

## **Nepal Earthquake Situation Update (09 May 2015)**

- A powerful 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck Nepal on 25 April at 11:56am, approximately 81 km from the capital, Barpak was the epicenter. This kind of quake was the strongest to hit Nepal in more than 80 years.
- Affected areas include the epicenter of the earthquake Barpak, then Sindupalchowk, Kathmandu Valley, Kavre, Nuwakot, Rasuwa, Dolakha, Kaski, Gorkha and Lamjung.
- Most of the Nepali Christians were worshipping at Church when the quake hit. In Nepal, all Christians worship on Saturday because it is a weekly day off. Huge damage has been observed in Church buildings including lot of casualties. The exact number is yet to come but more than hundreds of believers including Pastors are reported dead.
- Old buildings/houses including temples are also highly affected by this quake.
- The aid group said that although over 8,500 people are reported to have been killed, officials fear that the number will rise as rescue teams continue finding bodies through the rubble. At least another 15,000 people have been injured; tens of thousands have been left homeless.
- The government of Nepal has advised that urgent priority needs include shelter, food water, sanitation and medical supplies. But our focus should also be on long term rehab.





# Immediate Relief Response by Transformation Nepal

- Food, tarp, toiletries were distributed to South Lalitpur, various places of Sindhupalchowk, Dolakha and Ramechhap.
- Small scale medical clinic was done in affected area.
- Networking and mobilization of local Churches, Armed Police Force, Local government and Volunteers were done.



## Prayer Requests

- Pray that these places will restore soon. Kathmandu is restoring much faster as this is the capital.
- Sindhupalchowk, our first Church plant area is heavily hit killing more than 3000 people. Pray for rehab of displaced people. There are thousands who are now homeless.
- Pray that Christians become salt and light in this situation.
- We need medical team so if you are a medical person willing to come, please let us know.
- Nepal's recovery will take years. Please continue to donate and be part of the process.

## Huge Appreciation

We express our heartfelt appreciation to all of you who have contributed to this relief effort. Without your support we would not have been able to do what we do. We are still in the field actively helping people so please continue to donate and be part of the restoring process.

**Acts 2:46, 47** - Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And **the Lord added to their number daily** those who were being saved.

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