

# From Suffering to Support

### THE RELIEF EFFORT OF THE LAST 24 MONTHS

The devastating earthquake in April, 2015 wrought havoc and destruction to much of Nepal. The Himalayan Region Vineyard (HRV) Churches in Nepal were at the centre of the relief challenge from day one. Over the last 24 months, they have administered resources and engaged in practical efforts to rebuild the lives of many Nepalis. The \$500,000 in gifts from individuals and the Global Vineyard family enabled the Relief Leadership Team to rebuild the businesses, churches, and homes of countless individuals.

Efforts were directed towards all those in need, not just those within the church community. New homes for believers now stand beside new homes for their neighbours who proudly exclaim, "My neighbour, the Christian gave me this home." 35% of all funds went to people outside the church. The Christian witness of generosity and compassion has attracted many to become part of God's Kingdom.

Where houses were destroyed, funds were used to rebuild or subsidize construction.

Where houses on squatted land were damaged, land was bought for people to own and build their home.

Where apartments were compromised, not allowing people to move due to the scarcity of housing, furnishings were supplied.

Where street vendors and businesses were demolished or impaired, subsidies were provided to upgrade product sourcing and equipment, thereby increasing revenue.

Where schools and churches crumbled, they were rebuilt.

Suffering was replaced by support. All Nepali HRV people received some kind of support to help them through this tragedy.













### From Destruction to Development

### KATHMANDU DESTROYED HUB IS NOW BEING REBUILT

The Himalayan Region Vineyard (HRV) Church hub is in Kathmandu. The old buildings were progressively destroyed by all the aftershocks after the initial quake in April, 2015. The old apartment was unsafe and abandoned. The sanctuary roof was partially detached

from the walls that were tilted towards the adjacent property. Everything was unsafe in the long term. Demolition and rebuilding are the only options for enduring use. Currently, land values are too high to move elsewhere.

We have reconfigured the site with plans for new buildings that are structurally built to withstand future quakes.

The new three-storey BOUTIQUE HOTEL is for Western travelers seeking affordable, modern accommodation. The hotel enterprise is estimated to contribute significantly towards HRV self-sustainability. The vision for this venture comes from the ashes of destruction and reaches into the future of the HRV churches.

The CHURCH BUILDING will be comprised of a threestorey sanctuary, offices, kitchen and 12 rooms for the New Boys and Girls rescued as "at risk children."

The green space area will continue to facilitate the social needs of the community.

New structures are built to withstand earthquakes. Construction costs are much lower than by western standards.

Cost of reconstruction for the entire hub campus is USD \$1,000,000 / CAD \$1,400,000.

Approximately half of this amount has already been pledged.

Work began March, 2017 and will be administered by the relief team. This will them give cost efficiencies and management control during construction.

Completion is anticipated in December, 2019.

## Moving Forward in Faith

#### THE CHALLENGE OF COMPLETION

From the rubble of destruction we see God's hand in rebuilding the hub.

The provision thus far is encouraging. We need \$700,000 CAD to complete the funding. We have a *matching funds* pledge that will double the value of your gift.

All funds will be transferred to Nepal by the Winnipeg Centre Vineyard Church in accordance with CRA regulations. For e-transfers, contact admin@vineyard.ca to advise security info. We will watch Jesus lead and provide, as we move forward in faith.

We solicit prayer and practical support for all aspects of this large project.

We consider gifts towards the boutique hotel as a form of non-repayable equity in a business venture.

#### SEND ALL GIFTS TO:

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