

Peter and Jayne Fleming

Location: **Kathmandu, NEPAL**

Mission: **Integral development and teaching**



In Nepal there is an expectation of a further wave of the Covid-19 virus to sweep the country, as neighbouring India is experiencing many more cases. As lockdowns and curfews are being implemented in India, Nepal once more becomes vulnerable to the infection spreading across its border.

There is a limited number of vaccine doses available in the Nepal at present, but the staff at United Mission to Nepal's Tanzen Hospital hope to receive their second covid vaccine at the beginning of April. The Health Ministry in Nepal is recommending that gatherings of more than 25 people are once more prohibited.

The United Mission to Nepal (UMN) clusters continue to support the communities. In the Rukum cluster, children with disabilities have been screened so that some can receive treatment support. Peter continues to do his work remotely for UMN while living in Coleraine with Jayne.

At Kathmandu International Study Centre (KISC), more children are returning to have their lessons on site and the school administration has been working tirelessly to make the school entrance as safe as possible for both staff and children. End of term grades have been issued and student-led conferences were completed online. Term 3 ended on 26 March with the annual Easter service at which children and staff were reminded of the great sacrifice that was offered for our sins so that we might have life. Praise God for his amazing love where death has been defeated.

Term 4 began on 12 April and KISC will be operating under phase 4 of their covid plans for returning on site. Everyone returning for their home country must quarantine for 10

days. Like in the UK, hands, face, space has become the mantra in KISC. One metre social distancing will still be maintained and the wearing of masks compulsory.

Jayne has not been teaching during term 3 or 4 and is very grateful that a replacement teacher was found to take her place. She asks for your prayers for her lovely teaching assistant and her 1 year old son, who is going through serious medical tests at the moment.



Prayer points

- Pray that people will take greater care for their safety and the safety of others.
- Pray that the staff of Tanzen hospital receive their second covid vaccination.
- Pray that the government will pass the five-year agreement for UMN and that expats can then be issued with work visas.
- Pray for Peter as he works remotely which can be difficult due to the huge time difference.