

## Peter and Jayne Fleming

Location: **Kathmandu, NEPAL**

Mission: **Integral development and teaching**



*"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.  
They will soar on wings like eagles,  
they will run and not grow weary;  
they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31*

In our last letter we gave thanks that we had received work visas. Just three days ago, United Mission to Nepal (UMN) leaders met with the Social Welfare Council and finally signed new five-year agreements which give permission to get on with working projects for the next five years. There have been genuine disappointments because these agreements have greatly reduced the number of ex-pat visas available, but nonetheless, this has been a major step forward meaning work can progress for the next five years without constant worry. The leadership in UMN have been very aware of the prayers of people around the world and we are all giving praise.

On 1 July, Rajendra Poudyal begins work once again in UMN as the Integral Development Manager. That makes this team up to four members, and Peter is very much looking forward to supporting Rajendra as he returns to work here. It will be a new challenge for him as many things have changed over the past three years. Rajendra will have to quickly get to grips with the projects we have and also begin looking ahead to develop new approaches



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and strategies for the future. This is a very important period of time and will set the direction and emphasis going forward.

The work of writing a facilitation guide for teachers of Integral Mission is nearing completion. Of course, there is then the challenge of reviewing everything and getting it ready for printing. That will still take considerable time. We very much hope that we can have this guide in the hands of college teachers by September and then hold some 'Training of Trainers' seminars to raise the knowledge and skills of these teachers and inspire them in their work.

As teachers and staff in Kathmandu International Study Centre (KISC) take a well-earned break over the summer, the wheels of admin continue to turn in preparation for the new academic year commencing on 1 August. Staff will congregate for professional development, meeting new pupils and parents and have time to pray for the new term. There will be over nine new teachers arriving in Nepal looking for accommodation and being introduced to their new school and pupils. Some are very new to teaching while others are old hands, but no matter, changing school and country is never simple. Nicola and Stephen Stewart who are members of Bushvale Presbyterian Church are returning to Nepal having previously served with INF in Pokhara. Pray for them as they settle into life in Kathmandu and for Nicola as she takes on a role in student support. Jayne is really looking forward to working with her during the first term. One major challenge is that term will begin without a primary principal in place.

Many things to give praise for – most of all that help does come to those who wait upon the Lord.

### Prayer points

- Give thanks for the signing of the five-year agreements with government.
- Praise and prayer for new colleagues in both UMN and KISC.
- Pray for Stephen and Nicola Stewart as they move to Kathmandu at the end of July.
- Pray for the work in producing resources for college teaching.