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Greetings,

There has been an ache in my heart my whole adult life that I was not sure what to do with. It was not until I became a Christian that I knew what to do with that pull. I have been serving in my church for many years and this has shown me what I was missing -- *God's love and helping people*. I have now been given a chance to help in different way.

I will be leaving for **Nepal October 21st and serving with Global Outreach Mission till the end of November**. This will be my first time but hopefully not the last, that I will be doing this type of trip, helping to improve the lives of the poverty stricken people of this world.

With that in mind, I will be meeting a team of volunteers from France and Canada in Katmandu, Nepal to assist in installing small cook stoves and solar panels. This will replace the open pit fire inside the homes that is their light source, heat and cooking place. It also means that their homes will no longer be full of smoke -- *greatly improving their living conditions and extending their life expectancy!*

Nepal is a country about twice the size of New Brunswick with a population almost the same as Canada. It is land locked between India and China, the two most populated countries in the world. The World Bank lists Nepal as one of the poorest countries (155/185) of the world with the annual income of only \$2,245. Life expectancy in the remote areas has been estimated around age 40. The open fires in their homes for heat and light pollute the air and cause many sicknesses. Much of the country is very difficult to access because of the mountains. People in these areas often live like they have for hundreds of years without electricity, running water, and basic sanitation. Access to school and medicine is also very limited within these areas. The people we will be helping are in Maina, a village in north western Nepal many days travel outside of nearest city and when the roads end it will be another 2 days of walking up the mountainous country side. Our goal is to install as many solar & stove units as we can in the time we are in the village.

I need to raise **\$4515.00** which will cover my flights, country visa, food, accommodation, domestic travel and a contribution to the project. If you wish to help me financially the donation information is noted below. All contributions towards my trip will receive a donation receipt.

I thank you with all sincerity and may God bless you.

Mike Clark

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DONATION INFORMATION: Checks should be made payable to Global Outreach Mission and mailed to the appropriate address indicated below. Please be sure to enclose a note indicating gift is to be designated to MIKE CLARK-NEPAL.

Official tax receipts will be issued for donations.

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Be sure to indicate my name in the comment box.

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