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How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news ...

~ Isaiah 52:7

Testimony Of Puja Mahawat: September 18, 2025

My name is Puja Mahawat, and I am 17 years old. I come from a very hardcore Hindu background and belong to the Mahawat community of Nepal. Our caste is one of the most marginalized groups in the Madhesi society, regarded as Dalit or "untouchable." Traditionally, we were linked with animal related work and also known as community who earns its living by begging but now most engage in daily wage labor, farming. We are very few in number and have been left unreached for generations—socially, educationally, and spiritually. My family, like most in our community, depends on farming for survival. Since my childhood, I grew up watching my family deeply involved in Hindu rituals. Every year during festivals, my father used to pierce his tongue to please gods and goddesses. When asked why he did such painful things, he could only say that some spirit forced him to do so. Along with this, my family followed many rituals and traditions with great seriousness. A few years ago, something shocking happened in our home—my elder brother accepted Jesus Christ. Because of this, my father became very angry and threw him out of the house. At that time, I didn't take his decision seriously. I thought it was just rebellion against our family tradition. But later, God had His plan for me. About one year ago, I had the opportunity to hear the gospel through a believer from GNN Church. As I listened, something touched my heart deeply. For the first time, I understood why my brother had made such a strong decision to follow Jesus Christ. I felt the same conviction and soon decided to visit the church, which was about 2 km away from my home. There, I came to know the love of Jesus Christ, and I accepted Him as my personal Lord and Savior. After believing in Jesus, the real challenge began. My parents and relatives started opposing me. They scolded me with harsh words and continually pressured me to leave Christ. Many times, they tried to stop me from attending church fellowship, but I did not give up. Finally, just one week ago, my father gave me a strict choice: "Either leave Jesus or leave this home." With boldness and faith, I replied, "I can die, but I cannot leave Jesus." That day, my brother-in-law took me to GNN Church, where I now live and continue to grow in faith. I have gained eternal life and the greatest joy in Jesus Christ. My strong faith is not from me but from the Lord who gives me strength. I humbly request all brothers and sisters in Christ to remember me in your prayers—that I may continue to stand firm and that through my life, my family and community may also come to know the truth of the gospel. All glory to the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen



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