



Children's address

Note to minister or others taking children's address

Below are ideas for how to top and tail the Digital Dispatch from Helen Johnston who has been visiting Nepal to be used at this summer. The Dispatch is part of the next set of resources for the Blaze the Bee initiative.

****DO NOT MENTION BEFORE THE VIDEO THAT IT IS HELEN AND THAT SHE IS IN NEPAL****

Ask the children where they spend the most time during the week?

(Answer: school, though for some who are younger they may not be in school yet)

Do you like school? Tell me one thing that you like about school.

Why do you go to school?

Talk about how that is where they learn lots, get to know friends, spend time with teachers. We are fortunate that generally everyone in our country has the opportunity to go to school to learn and to make lots of friends.

What do you wear to school? *(Answer: uniform)*

How do you get to school? *(Answers could include bus, car, walk, cycle, scooter)*

Blaze has been on a trip to visit a school in a different country. Let's see where Blaze has been and what the school is like there.

****video of Digital Dispatch****

Wow – so Blaze has been to Nepal! Amazing!

Blaze got to go with Helen on an amazing trip to see a school that is really different to the ones that you all go to. The children even get to school differently and the roads certainly aren't as good as ours for travelling on.

Helen and Blaze were there to see some of the work of a Christian organisation in Nepal called United Mission to Nepal. UMN, as it is known, have a partnership with the Presbyterian Church and we help to support them in all sorts of work. This trip was particularly to see the help they give to schools in training teachers, helping children to learn and supporting parents to get their children to school regularly.

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UMN is able to use the gifts of the Christians in their organisation to help children all over Nepal, even in the most remote places, to get a good education.

We are so fortunate to have access to education in our country and so many Christian teachers and other staff. Let's be thankful for them and for all the opportunities to learn.

Let's pray for the children and schools in Nepal:

- For the schools visited, for the teachers and new methods of teaching they have learnt and use in the schools;
- For UMN and others in Nepal who help and support teachers, children and parents in remote parts of Nepal;
- For the work that UMN and others in Nepal do to bring transformation for many children and their families in this part of the world.