



## Khrishna's story

**When the earthquake struck Khrishna was outside his modest home. The ground began to shake. He realised what was happening and yelled to his wife Pushpo to come outside. As she tried to get out she lost her footing and slipped. She grabbed the doorway for support but the house collapsed on top of her. She was killed instantly.**

Khrishna passed out and only regained consciousness an hour later. He had suffered a horrific trauma. His dear wife was dead.

Khrishna contracted leprosy many years ago when he was a teenage boy but, because it wasn't diagnosed and treated quickly, the disease caused permanent damage to his

hands. Pushpo had supported him financially and helped him manage at home, as well as being by his side for 25 years. Now his home and all that he owned was in ruins. Even the milk buffalo that earned the family a meagre living was under the rubble.

Overcome with despair, Khrishna wanted to die too. It was only the tearful pleas of his sons Kamal, 12 and Ashok, 18, that stopped him from killing himself. Now, Khrishna is determined to look after his sons, even if that means begging to survive. He desperately needs a new home – a safe place to raise his youngest son.

**He needs your help.**



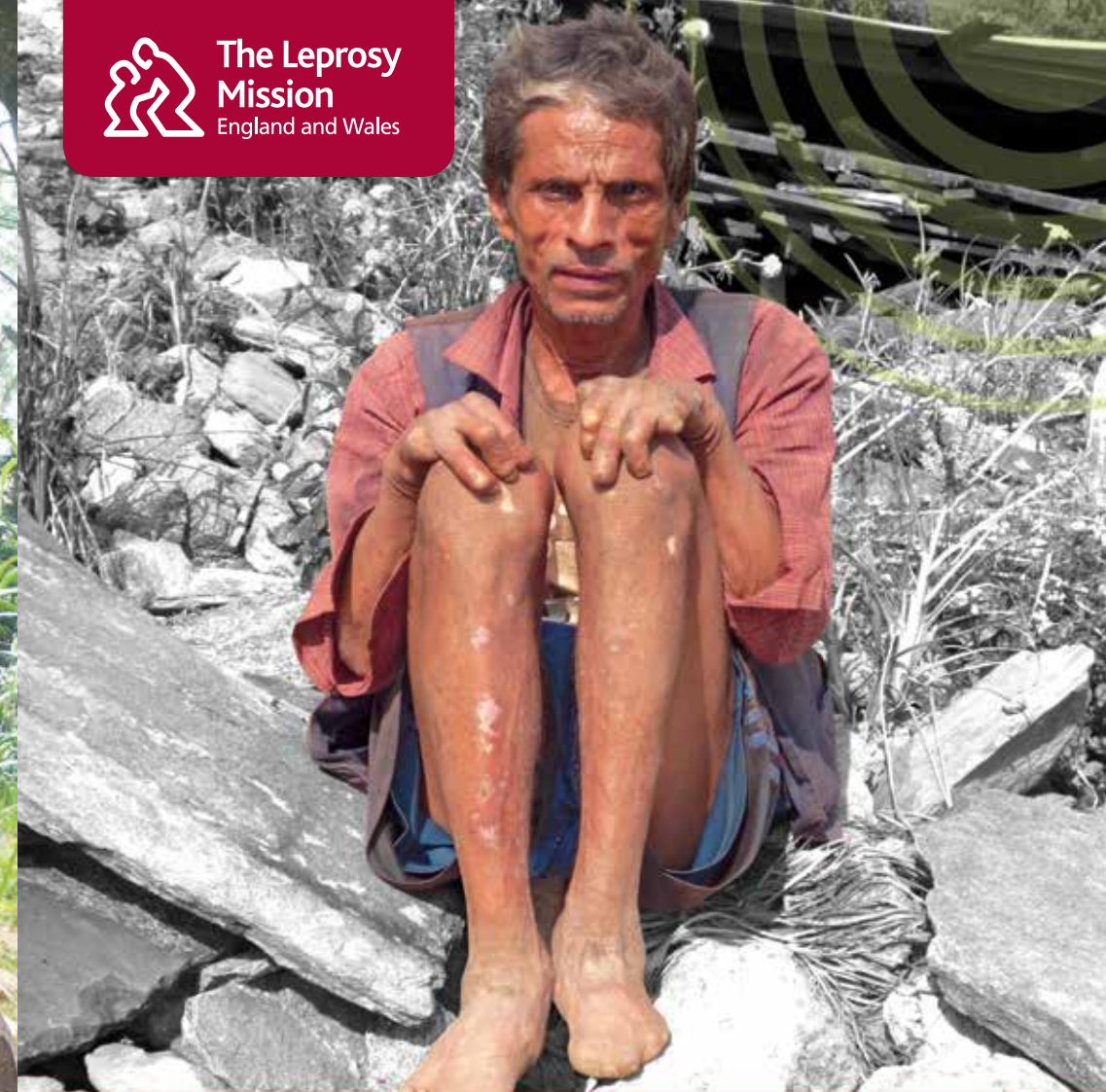
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**For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything.**  
Hebrews 3:4 (NIV)





# Families need to rebuild their lives



**On 25 April 2015 a powerful 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck the central region of Nepal, shortly followed by another. It left a trail of death and devastation, killing almost 9,000 people, including 2,500 children, and destroying or damaging more than a million homes.**

In its immediate aftermath injured people flocked to The Leprosy Mission hospital in Anandaban where your generous donations provided thousands of people with surgery, treatment for fractures and wounds, emergency food supplies and tin sheets for temporary shelters.

The hospital, the only one for miles around, suffered some structural damage and the homes of dozens of doctors, nurses and support staff were either completely or partially destroyed.

In the villages, where stone and mud houses once stood there are now piles of rubble.

**People affected by leprosy have been especially hard hit**

Already the poorest of the poor, many lost their livelihoods and their homes. Tragically some families also lost their loved ones.

Winter is coming. People whose lives have been devastated are shivering in the cold and rain in make-shift shelters. These shelters do not last long and cannot protect people from the worst of the winter weather. Until they have a home these families cannot start to rebuild their lives.

Nepal has dropped from the headlines but the people there remain in great need – people who are already disabled by leprosy are destitute. They desperately need your support.

## Please hold a World Leprosy Sunday

**Could your church mark a Sunday between 1 January and 25 April 2016 as your World Leprosy Sunday?**

Your local Regional Manager and Leprosy Mission Volunteer Speakers are now available for bookings, to come and speak at your Sunday service.

Please call **01733 370505** to contact your local Regional Manager.

### We can also provide:

- A short film (7 mins maximum) on DVD to show in your service
- Sermon notes and prayers to use in your service\*
- Children's activities\*
- Donation envelopes to hold a collection

*\*Available to download from [www.worldleprosunday.org.uk](http://www.worldleprosunday.org.uk) from 1 December 2015*

## How to help the people of Nepal:

- You could hold a special collection during your World Leprosy Sunday service.
- Invite your church to help rebuild part of a house – or even a whole house! A wonderful donation of £2,500 could completely rebuild an earthquake resistant home for a family devastated by the earthquake.
- Organise a simple fundraising event such as a coffee morning, bake sale, quiz night or Lent lunch.

**Here is a gift towards rebuilding homes and lives in Nepal**



- ☐ I am/we are giving **£55** which could buy a pallet of 500 bricks to get rebuilding underway
- ☐ I am/we are giving **£550** which could build two new walls of a home from scratch
- ☐ I am/we are giving **£2,500** which could rebuild a home for a family devastated by the earthquakes
- ☐ I am/we are giving to £  rebuild homes and lives in Nepal

Title:  First Name:

Surname:

Church name/ address:

Postcode:

My email address is:  \*

Telephone:           \* \*I am happy for The Leprosy Mission to contact me this way.

☐ I enclose a cheque/postal order made payable to **The Leprosy Mission**  
**OR Please debit my:**

☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ CAF Card ☐ Maestro £  amount

Card no.:

Valid from (if available):  /  /  Expiry date:  /  /

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☐ **I would like to give a regular gift to bring hope and restoration to people affected by leprosy, please send me a Direct Debit mandate.**

We will use your gifts to help rebuild homes and lives in Anandaban. If we exceed our target we will use your gifts to help other people suffering the effects of leprosy around the world.

☐ **Tick here and make your donation go further with Gift Aid**

Please treat all donations I have made to The Leprosy Mission for the four years prior to this donation, and all future donations I make, as Gift Aid donations. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my charitable donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. If you have bought a gift on behalf of a group please remember you can't Gift Aid it.

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