

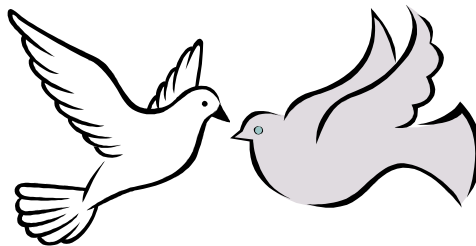
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*Education Training and Service for Community Nepal.*

*Hetauda-3, Purano Makwanpur Road,*

*Makwanpur Nepal.*

*“Peace building initiative”*



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*Love your neighbor as the self.*

### About us:

*ETSC-N is a community based organization working for the most vulnerable community. It was established with the joint effort and co-operation of local leaders in 1998 A.D. Organization gives emphasis on working for achieving the common issues such as by developing the accessibility to resource of highly marginalized and disadvantaged communities to bring change in economic, political, religious, social and traditional thoughts.*

### Project Background:

Nepal, a country of approximately 29 million, is in the process of transitioning to a federal democratic republic. During decade long armed conflict there were heavy loss of lives and property. While civilian authorities generally maintained effective control of the security forces, there were frequent instances in which elements of the security forces acted independently. Members of the security forces committed some human rights abuses during conflict. During the decade long insurgency violence, torture, kidnapping, extortion, and intimidation continued. There were much evidence of human rights abuse & girl trafficking. Many people have prejudice against the government or political parties. This help in fueling the situation of conflict in the country.

### Area of Interventions:

- a. Community Survey:
- b. Orientation on Strategic Peace Building:
- c. Interfaith Seminar:
- d. Forgiveness and Reconciliation:
- e. Debate Programme on Peace Building:
- f. Publication of IEC material:
- g. Group Formation:
- h. Educational Support:
- i. Revolving fund distribution:



**ETSC-N Volunteer on Household Survey.**

#### **a. Community Survey:**

House hold survey was done in 2 VDC's of Makwanpur, 1 VDC Parsha and 1 VDC Khotang district.

s.no	Particular	Number
1.	Number of VDC Surveyed	4
2.	Number of Households	340
3.	Number of Male	902
4.	Number of Female	974
5.	Number of Armed Conflict Afflicted	12
	Total:	2232

***b. Orientation on Strategic Peace Building:***

Strategic peace building has aim to transform of all forms of conflict and contribute to peace process for a long impact. There total of 4 orientation classes with 140 participants.



**Orientation Session.**

***c. Interfaith Seminar:***

People of different discipline gather together in a common platform, where they seek common goal for putting mutual effort for peace. Interfaith Peace Building is training that provides insight for the people of different faith in community contributing peace. Total of 5 training were held with 135 participants in 4 VDC's.



**Sharing experiences on Interfaith Peace Building.**



**d. Forgiveness and Reconciliation Training:**

Course materials aim is to provide solid foundation of Biblical theology to raise awareness on peace and its practices in individual and community level for peace building. Forgiveness and reconciliation workshop helps people identify grievances in personal life. Workshop was held 5 times and 175 participants participated in the training.



Participants of Forgiveness and Reconciliation workshop.



Participants nailing their grievances.

**e. Debate Programme on Peace Building:**

This program was conducted among high school's students in Churiya Mai VDC . The program theme was "The role of students in peace building".



Speaking on theme and Judge to select topper.

## f. IEC Materials:

Peace Building Brochure is to help acknowledge the dynamics of peace. 1000 copies of Peace Brochure was developed and distributed among the constituencies of 4 VDC's.



## Brochure on Peace Building.

## g. Group Formation:

Formation of Peace committee from all faith elders, Interfaith Peace building interaction, training on conflict resolution are the means to deal peace issues and the Mediation process to settle the local disputes are the potential efforts. 3 community groups were organized to take initiation for peace keeping. People of the constituent VDC's were oriented & mobilized for grassroots peace building initiatives.



Peace groups.



ETSC-N representative discussion with peace group.



#### ***h. Educational Support:***

Peace is a program that supports victimized children from rural area. Students from Khotang and Makwanpur were supported.



**Victimized students receiving educational Support.**

#### ***i. Revolving Fund:***

Most marginalized and the needy people were given the resource to mobilize group and income generation.



**ETSC-N Staff coaching the monthly meeting.**



**Group Meeting During Fund Release.**

#### ***Stakeholders Analysis:***

##### ***Stakeholders Meeting:***

There are frequent meeting with the partner organization and constituency's people to make effective peace program. Such visits and interactions have become fruitful on issues related in interventions.



**Field Visit and Monitoring.**



**Stake Holders Meeting.**

### **Forgiveness to family.**

My name is *Meena Tamang*. I am 17 years old. Because of my mother who left us, my father did not look after us. He went to Kathmandu seeking job and becoming more frustrated. I have to look after my family. Our condition was poor. After knowing this my uncle took us home and admitted us to Boarding school. Afterward we did not have to bear tension to feed my brother and sister. I used to get angry at my father and mother making us orphan which led us to fun among other children. It used to happen in my life all the time I was not able to concentrate to get together with friends and share happiness till I was 17.

I had really an incredible time to take part in 3 days workshop on forgiveness and reconciliation. This revealed me to break all the frozen grief in me. I am really feeling enjoying freedom that Jesus provided me. I am thankful to all who contributed to provide the training. I want to meet my parents and speak a lot with joy. I am praying many others who want to get healed get this opportunity.

Thank you!

### **Revenge:**

# My name is *Prem B.K*. Now I am 20 yrs old. I was living with my single mom, it is situated on western hilly part of Nepal. I used to work in fields and market areas. I was not continuing school because of my situation. I had a friend named Tul Bahadur Gharti Magar who belongs to a reputed family with name, fame and money. We were best friends since long back. He used to go to schools. One day we made a plan to visit Pokhara before we left village there was wedding ceremony which we attended during night time my friend had taken bridegroom's camera and early morning we left for Pokhara. I discovered that my friend had stolen that Digital Camera. While we get back to village he started to use that camera to take people's and other friend's photo. Week after the men came from bridegroom's house in search of that camera thinking that this might be taken by some people of that village or had been left there somewhere knowingly. Quickly it is discovered that the camera has been used by my friend till the day. It was a very hard time for my friend. He was about to write SLC final exam, he was from a prestigious family, father was a big contractor known and honored by all people and having a tough manner. If his father would have known

that this camera is stolen by his own son he would do anything terrible, this could be extremely intolerable. At this hard and difficult time I took charge over me and sent camera back to its owner. I love my friends very much and want to not put him in risk in such situation. But situation remained not just simple and quiet. I felt very difficult to be there in the village, so I left the village and I said to my friends whenever my mom comes back from uncle's village which was in Gorkha, please tell her that I have gone to meet my elder brother who

lives in Hetauda but do not tell this case has forced me to flee from here. But the things did not really happen as I expected. After Tul Bahadur become free from accusation and living happily with his parents. I was so worried about my new situation though because of my love to him I was happy to face these difficulties. I left the village and struggling in Hetauda. One day my mother reached back to village and found my absentees. Naturally she asked my friend Tul Bahadur about my whereabouts. Alas!! Tul Bahadur acted very negatively, he scold my mother because of his relation to her son as he is thief. At this she astonished could not believe the statement. She had not been expected to here such awful things about her son. And my friend gave every evidence to prove that I had stolen the camera instead my helpings to him in this case. She grieved and filled with tears. When I came to know all these things that happened and my beloved mother has been given very bad image about me, I just could not stop my self to thinking taking revenge against him. This made me more aggressive and crazy. Days were heavily passing away. I took every minute in making plan for revenge. I promise myself that I will never forgive Mr. Tul Bahadur for his misbehave. In all my relation whom I had made in Hetauda I used to see if there is any corner to develop the way that I may fulfill my intense burning desire. My intention started to bring color I meet people who are willing to favor me with any cost. I managed to arrange pistol and other weapons with my bad companies help. We all were ready to lunch his death operation. And I was looking for optimum time. But a wonderful incident took in my life. I came to believe Christ Jesus. How I came to believe Jesus is one story, my mother was living with me some months back but many things that had happened in her life had made her unbalance in her thoughts. Slowly she was loosing her behavioral uprightness. Medicine and other things were not helping her. Some how she heard that church could help in her situation, she can be healed. That's why I lead her to church and put my self out of door and about to returned back, thought that at the departure time I will come back to take her. But the Pastor of church called me and I get inside and set down. Church service started I heard new things that felt me quite different but relaxed me and felt very easy with those words. I quietly attracted the things of church; again I went church taking my mom. Church people and pastor prayed to God for healing my mothers health is improving. My intention towards my friend whom I wanted to put him even in death had been changed. I determined I wont harm him cause now I am become believers and follower of Jesus Christ and He asked me to forgive my enemies. So I gave up the will of taking revenge. I cancelled all plan and preparation. It was my fortune and Gods grace I had an opportunity to take "forgiveness and reconciliation training for peace building" conducted by ETSC-Nepal in Hetauda. During three days God mightily poured His spirit upon me and I cleansed from the envy and trauma of my past. Training really transformed my heart I really got impressed. Now I know the Gods intended meaning of forgiveness and I repent with God for this. Yes, indeed I was gave up the idea of harming my friends but the heaviness of his betrayed was not ceased from my inner part of heart, in ground reality he was not forgiven fully. God let me filled with His spirit and really forgive him from depth of my heart. Woo!!! Now I became able to do this and enjoying freedom and transformation in my life. Praise the Lord. Now I am far from him but thinking to talk with him by phone. Thanks!

**Note: These stories were shared during the session of Representative forgiveness.**

### ***Get Involved***

*You are **welcome** to extend helping hands in the mission of the ETSC-Nepal. There are many ways in which you and the organizations can get involved with our mission. **Partner with us** in the effort of improving the quality of life of needy communities and get involved in making a meaningful difference in the lives of the poor and marginalized.*

***"Consider becoming an active and responsive partner with us."***

***"Peace be to all that dwelt on earth."***