go and make  
disciples of all nations

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## BMS World Mission - Transforming Lives



The Douglas family had a great time with family and friends over Christmas. Helen's Mum, Ruth has now returned home and has sent lovely thank you notes from Caleb, Charis and Esther for our parcels which they all enjoyed. Hope you have seen their picture in the corridor showing some of the things received.

They started the New Year by taking a short holiday in Charikot 5 hours north of

Kathmandu. It was lovely to escape the noisy, dusty city for a while. The scenery on the drive was fantastic and as they arrived at their destination, the stunning Himalayan peaks stretched across the horizon. On the drive back the remaining mud and debris from the huge landslide at Sindalpulchowk last year was clearly visible. Many people are struggling to rebuild their lives in this area.

As they reached the rim of the Kathmandu valley they saw a thick layer of brown smog and dust lying over the city. Sometimes the pollution seems to pervade more than just the air. Since their break away things have been difficult for folks in Kathmandu. Electric power cuts - the power is off for about 11 hours a day, 75 hours a week! Gas shortages - most folk (including them) rely on gas



*Kathmandu smog*

cylinders for heating and cooking, not fun when it is so cold in the houses! The Nepali political situation is also at crisis point, there have been national strikes!

On a personal level Helen's work permit has hit a further hurdle and they have to reapply again next month!

So many different problems - but they know that He who shaped the mountains, also has Nepal in His hands. They will walk in the valley in the certainty of what they know and saw on the mountain top. He is awesome and powerful and able (even if it can be tough to see through the smog and pollution).

They ask that we Pray for Nepal, it's Leaders and the beautiful people, and personal points;  
Ongoing language learning - Deepening friendships with neighbours - Wisdom and discernment for leadership decisions - Work permit process - Health and protection for them all.

*Charikot, with Gaurishankar in the background, over 8,000 metres high*

