



## A MESSAGE FROM SHIRLEY HEYWOOD

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Dear Friends



When I last wrote to you in December, I was hoping to return soon to Nepal. A decision to remain for Christmas in UK and return at the New Year meant that my journey to Nepal was prevented by the ban on flights from UK due to the new Covid variant.

I am happy to be able to tell you that this has been lifted. I still need to have a negative Covid test within 72 hours of the flight, and when I arrive, I must quarantine 10 days – the first 5 in a hotel and then if a repeat test is negative, I can complete quarantine in my home.

I have a flight booked on 11th February. I am very relieved that I

am going to be able to return before my current visa expires on February 28th. Then I will need to have a tourist visa until the non-tourist visa is renewed. I have been encouraged by news from Nepal that this process may not be very prolonged. I will not be allowed to work until I again have a non-tourist visa so please pray that the process will go smoothly.

INF and UMN are both in process of renewing five-year agreements with the Government of Nepal and for INF the initial general agreement is close to being completed.

I am happy to know that the health staff in Nepal have the opportunity for Covid-19 vaccination. I am still hoping that I might be able to receive vaccination before I return if there is unused vaccine at the end of a vaccination clinic. We have many patients waiting to be called for treatment and Dr Shuvechchha is still looking forward to joining in Surkhet after I return so I am eager to be back in Surkhet.

Thank you for your prayers and support. I pray that you may remain safe and well and that 2021 will bring new hope and we can all move ahead, remembering the lessons and experiences of this painful year but trusting God that He will lead us out of the darkness of grief, fear, sickness, poverty and despair.

May God bless you



**Shirley**

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