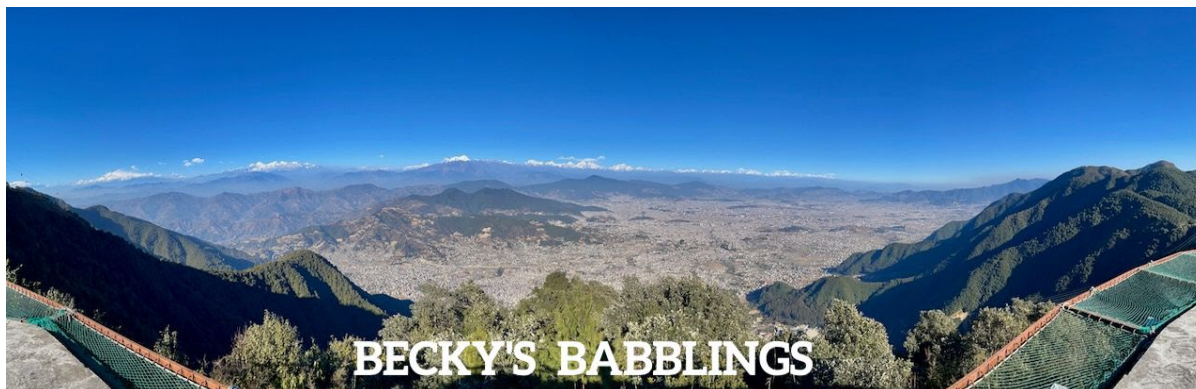


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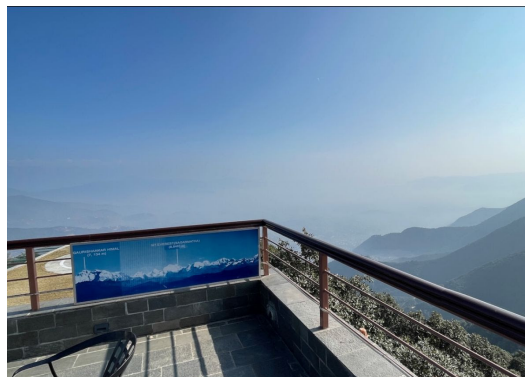
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I listened to a local man talking about his misery after his only son was killed a few months back. He shared how he couldn't sleep at night. This despite, try to read and then putting several different types of Hindu holy books under his pillow each night. "There is no one hurting as much as me in this world", he exclaimed

What a stark contrast between my believing friend who was listening in. She too had actually gone through a similar situation at close to the same time, losing a nephew who they had raised like a son to probable suicide. Yet, she is at peace and gracefully exuding joy and service to those around her. Why? Because she has our Lord to rest in despite the heart-rending loss. She has and hopefully will continue to have opportunities to share the hope that is in her with this neighbor who is struggling without answers.

There are so many in this world that are living without the hope we have. Asking that more will have the opportunity to hear the Truth.

At the end of my time in the city, I had the wonderful opportunity to take a couple days of retreat for prayer and vision. I was so blessed to hit perfect weather and be able to be in a unique and special place as well.



And just to let you know how fortunate the timing was for my visit.

Maybe this will answer your questions about seeing Mt. Everest.
Can you pick it out in a view overlooking the city?



I had the more usual view in this area on my last morning.



*A different view of the
planes coming into the
city.*

*This is the route and type
of plane that I travel on.*



The resort is reached by a cable car ride of 2.5 miles to a height over 8000ft.

This was shot from my room.

I have returned to the Far West after 3 weeks in town. Overall the research renewal process went smoothly and in close to record time. However, I only have a six-month renewal. My visa (the amazing 5 year one I have had) runs out in May this year. I will have

to return in April to go through the whole process plus the 2 extra offices and funds to get a visa and research renewal. It's unclear how this will go and it doesn't sound like the longer visas are being granted any more. There still are powers that are against our presence and work. Recently our "related" social organizations have been having direct opposition to their renewals because of what they stand for. It's always an adventure to hang in around here.

In the next couple of months, we will be visiting the rural area where we will need to conduct a survey for my research project. First we need to gather more information to better plan the actual survey, and also to pave the way for needed permission and assistance. Then, the actual survey will need to be done. Please be interceding for my partner who is a necessity in making this happen. He has continued to have different health issues as well as other home problems. We will definitely need for both of us to be healthy for these efforts.

I continue to ask and look for opportunities out here. I keep on with various things related to our local body, and also am working on finishing some translation of some materials that we are hoping can be used to encourage growth and strength of new ones in the family here.

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