



Prayer for Nepal & Myanmar

(21st ~ 27th Oct.)



	Nepal	Myanmar
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area: 147,181 sq km • Population: 29,852,682 • Annual Growth: 1.86% • Capital: Kathmandu 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area: 676,577 sq km • Population: 50,495,672 • Annual Growth: 0.87% • Capital: Naypyidaw
Peoples/ Religion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peoples: 380 (93% unreached) • Official language: Nepali • Languages: 127 • Christians: 850,801 (2.85%) • Evangelicals: 850,801 (2.9%) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peoples: 142 (36% unreached) • Official language: Buddhist • Languages: 116 • Christians: 4,534,511 (8.98%) • Evangelicals: 2,517,184 (5.0%)
Prayer	<p>Freedom of religion is guaranteed by law, but only in limited measures. Non-Hindus cannot proselytize. If they do, they risk fines, imprisonment and, in the case of expatriates, expulsion. Despite this law, the Church in Nepal grows because of courageous evangelism. Hindu fundamentalists as well as Maoists often single out Christians; their non-violent nature and connections to the West make them soft targets. Pray for perseverance for believers, that neither laws of man nor threats of violence deter them from sharing the gospel.</p>	<p>The military regime seeks to destroy Christianity (which it calls "the C-virus"), yet faith keeps spreading. Christians are generally kept out of positions of power and influence. Military campaigns against Christian minorities are well publicized, and over 3,000 Christian villages have been burned out in the last 10 years. Churches are not given permission to register and are thereby considered illegal and subject to harassment. The expulsion of foreign Christian workers in 1966 left a young church to cope on its own with little mature leadership or infrastructure. Adversity, persecution and isolation have helped shape a resilient, enduring faith</p>
Alumni	39 alumni of ACTS are currently in ministry in Nepal .	52 alumni of ACTS are currently in ministry in Myanmar .