# Testimonies Of Cave Pastors

Nepal

Name: Pastor Jitan Praja

**Church: Gauthalitaar Shanti Church** 

Address: Raksirang Rural Municipality-4, Gauthalitaar Village





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Jitan Praja. I was born into a Hindu family in Raksirang Rural Municipality-2, Gauthalitaar. My grandfather and father were witch doctors, and I too followed in their path, engaging in witchcraft and drinking alcohol—as is common in our Chepang tribe.

My younger sister became seriously ill. Her body became thin and weak, and no treatment—whether from witch doctors or hospitals—could heal her. In 1999, my uncle, a man of God, came to our home and shared the gospel. My father said, "If my daughter is healed in the name of Jesus, then we will believe."

On June 24, 1999, our whole family believed in Jesus Christ and accepted Him as our personal Savior. We began to pray for my sister, and God healed her completely. As a result, four other families in our village also came to faith.

We faced persecution. Villagers beat believers like Balaram Praja, Darja Bahadur Praja, Singhram Praja, and Gupta Bahadur Praja with stones and sticks. But we held firm in our faith. On August 29, 1999, we were baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Since then, our family and ministry have experienced God's peace and joy.

## 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

After witnessing my sister's miraculous healing, we chose to follow Jesus with all our hearts. Despite practicing many religious traditions, we came to realize that Jesus is the only true and living God. We had spent all our money and energy on traditional rituals with no peace or joy. It was only in Jesus that we found true peace. I then decided to dedicate my entire life to serving God and obeying His command to preach and make disciples.

#### 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 1999, we started a small fellowship in our home and shared the gospel around our village. As more people witnessed God's work, our fellowship grew. We declared the group a church by faith.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church officially began on August 29, 1999, with four families (14 members) after our baptism. Praise God, He has brought peace to our homes and continues His work among us.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 20Women: 20Children: 20

#### 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church mostly includes Chepang and Tamang tribes. The people are largely uneducated and poor. Most are laborers or small-scale farmers working others' land. Many families lack nutritious food and proper shelter. They have no land of their own and walk up to 3 hours to access education or healthcare.

#### 7. Church Location

Gauthalitaar, Raksirang-4. We also have a small branch in Kailash Rural Municipality and are praying to begin more fellowships nearby.

- Support for lay pastors with no financial backing.
- A permanent building for church fellowship.
- Spiritual growth and outreach in local villages.
- Skill development training for believers.
- Goat farming initiatives to support ministry.

Name: Pastor Govinda Praja Church: Ramauli Church

Address: Manahari-7, Ramauli Village, Makawanpur





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Govinda Praja. I was born on February 11, 1980, in Kakada Rural Municipality-4, Makawanpur District. I come from a Hindu background. My father, Sanak Bahadur Praja, was a witch doctor who practiced witchcraft and cast spells in hopes of curing people's illnesses. I followed in his footsteps and practiced the same traditions.

My mother worked in other people's homes and fields just to earn enough food to survive. Our family was extremely poor. We often survived on wild yams, plant leaves, and grasses. It was very hard to manage daily needs for our family of 15. Due to a lack of nutritious food, many of us became sick. My sister died from a serious illness, and not long after, my older brother also passed away due to malnutrition. I too became severely ill and felt I would be the next to die.

When all hope was lost, Pastor David Masshiha came to our home. Seeing my condition, he asked my parents if he could pray for me. He told them, "If you believe, God can heal your son." My parents agreed and made a promise that if I was healed, they would accept Jesus as their Savior. Pastor David prayed, and I was instantly healed. My parents were overjoyed and believed in Jesus. In 1990, they accepted Christ.

However, at that time in Nepal, there was no religious freedom. My parents had to worship in secret. Even so, they remained firm in their faith and were baptized in 2001. I myself accepted Jesus and was baptized on January 30, 2002. Since then, I have been joyfully serving the Lord as a lay pastor.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

I was moved by the love of God and the transformation I saw in believers' lives. I came to understand that eternal life and true salvation can only be found in Jesus. I didn't want to miss the opportunity to serve Him. I entered the ministry by faith and have been serving ever since, relying fully on God's grace.

## 3. How Did the Church Begin?

We began by holding small fellowship meetings in my house. As we continued to preach the gospel, more and more people joined us. Eventually, we declared our gathering a church, trusting in God's plan despite many struggles.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

On February 29, 2011, our church officially began with 11 members. Through prayer and gospel outreach, that number grew to 68 believers. We continue to pray for the spiritual growth of all members and the expansion of God's kingdom.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 20Women: 20Children: 28

#### 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church includes members from the Chepang, Tamang, Rai, and Bote tribes. Most are uneducated and live in poverty. They work as laborers and farmers in hilly regions with poor crop yields. Often, they have food for only half the year. Many families lack funds for health care, education, or daily living needs. They are desperately seeking better job opportunities to improve their quality of life.

#### 7. Church Location

Manahari Rural Municipality-7, Ramauli Village, Makawanpur.

- Pray for spiritual, financial, and physical support to continue ministry.
- Pray for educational and skill development projects for believers.
- Pray for orphans and elderly people in need of care.
- Pray for a new church building to protect us from heat and rain.
- Pray for continued strength in ministry.

Name: Pastor Chandra Praja

Church: Sundarbasti Pabitra Church

Address: Nayabasti, Manahari Rural Municipality-7





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Chandra Praja. I was born in 1984 in Nayabasti, Manahari Rural Municipality-7. I grew up in a Hindu family, following all the traditional rituals. I drank heavily and eventually developed severe pain in my back and knees. Despite many visits to hospitals and witch doctors, my condition didn't improve.

I became hopeless. Then one day, a brother visited me, shared the gospel of Jesus Christ, and encouraged me to pray. He prayed for me, and I was immediately relieved of my pain. That day, I accepted Jesus as my personal Savior. I took water baptism and began attending fellowship regularly. Over time, my family also came to Christ. Today, I serve as a lay pastor and live with peace and joy in my heart.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

While preaching the gospel in Manahari Rural Municipality-7, I met one believer who had no fellowship or church nearby. I prayed and fasted, and God clearly called me to serve in that area. By faith, I stepped into ministry, and I continue to serve today by His grace.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 2014, I started a cottage fellowship after being asked by a new believer for a place to worship. We began with prayer and faith, and I was appointed as the pastor. Since then, God has been growing the church.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

In 2014, we started with just 9 members. Through prayer and the preaching of the Word, that number has grown to 54. We continue to pray for spiritual maturity among our members and for the spread of the gospel.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 15

Women: 22Children: 17

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church includes members from Chepang, Tamang, and Newar tribes. Most are poor and illiterate. They perform hard labor in others' fields and try to farm in hilly areas, which are not productive. These believers often only have enough food for six months of the year. Their financial condition is dire, and they struggle to afford health care, education, and other basic needs.

#### 7. Church Location

Manahari Rural Municipality-7, Sundarbasti.

- Pray for financial support for me as a lay pastor.
- Pray for spiritual revival in the church.
- Pray for a new church building and new fellowships.
- Pray for healing, better education, and financial freedom for our believers.

Name: Pastor Kul Bahadur Praja

**Church: Gongoreng Church** 

Address: Rupachuli Village, Manahari Rural Municipality-6



## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Kul Bahadur Praja. I was born on May 16, 1969, in Rupachuli, Manahari Rural Municipality-6. I grew up in a Hindu family that practiced all traditional customs. My father was a witch doctor, and our lives were marked by poverty and spiritual bondage because of those practices.

We lived by growing maize and millet on the hills—land not suitable for farming. This food would last only six months, and for the other half of the year, we had to do hard labor on others' farms just to survive. If we became sick, we had no money for treatment or medicine. Our lives were filled with worry and hardship.

One day, Pastor Kanak Praja visited us and shared the gospel of Jesus Christ. For the first time, we heard the truth and felt hope. We believed in Jesus and accepted Him as our personal Savior. On October 29, 1991, we were baptized. Since then, I have experienced peace and joy and now serve in ministry.

## 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

We began with a small fellowship. I realized someone needed to take responsibility to help it grow into a church. I prayed, and God gave me a clear vision to serve. I committed myself to ministry by faith and have been serving as a lay pastor ever since. God's grace has allowed His kingdom to grow through our work.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

I started preaching the gospel in Manahari Rural Municipality-6, where we initially formed a cottage fellowship before 2013. As people came to faith, the group grew. Eventually, we established it formally as a church. We continue to serve and trust that God will provide all our needs in His time.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church officially began on August 26, 2013, with 15 believers. We shared the gospel in nearby villages, and more people showed interest and joined. Our fellowship grew to 45 members. We keep praying for the spread of the gospel and for new fellowships to be planted.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 20Children: 15

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church includes Tamang, Chepang, and Dalit tribes. Most people are uneducated and very poor. They rely on laboring in others' fields for a living. They don't have land to grow crops and live in areas with poor soil. Despite working all year, they often have food for only six months.

They struggle with poverty, lack of education, poor health care, and no steady income. They long for job opportunities to improve their lifestyle.

#### 7. Church Location

Makawanpur, Manahari Rural Municipality-6, Rupachuli Village (Gongoreng).

- Pray for financial support for me as a lay pastor.
- Pray for skill development training for believers to help them find jobs.
- Pray for food aid for poor believers, children, and the elderly.
- Pray for goat farming and small business opportunities for income.
- Pray for continued gospel outreach and new church fellowships.
- Pray for healing, education, and financial breakthrough for the community.

Name: Pastor Narayan Singh Praja

Church: Lothar Dandagaon Baptist Church

Address: Manahari Rural Municipality-6, Lothar Dandagaon





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Narayan Singh Praja. I was born on June 29, 2073 B.S. (in the Nepali calendar) in Lothar Dandagaon, Manahari Rural Municipality-6. I came from a Hindu background and followed all the religious practices and family traditions with great dedication.

However, during this time, I became seriously ill and suffered for about a year. While I was still searching for healing, I heard that Jesus could heal if we believed in Him. One day, Pastor Ezekiel Praja visited our village. I approached him and asked him to pray for my healing. He did, and I was completely healed in the name of Jesus.

After this miracle, I began attending fellowship and accepted Jesus as my personal Savior. I was healed not only physically but spiritually, and I received eternal peace. I took water baptism and committed my life to ministry. Today, I serve God as a lay pastor and live with joy and peace.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

While preaching the gospel in Manahari Rural Municipality-6, I met four new believers who had no place for fellowship. I prayed and fasted, and God clearly called me to start a church there. I obeyed His calling and began His ministry with faith. Since then, I've been serving with the peace and joy that come from God.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 1999 A.D., I began a cottage fellowship by faith. As we continued preaching and praying, the number of believers grew from 4 to 17. We then prayed for God's guidance and officially established a church. In 2004, God called me to serve as a pastor. I continue this ministry by His grace, and He has faithfully provided everything the fellowship needs.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was officially established on January 30, 2004, with 17 members. As we preached the gospel in our village, some people were interested while others opposed us. Still, we kept praying and preaching. God blessed our efforts, and now the church has grown to 25 members.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 10Children: 5

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church includes Chepang, Tamang, and Dalit tribes. Most of the members are illiterate and very poor. They survive by doing hard labor in others' fields. The land they farm is in hilly areas, which are not suitable for agriculture. Even after working all year, they often only have enough food for six months.

They face significant challenges—lack of income, health care, education, and a proper lifestyle. They are desperately seeking jobs to sustain themselves and their families.

#### 7. Church Location

Manahari Rural Municipality-6, Lothar Dandagaon, Makawanpur.

- Pray for financial support for me as a lay pastor.
- Pray for the spiritual, physical, and financial needs of the church.
- Pray for new fellowships and a proper church building.
- Pray for healing, good education, and financial breakthroughs for our believers.

Name: Pastor Sudip Kumar Praja

**Church: Ramantaar Church** 

Address: Raksirang Rural Municipality-5, Ramantaar Nayabasti





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Sudip Kumar Praja. I was born on October 12, 1983, in Luina Village, Raksirang Rural Municipality-5. I come from a Hindu background where my parents strictly followed traditional Hindu customs. However, from birth, I was severely sick and constantly crying. My parents took me to witch doctors and hospitals many times, but no one could help. Nothing improved my condition.

In 1984, Pastor Bhabikan Praja came to our home and shared the gospel. He explained that there is healing in the name of Jesus if we believe in Him. My parents told him about my condition and asked for prayer. When he prayed, I was healed instantly. That miracle led my parents to believe in Jesus and be baptized. Because of my sickness, my family came to know the true and living God.

I thank God that I had the opportunity to grow up in a Christian environment. In 2002, at the age of 19, I personally accepted Jesus as my Savior and took water baptism. I then decided to dedicate the rest of my life to God's ministry. Today, I serve as a lay pastor with joy and peace in my life.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

I used to live in Raksirang-5 but had to relocate to Ramantaar Nayabasti after a landslide destroyed our village in 2003. The local government resettled us in a safer area, where I received a small piece of land to build a house.

After settling there, I felt a strong calling from God through Matthew 28:18–20 to start a fellowship in that place. I began preaching, and gradually, more people joined. As the fellowship grew, I took on the responsibility of leading the group and committed my life to full-time ministry. I continue to serve faithfully by the grace of God.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 2005, I met 7 believers in the area who had no place for fellowship. After a time of fasting and prayer, we started a cottage fellowship, and I was appointed as the pastor. Over time, this group grew and became an established church.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

In 2005, we began the church with just 7 members. Through regular prayer and gospel outreach, the number of believers has grown to 71. We continue to seek God's help in nurturing and discipling them to spread His kingdom.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 25Children: 36

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church is made up of Praja, Tamang, and Biswokarma tribes. Most members are poor and uneducated. They rely on daily labor and small farming in difficult hilly terrain that does not yield enough food. Despite working hard year-round, they often only have food for half the year.

Their biggest challenges include lack of health care, educational opportunities, and financial resources. They are desperate for stable jobs and better living conditions.

#### 7. Church Location

Manahari Rural Municipality-6, Ramantaar Nayabasti, Makawanpur.

- Pray for financial support for me as a pastor.
- Pray for spiritual growth and revival in the church.
- Pray for the expansion of gospel outreach and new church fellowships.
- Pray for a Sunday school building and teaching materials for children.
- Pray for better education and financial breakthrough for all believers.

Name: Pastor Kamal Praja Church: Palengche Church

Address: Raksirang Rural Municipality-5, Palengche Village





#### 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Kamal Praja. I was born in Raksirang Rural Municipality-5 into a Christian family. However, despite my parents' faith, I was against Christianity. I used to protest and resist the Christian way, even though my own father was a believer.

One day, I became seriously ill and couldn't get up from bed. My father asked me if he could pray for me in the name of Jesus. I had no other hope or option, so I said yes. When my father prayed for me, a miracle occurred — I was healed instantly. I checked my body and felt completely well.

That moment changed my life. I repented and accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. I felt peace and joy for the first time. I took water baptism and began serving in ministry. I thank God for giving me eternal life and salvation. Since then, I have been doing God's work as a lay pastor — all by the grace of God. Truly, He is good.

#### 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

After I was healed, both my father and I committed ourselves to ministry. One day, we met a man who wanted to join our fellowship. We invited him to our home, and he came along with his family. Together with my wife, we were the first three people to start a fellowship in Palengche, Raksirang-5.

As we continued our efforts, more people joined us, and the fellowship grew. Eventually, God called me to lead the growing church, and I accepted His call with faith.

## 3. How Did the Church Begin?

On April 26, 2012, we officially started the church fellowship in Palengche. At first, there were only three of us. But through prayer and gospel preaching, more villagers heard the Good News. Some rejected us, but many accepted the message and joined the fellowship.

As we continued sharing and discipling, the fellowship matured and became a church. I was appointed as the pastor and have serving in ministry since then.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church began on April 26, 2012, with 10 members. We preached the gospel in surrounding villages, and people responded positively. Over time, our fellowship grew from 10 to 25 members. We thank God for this growth and continue to pray for maturity among the believers.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 9Children: 6

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church is made up of Chepang, Tamang, and Karki tribes. Most people are poor and illiterate. They work hard as daily laborers in others' fields and try to farm on difficult hilly terrain. Food is typically only sufficient for six months of the year. The rest of the time, families struggle to survive.

Due to their financial hardship, there is no money for healthcare, education, or a decent living standard. They are looking for better job opportunities to support their families.

#### 7. Church Location

Pengche Village, Raksirang Rural Municipality-5.

- Pray for financial support for me as a pastor.
- Pray for non-believers and gentiles to come to faith.
- Pray for gospel outreach and new fellowships.
- Pray for a church building and Sunday school facility.
- Pray for children's teaching materials and better education.
- Pray for the nation of Nepal and its leaders.

Name: Pastor Bishnuram Praja Church: Churidanda Church

Address: Raksirang Rural Municipality-5, Churidanda Village





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Bishnuram Praja. I was born on September 10, 1964, in Churidanda Village, Raksirang Rural Municipality-5. I grew up in a Hindu family and followed all traditional rituals with deep devotion. However, one day I developed severe knee pain and lost the ability to move my right knee.

I visited many witch doctors and tried traditional healing methods, but nothing worked. Then, a Christian pastor came to me and shared the gospel. He told me that there is healing in the name of Jesus. I asked him to pray for me, and when he did, I was completely healed.

This healing brought great peace and joy into my life. I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior and was baptized in 2008. That same year, I began serving in ministry. Today, I continue to serve God as a lay pastor and live in His peace.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

After I received healing, I began preaching the gospel in Churidanda. Soon, 9 people came to faith and accepted Jesus. We began a small cottage fellowship. As the group grew, I was given leadership responsibility. I have been faithfully serving in ministry ever since.

## 3. How Did the Church Begin?

While preaching in Raksirang Rural Municipality-5, I found 9 new believers who had no church or fellowship. In 2008, I started a cottage fellowship and was appointed as a pastor. That fellowship grew and became the Churidanda Church.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church officially began in 2008 with 9 believers. As we preached the gospel and prayed continuously, more people came to faith. Today, our church has grown to 45 members. We continue to pray for their spiritual growth and for the spread of the gospel.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 15Women: 15Children: 15

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our congregation is made up mostly of Tamang, Chepang, and Biswokarma tribes. Most members are poor and illiterate. They perform hard labor in other people's fields and grow maize and millet on hilly terrain that is not suitable for agriculture. Despite working hard year-round, they only have food for about six months. They face severe challenges due to lack of education, health care, and job opportunities. Many struggle daily just to survive.

#### 7. Church Location

Raksirang Rural Municipality-5, Churidanda Village, Makawanpur.

- Pray for financial support for me as a pastor.
- Pray for spiritual growth and revival within the church.
- Pray for new fellowships and a proper church building.
- Pray for financial prosperity and stability for church members.
- Pray for better education, health, and overall quality of life for our believers.

Name: Pastor Kanak Bahadur Praja

**Church: Paan Daamar Church** 

Address: Hetauda Municipality-17, Paan Daamar Village





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Kanak Bahadur Praja. I was born on October 26, 1954, in a Hindu family in Paan Daamar Village. My father, Jit Bahadur Praja, was a witch doctor. He practiced idol worship and offered sacrifices to spirits of the dead. I followed in his footsteps, participating in rituals and animal sacrifices to please various gods and goddesses. One day, while performing such rituals, I became gravely ill. Despite visiting several traditional healers and trying various Hindu remedies, my condition worsened. I was close to death. At that time, I heard about Jesus Christ through my brother, Bhabikan Praja, who was already a believer. I was impressed by his transformed life and asked him to pray for me.

When he prayed, I was miraculously healed and felt deep peace in my heart. I repented of my sins and accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. Although my parents passed away without knowing Christ, I thank God for saving my life and giving me eternal hope. In 1989, I was baptized and committed my life to serve the Lord. Since then, I have been serving faithfully as a lay pastor. My family now lives in peace and joy. God has always been our provider.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

I began ministry in 1989 with 10 believers. We gathered in fellowship, and God added to our numbers daily. I felt called to preach the gospel and committed to spreading God's kingdom wherever He leads me.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

I started sharing the gospel in Hatiya Rural Municipality-17, Paan Daamar Village, where 10 people accepted Christ. They requested regular fellowship and worship, so I began a cottage fellowship. Eventually, it grew and became Paan Daamar Church. God appointed me as the pastor, and I continue to serve as a lay pastor to this day.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was officially established in 2001 with 5 members. As we prayed and preached the gospel, the number grew to 40 believers. We continue to nurture and disciple them for the glory of God.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10 Women: 20 Children: 10

#### 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our congregation mainly consists of Chepang and Tamang tribes. Most of them are uneducated and live in poverty. Due to a lack of education, they struggle to find stable jobs. They work as laborers in others' fields and grow crops like maize and millet, which are only sufficient for six months of the year. Financial conditions are difficult. Families cannot afford proper healthcare, education, or basic life needs. They hope for better job opportunities and skill development for a more stable future.

#### 7. Church Location

Paan Daamar Village, Hetauda Municipality-17, Makawanpur District.

- Pray for financial support for Pastor Kanak Bahadur and his ministry.
- Pray for vocational and skill development training for better employment opportunities.
- Pray for continued gospel outreach, new fellowships, and a permanent church building.
- Pray for the construction of a Sunday school building and for children's teaching materials.
- Pray for the spiritual growth, physical needs, and financial breakthrough of the believers.

Name:Pastor Hari Bahadur Praja

**Church: Churidanda Church** 

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Churidanda Village





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Hari Bahadur Praja. I was born on September 6, 1988, in Raksiraang Rural Municipality–5, Churidanda Village. I come from a Christian background. My parents were believers and regularly attended church fellowship, so I naturally joined them in worship.

As I grew up, I came to understand that Jesus is my personal Savior. I accepted Him wholeheartedly and was baptized in water. Under the guidance of pastors and church leaders, I learned the Word of God and felt a strong desire to serve. In 2002, I committed myself to ministry. Since then, I have been faithfully serving as a lay pastor. By God's grace, my family is living in peace and joy.

#### 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

I began ministry in 2002 in Durok Danda, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5. After coming to faith, I felt compelled to share the gospel with those who had never heard about Jesus. I prayed for the unreached and ministered to them. God began to add believers to our fellowship. As I continued to serve, God gave me a vision for the local church. I have been serving as a lay pastor ever since, by His grace.

#### 3. How Did the Church Begin?

While preaching the gospel in Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, five people came to faith. We prayed together for the formation of a church. In response, God led three families to join us, and in 2002, we started a cottage fellowship which eventually became Churidanda Church. I was appointed as the pastor, and I continue in this role today.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was established in 2002 with 5 believers. Through persistent prayer and gospel outreach, the fellowship has now grown to 45 members. We continue to disciple and strengthen them with the goal of expanding God's kingdom.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 17Women: 17Children: 23

#### 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

Our church consists primarily of Nepali, Chepang, and Tamang tribes. Most members are uneducated and work as farmers or daily laborers. The hilly terrain is difficult for agriculture, and their harvests last only about six months. The financial condition of the community is dire. People struggle to afford health care, education, and basic necessities. Many are looking for job opportunities and skill training to improve their quality of life.

#### 7. Church Location

Durok Danda Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Makawanpur District. We are also reaching nearby villages such as Bhumi Darsi and Kaamiraang with the gospel.

- Pray for financial and spiritual support for Pastor Hari Bahadur to continue ministry.
- Pray for the spiritual growth and revival of the church.
- Pray for effective gospel outreach, new fellowships, and a permanent church building.
- Pray for a Sunday school building and teaching materials for children.
- Pray for believers' education, health, skill development, and financial stability.

Name: Pastor Anish Praja Church: Jhimini Church

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Jhimini Village, Makawanpur District





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Anish Praja. I was born on May 18, 1995, in Jhimini Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Makawanpur. My family originally followed Hindu traditions. When I was young, my father became seriously ill. Despite following every traditional Hindu ritual and treatment, he found no relief. He became hopeless and deeply worried.

One day, a Christian preacher came to our village and shared the gospel with my father. He said that if my father believed in Jesus and accepted Him as his personal Savior, he could be healed—even when others had failed. My father believed, accepted Jesus, and was miraculously healed.

Through that experience, my entire family came to faith in Christ. Growing up in a Christian environment, I had the opportunity to learn about Jesus. In 2011, at the age of 16, I accepted Jesus as my personal Savior and was baptized. Since then, I have been serving God faithfully as a lay pastor. There is peace and joy in my life and family.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

As I grew up in a Christian family, I attended church every Saturday with my parents. As an adult, I took on more responsibility after getting married, and financial challenges began to weigh heavily on me. I made plans to go abroad for work, but I became seriously ill, preventing me from leaving.

During that time, I fasted and prayed and received a vision from God. He revealed to me that I was not called to go overseas for money, but to serve in His ministry. I cried both in my dreams and in real life, feeling a deep conviction. That moment changed everything—I surrendered to God's call to spread His kingdom in my village.

I began preaching the gospel boldly, and gradually, more people believed. I was strengthened by God's encouragement and led by the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18–20). By His grace, I continue to serve as a lay pastor to this day.

#### 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 2015, I began preaching the gospel boldly in Jhimini Village. Many people in the village were sick and held strong beliefs in idols and superstitions. When they heard about me, they came and surrounded me, hoping for healing. I asked them to sit and opened the Holy Bible. I preached from the four gospels and answered their questions with God's Word.

That day, I prayed for the sick, and many were healed. Seven people accepted Jesus as their personal Savior immediately. We began a cottage fellowship, which later became Jhimini Church. I was appointed as the pastor and continue to lead the church today.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was established in 2015 with 7 believers. Through consistent prayer and gospel outreach, the fellowship grew to 48 members. We are now nurturing these believers to spread the kingdom of God further.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 15 Women: 15 Children: 18

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

The church is made up primarily of Chepang, Tamang, and Biswokarma tribes. Most members are illiterate and work as farmers or laborers in the fields of others. They grow crops on the hilly terrain, which yields food for only about six months of the year.

Financially, the situation is very difficult. There is limited access to healthcare, education, and basic needs. Believers are praying for sustainable jobs and opportunities for skill development to improve their livelihoods and future.

#### 7. Church Location

Jhimini Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Makawanpur District.

- Pray for financial support for Pastor Anish to continue ministry.
- Pray for the spiritual growth and revival of the church.
- Pray for effective gospel outreach, new fellowships, and a church building.
- Pray for skill development training and livelihood opportunities for believers.
- Pray for good education, health care, and financial stability for all church members.

Name: Pastor Bahadur Singh Praja

**Church: Debitaar Church** 

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-4, Debitaar Village, Makawanpur





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Bahadur Singh Praja. I was born on March 16, 1989, in Debitaar Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-4. My parents are Atinadh Praja and Man Kumari Praja. Although I was raised in a Christian family, I did not initially believe in Jesus or accept Him as my personal Savior.

When I was 15 years old, my father—who was a pastor and respected leader—married a second wife against the will of my mother. Because of his influence, I supported his decisions, both right and wrong. Eventually, I fell into bad habits, including drinking alcohol, and began to destroy my spiritual life.

But by God's grace, I came to a point of realization and repented of my sins. I understood that only Jesus could change my life. I turned away from my old ways and began following the church fellowship seriously. On November 30, 2005, I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior and was baptized. From that day onward, I committed my life to serve in God's ministry. Now there is peace and joy in my family, and I continue to serve the Lord as a lay pastor.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

After my father passed away, the church was left without a strong spiritual leader. We deeply felt the absence of a good pastor. I prayed and felt God calling me to step into that role. The church committee appointed me as a lay pastor, and I committed myself to serve the fellowship wholeheartedly. Since then, the number of believers has steadily increased, and I continue to serve as a pastor by the grace of God.

## 3. How Did the Church Begin?

While preaching the gospel in Debitaar, I met seven believers who had no fellowship or church in their area. On December 2, 2017, we began a church fellowship to provide biblical teaching and community. God called me to pastor this church, and I've been faithfully serving in this role ever since.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was officially started in 2017 with 7 members. Through consistent prayer and outreach in nearby villages, the fellowship has grown to 37 members. We continue to disciple and strengthen these believers to further expand God's kingdom.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

• Men: 7

Women: 20Children: 10

## 6. Church Demographics and Challenges

The church is primarily composed of members from the Chepang tribe. The community is largely uneducated, as there is no nearby school. Children must walk over two hours—crossing rivers—to reach the nearest school, which becomes impossible during the rainy season. Transportation is a major challenge.

Most people work as laborers in others' fields and grow basic crops like rice, maize, and pulses on hilly terrain, which only provides food for six months of the year. The financial condition is extremely poor. There are no local health services, educational support, or stable sources of income. The believers are praying for better job opportunities, education, and improved living conditions.

#### 7. Church Location

The church is located in Debitaar Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-4, Makawanpur. Believers travel up to one hour on foot—through hilly terrain—to attend church fellowship. Despite hardships, they are dedicated and eager to worship together.

- Pray for the pastor's financial and spiritual support and for more believers to come to Christ.
- Pray for spiritual revival and financial provision for all church members.
- Pray for gospel outreach, the formation of new fellowships, and the construction of a church building.
- Pray for skill development training to help believers secure jobs and improve their livelihoods.

Name: Pastor Durga Bahadur Praja

**Church: Sarasi Church** 

Address: Kailash Rural Municipality-7, Sarasi Village, Makawanpur





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Durga Bahadur Praja. I was born into a Hindu family and grew up in deep poverty. Our family struggled daily to meet basic needs. We often survived by digging for forest yams and edible plants to feed ourselves.

At one point, I became seriously ill. My parents sought help through witchcraft and performed rituals, sacrificing animals and birds, but nothing worked. In fact, after offering animal blood to idols, my condition worsened—I was on the brink of death.

Then, in the year 2000, Pastor Bhim Praja visited our home and shared the gospel of Jesus Christ. I believed his message and accepted Jesus as my personal Savior. He prayed for me, and I was miraculously healed. On April 13, 2004, I took water baptism, publicly declaring my faith in Jesus.

Since then, I have been completely healed and have dedicated my life to God's work. I now serve as a lay pastor in our local church. I began with a small fellowship of 15 members, which has grown to 65 believers. My family now lives in peace and joy, thanks to God's grace.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

When I understood that true joy, peace, salvation, and eternal life are found in Jesus Christ alone, I made the decision to serve Him in ministry by faith. Over time, I was entrusted with leadership of the fellowship, and I continue to serve as a pastor through God's grace.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

I first assisted a fellow minister named Kasinaath and learned how to pray and preach the gospel. After a period of prayer and outreach in Sarasi Village (Kailash Rural Municipality-7), I found 15 believers who had no local fellowship. On January 21, 2011, we began a small cottage fellowship. By the grace of God, this grew into a church, and I was appointed as its lay pastor. I continue to serve faithfully in this ministry.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was started in 2011 with 15 members. Through regular prayer meetings and gospel preaching in surrounding villages, the fellowship has now grown to 65 believers. We continue to nurture and disciple the members to spread the Kingdom of God.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 20Women: 25Children: 20

#### 6. Church Demographics and Local Conditions

The believers in our church are primarily from the Chepang tribe. They face serious hardships due to poverty and lack of education. There is no school nearby, and children must walk up to 3 hours—crossing rivers—to reach one. In the rainy season, these rivers become impassable due to the lack of bridges.

Most people in the area are uneducated and survive by working as laborers on others' farms. They grow rice, maize, and pulses on hilly terrain that only provides food for about six months of the year. Financially, they are in critical condition. There are no reliable sources of income, no access to healthcare, and no basic infrastructure for a healthy life.

#### 7. Church Location

Our church is located in Sarasi Village, Kailash Rural Municipality-7. Believers travel up to 2 hours on foot, through rough terrain, to attend church fellowship. Despite many struggles, they are committed to their faith and church community.

- Pray for financial and spiritual support for Pastor Durga to continue ministry.
- Pray for the spiritual growth and financial upliftment of the believers.
- Pray for revival, new fellowship opportunities, and the construction of a permanent church building.
- Pray for skill development and job opportunities for the local people to improve their livelihoods.

Pastor Ek Raj Balon

**Church: Bukhrum Church** 

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Bukhrum Village, Makawanpur



## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Ek Raj Balon. I was born in Bukhrum Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5. My family followed Hindu culture and traditional rituals. We were deeply involved in witchcraft and animal sacrifices to appease evil spirits.

Until 2014, none of us knew about Jesus Christ. In 2015, we heard the gospel during a time of great financial and emotional hardship. After deciding to follow Jesus, our family was rejected by our relatives and neighbors. We were isolated, but the Lord Jesus Himself took care of us.

Despite the rejection, we started a small cottage fellowship in our home. Over time, other families joined—first 7, then 15—and we began gathering under a plastic tent for worship. By 2019, we had 23 believers and decided to formally establish a church. By the grace of God and through donated labor and resources, we built our church building.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

As the cottage fellowship grew, I was given increasing responsibility to lead. In 2019, when we transitioned into a formal church with 23 members, no one else was available to take on pastoral leadership. By faith, I accepted God's calling and have served as a lay pastor ever since.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

The church began with a cottage fellowship in my home in Bukhrum Village. After many prayers and consistent gospel preaching, more families joined, and we saw the fellowship grow from 7 to 15 families. In 2019, we officially transitioned from a house fellowship to a church. I was appointed as the lay pastor and continue to serve in that capacity by God's grace.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church began in 2017 with just 7 members. Through continued outreach and prayer, the fellowship grew to 23 believers. We continue to disciple these believers and spread the gospel in our surrounding villages.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

• Men: 8

Women: 10Children: 5

## 6. Church Demographics and Local Conditions

Our church is made up of believers from the Tamang, Chepang, and Dalit tribes. The community faces many challenges, including:

- Poverty and lack of education: The nearest school requires a 3-hour walk, including river crossings, which are dangerous during the rainy season.
- Financial hardship: Most people work as laborers on others' farms and grow crops like rice, maize, and pulses on hilly land. Their food supply typically lasts only six months each year.
- Lack of infrastructure: There are no proper roads, bridges, or health facilities in the area. Job opportunities are very limited.
- The people are in dire need of education, healthcare, income-generating skills, and spiritual support.

#### 7. Church Location

Our church is located in Bukhrum Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5. The fellowship serves believers from surrounding areas, despite the physical challenges and long distances many must walk to attend.

- Pray for spiritual growth and financial support for the believers and revival in the church.
- Pray for Pastor Ek Raj's ministry to flourish and expand God's Kingdom.
- Pray for health, provision, and prosperity for Pastor Ek Raj and his family.
- Pray for effective gospel outreach and new fellowships in surrounding villages.
- Pray for skill development training so believers can access better job opportunities.

# Pastor Hari Praja

**Church: Jibit Aasha Church** 

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8, Ranigoth Village, Makawanpur





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Hari Praja. I was born on June 11, 1971, in Ranigoth Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8. I grew up in a Hindu family and followed all traditional Hindu rituals and practices.

I received the gospel in 1991 AD, which opened my heart to the love and power of God. I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior and was baptized by Pastor Sonam Lama. After that, I completed a three-month leadership training, which helped me grow in faith and understanding. Since then, I have been serving faithfully as a lay pastor, and there is great peace and joy in my family.

## 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

My journey into ministry began when my mother became seriously ill. Despite seeking help from both witch doctors and hospitals, her condition did not improve. Out of desperation, I called pastors to pray for her. After their prayers, Jesus miraculously healed my mother.

This healing experience stirred my heart, and I felt the clear calling of God. Inspired by Matthew 28:18–20, I committed myself to serve in God's Kingdom and have continued to do so by His grace.

## 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 2016, I began preaching the gospel strongly in Ranigoth Village. I met 7 individuals who were hungry for fellowship but had no church nearby. We started a small fellowship, which grew steadily and was officially established as a church on January 9, 2016.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church started in 2016 AD with 7 members. Through dedicated gospel outreach and prayer, the number of believers has grown to 40 members. We are committed to nurturing these believers to become mature disciples and witnesses of Christ.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 20Children: 10

## 6. Church Demographics and Local Conditions

The church mainly serves people from the Chepang, Tamang, and Dalit tribes. These communities face severe challenges:

- Education: There are no nearby schools. Most people are illiterate or semiliterate.
- Occupation: The majority are laborers or subsistence farmers, working in others' fields or cultivating maize and millet on poor hilly land.
- Financial hardship: Families work hard year-round but usually only have enough food for six months.
- Basic needs: There is a desperate need for better job opportunities, vocational training, food security, education, and healthcare.

#### 7. Church Location

Jibit Aasha Church is located in Ranigoth Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8, Makawanpur District.

- Pray for goat farming to support the pastor's ministry.
- Pray for growth in children's ministry in the church.
- Pray for spiritual growth, physical provision, and economic freedom for believers.
- Pray for gospel outreach, new fellowships, and a proper church building.
- Pray for skill development training for women and sustainable income sources for families.
- Pray for food support for widows and elderly people.
- Pray for believers to receive quality education and good health.

# Pastor Nabin Kumar Praja

Church: Khetbari Tole Church

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Khetbari Village, Makawanpur





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Nabin Kumar Praja. I was born into a Christian family, which led to many persecutions throughout my life. I served in the Nepal Police, but I experienced hardship and opposition due to my faith. My family faced sickness and financial struggles, and my salary was not enough to support us. I became tired, discouraged, and hopeless.

One day, I visited a local pastor who encouraged me to join in fasting prayer. After seeking God through prayer and fasting, miraculously my burdens lifted, and my family received healing from their sickness. Encouraged by this transformation, the pastor advised me to leave my job and enter full-time ministry.

After much prayer, I decided to leave the police service and dedicate my life to serving God. I publicly declared my faith and received water baptism in 2017 AD. Since then, I have been serving as a lay pastor, and God has brought peace and joy into my family.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

Though I grew up in a Christian home, I longed to understand true salvation. As I studied the Bible, I discovered that Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6). I felt a strong call to share the Good News with those who are lost. That conviction led me to begin ministry and evangelism in unreached areas.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 2017 AD, I began preaching the gospel in Khetbari Tole Village. Many people were bound by idol worship and traditional beliefs. Although some rejected the message, I continued visiting and praying for the community.

In 2018 AD, 7 people accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. I began a cottage fellowship for them, which later grew into a full church. I have served as the pastor of this church ever since.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was officially started in 2018 AD with 7 believers. Through ongoing prayer and outreach, the church has grown to 35 members. We continue to pray for spiritual growth and the expansion of God's Kingdom in our region.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 10Children: 15

#### 6. Church Demographics and Local Conditions

The believers in our church mostly belong to the Chepang and Tamang tribes. Their situation includes:

- Education: Most people are uneducated due to lack of access to schools.
- Occupation: People work as laborers and farmers, cultivating maize and millet in the hilly regions, which are not fertile.
- Livelihood: They work year-round but only have enough food for six months.
- Financial condition: Very poor. They cannot afford proper healthcare, education, or a dignified lifestyle. They are in need of job opportunities and skill development to sustain their families.

#### 7. Church Location

Khetbari Tole Church is located in Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Khetbari Tole Village, Makawanpur District.

- `Pray for educational support and Bible training for the pastor.
- Pray for pastor's livelihood, and for spiritual revival in the church.
- Pray for a village clinic and improved healthcare access.
- Pray for effective gospel outreach, new fellowships, and a permanent church building.
- Pray for skill development training and sustainable job opportunities for believers.
- Pray for agricultural and goat farming projects to improve the church community's economy.

# Pastor Buddhilal Praja

Church: Chamantigaon Church

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8, Chamantigaon, Makawanpur



#### 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Buddhilal Praja. I was born on 18 May 1969 AD in Chamti Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8. I was raised in a Hindu family with deep cultural traditions and blind beliefs. My father, a witch doctor, followed traditional spiritual practices, which contributed to our family's extreme poverty and lack of education. We had no consistent food supply and relied on farming maize and millet, which lasted only about six months. To survive, my parents worked as laborers in others' fields.

One day, I became seriously ill. Despite trying all traditional remedies, my condition did not improve. In desperation, we called Pastor Bhabikan Praja, who prayed for me. I received healing in the name of Jesus, and he shared the gospel with my family. In 1986 AD, I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior, and in 1987 AD, I received water baptism. Eventually, my parents also believed in Christ.

I thank God for the opportunity to grow in a church environment and develop a personal relationship with Christ. I sensed God's calling into ministry, and today, I continue to serve faithfully as a lay pastor. My family is now filled with peace and joy in Christ.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

As I grew up attending church every Saturday with my parents, I gradually understood that salvation and eternal life are only found in Jesus Christ. I began praying and asking God what I could do for His kingdom. God placed a clear calling in my heart to spread the gospel in my village.

I dedicated my life to ministry and committed to fulfilling God's vision and mission in my community. By His grace, I am now living a joyful life, serving Him and witnessing the transformation of others through the gospel.

#### 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 1997 AD, I began evangelizing in Chamti Village. I met many people who were searching for truth and hope. I shared with them the miraculous works of Jesus and the message of salvation. As some individuals accepted Christ, we began gathering for regular fellowship. This small group eventually became a church, grounded in faith and the Word of God.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start?

The church was established in 1997 AD with 5 believers. Through regular prayer, fellowship, and gospel outreach, the church has grown to 30 members. We continue to pray and work to nourish these believers and expand God's kingdom in our area.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 15Children: 5

#### 6. Church Demographics and Local Conditions

The majority of church members belong to the Chepang and Tamang tribes. Their living conditions include:

- Education: Most people are illiterate, as there is no nearby school—students must walk four hours to attend classes.
- Occupation: People work as laborers and farmers, growing maize and millet in hilly terrain that is not ideal for farming.
- Livelihood: Despite working year-round, most families only produce enough food for six months.
- Financial condition: The community faces severe poverty with no money for healthcare, education, or life essentials. Many are seeking better job opportunities and skill development to improve their standard of living.

#### 7. Church Location

The church is located in Chamantigaon, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8, Makawanpur District.

- Pray for agriculture development and goat farming to support the ministry.
- Pray for education and skill development training for believers.
- Pray for gospel outreach, new fellowships, and the construction of a church building.
- Pray for irrigation and agriculture support packages to improve food production.
- Pray for better transportation and roads to facilitate development and access to basic facilities.

Pastor Tirtharaj Praja

Church: Namuna Bangeri Church

Address: Hetauda Sub-Metropolitan City-15, Ratomato Bangeri,

**Makawanpur District** 





#### 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Tirtharaj Praja, and I was born in Jirkhadanda Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5. I was raised in a Christian family and am thankful to have grown up in a faith-filled environment. At the age of 17, I made a personal decision to accept Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior, and I received water baptism in 2021 AD.

I felt a deep desire to serve God, and I committed my life to ministry. I began leading fellowship in Hetauda Sub-Metropolitan City-15, and for the past 5 years, I have been serving God faithfully as a lay pastor. My family is blessed with peace and joy in Christ.

# 2. How Did You Enter Ministry?

As I studied the Bible and learned more about Jesus Christ, I felt a strong desire to share the gospel. I prayed earnestly for direction, and God called me into full-time ministry to glorify His name.

I began preaching boldly, and new believers joined our fellowship regularly. God gave me the understanding and responsibility of pastoral ministry. Empowered by Jesus' command to make disciples (Matthew 28:18–20), I continue this mission by His grace.

# 3. How Did the Church Begin?

In 2021 AD, I preached the gospel in Ratomato Bangeri Village, where I found many people suffering from sickness and holding onto idol worship and blind beliefs. I prayed for them, and they experienced healing and peace through Jesus Christ. As a result, we started a cottage fellowship, which later grew into a church, where I was appointed as pastor.

## 4. When Did the Church Start?

Although the fellowship began informally in 2015 AD with 4 members, it officially became a church in 2021 AD. Through continued prayer and evangelism, our fellowship has now grown to 71 believers. We are committed to nourishing their spiritual lives and expanding God's kingdom.

#### 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 25Women: 26Children: 20

#### 6. Church Demographics and Local Conditions

The congregation includes members from Chepang and Tamang communities. Their conditions are as follows:

- Education: Most are illiterate due to a lack of educational facilities.
- Occupation: Primarily farmers and laborers, working in others' fields.
- Agriculture: They grow crops in rocky and hilly terrain, which yields only a sixmonth food supply.
- Economy: The financial condition is very poor. People are seeking better jobs and training to improve their livelihood.
- Needs: There is a severe lack of resources for healthcare, education, and basic life support.

#### 7. Church Location

Namuna Bangeri Church is situated in Ratomato Bangeri, Hetauda Sub-Metropolitan City-15, Makawanpur District.

- Pray for the spiritual growth of believers in the city.
- Pray for a revival and deeper faith within the church.
- Pray for continued gospel outreach and the planting of new fellowships.
- Pray for the transformation of hearts, so more people receive the Word of God.

Pastor Roshan Kumar Praja

**Church: Megengraang Church** 

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Megengraang Village,

**Makawanpur District** 





#### 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Roshan Kumar Praja. I was born in Churedanda Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, in a Hindu family. My father practiced witchcraft, casting spells and offering animals and birds to evil spirits.

Before coming to Jesus, I followed my father's traditions to help support our family, but there was never enough food or money. As I grew older, I searched for the true and living God who could save us from sin. I found a Bible and slowly understood that Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. I left my father's practices and started attending church.

I accepted Jesus as my personal Savior and was baptized. After that, God called me into ministry. Since then, I have been serving faithfully as a lay pastor. There is now peace and joy in my family.

## 2. How Did You Come Into Ministry?

After my baptism, I began preaching the gospel and felt called to pastoral ministry. I started a small fellowship near my village and shared the gospel with neighbors. Although some rejected me, including my father, and my mother urged me to return to traditional ways, I persevered through prayer and preaching.

Many brothers and sisters came to faith in Jesus, and I continued praying for my parents' hearts to change. God called me to dedicate my life to expanding His kingdom in my village, and I follow His vision and mission with joy.

#### 3. How Did You Start the Church?

In 2015 AD, I preached the gospel in Megengraang Village. I found many people seeking salvation and shared the wonderful works and miracles Jesus had done. Those who believed joined me, and we began a fellowship that later became a church.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start? How Many Believers Were There?

The church started in 1997 AD in Chamantigaon with 5 members. Through faith, prayer, and gospel preaching, it grew to 32 members. We continue to pray for growth and spiritual nourishment for all believers.

## 5. Current Church Fellowship

Men: 10Women: 10Children: 12

#### 6. Tribe Demographics and Local Conditions

Our church members mainly come from the Chepang, Dalit, and Tamang tribes. Most are illiterate and poor. There is no nearby school; children must walk up to 4 hours on foot to attend classes.

Most villagers are laborers and farmers, working hard in others' fields. They grow maize and millets on hilly land unsuitable for agriculture, producing enough food for about six months. The community desperately seeks better jobs to support their lifestyle but lacks money for health, education, and basic living needs.

#### 7. Church Location

Megengraang Church is located in Megengraang Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-5, Makawanpur District.

#### 8. Prayer Points

- Pray for support for the pastor to serve in full-time ministry.
- Pray for education, health, and skill development training for believers.
- Pray for continued gospel outreach, new fellowships, and church building.
- Pray for goat farming, agriculture, and irrigation projects to improve economic conditions.

Pastor Chitra Bahadur Praja

**Church: Mechhyaraang Church** 

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8, Mechhyaraang Village,

**Makawanpur District** 





#### 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Chitra Bahadur Praja. I was born about three years after my parents accepted Jesus as their personal Savior in Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8. Although my parents came from a Hindu background, I was born into a Christian family and did not practice Hindu culture or traditions.

I had the opportunity to attend church fellowship since childhood. Our church was called Ningguretaar Church, but we had to migrate to a village three hours away by foot, so we eventually stopped attending due to the long distance.

Later, I became seriously ill and was hospitalized. The medicine prescribed did not work, but my maternal uncle prayed for me, and I was healed. After this, I got married and began attending church regularly.

God never left us, even when we had forgotten Him. We started a small fellowship from our home, and I began my ministry there. I have been serving faithfully as a lay pastor ever since. There is peace and joy in my family.

# 2. How Did You Come Into Ministry?

Although I was born into a Christian family and attended church fellowship every Saturday with my parents, the long distance (three hours on foot) forced us to stop attending for a few years. After my illness and healing through prayer, I committed to regular church attendance.

God did not leave us, and we started a small fellowship at home, which marked the beginning of my ministry. I have served faithfully as a lay pastor and am committed to following God's vision to spread His kingdom in my village. There is peace and joy in my life.

#### 3. How Did You Start the Church?

We preached the gospel in Mechhyaraang Village in 2014 AD. Previously, we used to attend Ningguretaar Church. When I visited the village, I found many people seeking fellowship. We started a cottage fellowship from our family home, and as people came, the fellowship grew and eventually became a church.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start? How Many Believers Were There?

The church started in 2014 AD with 7 members. Through prayer and gospel preaching around the village, it has grown to 30 members. We continue to pray for the spiritual growth and nourishment of the believers to spread God's kingdom.

#### 5. How Many Believers Are There in the Church?

Men: 10Women: 9Children: 11

# 6. Tribe Demographics and Local Conditions

The church mostly serves the Chepang and Tamang tribes. Most people are poor and illiterate. There is no nearby school, and children must walk three hours on foot to attend.

Most villagers are laborers and farmers who work hard in others' fields. The main crops are maize and millets, grown on hilly land unsuitable for agriculture. They work year-round but produce enough food for only six months. They seek opportunities for good jobs, better health care, education, and improved agricultural farming.

## 7. Villages Where the Church Is Situated

The church is situated in Mechhyaraang Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8, Makawanpur District.

#### 8. Prayer Points

- Pray for financial support to sustain and expand the ministry.
- Pray for education, health post establishment, agriculture, and goat farming for a better standard of living.
- Pray for skill development training and food support packages for poor families.
- Pray for continued gospel preaching, new fellowships, and church building.
- Pray for improved transportation and road development to enhance physical infrastructure.

Pastor Krishna Bahadur Praja

**Church: Aaule Church** 

Address: Raksiraang Rural Municipality-3, Aaule Village, Makawanpur

**District** 





## 1. Testimony of Pastor

My name is Krishna Bahadur Praja. I was born on November 5, 1961, in Raksiraang Rural Municipality-3. Before becoming a Christian, I practiced Hindu culture and traditions. My father was a witch doctor who cast spells and offered animals and birds to worship gods and goddesses.

There was poverty and food shortage in my home. When I became seriously sick, my father used all methods of witchcraft according to Hindu customs, but nothing improved. Instead of recovering, I was close to death.

At that time, Pastor Shyam Lal Praja came to my village and preached the gospel. Seeing my condition, he asked my father for permission to pray for me. After his prayer, I began to feel better and found hope and healing through Jesus. Soon I was completely healed.

I accepted Jesus as my personal Savior in 2000 AD and was baptized on January 26, 2001. From that day, I decided to serve God and grow His kingdom. Since then, I have been serving faithfully as a lay pastor. There is peace and joy in my family.

## 2. How Did You Come Into Ministry?

After experiencing salvation, joy, and peace in Jesus Christ, I committed the rest of my life to God's ministry. I started a fellowship at my home and have served as a lay pastor without hesitation. I follow God's vision and mission to spread His kingdom in my village. There is peace and joy in my life.

## 3. How Did You Start the Church?

I preached the gospel in Aaule Village in 2004 AD. As I traveled and shared the gospel, some people believed. I noticed many desired fellowship, so we started a cottage fellowship in my home. More people joined, and the fellowship grew.

On January 26, 2004, we officially declared the fellowship a church, and I was appointed lay pastor. By God's grace, I continue to serve this church faithfully.

#### 4. When Did the Church Start? How Many Believers Were There?

The church started in 2014 AD with 7 members. Through prayer and gospel preaching around the village, it has grown to 30 members. We continue to pray for the spiritual growth and nourishment of the believers to spread God's kingdom.

#### 5. How Many Believers Are There in the Church?

Men: 10Women: 9Children: 11

# 6. Tribe Demographics and Local Conditions

The church mostly serves the Chepang and Tamang tribes. Most people are poor and illiterate. There is no nearby school, and children must walk three hours on foot to attend.

Most villagers are laborers and farmers who work hard in others' fields. The main crops are maize and millets, grown on hilly land unsuitable for agriculture. They work year-round but produce enough food for only six months. They seek opportunities for good jobs, better health care, education, and improved agricultural farming.

## 7. Villages Where the Church Is Situated

The church is situated in Mechhyaraang Village, Raksiraang Rural Municipality-8, Makawanpur District.

#### 8. Prayer Points

- Pray for financial support to sustain and expand the ministry.
- Pray for education, health post establishment, agriculture, and goat farming for a better standard of living.
- Pray for skill development training and food support packages for poor families.
- Pray for continued gospel preaching, new fellowships, and church building.
- Pray for improved transportation and road development to enhance physical infrastructure.