



Your compassion brings blessings to those affected by leprosy.

God keeps on providing through your faithful prayers. Thank you!

"May the Blessings of the Almighty Lord be always with you and TLM Australia." Many of you will remember Amar Timalina from Nepal. His journey with leprosy and faith inspires many people around Australia and the world. Amar is now the Global Network Coordinator for IDEA International. He continues to work towards healing and new life for those affected by leprosy in Nepal and around the world.

Recently your prayers and support made possible the purchase of a motorised scooter.

"Thank you for your generosity with the support of a scooter. We are sure this will help us reach out to our brothers and sisters more easily, bringing enormous efficiency in our daily works."

Amar's gratitude comes from a place of deep faith and compassion for God's people; especially those affected by leprosy and disability. Shovakhar Kandel (country leader for The Leprosy Mission Nepal) expressed his thanks for your support through The Leprosy Mission Australia. His hope for Amar is that this won't be the only vehicle needed. He prays that IDEA will continue to grow in its ability to support people with leprosy.

Your continued prayerfulness allows God to respond at the right time. Networks of support offer hope and opportunities for those affected by leprosy to live a full and healthy life.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

— Philippians 4:6-7

Pray for Amar and the work he does across Nepal. Pray for the blessing of the scooter to both staff and beneficiaries.

In addition, give thanks for the projects you prayerfully support in Nepal. Pray that they too will continue to flourish and bless many people affected by leprosy and disability.

You can show your ongoing love and compassion for the people of Nepal through Total Loving Cure. Together we can stop the transmission of leprosy in Nepal! <https://leprosymission.org.au/projects/tlc-Nepal>

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Your prayers help transform lives like Yahrah's!

Yahrah could defeat leprosy thanks to compassionate people like you.

Thank you for your ongoing prayers for children like Yahrah! Your kind heart gives hope to people affected by leprosy.

Yahrah first showed signs of leprosy when she was 4 years old and a pale patch appeared on her skin.

"My mum thought it was a mild skin infection at first, so she treated me with local herbs, but as the years went by the patches only increased and I felt no sensation on them."

Thanks to a Leprosy Mission awareness session a member of the community advised Yahrah's parents to have her tested. 9 year old Yahrah was diagnosed with leprosy. Both her grandfather and step-mother suffered with leprosy.

A diagnosis of leprosy means many things. Yahrah's mother cried a lot. She was afraid her little daughter might grow up disabled by leprosy, not able to marry and have a family of her own. Yahrah feels sad that her friends avoid playing with her because she has leprosy.

"I feel lonely among other girls my age sometimes..."

Your prayers and compassion make all the difference! Yahrah was happy to hear she would receive free treatment through The Leprosy

Mission supported programme. Her mother is very hopeful that her daughter's treatment would ease her fears for the future. She is committed to help ensure Yahrah takes her medicines according to plan and is careful to prevent any injuries.

Yahrah would like to attend school and get an education. She looks forward to growing into a young woman, getting married and having her own family like every woman in her community. Her family is very thankful to TLM supporters like you.

Pray for children like Yahrah to receive an early diagnosis and avoid disability and stigma.

Pray for Yahrah and her family to continue to grow and flourish within their community.

You can show love to other children like Yahrah by giving them Total Loving Cure. Your monthly gift of tlc will make a real difference. Together, we can stop leprosy, leprosy disability and discrimination in Nigeria.

<https://leprosymission.org.au/projects/TLC-Nigeria>



Thank you for supporting Ram and others affected by leprosy through Anandaban Hospital.

The physical & emotional pain of leprosy reaction. How your prayers work through community groups and organisations to transform lives and bring healing.

Ram Prasad Bhandari knows all too well the pain of leprosy. Ram developed Erythema Nodosum Leprosum (ENL) reaction during the time he was taking Multi-Drug-Treatment (MDT). His fingers swelled and his legs and hands were damaged from his work as a laborer. He was devastated that he couldn't stop getting injured and couldn't heal. He wondered if he could continue to work and what would happen to his family.

On top of this physical pain was the pain of rejection. At the time, Ram and his wife were living with his family and the household began to object to his presence.

His brothers complained about him being unable to work for the family, about his smell, and his appearance. They made him feel unwelcome, even denying him a fan on hot summer days.

This distressed Ram and his wife. Through the Nepal Leprosy Fellowship (NLF) Ram went to Anandaban Hospital and received the medication he needed to fight the severe autoimmune ENL reaction caused by his leprosy. He learned to look after his wounds and received reconstructive surgery on his hand. As a result of good care, his leg wounds healed and did not need amputation. Praise God!

Through the support Ram gained from his wife, NLF and the Self-Help Group established by NLF, Ram found a new life. Now Ram drives a small 3 wheeler electric rickshaw. He uses this to support his family. In times of need, he transports those who have difficulty walking due to wounds on their legs, or reaction cases free of charge. He carries suspected cases to Health Posts for proper diagnosis. Ram is a great advocate for others within the leprosy and disability community.

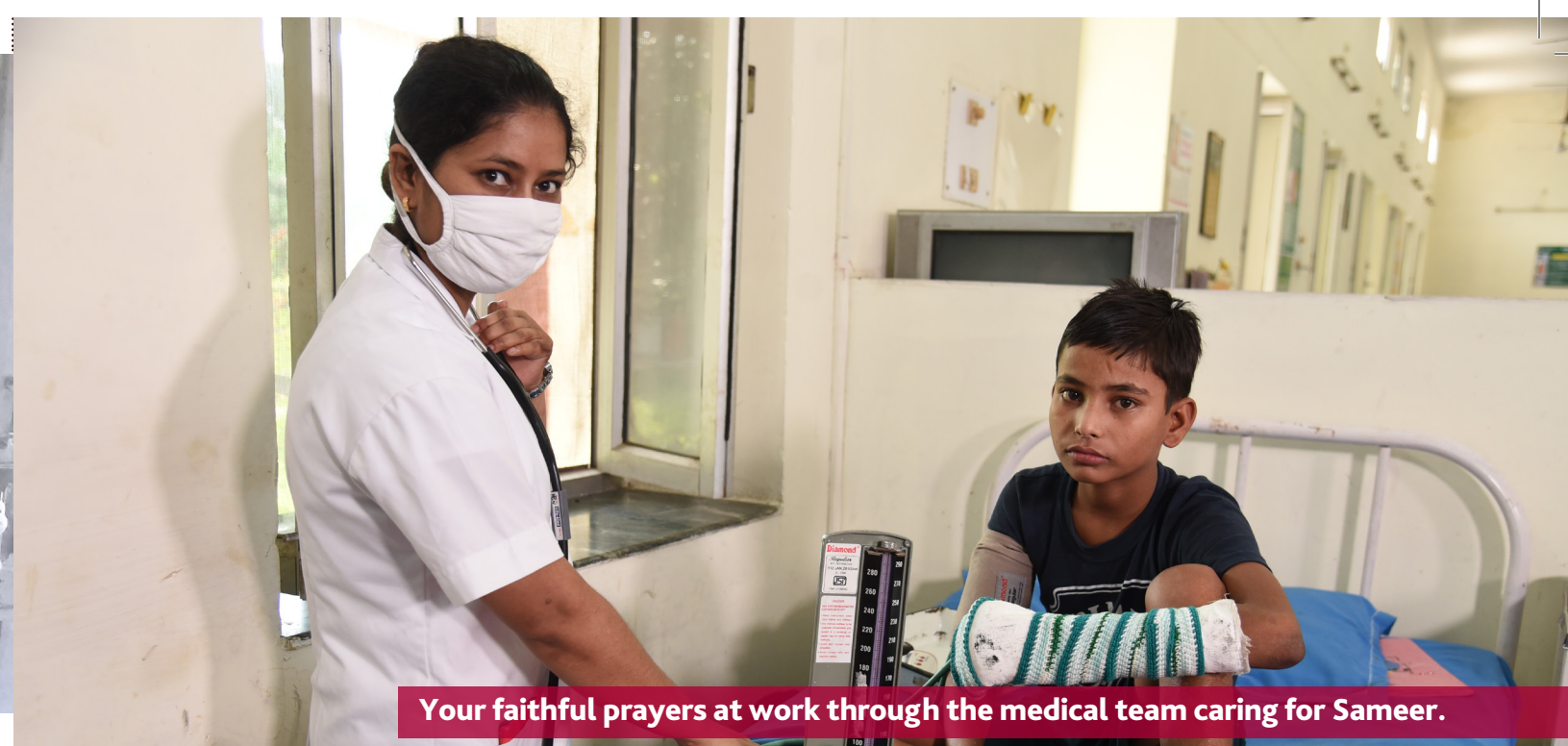
Ram now lives with his wife and daughter in their own house. He has been physically, socially, religiously and economically active since his recovery. **Thank you for your prayers and kindness towards people like Ram and his family.**

Pray for Ram and his family to continue to be active participants in community life. Pray that others suffering the pain of leprosy would seek and find treatment at hospitals such as Anandaban.

Your compassionate heart can continue to show kindness through our project in partnership with Nepal Leprosy Fellowship. Show your kindness here: <https://leprosymission.org.au/jhapale-leprosy-reduction>



This project is supported by the Australian Government through the Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP). Thanks to ANCP and our supporters, this project is able to help improve the well-being of people affected by leprosy and disability in Nepal.



Your faithful prayers at work through the medical team caring for Sameer.

Your Leprosy Mission Hospitals restore and transform lives!

Thanks to people like you, Sameer can look forward with hope!

Your prayers for children affected by leprosy in India like Sameer are inspiring! Sameer loved playing games with his friends, running and playing soccer. Then he noticed that something was wrong. He discovered patches on his body, loss of feeling in his left leg, and he couldn't grip his slippers properly when he walked. His family took him to a hospital where he was diagnosed with leprosy.

Sameer needed reconstructive surgery for his left hand, left foot and right hand. These surgeries take a long time to recover from and require extensive physiotherapy.

Following the first surgery for his left foot Sameer was able to walk again – praise God!

After recovering from this surgery, Sameer had his left hand reconstructed to correct deformities. This too was successful and Sameer was now able to hold objects, button his shirt and even play board games!

Because of the long recovery time Sameer was reluctant to have the third surgery on his right hand. With support from his family and counselling from staff at The Leprosy Mission Hospital Sameer agreed to have the reconstructive surgery.

Sameer is currently undergoing post-operative physiotherapy following the successful surgery. According to the doctors treating him, he should be able to go home after two weeks, with no deformity whatsoever. **What a wonderful answer to your prayers!**

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

— Hebrews 10:23-24

Thank God for prayerful people like you! Your kind and compassionate hearts for children like Sameer are needed now as much as ever. Please continue to pray and uphold those who suffer from leprosy. Pray that others too will lift their voices with you to seek God's healing and renewal.

Pray for the continued recovery of Sameer and for his future participation in family, school and community life.

Pray for the hospitals in India that they will have the funding and capacity to continue their life changing work.

You can continue to show your kindness and compassion by giving to the Salur and Kothara Hospitals: <http://leprosymission.org.au/projects/save-our-hospitals>