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INDIA

December 21, 1956.

The Rev. J.J.P. Tiga,
President, G.E.L.C.,
Ranchi, Bihar.

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I have not written to any individuals on my own accord. I did not write even to Dr Sovik about the Gossner Church affairs until he wrote to me about them. How under such circumstances your Executive Committee should have worded a resolution the way it did passes my comprehension.

I have nothing but goodwill towards the Gossner Church and pray almost every day for peace being restored in your Church.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter and place it before your Executive Committee.

Yours sincerely,
R.B. Manikam
(R.B. Manikam)
President, F.E.L.C.

Copy to Dr Arne Sovik.

AP/1278/F/2.

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All Delegates, F. E. L. C. Triennial Convention

Thro' The Church Presidents.

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Here in Renigunta mosquitoes are very bothersome this year.

3. The cost of food is Rs. 3-8-0 per day and there will be a common mess and all meals will be of Indian mixed diet. European diet will not be served except to those under medical care.
4. We request that you register at the time of arrival. Registration will take place in the main hall.
5. If Committee meetings are to be held which require the use of special rooms, please inform us in advance as much as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Renigunta, 20-12-56

Sincerely,
Sd. N. M. WILLIAMS
Sd. Rev. H. G. SCHAEFER

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT RENIGUNTA Junction.

Schedule....A

Schedule....B

Going north from Madras to Bombay.

Coming south from Bombay to Madras.

Name of Train	No.	Arrival time	Name of Train	No.	Arrival time
Arkonam-Renigunta Pas.	443	9-35 A.M.	Raichur-Madras Pas	426	8-27 A.M.
Madras-Bombay Express	12	10-21 A.M.	Bombay-Madras Bi-weekly Janata-Mon.&Thurs.	13	12-17 P.M.
Madras-Raichur Pas	425	1-58 P.M.	Bombay-Madras Express	11	4-2 P.M.
Arkonam-Renigunta Pas.	441	6-45 P.M.	Gooty-Renigunta Mixed	436	10-50 P.M.
Madras-Bombay bi-weekly Janata-Mon.&Fri.	14	4-11 P.M.	Bombay-Madras Mail	9	2-17 A.M.
Madras-Renigunta Pas.	417	9-45 P.M.			
Madras-Bombay Mail	10	12-38 A.M.			

Schedule...C

Schedule....D

From Gudur to Renigunta

Via Katpadi & Pakala

Name of Train	No.	Arrival time	Name of Train	No.	Arrival time
Gudur Villupuram Pas.	1151	10-20 A.M.	Katpadi -Gudur Pas	1158	5 A.M.
Gudur-Katpadi Pas.	1157	2 P.M.	do	1154	9-41 A.M.
do	1153	4-7 P.M.	VillupurampGudur Pas.	1152	3-30 P.M.
Gudur-Tirupati Pas.	1163	9-29 P.M.	Katpadi-Renigunta Pas.	1160	11-30 A.M.

P.S. (a) Delegates coming from Calcutta and Hyderabad side should change at Gudur Junction to Metre gauge and take a train listed in Schedule 'C' at Gudur Junction, or proceed to Madras and take a train listed in Schedule 'A'.

(b) Trains bound to Renigunta from Gudur Junction (see section 'C') will start at the following timings at Gudur.

Train no.	Departure at Gudur.
1151	5-45 A.M.
1157	8-55 A.M.
1153	11-40 A.M.
1163	4-40 P.M.

(2) Please inform us the time of your expected arrival either at Gudur or at Renigunta so that we may meet you at the station. Jeevagram is two miles away from Renigunta Railway station. Please send your communication to Mr. S.B. Aaron L.T. Assistant, Receptionist, Jeevagram, Renigunta, Chittoor Dt., Andhra Pradesh.

Sd. N.M. Williams

Sd. Rev. H. G. Schaffer.

Conveners for the Local F.E.L.C.

Renigunta, D/ 11th December 1956.

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Dated. May 17, 1957.

The Regional Director (Food),
Ministry of Food & Agriculture,
Government of India,
8 Esplanade Rd., CALCUTTA.

Sub: Gift shipment Ex. s.s. Express (IN-1061) consisting
7,915 Cartons Non-fat Dry Milk Spray, being received
from Church World Service of U.S.A. under the terms
of INDO-U.S. Agreement of July 9, 1951.

Dear Sirs:

In continuation to our shipping instructions dated 26th April 57, we give below the names and addresses of the three consignees to whom the remaining 1,115 cases of milk are to be despatched from the above shipment. The quantity to be sent appears after each name and the name of the Railway Station to which it is to be booked is underlined in the address.

700 Cases for a wagon load are to be sent to Jorhat as per our letter dated 17th May, 1957. This concludes the entire shipment IN-1061.

Assam State:

SIBSAGAR DIST.

Dr. C. Manin, 700
Jorhat Christian Hospital,
JORHAT. RLY. STN. JORHAT.

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SAHARSA DIST.

Rev. W. R. Hoke, 200
Brethern in Christ Mission,
P.O. Saharsa, SAHARSA.
RLY. STN. SAHARSA.

West Bengal State:

BANKURA DIST.

Rev. C. C. Pande, 215.
Methodist Mission,
Mission House,
BANKURA.
RLY. STN. BANKURA JN.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

R. M. Chetsingh
Ranjit M. Chetsingh,
for Edward Benedict,
Representative.

C.c. Port Representative (2 copies)
Church World Service,
Social Welfare Advisor, T.C.M.,

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India, Dy. Director General of
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Renigunta, 20-12-56.

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FILE

Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagour & Assam.

Ref. No. 1216/57.

G.E.L. Church Compound
Ranchi.

The 16th May, 1957.

From Rev. J. J. P. Tige, M.A., B.D., S.T.M.

To

Mr. Martin Henry,
Kotma.

Dear Brother Henry,

I thank you very much for all of your ~~xxxx~~ letters received recently and I am arranging to comply with the same. Just now I am in the same situation as before.

Regarding your bill dated 9.4.57 I wish to inform you that the C.C. Executive found some difficulty in receiving the bill just because the C.C. never paid such bills before. These expenses were incurred in your office as financial Secretary and I am sure, Mr. Meyer will be quite ready to pay it. If you want I shall write to him. We thank you for your prayers and good wishes for my son. We often remember Rev. Raymond Martin and his good wife.

With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

J. J. P. Tige

President,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

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February 19, 1957

To

FELC

The Rev. J. J. P. Tiga,
President, G. E. L. Church,
Ranchi.

Dear Rev. Tiga,

I hope you are in receipt of my circular letter dated 31.1.'57 (a copy of which is enclosed herewith) and another letter d/5.2.'57 communicating to you three resolutions from the minutes of the last Conference of the FELC held at Renigunta. Will you please answer those two letters? The next Ex. Council of the FELC will meet at Gurukul, Madras, on March 8-9, 1957 and it will be better if we can place before ~~that~~ the Ex. Council some information regarding your Church. Also, kindly note that we deferred action on the whole matter of Calcutta work as you were not able to be present for the FELC Conference at Renigunta. So, it will be very helpful if you can report on the matter of Calcutta work to the next meeting of the Ex. Council. I shall appreciate to receive that report in advance before the Council meets ^{at} March 8-9, '57.

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Some can't go to the meeting. Please advise some one else convene of the Cal. Cee. Thanking you. At the end of this month when full of. info meet.

Yours sincerely,

G. Krupadanam
Secretary
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*Reply
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Please let me have the report which you intend to give on this Calcutta Work so that it may be included in the agenda for the next meeting of the Ex. Committee to be held at Madras on March 8-9, '57.

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SECRETARY
(G. Krupadanam)

True COPY.

The Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India.

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Secretary,
(G. Krupadanam)

LUTHERAN N.M.S.
BUDGET 1957.

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>Contribution from the Churches and individuals.</u>	<u>Rs.</u>
1. A.E.L.C.		7000/-
2. T.E.L.C.		6000/-
3. S.A. L.C.		2000/-
4. A.L. C.(D.M.S.)		2000/-
5. M.PR.E.L.C.		600/-
6. Ebenezer E.L.C.		300/-
7. J.E.L.C.		400/-
8. East Jeypore		100/-
9. G.E.L.C.		2000/-
10. Field and other contributions		1000/-
11. Other Sources.		1200/-
		<u>22600/-</u>

(This makes a provision of Rs.5000/- for the Shahdol Medical Project).

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
1. Salaries & Allowances including rents.		12000/-
2. Office Deputation, Publicity Work & Printing &c.		1500/-
3. Stationery & Postage		200/-
4. Medicines		300/-
5. Travel Field workers and Members.		600/-
6. The Kotma Project		1500/-
7. The Shahdol Medical Project.		5000/-
8. Field incidentals, equipment, repairs & contingencies		1000/-
9. Provident Fund Contribution.		400/-
		<u>22500/-</u>

THE N.M.S. FRIENDS REGARDING THE SHAHDOL WORK:

Pastor Titus Spencer has secured a small house at Shahdol on rent, and shifted from Kotma and took up his residence at Shahdol on Feb-8. This house belongs to Mr. Agarwal, who sold the 13 acre site to us in Aug. 1953. It is very close to his house and not far from the railway station. Pastor Spencer is very happy to begin the Lord's work in this large town and surrounding areas and asks for evangelists and Bible Women. For his itinerant work, this house is quite good and also one of his responsibilities will be to contact the Rent Controller with the help of Mr. B. Sharaf, Advocate, Supreme Court, who has promised to help us, and Mr. Agarwal and secure the needed larger buildings for the Hospital and residences. In his letter d/10th Feb., Advocate Mr. Sharaf says "Accommodation in the vicinity desired is possible. We have constructed some rooms on the main road and the construction will be complete in due course. We can spare a few of them which will serve the purpose of accommodating the hospital. For residential purposes separate arrangements will have to be made.

In the meanwhile Dr. Zigler and Dr. Gesler visited Shahdol on the 14th with a view to inspect our N.M.S. site and propose a lay out for the four acre plot to be reserved for congregational and evangelistic purposes and nine acres for the hospital. It is very kind of them to have agreed to visit this area and propose a lay out of roads and the location of buildings and later to work out plans for essential buildings to have a twenty bed hospital to start with. The task that they have so kindly undertaken in response to the request of our Lutheran Council is a very responsible task so vital for the future both initially and in later years. We request that our good N.M.S. friends will follow them even hereafter and remember them especially when they are actually working out the details for the lay out etc.

We are also appealing to friends in all our supporting Churches to give monthly contribution with a view not only to raise Rs.1000/- per month needed as recurring expenses but also the money needed for the equipment and for late developments. Side by side with the medical work, we have to be training an increasing staff of evangelists to carry out our main objective. Soliciting your prayers. T

Tambaram: 16.2.1957

G.D. ASIRVADAM, in-Charge of
Shahdol Publicity.

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BELGIUM

Plans Announced for Ecumenical Pavilion

(Brussels) - With the opening of the Brussels Universal and International Exhibition less than five months away, preparations for the Ecumenical Pavilion are moving into their final stages, according to Reformed Pastor Pieter Fagel, leader of the small group of Belgian Protestants which has spearheaded the project.

The focal point of ecumenical interest at the Exhibition will be a "small but fine" modern building of aluminium and steel. Praised by the Exhibition's chief architect as one of the best designs in the huge Exhibition, the pavilion is the work of Mr. Paul Calame, and will use materials from most of the countries of Western Europe. The pavilion will stand on an 11,000 square feet plot in the centre of the 500-acre grounds, near the 462-foot high "Atomium", symbol of the Exhibition. The Exhibition, expected to draw more than thirty million people, opens on April 17 and closes on October 19.

In the building's circular chapel, designed to be used by various denominations, short daily noon hour and evensong services will be held during the Exhibition. On Sundays services will be held in the four official languages of the Exhibition - German, French, English and Dutch. An ecumenical exhibit, showing the work of the church around the world, is being planned by Mr. Robert Kurtz, of Zurich, Switzerland.

At the close of the Exhibition, plans call for moving the pavilion to a permanent site near Brussels where it will be used as an ecumenical centre - the only one in the country.

The pavilion project was originally started by leaders of the tiny Protestant Church in Belgium. "There are only 75,000 Protestants in a country with

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a population of 8,500,000.) Only during the last few months has it begun to catch the interest of Protestants around the world. During the past summer, the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches commended the pavilion as "worthy of support". A group of American church people have set up a laymen's committee which hopes to raise a considerable sum; the United Bible Societies have pledged \$10,000; churches in Belgium are raising \$20,000; a gift of nearly \$23,000 from churches in Germany meant that construction on the pavilion could begin last May; last month the Ecumenical Council of Churches in the Netherlands voted to help the project. Other gifts are expected from Great Britain, New Zealand and Switzerland.

E.P.S., Geneva

UNITED KINGDOM

British Churches Oppose Change in Central African Constitution

The International Department of the British Council of Churches has criticised a proposal to alter the system of electing Africans to the assembly of the Central African Federation.

The measure, which came before the British parliament this week, provides for increasing the number of members in the assembly from 35 to 59. It was passed by one vote in the Central African Federation's parliament, but was opposed by the African Affairs Board, the body of 3 Africans and 3 Europeans set up under the constitution to safeguard African interests. The board says the proposal reduces the parliamentary influence of Africans in what was envisaged as an inter-racial partnership. As a final decision would affect the constitution, it must be approved by the British parliament.

The International Department of the British Council of Churches, which also represents the Conference of British Missionary Societies, declares that the churches had urged African Christians to accept the Federation proposals on the understanding that everything would be done to improve race relations. Recognising that "there are a number of positive provisions in the bill which look forward to the ultimate goal of the abolition of communal representation, a goal which has its full support", the International Department goes on to say that "genuine non-racial representation requires a certain level of inter-racial understanding and confidence", and that "it cannot be claimed that this has yet been achieved". It says evidence received on this point, particularly from Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, is virtually unanimous.

According to the International Department, "rightly or wrongly, the African understanding was that there would be no alteration in the constitutional provisions before 1960. If the British Parliament accepts such variation now, the confidence of the Africans will be still further undermined. The approval of the bill at this juncture, in the Department's view, cannot but have lasting consequences in the further deterioration of race relationships. Such real benefits as the bill is designed to secure could be provided for at the time of the review of the constitution."

In March, 1953, when Central African Federation was still under consideration, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the then Moderator of the Church of Scotland and the then Moderator of the Free Church Federal Council in the United Kingdom, wrote an open letter to "The Times", which said that "the scheme must be judged by whether or not it may be expected to promote the growth of mutual trust and good will between the racial groups living in Central Africa, on which alone a genuine multi-racial society can be built."

E.P.S., Geneva

COLOMBIAEvangelicals Report Decrease in Acts of Violence

(Bogota) - The Evangelical Confederation of Colombia has reported "a decrease in acts of violence or discrimination against Protestants" in the period from June to September. According to the official bulletin of the organisation, "it is to be hoped that this trend will continue in all the country".

The bulletin pointed out that on September 30 Interior Minister Jose Maria Villareal pledged that the government, "faithful to its democratic principles, will do everything in its power to restore constitutional rights to all Colombians". (See EPS Nos. 36 and 39.) The bulletin added that Protestant work in Colombia continues to be handicapped, pointing out that no Protestant schools are permitted in the so-called Mission Territories, which make up two-thirds of the area of Colombia; in non-mission territory, many Protestant schools remain closed, leaving Protestant children without formal education unless they are willing to attend government schools and take part in Roman Catholic religious ceremonies; Protestants are not allowed to "make public demonstrations of their faith through radio broadcasts or public meetings".

The Confederation is made up of fourteen Protestant groups.

E.P.S., Geneva

HUNGARYTomb of Early Christian Bishop Found

(Budapest) - A fourth-century tomb of a Christian bishop has been unearthed in the small town of Szony, about sixty miles northwest of Budapest.

The tomb of the bishop, along with several others, was discovered when a site was being excavated for a new oil refinery. Experts reported finding a silver-mounted crozier and various liturgical vessels of bronze and glass in the bishop's grave.

E.P.S., Geneva

HUNGARYChurchmen Reject Bishop Bereczky's Resignation

(Budapest) - The annual assembly of the Danubian District of the Hungarian Reformed Church has voted unanimously against accepting the resignation of Dr. Albert Bereczky from the office of bishop.

Bishop Bereczky, 65, had asked the assembly to accept his resignation because of ill health. Originally, he had resigned his office after the revolution last October. Consideration of the resignation has been pending.

In poor health for years, Bishop Bereczky suffered a stroke at Emden, Germany, last August, while attending a meeting of the World Presbyterian Alliance.

Bishop Bereczky reported on developments within the Reformed Church since the last Assembly in 1955. He said he regretted that the World Council of Churches had "interfered" with the affairs of the Reformed Church "both at Galyatető and afterwards". (The Central Committee of the WCC met in Galyatető, Hungary, in the summer of 1956.) However, Bishop Bereczky continued, despite attempts by outside churches to interfere with its affairs, the Hungarian Church still desires to "strengthen its ties" with the World Council.

Mr. Janos Horvath, president of the State Office for Church Affairs, addressed the Assembly.

E.P.S., Geneva

NEW ZEALANDPresbyterians Concerned About Mormon Mission Activities

(Christchurch) - The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand is drawing up a statement that will set forth "in simple terms the issues at stake for the guidance of Presbyterians confronted by Mormon missionaries".

Church officials have reported that many young Mormon missionaries are at work in New Zealand, and that "their influence will grow with the opening of their big new temple at Hamilton". A coeducational college that will accommodate 820 students, being built by the Mormons near Hamilton, is almost ready. Costing more than £3,000,000, the buildings are being paid for by United States Mormons and built by New Zealand volunteers, most of them Maoris. A speaker in the New Zealand Presbyterian Assembly said that the Mormon Church is planning to send 500 missionaries to New Zealand in the near future, half of them trained in the Maori language. (A report made in 1951 said that there were 13,000 Mormon adherents in New Zealand, most of them Maoris, and that 100 American Mormon missionaries were active in New Zealand.)

E.P.S., Geneva

YUGOSLAVIABan Lifted on Journal of Moscow Patriarchate

(Belgrade) - The Yugoslav government has lifted a five-year-old ban on the importation and distribution of the Journal of the Moscow Patriarchate, official organ of the Russian Orthodox Church.

It was reported in Yugoslavia that the ban was lifted at the request of Patriarch Alexius, supreme head of the Russian Church, who visited Yugoslavia in October as head of a twelve-man delegation of Russian churchmen.

The ban on the Journal of the Moscow Patriarchate was imposed in 1952, after Russian church leaders attacked President Tito and Yugoslavia during the Cominform dispute between the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia.

E.P.S., Geneva

UNITED STATES"Catholic World" Speaks on Oberlin

(New York) - Progress towards reunion of Roman Catholicism and Protestantism at the September Oberlin conference on "The Nature of the Unity We Seek" was "so slight in view of the vastness of the schism, as to be almost imperceptible", according to Father John B. Sheerin, writing in the November issue of "The Catholic World".

Father Sheerin, an unofficial Catholic observer at the conference (see EPS No. 35), cited the sincerity of the delegates and the return to Biblical theology as hopeful signs. He described the conference as an attempt "to discover what kind of unity Christ wanted, mere fellowship or a uniform creed or even a compact unity of faith, sacraments and hierarchy. Many delegates claimed that Christ established a unified visible structure that has been shattered. The Catholic position, of course, is that the essential, visible structural unity has not and cannot be broken."

Protestants will not come closer to Catholicism, Father Sheerin writes, "until we Catholics stop talking about the visible organisation of the Church as we might talk about a business organisation".

Father Sheerin commented that he was impressed by the sincerity of the delegates; bewildered by the diversity of beliefs expressed; and felt that sin was regarded by the delegates as a "remote and slightly romantic abstraction".

E.P.S., Geneva

INDIAChurch-YMCA Relations Studied

(Bombay) - In an effort to find "not coexistence but fellowship", fifty-three representatives of churches and YMCAs met this month in Bombay and recommended that attempts be made to link more YMCA members with their churches and to remove misunderstandings in the churches about the YMCA.

The conference, in its efforts to clarify relationships between the YMCA and the churches, noted that in its Centennial Declaration of 1955, the YMCA stated that "as an interdenominational and interconfessional fellowship within the Church Universal, the YMCA should constantly seek to encourage its members to accept responsibilities of church membership and to participate actively in the life and work of their particular churches".

In India, it was reported, a high percentage of associate members in the YMCAs are non-Christian. Recognising that this creates genuine difficulties, the group pointed out that it also presents a unique opportunity for the witness of Christian members.

In his concluding address, the Rev. Fred Franklin, religious work secretary of the Council of YMCAs of India and Ceylon, said: "We have through this conference come a little way toward creating a Church-YMCA fusion. Where there is no fusion, there will be confusion. God help us to be united."

Also present for the conference were fraternal delegates from the YWCA, the Student Christian Movement and the National Christian Councils of India and Ceylon.
E.P.S., Geneva

World Circulation of Scriptures Nears 27 Million

The total world circulation of the Bible, the Old and New Testaments and portions of the Scriptures reached 26,379,142 in December, 1956, according to a twelve-page report issued this month by the Rev. Frank W. Price, director of the Missionary Research Library maintained by the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA. The figure is almost one million more than 1955, and three million more than 1954.

"At the end of 1956", Dr. Price reported, "at least one whole book of the Bible had been published in 1,109 languages, seventeen more than the year before". He pointed out that the historical list of 1,109 included many languages now obsolete, such as certain Chinese dialects, but that the number of languages in which some part of the Bible has been circulated in the last twenty-five years "is probably between 600 and 700".

During 1956 the complete Bible was published for the first time in three new languages - Bemba (Northern Rhodesia), Nimbi Ijo (Nigeria) and Morovo (Solomon Islands) - and the entire New Testament became available in eight new languages, including the North American Indian Navajo.

Dr. Price's report shows that the first five countries in the sale of complete Bibles are the United States, Germany, England and Wales, South Africa and Brazil.

The NCC official said that the fact that the Bible continues to be published, circulated and studied in Communist China is underlined by the following figures: "Since 1949, 171,278 complete Bibles, 170,493 New Testaments and 3,199,282 portions of the Bible have been distributed, and forty-three editions printed from old plates already in the country," Dr. Price said. In addition, seven Bible Houses are maintained in major Chinese cities.

Enough Scriptures will be produced in Hungary this year to meet the needs of the churches and new communicants, according to Mr. Olivier Béguin, general secretary of the United Bible Societies, just back from a visit to Hungary. He reported that as a result of conversations with government and church leaders, earlier arrangements to produce 100,000 Bibles were also confirmed.

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A Study Conference on Bible Illustration will be held in Edinburgh in the summer of 1959, the third jubilee of the National Bible Society of Scotland. At the same time, an exhibit showing the development of Bible illustration will be open to the public during the Edinburgh Festival.

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The Rev. Young Bin Im, general secretary of the Korean Bible Society, visited Australia and New Zealand last month to stress the world-wide demand for more Scriptures and the urgent need of financial support of Bible Society work if production is to keep up with it.

E.P.S., Geneva

GERMANYChurch News From the German Democratic Republic

(Berlin) - The promised church statements of opinion on the "Maercker case" have now been made. Dean Maercker was recently arrested by the District Public Prosecutor's Office of Schwerin, in East Germany, because he had refused Christian burial to a girl who had taken part in the youth dedication ceremonies, and assigned to her a grave by the churchyard wall (see EPS No. 42).

With regard to the arrested Dean's attitude, the Mecklenburg High Consistory in Schwerin has explained that the Dean had made use of the provision in the Church Rules of Conduct, that state that in certain cases it is a matter for the spiritual judgment of the competent clergyman whether or not the ministrations of the Church shall be given. The High Consistory added that the Dean was wrong in not allowing the parents of the dead girl to choose her burial place.

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Various East German publications are continuing their accusations against Kurt Grünbaum and Dr. Siegfried Klewitz, the two Magdeburg church leaders who are under arrest. They are charged with "unauthorised money transactions" in connection with the currency exchange in the German Democratic Republic. The Austrian church bulletin, "Amt und Gemeinde", which is published by the Bishop of the Evangelical Church of the Augsburgian Confession in Austria, writes: "It should not be forgotten that the Hungarian Bishop Lajos Ordass was sentenced on very similar grounds in 1948, and that it was eight years before the Hungarian State declared him innocent".

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The Dresden Cross Choir, widely known abroad, has had to cancel a series of recitals in West Germany and Berlin because it could not obtain an exit permit.

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The Dean of the Comenius Faculty in Prague, Professor Josef Hromadka, has visited Greifswald and Rostock as a guest lecturer. In the packed lecture-hall of the Greifswald Faculty of Theology, he spoke on "The Theological Approach to Modern Problems".

E.P.S., Geneva

GERMANYA "Conspiracy of Silence"?

(Düsseldorf) - Church leaders in Germany are expressing their concern at the growing indifference of the general public toward the plight of refugees within the country, especially the German "late transferees" from Poland, who are arriving in large numbers.

A resolution to Bishop Otto Dibelius, president of the Council of the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD), from a working committee of church associations concerned with refugee aid, states that "for a number of reasons the problems of refugees, expellees and transferees are being hushed up, and our churches and congregations should no longer accept complicity in this". Church authorities were asked to intensify their efforts to promote the spiritual and material well-being of the refugees and their integration into German life.

At the same time, the Protestant news service "Kirche in der Zeit" in Düsseldorf has published a public appeal, entitled "Conspiracy of Silence", drawing attention to the fact that in four and a half years only half the homes needed for refugees have been built. At the end of the year, the service said, approximately 200,000 refugees will be living in cellars, dormitories, huts and camps - often four or five families to a room - in the province of North Rhine-Westphalia alone. In addition, the news service added, families are being divided, because men are working in the industrial zone while women and children are housed in a former concentration camp. During the past month, reports say, another 20,000 refugees have come to West Germany from the German Democratic Republic.

E.P.S., Geneva

In brief

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand has decided to join other Protestant groups in inviting evangelist Billy Graham to conduct a crusade in New Zealand in 1959. Dr. Graham has already accepted an invitation to hold a campaign in Australia in the same year.

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The Very Rev. Anthony Bloom, vicar of the Russian Orthodox Patriarchal church in London, has been made the Bishop of Sergievo and Vicar of the Exarch of the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia in Western Europe, by decree of the Patriarch Alexius of Moscow and All Russia and of the Holy Synod.

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The Relief Department of the Protestant Church in the Rhineland has declared 1958 as a "year of ecumenical service", in an effort to develop an understanding of needs throughout the world.

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Dutch Protestant churches have decided to hold their "Kirchentag" assemblies every two years, with the next after 1958 set for 1960. Meanwhile, local church assembly committees are continuing their study groups, and 12,000 copies of the assembly publication, "God With Us", have been sold in the congregations. In the Netherlands, unlike Germany where one giant Church Day rally is held, small rallies are held in local churches throughout the country.

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The Westphalian Provincial Synod has set up a permanent missionary foundation which will make it possible for two young theologians from Asia and Africa to study at a German university. One of the places will go regularly to the Batak Church in Sumatra.

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A 14-by-8 foot sign has been erected on the grounds of St. George's Anglican Cathedral in Capetown, South Africa, reading: "This cathedral is open to welcome all men and women of all races to all services at all times". The sign was put up after supporters of the South African government's apartheid policies had removed a smaller similarly-worded notice from the cathedral steps. The new sign appeared about two weeks after the Most Rev. Joost de Blank was enthroned in the cathedral as Anglican Archbishop of Capetown.

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An inquiry into the role of religion in American life will be made by the Fund for the Republic, the well-known American foundation. The study will deal with relations between Church and State, the role of religion in public life and religious dissent. Coordinating the project will be Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr, vice-president of Union Theological Seminary in New York, and Father John Courtney Murray, S.J., professor of theology at Woodstock College in Maryland.

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Mr. Ernest A. Andrews arrived in Geneva on November 25 to begin a one-year appointment as associate secretary in the Department on the Laity of the World Council of Churches, on loan from the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church U.S. He has been on the staff of the board's Division of Men's Work. Mr. Andrews has studied at the University of Chattanooga and King College. He has also attended his church's Training School for Lay Workers in Richmond, Virginia, specialising in Christian education. E.P.S., Geneva

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All Delegates, F. E. L. C. Triennial Convention

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The Church Presidents.

Dear sirs, ~~This is to bring to~~

This is to bring to your kind notice the following:

1. "Jeevagram" is two miles South from the Renigunta railway station. If you desire motor transport to our compound, please inform us of the time you expect to arrive at Renigunta R. S. sufficiently in advance as to enable us to make the necessary arrangements.
2. All Delegates are to be housed in the Pfeiffer Memorial School buildings. You are requested therefore to be sure to bring (a) a cot to sleep on (b) your own bedding (c) a mosquito net.
Here in Renigunta mosquitoes are very bothersome this year.
3. The cost of food is Rs. 3-8-0 per day and there will be a common mess and all meals will be of Indian mixed diet. European diet will not be served except to those under medical care.
4. We request that you register at the time of arrival. Registration will take place in the main hall.
5. If Committee meetings are to be held which require the use of special rooms, please inform us in advance as much as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Sincerely,

Sd. N. M. W I L L I A M S

Sd. Rev. H. G. S C H A E F E R

Renigunta, 20-12-56

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You are requested to report on the work of the Committee on.....*Calcutta*
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A written report is needed for the sake of record.

Luthergiri - Rajahmundry
November 28, 1956

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President G. E. L. C.

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The above mentioned leader is requested to conduct Devotions
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Message of the Twelfth Synod of the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren to Congregations

The Twelfth Synod of the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren met to survey the life and work of the church over the past three years. We reflected on its internal and external state and took measures which would facilitate its future path and would be a guide for its work. We do this with sincere gratitude to the Lord God for the fact that we could work undisturbed in these years in all the main branches of church work, and that we were able to meet at this synod and do our task in peace. We are more profoundly aware than ever before that this is not to be taken for granted, that it is solely the gift of God's mercy.

We are almost on the threshold of the year in which we are to recall with gratitude the quingentenary of the origin of the Unitas Fratrum. The heritage of our fathers of the Unitas brings forth in us the joy of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and the desire to follow their example and obediently give ourselves into the service of the Lord of the church, to follow Him and apply His law of love in our congregational and personal lives. In our discussion at the Synod we took a stand by the powerful testimony of our forefathers with the prayer that the love for the Word of God should glow within us all, as well as the desire for fraternal fellowship and the determination to serve one's neighbour, whether we meet him in the congregation or in life outside the church. With gratitude and joy, we experienced during our discussions, as our forefathers often did, that the unity of the Spirit was given us precisely at a time when we were faced with difficult questions with which we have grappled seriously and in which we had at first very divergent views. We know that this was the outcome of the prayers of many of our members.

We thank the Lord God that in all our work in the church He did not leave us without the proof of His presence. His Word touched us personally, led us to help our brothers and opened up many opportunities for testifying to our neighbour on God's love and power. We

have been able to gather around the Word of God, educate children in the knowledge of the Gospel, in the family, in Sunday schools, in training for confirmation among youth, and in day schools; we have been able to work among young people and adults, perform the work of love in congregations and in institutions of the whole church. We confess, however, that we have made poor use of these opportunities. In all of us — preachers, elders, members of leading bodies of the church, theological teachers and in the other members of our church fraternity — there has been, and still is, a good deal of insincerity, half-heartedness and also ordinary human indolence, furthermore self-indulgence and self-seeking. This is why our gatherings are often insipid, our seeking of the Word of God not vital, our service not sacrificial, our training and leading of the youth not energetic, and our fellowship often cold and ineffective. In the midst of these shadows we are all the more grateful and joyous for the fact that the Word of God in the Scriptures speaks to us as vitally as before; through this we can correct our shortcomings and sins. We can continue to have joyful hope in Jesus Christ, the Author and Perfecter of our faith. Let us ask the Lord of the church that this light be not taken from us because of our unfaithfulness.

We dealt at the Synod with the troubles and tasks of our church. We recalled how our members struggle arduously for a pure family and married life and how the difficulties of family life affect our children and young people. We also reflected on the ways in which we could more effectively lead our young members to faith and obedience to the Gospel.

The Synod also took up the question of infant baptism. It recognized that the lack of seriousness sometimes present in church baptism has justly disquieted many members of the church. Therefore we ask all ministers and elders to arouse understanding in the church for the full meaning of baptism, devote pastoral care to the parents before the baptism of children, and for the baptism to be performed in congregational gatherings. The Synod took into consideration the sincere standpoint of some serious brothers and sisters, according to whose convictions it accords better with the commandments of the Holy Scripture to baptize only those who personally confess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ at the time of baptism. Because we must respect the freedom of faith of all members in matters which are not explicitly and unambiguously decided in the Scriptures, the Synod declared that even unbaptized children could be considered members of the church until their coming of age, if the parents present them for membership. We rejoice in the fact that we were granted the mercy of arriving at a more profound unity in this difficult problem.

The Synod also discussed some questions of church management. These tasks also require willing cooperation and increased devotion from all our congregations and members.

We cannot pass over in silence the circumstance that the 12th Synod met in days when the world was, and still is, going through a very dangerous and threatening period. Again it has been shown that difficult questions between nations are far from being solved, or conflicts overcome. Because of human shortsightedness, selfishness and pride, the danger has arisen that the arduously built international authority will be undermined, that the slowly germinating confidence between nations will be stifled, and because of all this the barriers against dissolution and ruin would be opened. The first task of Christ's people at such a moment is to intercede for all nations, near and far, large and small, but especially for their responsible representatives and rulers. Let us pray that they be given wisdom and balance, humility and determination to act, that they should not take the path of violence, or that they should cease to follow this path and turn back from it, that they should perseveringly seek all possibilities of understanding and utilize them with deliberation and thoroughness. Let us pray also for our own nation, and for those who stand at its head, that we come through this difficult period without external or internal harm. Let us pray that the path towards correcting and reforming what has not been and is not good in our life may be found without endangering that which is good and promising in it. Let us pray that our national community may be built on foundations of right and justice. Let us pray that we may find a proper balance between the freedom and responsibility of citizens. Let us pray that all this will strengthen mutual confidence and willing cooperation of all people of good will. We reflect in our prayers especially on children and young people, that

they may grow healthily and happily, without splits or distortions of character, and without hypocrisy, in an atmosphere of sincerity and veracity, lawfulness and peace, freedom and love for man. Let us pray to God for all those who in the present unrest of the world are particularly subject to uncertainty, anxiety and suffering. With particular earnestness we also pray for all parts of Christ's Church in our country and throughout the world, especially for responsible workers in the ecumenical movement: that they in their judgments and actions should not allow themselves to be swept by events and moods of the moment but should look to the deeper reason of today's difficulties and dangers. Let us also pray for Christians to exert their influence on public opinion and the governments in their countries, for seeking peace without violence in controversial questions, and to work for a state of things in which nowhere in the world should people suffer from want, uncertainty of livelihood, unfreedom, and therefore from hopelessness in life.

We cannot pray for peace in the world and at the same time fail to be sons and daughters of peace. From the Holy Scripture we know that not every peace is right and good. We do not call for a peace based on indifference, irresponsibility and unwillingness to make a decision and bear the burden of struggle for a greater measure of truth, justice and humanity in this world. We are, however, called to live in the peace of those who do not fear the severest storm because they know the Lord Who reigns above all storms, Who maketh the storm a calm so that the waves thereof are still. We are called to the peace of those who not even in the midst of struggle succumb to hatred and vengefulness, for they know that the final judgment of the world is the love of God.

And God has no pleasure at all that the wicked should die, but that he should return from his ways and live.

We remind ourselves and you that we should seek with new eagerness the light of God's Word. Let us read and reflect on the message of the Scriptures, let us hearken with an open mind to its preaching in our services, let us obediently and thoroughly apply it in life. Let us not neglect the gift of the Lord's table where we profess and confirm our fellowship with Jesus Christ and with all communions of His Church. We ask the elders and congregations to hold in loving care all the sick, suffering, faint and lukewarm in faith. We ask them to reflect seriously on the difficulties of family life, and to help, in love and understanding, the families, the married couples and the young people. Let us remind the parents to lead their children to a serious outlook on life and to responsible service.

In asking God that wisdom and the power of the Holy Spirit be granted us for all our tasks, let us receive these promises and reminders of the Scriptures: "Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine." (Is. 43; 1, 2, 5.)

"Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it." Psalm 34:14. I Peter 3:11.)

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." (I Corinthians 15:58.)

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Twelfth Synod of the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren,

the highest administrative and legislative body of the church, met from November 27th to 30th in Prague. It was opened with Divine Services in the restored Salvátor Church in Prague, which was also dedicated anew on this occasion. The meetings of the Synod were held in the Czech Brethren church in the Vinohrady district of Prague, where evening service was also held on November 28th, at which the members of the Synod partook of the Communion Table of the Lord. The chief points of the agenda were the election of new members to the Synodal Council, the report of the Synodal Senior on the status of the church, the question of the administrative ordinances of the church, the order of membership in the church, and the problem of baptism.

Election of Synodal Senior and New Members of the Synodal Council

Rev. Dr V. Hájek was again elected Synodal Senior; Rev. Vladimír Čapek, who has been Senior of the Prague Seniorate, was elected Deputy Synodal Senior. Another member of the Synodal Council was elected from among the clergymen — the former Senior of the Moravian-Silesian Seniorate Miloslav Šourek. Dr Alois Sklenář was elected Assistant Synodal Curator (the term of Curator had not expired, so that Dr Gustav Hrejsa remains in this function), and another lay member of the Synodal Council was elected — Dr Miloš Jarošek.

From the Report of the Synodal Senior

“In the three years which have elapsed since the last Synod, our church was able to perform, undisturbed, its preaching and pastoral ministry. We must see in this possibility an undeserved gift of God's grace the use or misuse of which we must answer for before the countenance of the Highest.

“As far as church life is concerned, we have not done badly. We have altogether 271 pastoral congregations and 315 preaching stations. By ‘congregation’ we mean today a working headquarters with its own pastor, and a preaching station is a place which the pastor visits at regular intervals.

“In all congregations and preaching stations regular Divine services were held. The attendance has not been as large as we would wish. The attendance varies greatly, of course, in the different congregations and stations. It is not yet quite clear to us why the attendance is so small in some of the congregations, in others better and in some very fine. This could require a profound analysis of all circumstances from the historical, sociological and even economic standpoint, it would mean making a thorough study of the work of the pastor and the board of elders, and we should not forget the intangible and indefinable, irrational causes for here we tread on ground where our human reason is not the final judge.

“Attendance of Bible Classes has always been much smaller than in Divine Services, of course. But where the Bible Classes have been held faithfully, with careful preparation, where they are not tiresome, but lively, they gather a circle of regular participants who form a sort of kernel in the congregation.

“On the average our meetings for youth have been poorly attended; much better are the Divine Services for children. The young people and the children are our problem, a much graver one than we sometimes admit.

“In the recent period a good deal has been spoken in our church about baptism. We should like to see baptism as a genuine sacrament of Christ for all members of our churches, and not an empty formality. I believe, however, that the great majority of our pastors do actually follow that path, and that in our churches much has been done for a deeper understanding of this sacrament. I am equally convinced, however, that the discussion of infant baptism was artificially evoked and that this problem concerns only a few individuals. The whole discussion actually contributed nothing new, because all the arguments which were given for infant baptism and against it were known long ago.

“Concerning the sacrament of the Lord's Supper we must say that participation has not been large, and much more must be done in the church to heighten its authority and desirability. Do we strive that the Lord's Supper may not be a review of ‘the just,’ but a fellowship of brothers and sisters who are equal in need of forgiveness?

“Far from all our married couples ask for the church's blessing of their marriage. The reason for this is also an insufficiently serious concept of marriage, which some members of the church even regard as a mere human contract, if not as an experiment. And in this field much patient work awaits us to bring our members to the recognition that

marriage is a Divine order, and that today the commandment remains unchanged: 'What God hath joined, let no man put asunder.' Pastors must give a good example in this.

"Confirmation is performed in all our churches and the training for confirmation is given great attention in most of them. The number of churches where training for confirmation is given for two years for one class is constantly growing. But the question also arises, what is to be done with the children who do not take part in the training for confirmation and do not go to confirmation? This is related to the question of membership in the church.

"It is generally recognized that secular music disturbs the religious nature of our funerals, and it seems that relatives of the deceased are requiring such music less and less. A new problem is emerging, however, and that is the funerals of those of other faiths, especially in crematoria."

In the succeeding portions of his report the Synodal Senior spoke of the work of pastors and elders, on the question of the standing regulations of the church, about the newly adapted churches, prayer halls and congregational buildings, which had been opened or reopened in eleven places in the three year period between the two Synods, and on other questions of general church work. "It is clear to all of us that all the visible work of the church is nothing if the Lord God Himself does not use it for His work," concluded Dr Hájek in his report: "We cannot be satisfied only with external organized and organizational work, but must constantly await Him Who alone makes it to grow and Who Himself perfects His Kingdom according to His own will."

In the Discussion On the Report,

as given by the Synodal Senior, a number of brethren, ministers and laymen spoke. The remarks and suggestions were directed at the basic questions of church life. It began with the very youngest — the problems of the catechesis and care of the non-confirmed (Sunday Schools) and confirmed (Meetings of Youth). Another point was the question of marriages between those of differing faiths and of a certain number of newly married couples who do not come to the church to ask for God's blessing of their marriage. Also the number of broken marriages make us feel that we have many who believe that their Christianity is for the church, but not for ordinary life. Do not pastors often cause this by the fact that their preaching is not simple and comprehensible enough, that is, not genuine enough, and that it is not vital and living enough, that is, loving enough? — Is not the cause of the weakness, of the divisions in our church community, that we seek consolation in other certainties in the church fellowship and truly rely on other forces in our daily life? And again it was heard from the members of the Synod how very necessary it is to train the elders and other workers

in the Bible, in order to help the pastor, and for a true organization of church life, and especially for the pastoral care of all for all. The pastors should serve as example in their pastoral work, and give regular reports on it. In one seniorate, courses on Christian Faith proved very good, held twice a month on Saturday afternoon, for all workers in the seniorate. At these courses the lectures were given chiefly by the pastors. The Faculty could help by arranging correspondence courses and a still greater number of lectures in the more remote seniorates. — The members of the Synod also rightly requested that in the advisory departments of the senioral committees and of the Synodal Council there should be a more equal representation of pastors and non-pastors. The publication and press needs of the church were also discussed. — The members of the Synod did not overlook another permanent task of the church: construction and repair of buildings, and emphatically requested that the church should concentrate first on rebuilding and on new buildings in places where the brothers and sisters have so far had no meeting place.

The Order of Membership in the Church

The Twelfth Synod was to give the church an Order of Membership which would, at least provisionally and in rough outline, delimit the bounds of Membership. These bounds have been, namely, very flexible and vague in the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren since the interconfessional law was annulled, and lack all legal definiteness. One may say that to a certain degree this very openness of the church in the question of membership is a good thing, for the church belongs to Jesus Christ and He alone can draw a sure and firm boundary between the church and the world.

In the discussions at the Synod it was found that the situation has so far not matured enough for the church to be able to give even a provisional set of rules for membership. With rare unanimity the proponents of very different views in the question of membership agreed that first it is necessary to solve

the question of baptism, go over it in a broad church-wide discussion, before work can be begun on the rules for membership. The objective reason for postponing the drawing up of these rules, i. e. the insufficient analysis of the question of baptism, is linked with a formal reason: the proposal for the Order of Membership has not been passed on by the Presbyteries.

The opinions on membership could be divided into two groups. The Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren is a continuation of the Reformed and of the Lutheran Churches, permitted in our country by the Decree of Toleration. Both these churches were, from the time of the Decree of Toleration, based on uniform membership, representing a type of church with very wide membership (German: Volkskirche). Its characteristic trait, among others, is that the basic prerequisite for church

membership is considered to be baptism. Infant baptism in the church is, in this concept, not only taken for granted, but it is the basic prerequisite for membership itself. A father who does not have his children baptised could not have full membership rights, could not be, for example, a member of the board of elders in the former Reformed or Lutheran Church.

This concept, well thought out theologically, and hallowed by the experiences of generations, remains in the minds and hearts of very many of church workers. In the changed situation of today, however, it has been found that this is a concept which, in its unambiguity, cannot be maintained. Tradition-

Discussion on Baptism

The presiding Synod had already met with the question of present-day practice of baptism. The problem of infant baptism was brought up seriously at that Synod. But it recognized that this was such a grave matter that it could not be decided without a previous broad and thorough discussion in all congregations of the church. The Eleventh Synod, therefore, asked the Synodal Council to charge its Theological Advisory Board with the task of drawing up an opinion on the question of baptism and to present its decision to the Twelfth Synod.

In the meantime it was found that baptism would become a more vital matter for the church than it first seemed when the Synod was discussing it for the first time. Before the Twelfth Synod was held, practically everyone in the church knew of the difficulty of one pastor and his congregation about the rightness of infant baptising. The interest in the problem of baptism was strengthened by the fact that this pastor energetically decided to refuse baptism of infants in a church where hitherto infant baptism was taken as an unproblematical matter of course. His action was so sudden and unusual that the Synodal Council was finally forced in this case to take preliminary disciplinary measures. The interest in baptism was extraordinarily sharpened and enlivened.

The Twelfth Synod devoted practically all of its Thursday morning meeting to the question of baptism. If throughout the Wednesday discussion, one could see a certain fluidity and hesitation, on Thursday it could already be seen that the Synod had set to work with every strength, gravity and responsibility.

No one was happy over the fact that baptism itself had often become merely a traditional matter and a formality in the church. All tried to see a way which would make baptism a vital, responsible and pure act of faith. The baptism of adults and its justification in the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren was accepted by everyone as a natural thing which is firmly based on the Holy Scripture. But infant

alism and custom, which have stifled living faith, have transformed many congregations built on this foundation into dead institutions unable to cope with the changes which we are going through at the present time.

A number of young preachers have voiced their criticism of the popular concept of membership by their demand for the baptism of adults. The Synod unanimously adopted the view that the children of believing parents, who have not been baptised but presented by the parents for membership, are also to be regarded as members of the church until they reach adulthood.

baptism did not thereby become problematical for the church in any way. In the discussion, it is true, a voice was raised, posing an emphatic question mark to this, but in the end this was only an isolated voice.

Clearly, boldly and eloquently, in more and more new forms, adherence to the idea of infant baptism has been voiced. All these expressions have been based on the emphatic primacy of God's grace which had compassion for man and which promises man His forgiveness and receives him into His fellowship. The grace of God is supreme over human deeds. In baptism the love of God is decisive, and not the quality of man. The Synod recalled the entire history of the Christian church, from the fortunate decision at the first Council of Jerusalem of the Apostolic Church, through the Reformation, up to our times, and traced here the classic line of Christian thought and confessing which depends on a greater faith in God's grace than on confidence in the assumptions from the human side. The Synod, of course, was aware of the fact that the paths by which the church solves its questions can be different today than they were at the time of the Reformation. If in the period of the Reformation it was almost an unavoidable necessity for divisions to arise between the adherents of infant baptism and the anabaptist, this path is no longer a necessity for us. We are convinced adherents of infant baptism and still we consciously and wholeheartedly admit the freedom of others to have another opinion. We not only concede their opinion, but also recognize their right not to be baptised until adulthood.

The result of the preliminary discussion was the suggestion that a commission be set up to study the whole problem of the sacrament of baptism from its foundations. In the meantime the opinion of the Theological Advisory Board on baptism will be sent out to congregations together with pastoral advice, with the aim of arousing the church and families to a more serious attitude toward baptism and toward the manner of its administration.

Co-operation with the Camerouns

The Synod heard with joy the report on the visit of missionary Mirko Mikolášek and Rev. K. E. Njike of the Camerouns, and gratefully received the message from the Protestant church in the Camerouns, with an appeal for further development of

the mutual relations. Feeling responsible for work begun twenty years ago, the Synod voted to strengthen as much as possible its previous ecumenical collaboration with Protestant churches in the Camerouns.

The Most Youthful Synod in the History of the Church

Synodal Senior Dr Viktor Hájek closed the Synodal meeting with a few short remarks:

"Let us remember this meeting. A freely elected Synod represented the real opinion of the church. At the same time it is noteworthy that in age of its

members it was the most youthful Synod. The Synod showed that the church stands behind its leadership, as we in turn, all go together with the church. In the work we are performing, a person often grows weary. But I shall say to you that after this Synod I am again looking forward to our future work with

joyful anticipations. We know that you will support us after the Synod, as you have in your prayers before it. And we shall pray for you.

"Be faithful in your work. Ready for any service.

Simple service to one's neighbor -- that is a mission. We are standing on the threshold of Advent. The Lord is coming, are we prepared to receive Him with an open heart?"

Session of the Ecumenical Council

The Ecumenical Council of Protestant Churches in Czechoslovakia held a session of the extended presidium in Prague on November 13th, 1956. Ecumenical relations of the Protestant churches in Czechoslovakia with churches abroad were evaluated, for the last half of 1956. These contacts were abundant and the Ecumenical Council expressed the conviction that they served to enliven church life both in our country and abroad, and that they signified a valuable contribution to the understanding of people living in different social systems. In 1957, also, numerous inter-church meetings of Protestant churches are planned in Czechoslovakia, with churches from abroad. A considerable number of them will take place in connection with the celebrations of the quingentenary of the *Unitas Fratrum*.

The Ecumenical Council also discussed the situation in the churches, arising after the tempestuous events in Hungary. It called on member churches to address themselves to their members in an appeal for the most effective possible support for the collection being taken up for the Hungarian nation (called the Solidarity Fund).

Lecture Tour of Hungarian Protestant Theologians in the German Democratic Republic and Czechoslovakia

Dr Nikolas Pálffy, Dean of the Evangelical (Lutheran) Theological Academy in Budapest, and Dr Ladislaus Martin Pákozdy, Assistant Dean of the Reformed Church Theological Academy in Debrecin, took part in the Quingentenary celebrations of Greifswald University, as representatives of their theological faculties. The chief celebrations included working conferences of the different scientific fields, theology among them. Both Hungarian professors gave lectures. General concern was aroused by the fact that the West German Universities did not allow themselves to be officially represented.

Following this, the two Hungarian scholars were to begin a lecture tour, visiting all six theological faculties in the German Democratic Republic.

The theme of the lectures was the theological and church life in Hungary, as well as the new Hungarian translation of the Old Testament.

Their journey was interrupted after they had given lectures in Berlin, Halle and Jena, because of the events in Hungary, but it was no longer possible for them to return home immediately. During their stay in the GDR, they had the opportunity to engage in conversation with leading men of the theological and church life, thus reviving old connections. This was especially the case in Berlin, Halle and Leipzig.

On their return way to Hungary they visited the Comenius Faculty in Prague, where they gave guest lectures. Professor Pálffy spoke on Jeremiah, the stranger prophet, in the light of the visions in Chapter 1, verses 11—16.

Professor Pákozdy spoke on the topic, "Elhanan — the Original Name of David." Both professors had a discussion with the student body of the Faculty. — They got acquainted with the work being done on the Large Czech Bible Concordance, the publication of which has made notable progress under the editorship of Professor M. Bič and Professor J. B. Souček. And of course they conversed with the professors on the situation in the church. Both professors denied the false reports that they had resigned from their positions in the Faculty on political grounds. After their four-day stay in Prague they returned to Hungary.

The Evangelical (Lutheran) Theological Academy in Budapest suffered heavy material damage from grenades and could not take up its work for this reason. The Reformed Church's

Academy in Debrecin carried on its work undisturbed and with a full staff of teachers. The news item carried in the western press concerning the death of two Lutheran theological students was found, after a telephone conversation, to be false. According to information at hand the following bishops are holding office in Hungary: in the Reformed Church Bishop J. Péter, Elemer Györy, and L. Ravasz, in the Lutheran Church Bishops Ordass and Turoczy.

Rev. Z b o ř i l spoke on the fact that without Christ there is no hope of life for anyone. But Christ became poor for your sakes — though he was rich — that ye through his poverty might be rich. Thus Rev. S t u p k a testified in the words of Paul.

We heard from the sermon of Brother S a l i n g at the evening assembly that Christ is our peace and our riches in this life. During the testimony of Rev. Titěra we rejoiced in the heritage of the incorruptible and spotless and unwithered which is reserved for us in the heavens, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

A special meeting was held on Sunday morning for the sisters in the church in Prague 15. After the sermon by brother S t u p k a, sister P o h l o v á spoke on the work of sisters in the church. The conference continued on Sunday afternoon, when Rev. D v o ř á k expounded the parable of the ten virgins, and it culminated in the communion of the Lord's Supper.

Unity of the Church in Preparation for the General Assembly of the World Lutheran Federation

At the end of November pastoral conferences were held in all seniorates of the Slovak Evangelical Church (Augsburg Confession), to discuss the main theme set for the general assembly of the World Lutheran Federation which is to be held in Minneapolis, Minn., USA, in August 1957. The central address of each conference was concerned with the problem of the unity of the church. This theme will be further worked on in the Slovak Lutheran Church, in order that the attitude of the church on this question may be clearly formulated. It is a characteristic fact that this question of a typically ecumenical nature is being worked out in the Slovak Lutheran Church in an awareness of confessional affiliation to the Evangelical Church of an Augsburg Confession. It is a question of finding typical traits which form the church, and of comparing them with the definition of the Church, contained in the symbolic books. The Evangelical Church wants to go further in its understanding of ecumenical unity than is usually done. Forms of practical co-operation do not suffice, nor do casual or organized meetings of members of the different churches; we must see behind them the unity of Christ's church, and this is possible only with a frank, brotherly study of the foundations on which the different churches stand, and, in this study, their relation to the Church of Christ.

25th Anniversary of Dr Varga's Work as Pastor

In the Reformed Church in Rimavská Sobota, where Bishop Dr Imrich Varga serves as pastor, the congregation held a celebration on November 28th, 1956, after the morning services, commemorating Dr Varga's twenty five years of work there. On October 25, 1931, the Rimavská Sobota congregation installed the Bishop as their pastor, immediately upon the conclusion of his theological studies. From that time he has served in Rimavská Sobota without interruption.

The congregation's curator Dr Julius Eszenyi who is also a member of the Synod, spoke on Dr Varga's twenty-five years of service. Messages of congratulation were then delivered to Dr Varga by elders, workers in the congregation, pupils of the Sunday School and delegates from affiliated congregations.

With great gratitude the Moravian Brethren in Czechoslovakia have included a Prayer Watch in the plan for the Quingentenary Year of 1957. The idea arose in a prayer circle in Herrnhut, was taken over by the leadership of the Brethren, and then subscribed to by twenty-six Bishops from all parts of the world. The Prayer Watch of the Church in Czechoslovakia has been set to last through the month of March, since March 1st will be celebrated as the day of the foundation of the Unitas Fratrum. Now another day is to be decided on, when the election of the first clergy in Lhotka will be commemorated. The 16th of September is being kept in mind for this. The Inner Council of the Moravian Church is already making preparations for this Prayer Watch, which will be held every day from midnight to midnight, in larger or smaller circles, or by individual brothers and sisters.

Conference of the Baptist Unity

The Central Board of Elders of the Baptist Unity convened the annual conference of Baptist congregations in Prague, November 23d to 26th. The conference was preceded by a two-day course for pastors and lay workers in the church, where the following reports were given:

"The Pastor and His Congregation," by Rev. Erlich of Ostrava.

"Preparing the Sermon," Professor J. B. Jeschke, of the Comenius Faculty.

"The Holy Spirit," Rev. V. Tomeš of Prague and Professor J. B. Souček of the Comenius Faculty.

"The Responsibility of the Pastors and Board of Elders for the Purity of the Church," Rev. S. Švec of Prague.

The conference itself was opened on Friday, November 23d, in the evening by the President of the Central Board of Elders, Rev. V. Tomeš. First he welcomed the guests and delegates from the congregations and then read from the Gospel According to St. Luke, Chapter 14, verses 16 to 24. He centred the attention of those present on the words of the message sent through the servant: Come, for all things are now ready. That is the task of the church: to preach to this world that everything is ready for salvation. There are, of course very many who do not accept the invitation to the Supper with the Lamb, and thus they waste the precious time of Grace. The Church must not allow itself to be distracted from its task, must again call to Christ with new hope. We have gathered to talk about our work and to encourage one another. Then representatives of other churches greeted the conference. Dr E. Zelený spoke for the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren, and Superintendent Vančura of the Methodist Church on behalf of the other churches.

The rest of the evening was occupied with the lecture by the Dean of Comenius Faculty, Professor Hromádka, on the topic, "We are Living in an Ecumenical Era". Among other things, Professor Hromádka said, "In these times we realize that we belong to each other. We are living in an ecumenical era. And we observe two encouraging facts, First, that the Word of God is taken much more seriously than in past generations, and, second, that we all ask very sincerely whether Jesus Christ, the Crucified and the Risen, the Word made flesh, is the living power in our work, whether He is among us. The urgent task arises before us: to look together to the Lord of the church. Not to look on ourselves alone, but to look together to Him Who is among us. The question remains whether we are all ready for this, willing to forget all our traditions and customs. Here it is not a matter of a new organization, of meetings, committees and discussions, but of the Word working on us and joining us, and that we permit the Word to do this."

The discussions of the conference continued throughout almost all of Saturday. Reports from the different congregations were discussed, as was the report of the President of the Central Board of Elders, the Secretary and Treasurer of the Church. Then followed the election of a new Central Board of Elders. Rev. V á c l a v T o m e š of Prague 12 was again elected

President, Rev. Pavel Kondač of Bratislava Vice-President, Rev. Stanislav Švec of Prague 15 Secretary. Other members elected were: Rev. Rudolf Petr of Lovosice, Rev. Václav Čermák of Lučenec, Vilém Dyba of Ostrava and Emil Král of Bratislava.

After the discussions, the participants assembled again in order once more to reflect on our poverty and the great grace of God which was given us in Jesus Christ.

Graduates of the Slovak Evangelical Theological Faculty

At the time of autumn examinations two students successfully concluded their theological studies and graduated from the Slovak Evangelical Theological Faculty in Modra. Since both had an outstanding record in all departments, they were awarded the title of Magister of Theology. One of the graduates is a member of the Slovak Lutheran Church, the other of the Silesian Lutheran Church.

Theological Students Among Church Workers

On Sunday, November 11th, students of the Slovak Evangelical Theological Faculty, under the leadership of the Dean, Dr J. Michalko, and the Assistant Dean, Dr Št. Kátlovský, attended the internal mission celebrations in the Hlboká church. One of the most distinguished Slovak Lutheran theologians, a poet and national awakener, J. M. Hurban, was active in this church in the past. The importance of the meeting of students and members of this congregation lies especially in the fact that it brings with it a more lively contact between faculty and individual churches. Besides the sermon delivered by the Dean of the Faculty on the occasion of the celebrations, the members of the congregation were interested in the lecture by the Assistant Dean on the importance of the church, and in the numerous hymns sung by the theological students' chorus.

Evidences of Life of a Young Congregation

In the workers' town of Partizánská in central Slovakia a new Evangelical Church congregation was founded a few years ago. This congregation has had an active life, shown among others things by the dedication of a new parsonage on November 18th. At the dedication which was performed by Senior Kováč, the General Superintendent of the Slovak Lutheran Church A. Žiak greeted the young and vital congregation, and General Secretary O. L. Bartho preached the sermon. On the basis of the text I Cor. 13:13, he reminded those present of the beginnings of a sincere faith, the fruit of a willing love and the aim of persevering service. The congregation in Partizánská now has only a temporary wooden church, but is planning to begin as soon as possible the building of a new church. This development of the congregation is all the more worthy of notice in that it is taking place in a region which was almost fully recatholicized in the period of the counter-Reformation, after the splendid beginnings of the Reformation.

Restoration of a Church

General Bishop Dr Ján Chabada consecrated a renovated church in the little village of Opava (a branch of the Čelovec congregation). This is a country congregation which at considerable expense repaired their church, even though the number of souls is only about 200. The Secretary of the Eastern District Pavel Pališin preached the sermon at the service of consecration of the renovated church.

Senioral Conferences of Pastors

The Synodal Council of the Reformed Christian Church in Slovakia held autumn pastoral conferences from November 11th to 18th, in all seven seniorates. The seniors of the seniorates presided over the conferences and at each the General Secretary Anton Szabó spoke, while Rev. Julius Kiss acquainted the pastors with the theological report of the Church of Scotland on baptism. After the report in each conference there was a lively discussion and everywhere approval was expressed of the positive attitude of the Scottish Reformed Church.

The seniors and the pastors also discussed the problems of congregational work.

Conference of Seniors

The Presidium of the Synod invited the seniors of the Reformed Christian Church in Slovakia to a conference in Nové Zámky, from November 28th—29th. Also present at the conference were members of the Presidium and of the Synod and Synodal Council. Dr Imrich Varga served as chairman.

The seniors gave a report on the church life of the different seniorates. They also discussed the question of the results from the supplementary theological training courses and from the pastoral conferences. The material used at the supplementary training courses for choir masters, as well as the next tasks in the field of training elders were discussed.

The aim of the conferences for seniors is to exchange the experiences gained in congregational and church work and thus help one another.

The conference was concluded with a prayer meeting.

Congregational Day of Reformed Church in Neded

On November 7, 1956, the neighbouring congregations gathered in the Church at Neded, Southern Slovakia, to participate in Congregational Day. Bishop Dr Imrich Varga spoke in the morning on the text Amos 8:11—12, and in the afternoon, at a huge assembly which more than filled the enormous church, preached on the topic, "Significance and Place of the Holy Scripture in Our Church Life."

Four More Consecrations of Reformed Christian Churches in Slovakia

Some of the Reformed Christian churches destroyed or damaged in the Second World War were restored in 1956. Of this number, Bishop Dr Imrich Varga dedicated a restored church of the tiny congregation in the village of Ižap on October 21 st. This little congregation of less than 300 souls showed great devotion in rebuilding the church. At the dedication service the Bishop preached on the text Ephes. 6:11.

In the afternoon there was a festal gathering in the centrally located Reformed Church congregation in Čalov. The Bishop gave there a lecture on the topic, "I Believe in the Holy Community of the Church."

On November 11th, the Bishop dedicated another church building of a small congregation, in the village of Tón, with a large number of church members from neighbouring congregations attending. He preached on the text Ephes. 4:5. In the afternoon he addressed a large gathering on the external and internal beauties of the church, stressing the greatest beauty, a meeting of believers.

Another church was dedicated on November 18th in the congregation of Svätý Júr. The readiness of the member to contribute was here exemplary; a large sum was contributed also by

the state authorities. The Bishop preached on the text II. Thess. 1:3, also lecturing in the afternoon on the topic, "A Living Church Assembly".

The dedication of the church in Holiary was held on November 25th in the presence of a large assembly. Believers from the surrounding area attended in large numbers. The Bishop preached on the text Ephes. 3:17.

Dedication of Church Bell

The new church bell in Sokolce was dedicated by Bishop Dr Imrich Varga on November 25th. On the occasion of the dedication of this bell, bought by free will offerings from church members, a sermon was preached by the Bishop on the text II Peter 3:13.

Christ, the Messiah, the Anointed

"According to our confession Christ held the place of prophet, priest and king. But always in the first place the royal office. Jesus Christ purified the twisted and primitive ideas of the Messiah and the Kingdom to come. Jesus Christ reigns, not by strength and might but by the Spirit. He will come. This tidings has been recalled by Christians in all times. Christ will come again. No longer as a servant, but as the Lord who is taking up his rule. He will come to judge all, to condemn and to arbitrate. The great, powerful, glorious and supreme King.

"If this is true, what, then, should be done? . . . that we should believe . . . and love one another. We enter here fully our daily life again. We move with greater ease in the spheres of that vision in which we see, in the Book of Revelations, the coming Lord. But our Lord says to us: Come down from the mountain of transfiguration down into the world, to the drabness of everyday life.

"You say that to love is, after all, a matter of course. What all has been said, orated, rhymed and sung about love! When one is asked, 'Where is that love,' there is a temptation to say, 'Nowhere.' But it exists — on the Cross. If we are to know love, if we are not to fall suspect of emitting barren words, we must go under the Cross of Him who did not seek His own cause, but sought the salvation of others. Often Christians only believed and did not love, others only loved and their faith grew weak. Both are improper one-sidedness.

"For this is the commandment . . . that we must love one another.

"If only we long for love of which we have so little. Jesus Christ, increase our faith, but also give us something, at least something, of Thy love!"

From the sermon of Synodal Senior Dr Viktor Hájek at the opening of the Synod on Tuesday, November 27th, in "Salvator" Church in Prague on the text I John 3:23.

Anniversary of a Church Poet

Congregations of the Slovak Lutheran Church commemorated in November the 150th anniversary of the birth of the distinguished ecclesiastical and national figure, the Evangelical superintendent Dr Karol Kuzmány. He played an important role in the national awakening of the Slovak nation in the last century (as did most of the leading personages in the Evangelical Church). He was a famous poet and the creator of many poems used as hymns, which are still sung today in divine services of the Evangelical Church. As professor of ecclesiastical law in Vienna he became well known for his extensive studies in this field.

Study of Luther's Thinking on Predestination

Rev. Ewald Krygel of the Silesian Lutheran Church (in Třinec) presented a thesis to the Slovak Evangelical Theological Faculty in Modra in which he discusses the problem of predestination in Luther's works and in early Lutheranism. The study points out especially the development Luther went through in connection with the question of predestination. Even though predestination does not occupy a central point in Luther's theological thinking, we should be well aware of what Luther taught about it, for this explains many of his comments on dogma or polemical remarks about representatives of other Reformation trends. The work was accepted as a basis for doctoral work.

THE FEDERATION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCHES IN INDIA

Office of the Secretary:

Dr. A. N. Gopal.

Luthergiri,
Rajahmundry,
26-11-1956.

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To

The Presidents of F.E.L.C. Churches:

Sirs,

1. The Presidents are requested to send the names of their representatives (one from each Church) on the drafting committee of the constitution of the F.E.L.C., with their addresses to the undersigned. The Chairman of the committee Rev. Hellings is calling for a meeting of the drafting committee most probably during the 3rd week of December '56.

2. Reminder to the: 1. A.E.L.C.; 2. M.P.F.L.C., 3. G.F.L.C., 4. T.F.L.C., 5. A.L.C., 6. Wb. F.L.C., :-

Minutes F.E.L.C. Executive Committee, Calcutta October, 1956.
Resolutions:

283/56 // Resolved that the next Triennial be held at Renigunta from January 4 to 7, 1957.

287/56 // Resolved to request the member churches of the F.E.L.C. to include their representative to the L.W.F. Assembly in their delegation to the F.E.L.C. Triennial.

288/56 // Resolve to request the member churches to send the names of delegates to the Triennial Conference by November 25th, 1956. to the Secretary, F.E.L.C.

Sd. A. N. Gopal,
Secretary.

The Federation of the Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India

Office of the Secretary,
Dr. A. N. Gopal.

Extract from the Minutes, Calcutta FELC Oct. 18-19, '56.

MISSION TO INDIANS IN EAST AFRICA:

The DWM requests the FELC to send an Indian Missionary knowing Gujarathi or Hindi to East Africa. Possibly the Lutheran National Mission Society might be connected with the such an enterprise in East Africa.

(for information)

266/56 Resolved to recommend to the member Churches the following.

1. To find the right person. To send a panel in the order of priority.
2. To assume a portion of the support (this means that the funds should be collected from the member churches of the FELC and forwarded to the missionary)
3. That the churches prepare a policy under which a person would be called to this work.

266 a/56. Resolved that the reports on the above mentioned items from the ~~member~~ member churches be secured by the Secretary and presented to the FELC Triennial. (The person selected must be well educated, well ^{versed} turned in Islam, tactful in the face of great racial tension. and able to be a link between his African and European colleagues and the East African Indians to whom all these would begin the Gospel The LMC in Tanganyika to add this new enterprise to * its other responsibilities)

(for information)

The SALC representatives reported that they are setting apart 20% of their benevolence fund for this week.

267/56. Resolved to recommend the good example of the SALC to the other member churches of the FELC.

Luthergiri,
Rajahmundry,
14-11-1956.

Sd. A. N. Gopal,
Secretary.

True copy.

To

The President of the Lutheran Churches of E.E.L.C.

Dear Brethren,

The following Cable-gram has arrived from Bishop Lilje:

"PLEASE FORWARD TO ALL OUR LUTHERAN BRETHREN IN INDIA AN
 PLEA TO PRAY FOR THE HUNGARIAN LUTHERAN CHURCH AND THOSE
 SUFFERING UNDER THE EFFORTS OF THE WAR IN HUNGARY AND FOR
 THE RESTORATION OF WORLD PEACE."

Will you kindly arrange for prayers in your Churches for the
 Hungarian Lutheran Church? We must bear our Sister-Lutheran Church
 in Hungary in our prayers and hope that peace may be restored in
 Hungary soo,

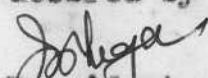
With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,
 sd/- R.B.Manikam,
 President F.E.L.C.I.

 Memo No. 4216-31/56, Dated Ranchi, the 14th November, 1956.

Copy of ~~xxxx~~ the above is forwarded to all the Synod Presidents
 with the request to arrange for prayers as desired by Bishop Lilje,
 President of the L.W.F.

Bh.Lakra. 14/11/56.


 President,
 G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

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The Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam

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President:—Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, M.A., B.D., S.T.M.

G. E. L. CHURCH COMPOUND
RANCHI, BIHAR (INDIA)

Ref. No. 4413/56

Dated the 14th Nov 1956

Students of the Gossner College Hostel,
C/O The Prefect Mr. John Bodra,

Dear Mr. Bodra,

In reply to your enquiry, I have to state that Rev. J. Lakra is no longer the Superintendent of the College Hostel. Rev. S. A. B. Lakra had been asked to take over charge from him but he was not given the same. Under the circumstances the best thing will be for the prefect to collect all the maintenance fee from the students and to maintain an account of the same and in due course to submit the same either to a duly appointed successor or to the Church Council.

No. 4414/56

J. J. P. Tiga
PRESIDENT.

Copy to the Secretary,
G. E. L. Church for information

J. J. P. Tiga
14/11

To

The Presidents of the Lutheran Churches of F.E.L.C.

Dear Brethren,

The following Cable-gram has arrived from Bishop Lilje:

" PLEASE FORWARD TO ALL OUR LUTHERAN BRETHREN IN INDIA AN URGENT
PEA TO PRAY FOR THE HUNGARIAN LUTHERAN CHURCH AND THOSE SUFFERING
UNDER THE EFFORTS OF WAR IN HUNGARY AND FOR THE RESTORATION OF
WORLD PEACE "

Will you kindly arrange for prayers in your churches for the Hungarian
Lutheran Church. We must bear our Sister-Lutheran Church in Hungary in our
prayers and hope that peace may be restored in Hungary soon.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

R.B. G. ...
President, F.E.L.C.

No. —

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Synod Presidents with the request to
arrange for prayers as desired by Bishop
Lilje, President of the L.W.F.

President
G.E. L. Clark

(True copy.)

The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam, M.A.B.D., Ph.D., D.D.,
Bishop of Tranquebar.

Tranquebar House,
Tiruchirappalli S.I.
India.

The November 13, 1956.

R B M

Rev. J. J. P. Tiga,
President, Gossner Ev. Lutheran Church,
Ranchi, Bihar

Dear Mr. Tiga,

That you for your letter of the 7th inst. You have given me the resolutions of your Church Council meeting September 5-6, 1956. When you met on October 30, -November 3, you could have in the light of the letters from Dr. Sovik, myself and Dr. Gopal acted as an Executive Committee to call Mr. Lakra to submit his grievances to your Church Council instead of merely repeating for our information the action taken by your Church Council in September 1956. I would even now urge that from your side you make a move to meet with the leaders of the so-called North Zone in order to listen to their grievances. I have pointed out to Mr. Lakra that he should resort to constitutional methods. I therefore make once again this appeal to you.

With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely.

Sd/- R. B. Manikam.

(R. B. Manikam).

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THE DISTRICT OFFICE, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI

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THE FEDERATION OF EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCHES IN INDIA.

Rev. B. Zachariah, L.Th.,
Chairman,
F.E.L.C. Youth Committee.

Renigunta, Chittoor Dt.
Dated 12th Nov, 1956.

To
The Presidents of the Constituent Churches,
Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches.

Respected Sirs,

Subj: Project of supporting a student fully or partially
at GURUKUL by the Youth Department of the F.E.L.C.

Ref: Res: No. 231/56 (2) of the meeting of the Enlarged
Executive Committee of the F.E.L.C. dated April 12-13,
1956.

The Enlarged Executive Council of the F.E.L.C. at its meeting at Renigunta on April 11 - 12th, 1956 passed a resolution cited above recommending to the Youth Department of the Federation the project of supporting a student fully or partially at Gurukul.

As the Chairman of the F.E.L.C. Youth Committee, may I request you to kindly convey this resolution to your youth department with a letter of your approval and encouragement to launch this project immediately in the youth department of your Church.

I request you to kindly send a copy of your letter to the youth department of your Church to me together with the full address of the person incharge of the same so that I may do the follow-up work.

The Youth Department of your Church may kindly be informed to take necessary steps to ascertain their Annual Pledge for the support of a student at Gurukul and write a letter to me stating their Annual ~~Annual~~ Pledge with a copy to Dr. P. David, Principal, Gurukul Lutheran Theological College & Research Institute, Kilpauk, Madras - 10.

It is my sincere hope that the Youth Department of your Church, under your able guidance and inspiration will contribute the best of their mite for this noble cause and thus feel rejoiced our Lord Jesus Christ for their contribution to train up one ~~more~~ minister in His Kingdom.

Trusting that this will receive your immediate and sympathetic consideration for necessary action.

Yours sincerely,

B. ZACHARIAH,
Chairman, FELC Youth Committee.

Copy to:

The Rt. Rev. Dr. R. B. Manikam, President, F.E.L.C.,
Rev. E. Raman, vice-President, F.E.L.C.,
Dr. A. N. Gopal, Secretary, F.E.L.C.,
Mr. M. Anantham, Asst. Secretary, F.E.L.C.,
Rev. H. W. Mayer, Treasurer, F.E.L.C.

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RANCHI, BIHAR (INDIA)

Ref. No 4301/56

Dated the 3rd. Novem. 1956

The Rt. Revd. R. B. Manikan, M.A., D.D., Ph.D., President, F.E.L.C.
Bishop's House, Tiruchitappalli, S. India.

Dear Bishop Manikan,

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Council of the G. E. L. Church ~~in Assam~~ I want to thank you and Dr. Gopal Secretary of the F. E. L. C. for the resolution of the F. E. L. C. Exec. and the covering word from you both. Our Executive Committee met on the 29th. October to 3rd. Nov. and took the following decision on your letters :

" Letters from Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikan and Dr. A. N. Gopal, President and Secretary of the F. E. L. C. respectively (dated _____) were read and after due consideration the following resolutions were adopted ..

(1) Resolved that the findings and resolutions of the full Church Council dated 3-6 Sept. 56 be sent to the officers of the F. E. L. C. in reply to their letters under reference.

(2) Resolved that the officers be authorized to translate the relevant portions of the minutes into English for the oversaid purpose.

(3) Resolved that the officers of the F. E. L. C. and the C. W. M. of the L. W. F. be informed that the leaders of the so-called north zone have not yet complied with this decision of the full Church Council.

Firstly, in the absence of this compliance ,

Secondly, in the absence of any communication from the leaders of the so-called north zone to the Church Council and, in the face of their direct approach to the F. E. L. C. and the L. W. F. , and,

Thirdly, in order to safeguard the spiritual and organic unity of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur and Assam , the question of a round table conference could not be decided . "

P.T.O.

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To THE MEMBERS OF THE CALCUTTA COMMITTEE.
F.E.L.C.

Sirs,

The ensuing Calcutta Committee meeting is to be held on Oct. 18, 1956 from 8-10 A.M. per intimation given from Ranchi on 10-10-56 by the Rev. J.J.P. Tiga, Convenor Calcutta Committee. The letter acknowledged by me at 4 P.M. on Oct. 11, 56.

The place of meeting shall be at # 76 Wellesly St. in the Tamil-Telugu Church.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

K.D. Jey 12/10

I/C Arrangements,
F.E.L.C.I.

Calcutta.
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Copies to: All the Calcutta Committee Members, & Co-opted Members.

- N.B. 1). If the Calcutta Committee Convenor has already given you information personally please cancel this.
- 2). Will you please make note of the place of meeting.

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Yours faithfully,
H. D. M. S.
F. E. L. O. I.
I/C Arrangements,
2111 Gopal Chandra, Calcutta

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Ref. No. 13.10.56

Dated the 22nd Sept. 1956

1. Rev. J. D. Asirvadam,
2. " Pjeterkestrand,
3. Rev. G. Devadas,
4. Rev. K. D. Soy,
5. Rev. Toruett

The Revd. G. Devasahayam S.T.M.
President, A.E.L. Church, Guntur.

Dear President,

I am so sorry to learn that the dates up
so far fixed for the meetings of the Calcutta Committee
are not suitable for you. I am not at all happy to have the
meetings without you because the problems before us refer
mainly to the Andhra Christians under the care of Pastor
George Devass.

I don't think that we can do any useful
work without you at this time. Rev. J. D. Asirvadam writes that
the meeting should be held ~~xxx~~ before the Federation Exec.
so that our recommendations can be sent to the Federation
Executive. I am not inclined to send anything to the F.E.L.C.
in this connection without the A.E.L.C. taking full part
in the deliberations and decisions.

Under the circumstances I announce that the
meetings of the Calcutta Committee which were to be held
on the 6th. to 8th. of October are called off until further
notice.

Please let me know if the 18th. (morning)
October will suit you. If we can meet for about two hours,
say from 8 to 10 a.m. we shall be able to do some such
business which must be brought before the Fede. Exec. I
do feel that the matter is urgent and we shall have to get
the approval of the Federation in these matters.

I request you to kindly write at once if
the morning of Thursday the 18th. October, 8 to 10 a.m.
will be suitable.

Yours Sincerely,

J. J. P. Tiga

Dear Mr. Soy,
Please inform
all these members of
the Cal. Cee.
(J.D. Asirvadam,
Pjeterkestrand,
Devadas, Soy,
+ Toruett etc.)
that we will
meet in the
Wellesley Sq.
Church at
8 a.m. on the
18th. with
J. J. P. Tiga
convenor
13/10/56

Dear Rev. Son,

President Sevasahayam is arriving at Howrah on the 18th morning from Benaras after the N.C.C. Conference by the Aurritsar mail about 5 a.m. Please tell Rev. Sevasahayam to meet him in the waiting room on the 18th morning at 5 a.m. or a few minutes later.

(2) Dr. Mainleam is going to stay with the general secretary of the Y.M.C.A. You need not make any arrangements for him.

(3) I shall arrive by the Ranchi Express on the 18th morning. I depend wholly upon you and Rev. Sevasahayam for all the arrangements. Please see that our Calcutta Committee members are informed so that we meet at 8 a.m. on the 18th at the Wesleyan Sq. Church.

Yours sincerely,
J. P. Tigar
13/10

I request you to kindly write at once in the morning of Thursday the 18th. October, 8 to 10 a.m. will be suitable.

Yours sincerely,

J. P. Tigar

18th Oct/22
J. P. Tigar
13/10/22

SOUTH ANDHRA LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. H. W. MAYER.

PUTTUR Chittoor Dist.

October 5, 1956

Rev. J.J.P. Tiga,
President G E L C
Ranchi, Bihar.

Dear Mr. Tiga:

Would you please do me the favor of purchasing a railway ticket from Ranchi to Madras via Calcutta First Class. The journey should commence at convenient time after our meetings are over. When you buy the ticket kindly tell the station master to wire for reservations from Calcutta to Madras. You may also kindly write to the Calcutta station master or whoever is the proper person and re-iterate the request for a reservation quoting the ticket number and the passengers name. I will appreciate this very much.

A cheque for Rs 75 is enclosed in part payment. The balance I will pay when I get the ticket from you.

Kindly acknowledge this letter so that I may know what the position is.

Thanks.

H.W. Mayer

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M.O.C. 1/2
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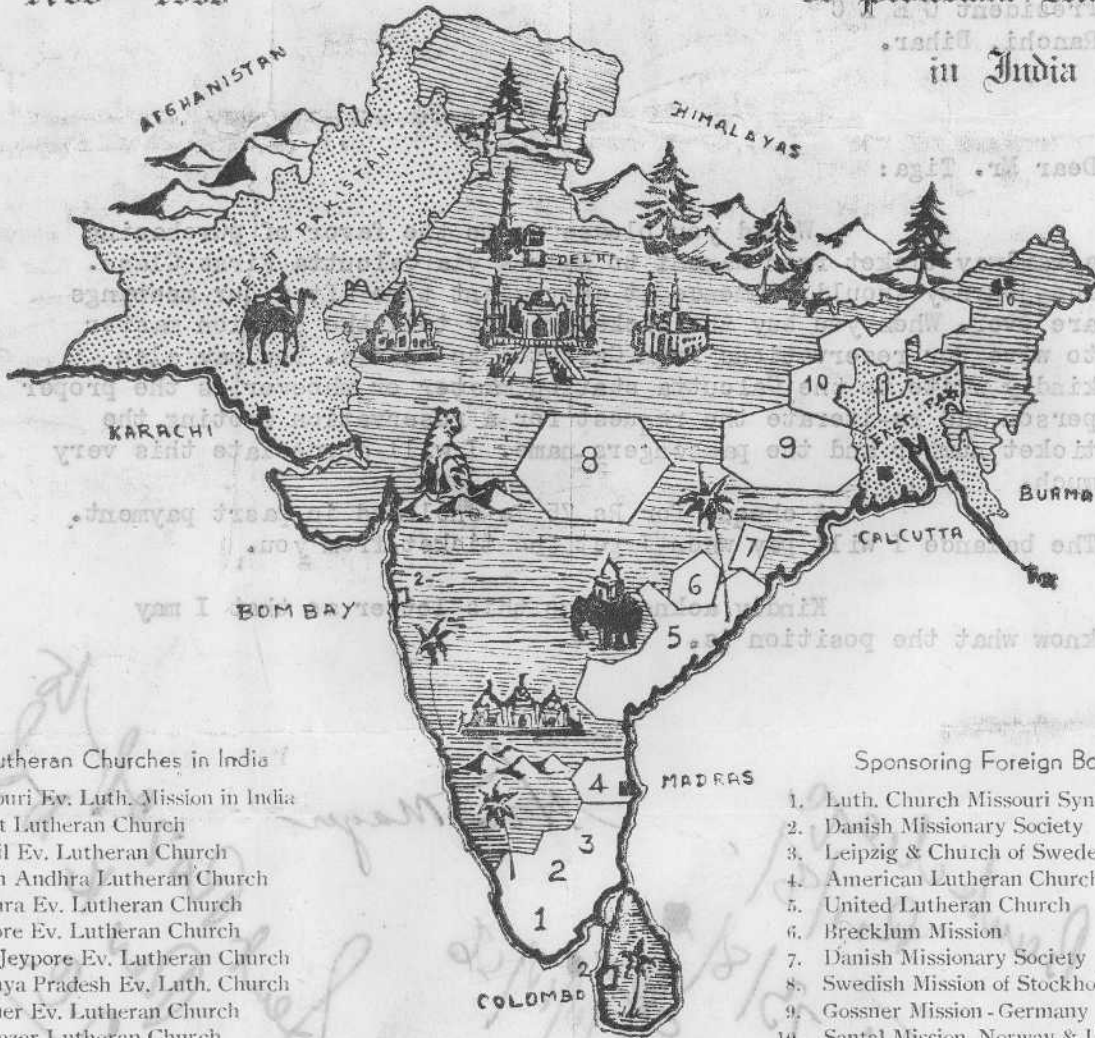
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October 5, 1956

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8. Swedish Mission of Stockholm
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TO

THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
F.B.L.C.

Sirs,

After I sent the previous circulars regarding the Executive Committee of the F.B.L.C. Executive Committee meeting at Ranchi I received letters asking me to fix up Calcutta.

Therefore I request you to note the change of place only, not Ranchi but Calcutta.

You are requested to inform Rev. K.D. Soy 5/1/1 Gope Lane-Bntally Calcutta 14 and in turn Rev. K.D. Soy will reply each of you coming from all directions giving you particulars of your Board-lodgeing and the place of meeting. We will begin our meeting on 18-10-1956 at 2-P.M. ~~precisely~~ x precisely.

Kindly excuse me for this sudden change in place due to unavoidable circumstances.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully.

Sd) M. Anantham, *M. Anantham*
Ag. Secretary, F.B.L.C.

Copies to : All the Ex. Members.
Rev. J.J. P. Tiga, President G.B.L.C
Rev. K.D. Soy.

N.B. Please don't forget to inform Rev. K.D. Soy 5/1/1 Gope Lane
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To

K.D. Soy,
Calcutta.

Rev. Soy,

I have the copy of the letter sent by Rev J.J.P. Tiga President of the G.E.L.C. to you. There was some confusion in fixing up the place, Ranchi or Calcutta. Rev. Tiga wishes to have it in Calcutta. Therefore I request you kindly look to all the necessary arrangements for the Executive Committee members meeting. I believe that you must have received my telegram by this time. I am also sending you the copy of my circular to you. Please do not think otherwise for the short time you are given now. And at the same time I presume that you must have arranged for the same on the strength of the letter from Rev. J.J.P. Tiga President G.E.L.C. Hope everything will be arranged. Please reply to all the members that request you for any information. The postage expenses will be paid and also the expenses for arrangements will be paid to you in consultation with the President G.E.L.C.

Thank you.

*Copy to the President
G.E.L.C*

Nayudupet,
5-10-1956.

Yours faithfully,

M. Ananthan
Secretary F.E.L.C.

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Rev. J. P. Tiga M. A.B.D.
President- G.E.L.C. Ranchi Bihar

Rev. Tiga

In continuation of my previous letter regarding the place of our F.E.L.C. Executive Committee meeting I again request you kindly to inform me by return post or atleast by telegram whether you have fixed up the place. If it is difficult in Calcutta please arrange it in Ranchi. I'll have no time to proceed before knowing it definitely from you.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Nayudupet,
21-9-1956.

M. Anantham
Secretary, F.E.L.C. 21/9/56

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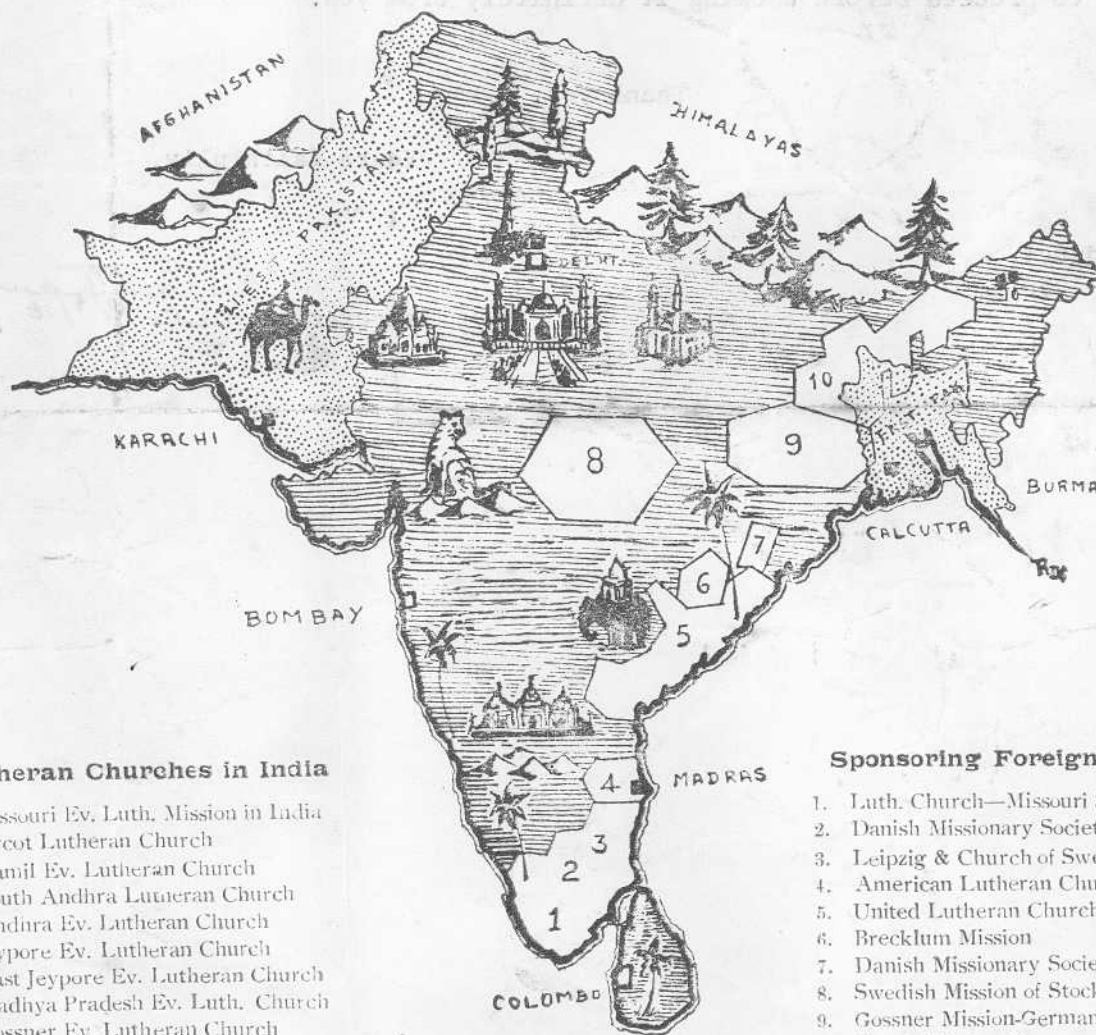
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Rev. K. D. Soy.

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F. E. L. C.

5/1/1 Gope Lane,
Calcutta-14.
The. 31-8-56.

To
The President.
G. E. L. C., Ranchi.

Sir,

Regarding your letter No 2998-99/56 dated Nil, you please let know us before we could arrange, "How many delegates are expected for Calcutta meeting and how long shall they stay here?" If we are known the number and the time we can tell you soon the place. There is no doubt we have meeting place in the Wellesly Church, 76 Wellesly St. Only the fooding and lodging is to be solved. In general I can say, "We can arrange the place if we are financially helped." An early reply solicited.

Yours faithfully,

K. D. Soy 31/8

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नाम The Rev. J. J. P. Tiga.

पता The President,

डाकखाना Gossner Evangl. Lutheran

ज़िला Church Compound,

R A N C H I.

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F. E. L. C.

From:

The Rt. Rev. R.B. Manikam, Ph.D., D.D., S.T.D.,
Bishop of Tranquebar,
Tiruchirappalli-1, S. India,

August 31, 1956.

To

The Members of the FELC Theological Conference at Gurukul, Madras, September 27, 1956.

Dear Friends,

In pursuance of action of the FELC Executive Committee 228/56 dated April 11-12, 1956 which is as follows:

"Resolved to convene a Theological Conference of representatives of members churches. The President and Secretary are authorized to fix the dates and the place of the Conference, preferably in September this year. We request the Lutheran members of the Commission meeting in Gurukul and Bangalore in April 1956, to give attention to the programme for this Conference in the light of the results of their meeting with the CSI brethren in Bangalore in April 1956".

I am calling in consultation with the Secretary, FELC, a Conference at Gurukul, Madras, on September 27. The first session will begin at 9 a.m. and the session will end by 6.30 p.m. Common lunch and tea will be provided at Gurukul. Those who arrive at Madras earlier to the meeting or stay over should make their own arrangements for their accommodation. Please let Dr P. David, Principal, Gurukul Theological College and Research Institute, Kilpauk, Madras-10, know the time of your arrival at Madras, with copy to me. I have requested Rev. W. Hallinger to be in charge of the programme.

Kindly bring the latest information as to the action taken by your church regarding the CSI/Lutheran conversations.

Yours sincerely,



(R.B. Manikam)
Bishop of Tranquebar,
PRESIDENT, FELC.

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G. E. L. CHURCH COMPOUND
RANCHI, BIHAR (INDIA)

Ref. No 2997/56

Dated the 28th August, 1956.

To

Mr. M. Anantham, B.A., L.T.,
Acting Secretary, F.E.L.C.I.,
Nayudupet,
Nellore Dist.

Dear Mr. Anantham,

I thank you very much for your letter dated the 22nd August, 1956. I have forwarded copy of your letter to our Calcutta Pastors Rev. K.D. Soy and Rev. George Devadas and requested them to make arrangements for a place for meeting and accommodation and hospitalities of the delegates for the next Executive Committee meeting of the F.E.L.C.I. I ~~may~~ shall let you know as soon as I receive information from them.

I hope you have received our C.C. resolution regarding the Gossner representatives for the L.W.F. Assembly 57. if not, please find one copy for information and needful.

Thanking you .

Enclosure-1.

Yours sincerely,

D. Toppe

For President

Rev. J. J. P. Tiga.

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

5.F.E.L.C.(I) MATTERS. (Ref: Res.154/55.FELC(I))

I. Lutheran World Federation Increased Contribution:

The constituent Churches of the F.E.L.C are to contribute Rs.1470/- annually over and above their present allocation for all purposed. The F.E.L.C.has proposed apportionments among the Churches on the basis of baptised membership (Schedule I) and on the F.E.L.C.affiliation basis (schedule II). The G.E.L.Church's share according to schedule I is Rs.492/- and according to schedule II is Rs.365/-.

56/92. RESOLVED to accept the apportionment amounting to Rs.365/- as indicated in schedule II prepared by F.E.L.C.

II.L.W.F.Exchange Programme.- Lutheran World Federation ke Department of World Missions ne Church workers ke liye Exchange programme banaya hai jissi Gossner Kalisha bhi labh utha sakti hai (Ref:FELCI Res:

56/93: RESOLVED that on Exchange Programme Committee be formed in order to make plans for exchange of Church workers.

- a).Under the LWF Exchange Program Scheme.
- b).Exchange in different Churches in India.
- c).In synod of the Gossner Church.

This committee will bring its recommendations to the Church Council

Council for approval and necessary action.

56/94:RESOLVED that the following be the members of the Exchange Programme Committee:-

- 1.Rev.J.J.P.Tiga.
- 2.Mr.Marsallan Bage.
- 3.Mr.Martin Tete.

III. Token grant towards the work of the C.O.M.(FELCI)(Ref:Res: 163/55(3) and 164/55.).

56/95.RESOLVED that the F.E.L.C.be informed that the Gossner Church is unable to give any grant this year as it has to bear a heavy sum towards evenagelistic work in her mission field. The Church may be able to contribute in 1957.

56/96: RESOLVED that a token grant of Rs.100/- be given to the C.O.M./ F.E.L.C.for 1957.

IV Lutheran Work, Calcutta.

Reported that the F.E.L.C. has appointed a committee consisting of Rev.J.J.P.Tiga, Rev.OBjerkestrand, and Rev.J.D.Asirvadam and Rev.Devasahayam in order to bring all three Church groups of Lutherans at Calcutta together. This committee will also see that all three groups hold their services in the old Church in Wellesly Square:

Action taken: Accepted the report and noted.

V.Selection of delegates to the L.W.F.1957 Assembly.

Reported that the F.E.L.C.has alloted two seats out of 12 to the Gossner Church. The Church has to elect 2 delegates. Gossner Church's one delegate will get travel expenses from the Federation.

56/97.RESOLVED to elect the following delegates to attend the LWF Assembly (1957 August)in U.S.A.:-

- Rev.J.J.P.Tiga (whose travel costs to be met by the Church)
- and Mr.Marsallan Bage (who is to receive travel costs from the F.E.L.C.I.)

56/98.RESOLVED to request the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society Berlin to help the G.E.L.Church in financing one of the delegates of the G.E.L.C. to attend the L.W.F.1957 Assembly.

VI. C.S.I.-Lutheran Conversation (Ref:FELC Res:191/55) F.E.L.C. aur Church of South India ke bich Theology par barta chal rahi hai.

Prabhubhoj ke sambandh kuchh dur tak agreement huwa hai . Yah bishal Lutheran Kalishyaon ke samne bicharadhin hai.

56/99.SANKALP: Yah bishay arthat C.S.I.-Lutheran Conversation ke Prabhu -bhoj par agree statemet, Ministerium ko bichar nimit supurd kiya jay.

VII.Delegates to the Special Theological Conference at Gurukul in September, 1956 (Ref: FELC Res:)

C.S.I.-Lutheran Conversation ke mutalik Gurukul Madras men Special Theological Conference 1956 September men bulane ka prabandh kiya ja raha hai jis men Gossner Kalisha se 6 pratinidhi ja sakte hain.

Yah bishay sthagit rakha gaya.

se ho gayi hai, is liye purani Managing Committee Supersede ho jati hai.

Literature Revision Committee Ref: Res: 154/55.

Dr.G.Schultz ne jo bilayt wapas chale gaye hain is Committee se stipha de diya hai. We is Committee ke Convener the.
56/90: SANKALP: Sri Christ Mukut Horo Dr.G.Schultz ke jagah naye sadasya nirbachit hon aur Sri N.E.Horo Convener chune jany.

Deputation of Mr.N.E.Horo and Miss S.M.Bodra for foreign training:
Ref: President's circular letter 1149-79/56 dt.23.3.56.

Heard report from the President on the votes received from members of the Church Council on the proposal to forward with recommendations the applications of Mr.N.E.Horo, Secretary G.E.L.Church and Miss S.M.Bodra Lady Principal, Bethesda Girls' High School, Ranchi to the Lutheran World Federation for higher studies abroad on their scholarship scheme. According to the report, 19 out of 30 voted for the proposal. One viz Rev. C.B.Minz wrote to say that he decided to remain neutral and one viz Rev. J.Lakra voted against and no letters were received from 8 members. One viz Rev.J.Toppo expressed in case of Miss S.M.Bodra that it would be better if a Lutheran is sent. Mr.N.E.Horo did not vote in his own matter. Thus in the case of Mr.N.E.Horo, there are 19 clear "Yes", one "Neutra

Ab is ka hisab phir alag kar diya gaya hai.

56/101 SANKALP: Bidhwa Fund se Padriyon ki un bidhwaon ko pahle kitarah arthik sahayta di jay jinhen pahle sahayta milti thin.

Note:- Aisi bidhwaon ka list Synodon se manga jay.

III. Bank Accounts.

The Treasurer Mr.C.M.Horo reported that the two Fixed Deposits with the United Bank of India Ltd., Ranchi, i.e. (i) No.39/55 dt.3.5.55, G.E.L.Church P./Fund-Rs.24,464-12-0 (2) No.40/55 dt.3.5.55, G.E.L.Church Widow Fund Rs.4,330-4-0 are maturing on the 3rd May, 1956. It was therefore necessary to renew these deposits for another one year under the rules and Terms of the Bank.

56/102: RESOLVED (a) that a new fixed Deposit A/C be opened in the name of "G.E.L.Church Provident Fund, Ranchi" with Rs.29,500-0-0. This amount be made up as noted below:-

F/D No.39/55 dt.3.5.55.....Rs.24,464-12-0.

Transfer from S.B.A/C No.212/587.Rs.5035- 4-0

Rs.29,500- 0-0.

RESOLVED further that the interest accruing on the F/D for the period from 3.5.55 upto date be transferred to the S.B.A/C No.212/587.

(b) That a new Fixed Deposit be opened with the United Bank of India Ltd., Ranchi, in the name of "The G.E.L.Church Widows' Fund, Ranchi" with the amount of Rs.4,330-4-0 now held under F/D No.40/55, for another one year under the rules and term of the Bank. The interest accruing on this amount for the period from 3.5.55 upto date be drawn in cash for disbursing to the widows by the Treasurer.

(c) That Mr.C.M.Horo Treasurer G.E.L.Church in Chotanagpur and Assam, Ranchi be the operator on all Fixed Deposits and Savings Bank Deposit Accounts with the United Bank of India Ltd, Ranchi.

(d) That the name of the Fixed Deposit A/C No.II/158 standing in the name of "G.E.L.Church Chotanagpur and Assam Treasurer" be changed into the new name "G.E.L.Church Reserve Fund, Ranchi" and the current deposit A/C No.23/39 be converted into Savings Bank Deposit A/C in the name of "G.E.L.Church Reserve Fund Ranchi". The Bank be requested to supply a Pass Book and a cheque for the new Savings Bank A/C.

(e) That a duly certified copy of the above resolution be forwarded to the United Bank of India Ltd., for their information and satisfaction.

IV. Provident Fund:

Reported that the Provident Fund Contribution of Rev.John Maraiya together with interests has been paid to him amounting to Rs.478/13/-.

56/103: RESOLVED: to approve of this payment made-

(a) Resolved to refund the P.F.Contribution of late Rev.Hallen Kerketta to his widow amounting to Rs.295/7/-.

(b) Resolved to allow Rev.Nichot Ekka to withdraw his P.F.

M. L. M. Saundil

True copy

October, 23rd, 1950.

The Rev. J. Toppe,
Gossner, Ev. Lutheran Church,
Kanke, Ranchi, India.

Joshi
29/10

Dear Pastor Toppe,

I want to thank you x for your letter of 2 1st of October, in which you discuss the problems in the Gossner Church and with which you enclose certain documents outlining the development of a north and south zone.

Let me confess right at the beginning that I cannot pretend to have a thorough understanding of the ~~xxxx~~ situation within the Gossner Church. We are sympathetic with the problems of language and communal divisions which you face, particularly because, as you point out, we in America have gone ~~ka~~ through similar problems and have not entirely overcome them yet. Perhaps that reason we are more sensitive to the danger that communal division bring to the church than others might be for we have experienced that our Lutheranism in America has been weakened ~~sk~~ through these divisions within it. The Gossner church accomplished in the beginning what we in America could not accomplish. It now seems certainly a step backward to divide; particularly at this time when your nation is trying to overcome communal differences and to become unified. It seems a shame that the Christian church should succumb and in a way give up the fight. In spite of all you say about ~~sk~~ keeping the unity of the Church I cannot but fear that to all practical purposes the division of the Gossner Church into ~~xxx~~ two regional zones will mean that it becomes two Churches. If you were to divide into three or four districts there would be far less danger of that sort of thing and more hope of getting together.

I could like to urge you to day that you ~~do~~ nothing that will contravene your present constitution for if there is to be a change it should come through the revision of the constitution rather than through the unilateral action of any minority. I cannot, of course, analyze your actions but it does seem to me that the boycotting of the recent Church Council meeting was an action which placed ~~onus~~ upon those who stayed away and the majority which acted at the church Council meeting, acted legally and constitutionally. It is impossible for us in our dealings with the Gossner Church to deal with any but the constituted authorities and as long as that authority acts legally we must continue to fulfill our commitment to it. Otherwise, we are not playing fair with the autonomous Gossner Church.

Let me comment in some detail on what I mean. Item 2 in your letter, the scheme you propose for the Gossner Church, interests me. If that is the kind of scheme the Gossner Church wants, that is up to the Gossner Church to decide. I think there are a number of weaknesses in it apart from the fact that it does divide the church into two sections but I don't want to discuss that in this letter. What concerns me more is that according to your report this zone system, was adopted by the dissident members of the minority community in a manner which can ~~xxxxx~~ scarcely be defended. Any change in a constitution must come before the whole Mahasabha. If an impasse is reached and it is impossible to find unity then a division must come. But there must be some attempt by mutual debate and discussion to find a workable plan and a plan on which the whole group can agree. Before the law your north zone is, I am afraid, simply a group which has seceded from the GELC, for you gave the other party ~~x~~ no opportunity say either yes or no on the problem of whether it too was ready to accept the new constitution. If you did not like the present constitution you can ~~xxxxx~~ scarcely demand that the other party accept your new constitution. There's no possible way by which this action could be justified either in a court of law or councils of the church. I ~~x~~ say this without in any way denying or affirming that you have reason to the aggravated and had reason to desire revision in the church constitution the fact is that it simply impossible to go about it in this way. In your report, page 2, you state that the council ~~sk~~ which met on the 5th and 6th of September did not have the same constitutional and legal status as it would have had had there not been this secessive action on the part of the North Zone. I am quite sure you are wrong here. If the council was called by proper constitutional means and was attended by a quorum,

It had full constitutional and legal status. A boycott by a dissident group does not alter the fact. This means that before the law the dissident group have separated it-self from the Gossner Church and it is not entitled to the property or the income of the Gossner Church. I hope that it will not become necessary to have this matter out in the law courts and I shall certainly ~~write~~ write to Pastor Tiga to urge against going to law. On the other hand I think that in as much as you have established an organization, the north zone - which is an extra-constitutional organization, you cannot expect that the Gossner Church will recognise this organization and feel obligated to support it.

Without making and pre-judgements of committing ~~us~~ our-selves to any ~~any~~ line of actions in regard to the subsidy, I am afraid that my own judgement is that if the subsidy is ~~is~~ dispensed according to the action of the Mahasabha and the church council, even the church council which was boycotted, the IWF would scarcely be justified in withdrawing the subsidy. You state that the subsidy is being used as a weapon of punishment. I am not qualified from the information I have at ~~my~~ hand to judge whether or not that is so, but I think that it could very well be argued that if certain members of the GELC have established themselves in contradictions to provision of the constitution as another organization, they are in no way entitled to funds of the GELC; that is, the withholding of subsidy from those who have not to accept the constitution of the church is a purely normal procedure. The person who disregard the constitution lays himself open to discipline and cannot expect to obtain benefits which acceptance and observance of the constitution bring. Now if the majority party should itself be acting contravention to ~~xxx~~ the constitution it will also draw sanctions upon itself. I so far am entirely unable to judge as to whether or not this is the case ~~that~~ - whether the majority party is observing the constitution. But from your letter and your report they must judge that you are not.

With reference to appointment of Miss Bodra for studies abroad, I want to repeat my regret that this matter became an object of dispute in bitterness. I regret that I cannot agree with you that we should have dealt with the matter in any other but a legal way. It was the only way in which we could have possibly dealt with it. ~~xxxxxxx~~ We had established certain requirements. Those requirements were fulfilled. Had we not then fulfilled our agreement we should have been open to accusations of injustice and lack of honor. I can understand that there were two points of view in the case of Miss Bodra's scholarship but would you want us to espouse the cause of the minority against the legal action of the Gossner Church? Would this have been mercy? Or would this have been fatherly treatment? We in Geneva do not want to be the law ourselves in these scholarships. We do not want to be guided by our prejudices one way or another and therefore we must leave the decision up to the Church. I cannot but feel that your use of the words justice, mercy, law and spirit in this connection is scarcely justified.

And now may I express my hope that you will not mistake this rather plain talk for animosity or lack of sympathy. I have written as I have simply because I do think that it is absolutely essential that as you have been frank with me we must also be frank with you and state the case as we see it. Believe me, we are in all sympathy with the difficulty the Gossner Church is facing and the difficulties which you who feel yourselves a minority group are facing. Our only hope and prayer is that these difficulties may be handled in a careful, legal and self-critical way. Believe me too that we honor your love for your church and we honor the record of the Gossner Church as it has for many years striven against the problem within itself and its tendency to ~~xx~~ divide. May God give you every grace to continue in you search for a solution to these problems, if necessary to turn around when the direction you have been going seems wrong, always with the humble, searching spirit of the true Christian. I remember with much pleasure the ^{me} days I spent in Ranchi last year, in spite of the fact that, as you remember, they were not pleasant in every respect. I look forward to another visit sometime early next year if the Lord should open the way. I hope that you will find it possible before that time to heal the breach and to come to a solution of the problem you face.

Yrs. v. Sincerely
Aron S. Vik.

~~Mr. L. M. Sandil~~

The Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam

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President:—Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, M.A., B.D., S.T.M.

FILE

G. E. L. CHURCH COMPOUND
RANCHI, BIHAR (INDIA)

Ref. No 4303 4300 /56

Dated the..... 28th..... Oct..... 1956

To,
The members of the Executive Committee of the Church Council,
G. E. L. Church in Ch. Nagpur & Assam.

Dear friends,

I am sending you the true copy of the following two letters for your study. The matter will be brought before you for consideration and decision at the next Executive meeting fixed for the 30th. October to 1st. November.

THIS COPY

J. J. P. Tiga Resident
28/10

The Lutheran World Federation
Department of World Missions,
Asst. Director : Dr. Arno Sovik.

17 Route de Malagnou
Geneva, Switzerland.
Oct. 8, 56

To,
The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam,
Bishop of Tranquebar,
Tranquebar House,
Tiruchirappalli, S. India.

Dear Rajah,

We have just today received another communication from Ranchi giving rather disheartening news about the situation there. One side requests that we withhold subsidies until matters get straightened out; the other side says that this would simply further the power of the rebels.

P. T. O.

It seems to me that there are illegal and high handed actions on both sides. Perhaps, since our subsidies serve ~~xx~~ to strengthen the Tiga party and it also seems to ~~xxxxxxx~~ to be acting illegally, or at least in an unchristian manner, there ought to be a stoppage of the subsidy until they can show proof that it is being dispensed according to budget until they can show proof that it is being dispensed according to budget provisions and orderly Christian responsibility.

You have, no doubt, been getting letters from both sides. If you should have advice to offer here we would be very grateful for it and if you should advise cutting off subsidy until we are sure what it is going ~~xxx~~ to, we would be quite ready to listen to that advice.

Sincerely Yours
Sd/- Srne

True copy
sd/- R. B. Manikam.

II The Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India

True copy

Tiruchirappalli-1, S. I.
22nd. October, 1956

To,
The President and Secretary,
Gossner Ev. Lutheran Church,
Ranchi, Bihar.

Dear friends,

I write to forward to you a resolution passed by the All-India Lutheran Federation Executive Committee at its meeting at Calcutta on October 18-19, 1956, at which President Tiga and Pastor Lakra were present. I do not have the exact wording of the resolution, but I am ~~re~~ reproducing it from memory.-

" Resolved that the FELC Executive Committee request that a Round Table Conference be called before November 15, 1956, by the ~~xxxx~~ Gossner Church Council or its Executive Committee to confer with the leaders of the so-called ' North Zone ', in order to restore peace and order in the Gossner Church."

The official resolution will be forwarded to you in due course. Since President Tiga was present at the meeting and is in full knowledge of this resolution, I as President of the FELC request that your ~~xxxxx~~ Executive Committee be pleased to take action immediately.

Pastor Lakra gave an assurance that should this Round Table Conference be called, he would do his best to see that no agitation is led by the ' North Zone ' party in the meantime.

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter from Dr. Arne Sovik of the Department of World Missions of the LWF, Geneva, which I was asked by the FELC Executive Committee to forward to you for your very careful consideration.

May I plead with you that in Christian love and charity you take action to call this Round Table Conference, in order to thrash out your differences and work out a plan for the smooth-running of the administration of your Church. It is you the leaders of the Gossner Church that should come together and settle your ~~difficulties~~ difficulties. Any commission from the outside cannot do this as effectively as you only can. If, however, in working out a plan of administration you should like to have on a committee set up by you for this purpose, one or two representatives from the FELC, I should think that the Federation would be willing to appoint them and thus be of service to you. If there should be any other suggestion from you as to how peace can be restored, the Federation will be ~~xxxxxx~~ glad to give it its careful attention. May I make an earnest appeal to you to ~~xxxxxx~~ convene the Round Table Conference mentioned above and let me know the result of its deliberations at your earliest convenience.

With best wishes,

Yours Sincerely,
Sd/- R. B. Manikam
President FELC.

MINUTES

OF THE
Meeting of the Executive Council

OF THE
Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India

HELD IN
Tamil-Telugu Church, No. 76, Wellesly Street, Calcutta
October 18 - 19, 1956

DEVOTIONS :

Bishop R. B. Manikam and Rev. J. J. P. Tiga conducted devotions on the 18th and 19th October, 1956, respectively.

The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam, President of the Federation, brought the meeting to order at 2 p. m. on the 18th instant.

THE ROLL CALL :

The Acting Secretary, Mr. M. Anantham, called the roll.
The following were present :

OFFICERS :

The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam, President
Dr. A. N. Gopal, Secretary
Mr. M. Anantham, Ag. Secretary, S. A. L. C.
Rev. H. W. Mayer, Treasurer

REPRESENTATIVES OF CHURCHES :

Rev. A. C. Kondpan, J. E. L. C.
Rev. G. Devasahayam, A. E. L. C.
Rev. O. S. Bjerkestrand, Ebenezer L. C.

CO-OPTED :

Rev. Joel Lakra
Rev. A. S. Jacob
Miss B. V. Subbamma

ABSENTEES WITH APOLOGIES :

Mr. N. E. Horo, G. E. L. C.
Rev. O. Horlyck, A. L. C.
Dr. Pitchaiah Robert, T. E. L. C.
Rev. A. Andersen, E. J. E. L. C.
Rev. E. Raman, M. P. E. L. C. — Vice-President
Bishop J. Sandegren, T. E. L. C., Coopted

ATTENDED BY SPECIAL INVITATION :

Rev. Otto Torvik — Norwegian Mission among Muslims
Rev. J. D. Asirvadani — Lutheran N. M. S.

VISITORS :

Local Pastors — Rev. K. Soy and Rev. G. Devadas
Mr. Sounder Rajan, A. L. C.

WELCOME :

The President welcomed Dr. A. N. Gopal, Secretary, who returned from the United States, and above mentioned visitors, particularly the Rev. Torvik of the Norwegian Mission among Muslims.

Dr. A. N. Gopal was appointed Recording Secretary.
CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES :

The Minutes of the Enlarged Executive Council, which met in Renigunta in April, 1956, were approved with the following correction:

Page 11 — R. 245/56. Add at the end of the sentence "except Rev. J. D. Asirvadam".

COMMISSION ON WORLD MISSION - AUGUST 1956, - NORWAY :

The President, who attended the above Commission, pointed out several relevant matters from the Minutes of the Commission on World Missions. The following appropriate resolutions are taken and appropriate items recorded for information :

Qualifications for L. W. F. Membership :

1. Constitutions of Churches eligible for L. W. F. membership must provide for full autonomy of the Church body. Especially, the head of the church must be freely elected according to the provisions and regulations in the constitution of the said church without any veto from abroad or from missionary bodies.
2. A church to be eligible for L. W. F. membership shall have a program of Christian Stewardship providing for regular progress toward full self-support and the development of its obligation to propagate the faith.

(For information)

Asian and African participation at the 1957 Minneapolis Assembly :

1. The Mission boards and societies be asked to explore every possible means for financial aid to the Churches in Africa and Asia in which they work in order that those churches might be represented at the 1957 L. W. F. Assembly.
2. The D. W. M. be entrusted with the responsibility of encouraging boards and societies and national committees to provide financial assistance and of co-ordinating the efforts in this endeavour.
3. The churches in Africa and Asia be encouraged to raise as much of the costs involved as possible.

(For information)

JUBILEE STAMP STONE :

258/56 Resolved that the stone be brought over and Jubilee Stamp sold until January 1, 1957, and the proceeds be sent to Gurukul.

RAWERKELA PROJECT :

259/56 Resolved that this project be a project of Gossner and Jeypore Evangelical Lutheran Churches.

(Rev. Joel Lakra, Rev. Kondpan and Rev. Asirvadam gave information in regard to the plans for such a joint effort.)

We await the details of development with interest.

G. S. I. — LUTHERAN CONVERSATIONS :

The C. W. M. has heard the report on the progress of the conversations between the C. S. I. and the Lutherans in South India, and expresses the hope that these conversations would be continued and study pursued until a real clarification of the issue has been reached.

(For information)

The C. S. I. representatives on the F. E. L. C. Theological Commission, having come to know that some of the Lutheran representatives on the said commission were reporting about the break down of the conversations, sent a letter to the Federation President regretting such a report and saying that "the C. S. I. is ready and eager to continue discussions". The letter was written by Bishop Sumitra (Moderator, C. S. I.) and Bishop Newbigin.

260/56 Resolved that the letter of Bishop Sumitra and Bishop Newbigin be recorded in the Minutes.

(See Appendix I)

261/56 Resolved that the President forward the recommendations of the Theological Conference, held in Madras, to the C. S. I. asking them clarification on the following issues :

1. What is the meaning of historic episcopate ?
2. In what does the continuity of the ministry lie ?
3. What constitutes the validity of the ministry ?

262/56 Resolved to report to the member churches that we have asked the C. S. I. for clarification on the three issues mentioned above.

263/56 Resolved that we continue our conversations with the C. S. I.

264/56 Resolved that we ask the member churches to report at the next meeting as to what has been done in regard to the agreed statements and co-operation with the C. S. I.

The President made a statement regarding what is done in Tamil area in the regional conferences between the Lutheran Churches and the C. S. I. for closer co-operation between these two churches.

265/56 Resolved that we recommend to the Telugu speaking churches of the Federation that similar steps be taken.

MALAYA WORK :

Reported that the U. L. C. A. Board of Foreign Missions has accepted in principle the request made by the Asia Lutheran Conference that it send missionaries to Malaya to work among the Tamils and Telugus there as well as among the Chinese.

(For information)

BURMA WORK :

It was reported that a U. L. C. A. missionary would go to Rangoon to work with the Tamil and Telugu congregations in Rangoon.

AN ALL-ASIA LUTHERAN CONFERENCE :

C. W. M. Resolution — That we express our appreciation that the Conference held in Madras in January, 1956, proved so valuable that a Continuation Committee was appointed to plan another conference.

That, since a convener for the Continuation Committee appointed at Madras in January, 1956, was not designated, we suggest that Bishop Manikam as member of the C. W. M. serve as a Convener and the Continuation Committee elect its own Chairman.

That the invitation of Rev. Hirai, to hold an Asia Lutheran Conference in Japan in 1959 in connection with the Centennial celebration there be referred to the Continuation Committee.

(For information)

MISSION TO INDIANS IN EAST AFRICA :

The D. W. M. requests the F. E. L. C. to send an Indian missionary knowing Gujarati or Hindi to East Africa. Possibly the Lutheran National Mission Society might be connected with such an enterprise in East Africa.

(For information)

266/56 Resolved to recommend to the member churches the following :

1. To find the right person. To send a panel in the order of priority.
2. To assume a portion of the support (this means that the funds should be collected from the member churches of the F. E. L. C. and forwarded to the missionary.)
3. That the churches prepare a policy under which a person would be called to this work.

266a/56 Resolved that the reports on the above mentioned items from the member churches be secured by the Secretary and presented to the F. E. L. C. Triennial.

(The person selected must be well educated, well versed in Islam, tactful in the face of great racial tension, and able to be a link between his African and European colleagues and the East African Indians to whom all three would bring the Gospel. The C. W. M. asks the L. M. C. in Tanganyika to add this new enterprise to its other responsibilities.)

(For information)

The S. A. L. C. representatives reported that they are setting apart 20% of their benevolence fund for this work.

267/56 Resolved to recommend the good example of the S. A. L. C. to the other member churches of the F. E. L. C.

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH :

Reported :

1. That the grant of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church was \$10,000—for the current budget and \$1,600—for scholarships, these two items to be listed as 'A' projects.
2. That the 1958 G. E. L. C. budget be reviewed by the F. E. L. C. I. Executive Committee before submission to C. W. M.

(For information)

JEYPORE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH :

Reported that \$12,000 was approved as an 'A' project and that D. W. M. advise the J. E. L. C. that the C. W. M. expects to cut grants by at least 10% yearly.

HIGH SCHOOL :

Rs. 10,000 (\$2,100) be entered as a 'B' project, contingent upon the church raising Rs. 5,000 towards the erection of a Christian High School in Jeypore.

(For information)

LUTHERAN N. M. S. :

Reported that \$200 was listed as an 'A' project for leadership training of two men for work in the North-East boarder area.

Rev. J. D. Asirvadam informed the body that this money would be used for the Boro personnel from the Ebenezer church.

(For information)

KILPAUK CHURCH, MADRAS :

Reported that \$6,300 (Rs. 30,000) for erection of the Kilpauk Church was listed as 'A' project.

(For information)

F. E. L. C. DOCUMENTARY FILM :

- 268/56 Resolved that a sum of Rs. 450 be lent from the Jubilee Publication fund to purchase a used film, "Partners in India", (approximate cost \$75) and to pay the customs duty if any.
- 269/56 Resolved that the film is to be given on a rental basis of Rs. 3 for a show plus shipping charges, and the proceeds to be credited to the Jubilee Publication Fund.
- 270/56 Resolved that we appoint the Treasurer in the place of Mr. G. T. Williams to be the custodian of the film. Mr. Williams is to continue the correspondence relative to securing the film.

GURUKUL PROPERTY - Ref. 229/56 :

The President reported that the property is still in the hands of the L. E. L. M. and is to be transferred to the T. E. L. C. and that the T. E. L. C. has taken definite action to transfer the property to the F. E. L. C.

- 271/56 Resolved that the Secretary be requested to receive the concerned resolution from the T. E. L. C. for record.

(See Appendix II)

TRANSFER OF PROPERTY :

The Executive Committee heard with pleasure the report of the President in regard to the action of the Government of India and a few State Governments in agreeing to reduce the stamp duty by 75% in transferring the property of Missions to churches.

- 272/56 Resolved that we urge our co-operating Missions and the constituent churches to take up this matter seriously and effect the transfer at an early date.

LUTHERAN N. M. S. : (Ref. Page 7—Renigunta Minutes, April 1956.)

Rev. J. D. Asirvadam gave a report of the Committee in regard to the relation of the L. N. M. S. with the F. E. L. C.

- 273/56 Resolved that we request the Committee to reconsider the statements in the light of the discussions in the Executive Committee, and in the light of the reply received from the N. M. S. and report to the Triennial meeting of the F. E. L. C.

THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM : Ref. 256/56.

- 274/56 Resolved that we request the L. W. F. and L. W. S. to send two experts in Stewardship Program of churches, one from the U. S. A. and other from the Batak Church to India, to visit and to promote the Stewardship program of the constituent churches of the F. E. L. C. from September, 1957, to March 31st, 1958.

L. W. S. RELIEF :

- 275/56 Resolved that we request the L. W. F. to earmark some amounts sent to India for emergency purposes in the F. E. L. C. areas.
- 276/56 Resolved that we inform them that the F. E. L. C. at its Convention will set up suitable machinery to carry on emergency relief.

SURGUJA BOARD : Ref. 237/56.

Progress Report—Fuller report is to be presented at the next meeting.

FREE LUTHERAN CONFERENCE :

We heard with pleasure a report from the President in regard to the negotiations initiated among the Lutheran Churches in the Tamil area for establishing a Synodical Conference.

277/56 Resolved that the proposals of the Free Lutheran Conference for establishing a Synodical Conference in the Tamilnad be published in the Minutes.

(See Appendix III)

FULL-TIME SECRETARY :

278/56 Resolved that we defer action indefinitely.

CO-OPERATING MISSIONS :

279/56 Resolved that we request the Missions sponsoring the member Churches of the Federation to contribute Rs. 200 annually, and thus become voting members subject to Article II, Sec. 2, b, of the constitution.

TREASURER'S REPORT :

280/56 Resolved to accept the report for 1956, and to recommend the budget for 1957 to the Convention.

(See Appendix IV)

REQUEST FROM THE W. C. C. FOR A GRANT FOR THE OFFICE BUILDING IN GENEVA :

281/56 Resolved to inform the W. C. C. that at present we have no funds from which we could make a grant.

282/56 Resolved that this matter be brought up again for consideration by the Executive Committee at its later meetings and receive serious consideration during the next triennium.

PLACE AND TIME OF NEXT F. E. L. C. TRIENNIAL :

283/56 Resolved that the next Triennial be held at Renigunta from January 4 to 7, 1957.

284/56 Resolved that the officers meet in Trichinopoly and arrange the program, and circulate the program to the Executive members.

285/56 Resolved that the officers take care of the cooptions also.

286/56 Resolved that we request the officers to fix up a theme and select speakers. (The theme of the L. W. F. Assembly 1957, "Christ Frees and Unites", was suggested).

287/56 Resolved to request the member Churches of the F. E. L. C. to include their representative to the L. W. F. Assembly in their delegation to the F. E. L. C. Triennial.

288/56 Resolved to request the member Churches to send the names of the delegates to the Triennial Conference by November 25th, 1956, to the Secretary, F. E. L. C.

WEST PAKISTAN :

289/56 Resolved that we invite a Representative of the Lutheran Church in West Pakistan to the next Triennial.

L. W. F. REPRESENTATION :

A.—

290/56 Resolved :

1. that we allot one more seat to the A. E. L. C.
2. If Dr. A. N. Gopal is elected, he is to be paid the F. E. L. C. travel subsidy of Rs. 1,900 collected so far to attend the L. W. F. Executive Com-

mittee on August 11-14, 1957, on condition that the L. W. F. will not cut down the travel subsidy to other F. E. L. C. delegates to the L. W. F. Assembly in order to subsidize the travel of Dr. Gopal to its Executive Committee Meeting.

3. That Dr. Gopal does not share in L. W. F. travel subsidy to the F. E. L. C. delegates.
4. That in case the L. W. F. does not find it possible to finance the travel of Dr. Gopal to attend its Executive Committee meeting without cutting down its travel subsidy to the other F. E. L. C. delegates, then Dr. Gopal should be responsible to raise the necessary funds himself.

B. Names of Delegates :

291/56 Resolved that the following delegates selected by the member Churches be approved :

List of Delegates appointed by Churches so far to the L. W. F. Assembly.

G. E. L. C. : 1. Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ranchi, Bihar.

2. Mr. Marsallan Bage, Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ranchi, Bihar.

A. E. L. C. : 1. Rev. Garikapudi Devasahayam, C/o President's Office, Guntur.

2. Miss Teli Rajeswari, C/o President's Office, Guntur.
3. (Yet to receive) C/o President's Office, Guntur.

S. A. L. C. : 1. Mr. M. Anantham, Mission High School, Nayudupeta, Nellore Dt.

EBE. L. Church : 1. Mr. Gora Ch. Tuda (at present in USA, C/o The Santal Mission, 803 Phoenix Building, Minneapolis)

M. P. E. L. C. : 1. Rev. B. N. Sahay, C/o Rev. E. Raman, Saugor, M. P.

W. JEYPORE : (No one is being sent)

ARCOT L. CHURCH : (matter under consideration)

T. E. L. C. : 1. Mr. G. T. Williams, Tranquebar House Compound, Tiruchirapalli, S. I.

2. The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam, Bishop of Tranquebar, Tiruchirapalli, S. I.

C. Priority:

292/56 Resolved that, if the Arcot Lutheran Church does not become a member of the L. W. F. before August, 1957, the S. A. L. C. Representative take the place of the A. L. C. Representative in the order of priority.

REQUEST OF THE A. E. L. C. : Ref. 130/55.

292 a/56 Resolved to inform the A. E. L. C. that no discrimination was implied in the order of priority.

D. Official Visitors :

293/56 Resolved that the official visitors be assigned as follows:

A. E. L. C.	3
G. E. L. C.	2
T. E. L. C.	2
S. A. L. C.	2
Ebenezer L. C.	2

The twelfth seat is to be assigned later.

THE OFFER OF THE AMERICAN LUTHERAN YOUTH:

The President reported that the American Lutheran Youth are inviting Youth representatives from the Asian and African countries to visit the United States and possibly attend the L. W. F. Youth meetings and visit Youth Organizations in the U. S. A. from June 18, September 6, 1957. The youth representative should be between 18-25 years of age.

294/56 Resolved that out of the 6 representatives assigned for Asia we request 2 to be given to India.

295/56 Resolved that we ask the following churches with regular youth program and with full-time youth Secretaries whether they are willing to send a representative from their churches, and if so, to let us know what amount they could offer for travel expenses of their youth representatives.

1. A. E. L. C ; 2. T. E. L. C.; 3. G. E. L. C.

(The 2 youth representatives will be selected in this order of priority). Information on this subject should reach the Secretary on or before December 1st, 1956.

F. E. L. C. WOMEN'S CONFERENCE :

Miss B. V. Subbamma, Convener, gave encouraging reports of her visit to the Women's organizations of the T. E. L. C. and A. L. C. areas and the successful Conference held in Madras, September 28-30, 1956, and presented a few recommendations.

296/56 Resolved that we express our deep appreciation to Miss Subbamma for the excellent work she did as the convener in calling for a Conference of F. E. L. C. Women, the first ever held in India.

297/56 Resolved that the following actions be taken in regard to the recommendations from the F. E. L. C. Women's Conference :

1. a) That the F. E. L. C. Executive give its approval to organize such Women's Conferences regularly once in two years.
- b) That we request the Women's Samajams of the member churches to contribute not less than Rs. 50 for the Women's work of the F. E. L. C.

(Miss Subbamma gave a statement of the income and expenditure for the Women's Conference in Madras, and stated that she still has on hand a credit balance of Rs. 170-12-6. This amount would be used for the Women's Work of the F. E. L. C.

2. That the question of opening Deaconess Homes in the member Churches be left to the respective Churches.

3. That we approve of the recommendation that a separate section be set apart for Women's work in the Gospel Witness and commend it to the attention of the Board of Publication.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION :

298/56 1. Resolved that the list of libraries, persons and institutions to whom free copies of Prof. Lehman's book, "It Began at Tranquebar", are to be supplied as submitted by the Board of Publication, be approved.

299/56 2. Resolved to approve the recommendation that the stock clearance price of Re. 1/- of LUTHERAN ENTERPRISE by Rev. G. H. Swavelly be continued till December 31, 1956.

3. Debt to Lutheran Press :-A fuller statement will be presented at the Triennial Conference.

(For information)

- 300/56 4. Jubilee Publication Accounts :—Resolved to record that there is a balance of Rs. 2,248-12-10 under Jubilee Publication Fund Account.
- 301/56 5. Resolved that SW. Kr. 750/- from Swedish Mission be credited to Jubilee Publication Fund.
- 302/56 6. Appointment of Business Manager :— Resolved that we ask the Board of Publication to appoint a Business Manager as a successor to Mrs. Haywood.

CALCUTTA WORK :

The Calcutta Work Committee, after surveying the Lutheran work carried on in Calcutta, made the following recommendations :

1. That the Lutheran work in Calcutta be considered as a special work of the F. E. L. C., and the Calcutta Work Committee administer the work of Tamil-Telugu Congregation.

2. That the Tamil-Telugu Congregation become a member of the G. E. L. C. for the purpose of ecclesiastical relationship and supervision.

3. That two representatives of the F. E. L. C. be appointed on the Board of Trustees of the Tamil-Telugu Congregation.

303/56 Resolved that we receive this report and spread it on the minutes to be taken up in the Federation Triennial in January, 1957, for fuller discussion and decision.

304/56 Resolved to recommend to the F. E. L. C. Triennial that the Calcutta Work Committee be taken as a Standing Committee of the F. E. L. C. and that the Calcutta Work receive serious attention from the F. E. L. C.

EXPENSES FOR THE ARRANGEMENTS IN CALCUTTA FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE :

305/56 Resolved that we pay to Rev. Soy his bill for Rs. 101-10-6, as an exception.

GOSSNER CHURCH AFFAIRS :

After hearing from Rev. J. J. P. Tiga and Rev. Joel Lakra the sad story of present conditions in the Gossner Church, it was Resolved :

306/56 1. That the President be authorised to send Dr. Sovik's letter of October 8, 1956, to the Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, President, G. E. L. C. with a request that this letter be placed before the Church Council for their careful consideration.

307/56 2. That we appeal to the Church Council or its Executive Committee to take immediate steps to call for a Round-Table Conference with the leaders of the "North Zone" before November 15, and inform the Secretary of the F. E. L. C. of the outcome of the conference.

We earnestly hope that by the providence of God peace and goodwill will be restored in the G. E. L. C. We forward this resolution to the President of the G. E. L. C. with our prayers.

(Passed unanimously)

SECRETARY :

The President informed the body that Dr. Gopal would take over the duties of the Secretary from the close of the Executive Committee meeting.

ACTING SECRETARY :

308/56 Resolved to thank the Acting Secretary, Mr. M. Anantham, for his services to the F. E. L. C. as Acting Secretary in the absence of the Secretary.

VOTE OF THANKS :

309/56 Resolved to thank the local Pastors, Rev. G. Devadas and Rev. Soy and other friends, and Mrs. Devadas for the arrangements they made for the boarding and lodging of the members of the Executive Committee.

310/56 Resolved to thank Rev. Torvik for attending the Executive Committee.

CLOSING :

After a period of intercession, the meeting ended with the Benediction by the President.

(Sd.) RT. REV. R. B. MANIKAM,
President.

(Sd.) A. N. GOPAL,
Secretary.

APPENDIX I

LETTER OF BISHOP SUMITRA REGARDING
C. S. I. & F. E. L. C. CONVERSATIONS

"Allahabad,

16th October, 1956

The Rt. Rev. Raja B. Manikam

Bishop of Tranquebar

Chairman, Federation of Ev. Lutheran Churches in India.

Dear Bishop,

We have learned with much regret that reports have been circulated alleging that the conversations between the Church of South India and the Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India have "broken down", and that the Church of South India has terminated these talks. As these reports are liable to mislead the members of our Churches and our friends abroad, it appears to us desirable that they should be contradicted. It is our understanding of the position that the talks have in no sense broken down; what has been decided is that the next phase of discussion should be by means of conferences in the regional languages, and arrangements for these conferences are going forward. We believe that these conferences will be of great value and will deserve much careful preparation and attention.

So far as the Church of South India is concerned we assure you that the C. S. I. is ready and eager to continue discussions, and prays earnestly for the coming of the day when our Churches will be one.

We should be happy to have from the F. E. L. C. confirmation that our understanding of the position is correct, and that the Federation is willing to continue discussions.

We take this opportunity of sending our good wishes for the meeting of the Federation Executive in Calcutta. May God bless and prosper your deliberations.

Yours sincerely,

(Sd.) H. Sumitra

Bishop in Rayalaseema, Moderator.

(Sd.) Leslie Newbiggin

Bishop in Madura, Convener, C. S. I.
Theo. Commission."

APPENDIX II

T. E. L. C. RESOLUTION ON GURUKUL PROPERTY

C. C. Proc. No. 422, para 12, dated 14-15, Sept., 1956

"F. E. L. C. Gurukul Property: Letter of the F. E. L. C. Treasurer, dated 23-7-56, regarding preparing a transfer deed for the Gurukul property for registration.

The C. C. stand by the C. C. Proc. No. 364, Appdx. II-5-ii.

"Compensation: In the event the College is permanently closed, the F. E. L. C. Executive Council in consultation with the bodies concerned shall determine the amount of compensation to be paid to those bodies who have given the capital expenditure. As in this case the College compound will revert to the T. E. L. C. and those bodies who have contributed to the capital investments in buildings will have to be compensated by the T. E. L. C."

APPENDIX III
MINUTES OF THE TAMILNAD REGIONAL FREE
CONFERENCE, p. 3

"That immediate steps shall be set afoot for the organizing of a "Synodical Conference" in which all the three Lutheran Churches in South India shall be members. The following are indicated as some of the characteristics of such a conference :

1. An agreed confessional basis,
2. A constitution which gives room for the member churches to retain their administrative autonomy until further steps toward organic union are possible.
3. Altar and pulpit fellowship on the basis of No. 1,
4. Appointment of Standing committees for common areas of work, e. g., a) theological training; b) Christian Literature, Theological evangelistic, devotional, production, publication, and distribution; c) educational policy; d) co-operation in home and foreign mission work.
5. The Conference shall decide how often it shall come together and decide on the next steps to be taken on a review of the situation.

This Conference therefore recommends to their Churches the following :

1. The Three Churches be requested to give careful consideration to the question of a Synodical Conference, and inform the convener of the present Conference Committee their decision before January 1, 1957.
2. If at least two of the Churches agree to such a Conference, each of the agreeing Churches be asked to appoint before May 1, 1957, two persons on an Interim Synodical Conference Committee.
3. The Interim Committee shall appoint a commission on Unity in Faith, which will meet periodically before August, 1957.
4. This Interim Committee shall draft a Constitution for the Synodical Conference and submit the same to the agreeing Churches for their decision before August 1, 1957.
5. The Interim Committee shall consider the desirability and feasibility of appointing a full-time paid Secretary of the Interim Committee to prepare for the management of the Synodical Conference. If the Churches agreed to such an appointment and their share of the support, the Interim Committee shall be empowered to make the appointment.
6. The present Conference Committee shall appoint persons to address the Councils of the three Churches when they meet, and plan for the establishment of Synodical Conference.
7. The three Churches be requested to ask their congregations to pray for the establishment of a United Lutheran Church.
8. A team of three members from each of our three Churches may visit our congregations in order to promote the cause for a United Lutheran Church.

If, under God, it is possible for two of the three Churches represented here (as for example, the A. L. C. and the T. E. L. C.) to integrate themselves into one Church; even so, the above mentioned association in a Synodical Conference shall obtain between that United Church and the Churches represented by the Missouri Synod."

APPENDIX IV

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF OCTOBER 9, 1956

	Cr.	Dr.
On 9-10-56 Credit Balance in cash book	Rs. 7,127 6 10	
<i> earmarked Funds :</i>		
LWF Executive Committee Travel		1,900 0 0
WCC—LWF Delegates Travel		486 0 0
Calcutta Reserve (1953-56)		2,100 0 0
Overseas Missions (from Ar. LC)		100 0 0
Jubilee Stamps Sales		702 0 0
Jubilee Publications Balance		2,248 12 10
'Lutheran World' Subscriptions		563 14 0
NCC—1955-'56		600 0 0
		<u>8,700 10 10</u>
Membership dues receivable :		
AELC	2,780 0 0	
GELC	2,265 0 0	
	<u>12,172 6 10</u>	
Less Debits	8,700 10 10	
General Fund Balance	<u>3,471 12 0</u>	
Bangkok		200 0 0
Tamilnad C. C.		250 0 0
Film		500 0 0
Non-recurring Expenditure Incurred :		
Jubilee Editorial and Clerical		279 3 0
Printing Calendars		1,077 13 3
Printing Bible Syllabus		147 4 3
		<u>2,454 4 6</u>

BUDGET PROPOSAL—1957

Income:	WCC-LW					Total
	LWF	WCC	FELC	Dele	Travel	
AELC	1,520	300	960	428	8 0	3,208 8 0
ARCOT L. C.			181	99	8 0	280 8 0
Ebenezer L. C.	410	90	231	117	0 0	848 0 0
East JELC			21	27	0 0	48 0 0
GELC	1,230	246	789	365	0 0	2,630 0 0
JELC	430	50	243	128	0 0	851 0 0
MPELC	190	48	104	56	0 0	398 0 0
SALC	345	78	182	101	8 0	706 8 0
TELC	630	138	361	184	8 0	1,313 8 0
Totals	4,755	950	3,072	1507	0 0	10,284 0 0

Expenses:

LWF	4,755
WCC	1,000
Office Expenses	300
Officers' Travel	900
Committees & Chairman's Travel	500
Calcutta Work	500
LWF Executive Member Travel	500
LWF & WCC Delegates' Travel	1,500
Auxiliary Conventions	300
Gurukul "Luther Prize"	25
NCC	

	<u>10,280</u>
Income Total	10,284
Expense Total	<u>10,280</u>
Difference	4

(Sd.) H. W. MAYER,
Treasurer.

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Extract from the Minutes of the FELC Executive
October 18 - 19, 1956. Calcutta.

Place and time of next FELC Triennial

Resolved that the next Triennial be held at Renigunta from
January 4 - 7, 1957.

Resolved to request the member churches of the FELC to include
their representatives to the LWF Assembly in their delegation
to the FELC Triennial.

Resolved to request the member churches to send the names of
the delegates to the Triennial Conference by November 25, 1956
to the Secretary.

Luthergiri,
Rajahmundry,
31-10--'56.

Sd. A. N. Gopal,
Secretary.

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THE FEDERATION OF EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCHES IN INDIA

(REGISTERED UNDER SOCIETIES ACT XXI OF 1860)

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TREASURER
M. ANANTHAM, B. A., L. T.
NAYUDUPET, NELLORE DIST.

January 22, 1958

To

The Presidents of the Constituent Churches of the F.E.L.C:-

It is proposed to have a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federation of the Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India on March 1-3. You are requested to send me the fit items, if any, you wish to place before the F.E.L.C (by the 15th February, 1958).

(Sd) G. Krupadanam,
Secretary.

Lutheran Work, Calcutta

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60/C S. Roy Road, Calcutta 39
Phone:—PK. 3561

F. E. L. C. I.

Ref. No.....

Date... 11/10/56.....

To.
The President.
G.E. Church,
Ranchi.
Bihar.

Dear Sir,

I acknowledged your letter dated 10/10/56 on 11/10/56 ^{with thanks} and am glad to reply as under :-

1. That the boarding, lodging and the place of meeting for the F.E.L.C.I. Executive at Calcutta is being arranged at 76 Wellesly Street Calcutta.
2. Howrah to Wellesly Street No 76 :-
Please take Bus No 8, ask the conductor to drop you at the Tamil-Telugu Church. There is one Bus stoppage on the side of the Church.
3. Howrah-Puttur Railway Ticket for the Federation Treasurer shall be arranged in time.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

K. D. Soy 11/10

- N.B.1. You will find for your help our VOLUNTEERS with Luther Rose Badge on their front pockets on your arrival.
2. Other F.E.L.C.I. members attending the N.C.C meeting at Allahabad may kindly be informed of their boarding, lodging and place of meeting.

TO

THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
F.E.L.C.

Sirs,

Received a telegram from Rev. K. D. Soy that the Executive Committee members are directed to the given address for the F.E.L.C. Executive Committee meeting to be held on 18th October 1956 at 2 P.M. at Calcutta.

ADRESS

No. 76 Wellesly Street, Calcutta.

Yours faithfully,

Nayudupet,
10-10-1956.

(Sd) O. Sundaram
for the Secretary, F.E.L.C.

Copies to : All Executive Members,
Rev. J.J. P. Tiga , President G.R.L.C.
Rev. K. D. Soy and The Rev. J. Kumaresan.

ता: ४ अगस्त, १९५६ ई० का

प्रोग्राम

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भजन, गीत :- (बनारस वाला हनुक गाड़ी) भाषण - अगस्त ४ ता: -

प्रोशेसन :- गीत - (१) चलो हे सिपाहियों -
 (२) और किसी बात -
 (३) चारो दिग्मत बांधो
 (४) यीशु हमर भगुवारे } ११ बजे से १२ बजे तक

गिर्जे में पहुंच कर अराधना और
उपदेश, बपतिस्मा, प्रभु भोज इत्यादि।

अराधना :- बाबू सचिदानन्द डुरद } १ बजे से २ बजे तक
उपदेश :- (बाहर वाले)

युवा संघ का प्रदर्शन :- युवा संघ के सभापति का भाषण
 गीत
 सेक्रेटरी का रिपोर्ट
 गीत
 सजन्धी का रिपोर्ट
 गीत
 बाबू हानुक गाड़ी का भाषण
 गीत
 बाहर व मि: लकड़ा या
 मि: टीगा का भाषण
 बाहर वालों के लिए समय } २ बजे से
 ४ बजे तक

पाप पानी और भजन :- ४ बजे से ४॥ बजे तक

भोजन :- स्थान (जूनस गाड़ी के घर में) .. ४॥ बजे से ६ बजे तक

अन्तिम गीत और प्रार्थना :- (बाहर वाले के द्वारा)

Some evening
can show a
few slides of
Leather Place +
Palestine which
I visited recently
if you think
it desirable kindly
let me know by
return post.
The whole thing
will take place
between 1/4 hour
3/4 of an hour
with best wishes
cordially
A.V. Dyal



DR. J. J. P. Tiga Sim
नाम
President
पता
Gosner Lutheran Church
डाकखाना
Ranchi
जिला
Bihar

Rev. A. N. Espel
Lutherjiri

Rogahung

Oct 1, 1906

Dear Brother Tigo:

This is my first letter
to you after you became the President
of Groves Church. Accept my
sympathies and greetings
I am glad to learn that the
F.E.C. Ex. is meeting in Ranch.
I had never been to Ranch before
it would a pleasure for me to
meet you and the Groves friends
in Ranch. During the F.E.C. Ex.

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GENEVA

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"OIKOUMENE" Geneva

October 1956

Dear Friends,

By the power of God the Church was created. By His power it has been sustained in history, despite defection and division. And He will by the same power deliver the Church from the sins and schisms which now hinder its witness and service.

But of us God requires first of all - prayer. The mountainous barriers to Christian unity He will remove. This we believe, and so we pray.

The regular, indeed daily, prayer for the unity of the Church ought to be the normal practice of you who are members and friends of the Commission on Faith and Order in particular and the World Council of Churches in general.

Increasing numbers of Christians are accepting the discipline of prayer for unity, not only in the special period of 18-25 January (the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which our Commission supports) but throughout the year. Whatever you are now doing to promote the practice of such prayer, will you not increase your efforts in the coming year ?

This year our leaflet has been prepared by Dr. Olive Wyon of England. A copy is enclosed. And additional ones may be secured by writing to one of the following offices :

English: WCC, Geneva, Sw.frs. 3.50 per 100; WCC, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y., \$ 1 per 100; BCC, 10 Eaton Gate, London, S.W.1., 5s. per 100.

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French: WCC, Geneva, Sw.frs. 3.50 per 100 (mimeographed)

Further I recommend heartily the two booklets by Dr. Wyon entitled Praying for Unity, the first an essay on the meaning of such prayer, and the second a guide to prayer based upon the Christian Year. These may be ordered (for 1s. and 1s.6d. respectively) from the Edinburgh House Press, 2 Eaton Gate, London, S.W.1.

As to the important developments in the work of Faith and Order, you will find full information in :

FOC No.23 Minutes of the Working Committee, Herrenalb, Germany, July 1956. Sw.frs. 2.- ; 2s.6d.; \$ 0,50

Bulletin of the Division of Studies, issued semi-annually (in English, French and German). Annual subscription Sw.frs. 2.-; 3s.6d.; F.frs. 150.-; \$ 0,50

This note I send with warm greetings, in the unity and service of our Lord Jesus Christ.

J. ROBERT NELSON

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Rev. J. J. P. Tiga M.A., B.D., S.T.M.

PRESIDENT, LUTHERAN CHURCH
RANCHI.

Calcutta

Meeting of
the F. E. L. C.

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- b) Delegates to the
L. W. F. Assembly

F. E. L. C.

From
The Secretary F.E.L.C.
To
The Presidents of the Churches, F.E.L.C.

Nayudupet,
Nellore District,
28-7-1956.

Rev. Sirs,
I believe you have the printed Copies of the minutes of the
F.E.L.C. (Enlarged Executive Council) of 1956 April II & 12th .

I bring to your notice the Res. 228/56 regarding Theological
Conference of representative of member churches.

The President informs me that 18-19 of Sept 8 or 25-26 of
September will be convenient to have this Conference,. He suggests
Bangalore as the place of meeting. Therefore, I request you to let me
know as early as possible whether the above dates suit you or your re-
presentatives. If I do not receive any reply by August 6th 1956 I take
it for granted that you agree with the dates and place. Please let me
know the names of representatives from your churches.

Yours Faithfully

(Sd) M. Anantham, Secretary F.E.L.C.

Replied 'Yes'
J. S. S.
16/8/56

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The Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam

Mission Estd. 1845 — Autonomous 1919.

President:—Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, M.A., B.D., S.T.M.

G. E. L. CHURCH COMPOUND
RANCHI, BIHAR (INDIA)

Ref. No. 817/57

Dated the 14th July,195 6.

To

The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam M.A., B.D., Ph.D., D.D.,
President, F.E.L.C. in India.

Dear Dr. Manikam,

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I have a copy of the plan of the Church building at Hourkela prepared by a German Engineer. But I don't have the estimate of the cost. I understand that one copy of the plan and the estimate has been submitted to one of the officers of the L.W.F. If so it will be produced in its own time. However, I am consulting an Engineer here and as soon as I get two (plan & estimate) done I shall send to the Director of the D.W.M. and you please share it with him when you are with him for your meeting.

We are prepared to appoint Mr. Elias Kujur who has just passed his B.D. examination of the Serampore University from "Gurukul" as the Indian pastor. We have already sent a request to the Gossner's Mission Kuratorium to send an ordained pastor to Hourkela. Mr. Kujur will be ordained in about a year's time.

Wishing and praying you for God's work being planned well and worked well at Hourkela for His glory and for the benefit of unnumbered souls.

Yours sincerely,

J. J. P. Tiga
President,

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

Memo No. 818-20/57

Copy to :-

- (1) Dr. Hans Lokies.
- (2) Dr. F. Birkeli.
- (3) Rev. H. Borutta.

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No. 792/56.

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.
12. 7. 1956

The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam Ph. D; D. D.
Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church,
Tiruchirapalli, Madras.

Dear Dr. Manikam,

Our Secretary Mr. N. E. Horo has left yesterday for Europe and I hope you will meet him in Norway.

Rev. Borutta has a plan and an estimate for a Church building at Rourkela. I am requesting him to send it to me so that I may also see it and then forward to you for presentation to the DWM/LWF according to your decision and convenience.

In our Church Council we have discussed many matters of vital importance for the growth and development of our Church and I hope Mr. Horo will tell them in the meeting. You are requested to help us particularly in securing necessary funds for us to send students abroad both for higher studies and foreign experience, in securing foreign personnel and funds for developing our Theological College, Catechists' Training Institute, Tabitha School, Evangelistic work, agriculture, hospital, Educational and our Printing press.

We have sent our Budget for 1957 to Dr. Birkeli. We have shown only some of these items. We are afraid of being accused of asking too much BUT our work is increasing in high speed according to the march of the times and the demands and challenges to the Church from all directions.

Thanking you ever so much.

Very Sincerely Yours,

No. 793/56.

Copy to :
Rev. F. V. Borutta.

J. J. J.
President,

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No-774/56.
Copy forwarded
to the Treasurer
for the needful
H W Mayer
11/5/56

THE TREASURER : F E L C

Puttur, Chittoor Dist.
July 6, 1956

To
The Presidents of F E L C Churches:

Dear Friends:

1. ANNUAL BUDGET: On page 16, Appendix II of the printed minutes of the F E L C, dated Oct. 13-14, 1955 the Annual Budget of the F E L C is printed. Y our church's share is as follows:

L W F : W C C : F E L C ; F E L C Increase: Total

Rs 1230- 246- 600- 189- Rs 2265

2. L W F and W C C Delegates Travel: Annual contributions from the churches as voted by the Executive Council of the F E L C in April 1955. This was voted after many churches had agreed to pay the requested amount; the payments to begin with January 1956.

Y our church's share for this year is Rs 365-

Kindly let me have payment at an early date.

H W Mayer
Treasurer F E L C

H W Mayer

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Residents of

F.E.L.C

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4th. July 1956.

The President,
G. E. L. Church,
Ranchi.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter 698/56 of the 26th. June, 1956. On the property which has been left over of acquisition you can obviously build whatever structures you want. We are not making any provision within our own area for building places of worship.

Yours Faithfully,

For HINDUSTAN STEEL PRIVATE LTD.

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Encl: Copy of letter No. 698/56

COSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH.

President : Rev. J. J. P. Tiga.

Ranchi,

Ref. No.

7th July, 1956.

Rt. Rev. Dr. R. B. Manikam,
President, F. E. L. C. I.
Tiruchirapalli, Madras.

Dear Dr. Manikam,

I hope you are in receipt of a copy of my letter No. 698/56 of the 26th June which I wrote after my visit to the Deputy Secretary of the Iron and Steel Affairs in New Delhi and having received a letter from Mr. Jaipal Singh M.P. Above is a copy of the letter I have received from the Manging Director of the Hindustan Steel Private Ltd. Revd. Borutta, Mr. P. D. Kandulna and I visited Bourkela on the 2nd July and we saw our two compounds, (1) The Church compound and (2) The Cemetery Compound. These two have been actually left out. Some constructions which had been started within our area have also been stopped and withdrawn. We met the Land Acquisition and Settlement Officer and he also assured us that our property has been left out.

During the course of our visit we also visited 4 German engineers who were very helpful in obtaining some conveyance.

Now it is absolutely clear that we can build whatever structures we want. A plan for a Church building has already been prepared. We need two things immediately and they are : (1) A suitable man to start work in Bourkela immediately. There will be an irrecoverable loss if we delay. The Roman Catholics are doing vigorous work there and we should follow their good example. (2) Then we need money for the construction of the Church building. Rev. Borutta has got a plan prepared by an expert. I shall send it to you as soon as he will get it from him. Thanks.

Dr. William was here and we all enjoyed his visit. He has been a source of great encouragement and inspiration. Thanks very much for sending him to us.

Yours sincerely,

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President,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

C.C. to :- (1) Secretary, G. E. L. Church (2) Secretary, F. E. L. C. (3) Director, DWM/LPW.F. (4) Shri Jaipal Singh M.P. (5) Mr. P. D. Kandulna (6) Rev. H. Borutta (7) All members of the C.C. Executive.

True copy.

The Coesner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam.

President:-Rev.J.J.P.Tiga, M.A., B.M., S.T.M*

G.E.L. Church Compound,
RANCHI BIHAR INDIA.

Ref.No. 698/56.

Dated the 26th June, 1956.

To

Mr.S.H.Mozumdar I.C.S.,
Managing Director,
Hindustan Steel Private Limited,
2, Fairlie Place,
Calcutta - 1.

Dear Sir,

I thank you very much for your kind letter dated 16th June, 1956 addressed to Mr.Jaipal Singh which he has sent to me in the original. We know now that you have left out our Mission property which is in Purnapani. We can have our own schools and hospitals there.

There is one thing on which we would like to be clear namely, whether we can construct a church there or not. We need a place of worship and even now we have a small chapel. We would like to construct a good strong church there.

We assure you that we shall use the property only for religious and philanthropic work e.g. Divine Worship, hospitals, schools, boarding etc.

I request you to kindly let me know when it will be convenient for you to allow us an interview to clarify these matters. This can be done either in Calcutta or at Rourkela according to your convenience.

With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Encl: Copy of letter,
addressed to Mr.Jaipal Singh.

Sd/- J.J.P.Tiga,
President G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

Typed by
Sd/- D.Toppe,
President's Clerk
by order.

Hemo No.699-702/56.

Copy to (1) Mr.N.E. Hero, Secretary, G.E.L.Church,
(2) The Treasurer, C.C.
(3) Mr.P.D.Kandulna,
(4) Mr.Jaipal Singh.

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केवल पता



नाम Rev. J.J.P. Tiga,

पता President, G.E.L. Church

डाकखाना RANCHI

ज़िला Bihar State.

D. P. David,
Principal,

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~~F.E.L.C.~~ 'Gurukul'
Madras-10. 26 June '56.

Rev. J.J.P. Tiga,
President, G.E.L. Church,
RANCHI. Bihar State.

Dear President Tiga,

I am herewith sending as per our circular dated 22 June '56 a parcel of 4,000 Jubilee seals. I request you to do the best possible for distributing them at one anna each on the occasion of Ziegenbalg Jubilee Thanksgiving Day on July 9th, 1956

With the most sincere greetings,

Yours sincerely,

P. David

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The Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam

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G. E. L. CHURCH COMPOUND
RANCHI BIHAR INDIA.

Ref No.....

Dated the 26th June, 1956.

To

Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam M.A., Ph.D., D.D.,
President F.E.L.C.

Dear Dr. Manikam,

Thanks for your letter re. Rourkela. I visited New Delhi recently, discussed the matter with the Deputy Secretary to the Ministry of Iron & Steel. All these in addition to an application to the Hindustan Steel Private Ltd. I also requested Mr. Jaipal Singh to help us in this matter. He also wrote to the Managing Director ~~copy~~ and copy of his reply is enclosed herewith. It is clear then that our Church property has been left out for our use as hospitals and schools. One would ask, can we not build a church? We shall soon meet the Managing Director, in this connection and get it clarified. Even if we cannot build a church, we can build a hall in addition to a hospital and school where church services can be held.

More when I have met the Managing Director.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- J. J. P. Tiga.

Typed by

D. Toppo.

(D. Toppo)
President's Clerk
by order.

President,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

GURUKUL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE, MADRAS.

Dr. P. David,
Principal,

~~Handwritten scribble~~ FSWE
'Gurukul'
MADRAS-10.
22 Jun '56.

To

All the heads of the Lutheran Churches and Synods in India.

Dear friends,

Once again I am writing to you sending not only the appeal for celebrating the Thanksgiving Day on the 9th of July '56 but also to make use of that occasion for selling the Jubilee memorial seals. Each one costs only one anna.

The enlarged Executive Committee of the Federation in its last meeting directed that all churches should participate in the function of celebrating the day and also in selling the Jubilee stamps. I was asked to send to all churches as before quantities of stamps for sale. Kindly do the best you can towards selling them and help the cause of the Federation.

As announced in our circular dated 3 May '56, we received another 50,000 stamps from Geneva and according to the direction of the Federation I am sending these stamps to you. Please cooperate in our effort.

Kindly send all money collected to the treasurer of the FELC, Rev. H.W. Mayer, Puttur, Chittoor Dist.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/ P. DAVID.

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E. S. CHRISTADOSS,
B.A., B.T., L. TH.

38, BROADWAY,
MADRAS-1
10th June 1956.

Rev. | Dear | Sir
Madam

I have great pleasure in inviting you & your family to the sacred function of my ordination which will be held on 29-6-56 at 3 p. m. in the Danish Mission Church at Cuddalore N. T. and to participate in the functions to be followed.

Please uphold me in your prayers.

My mother Mrs. Annammal, Cuddalore and my parents-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. John Athisayam, Dindigul also join with me and extend their invitations to you.

My address during the function will be C/o 19, Mosque Street, Cuddalore N. T.

Yours sincerely,
(Sd.) E. S. CHRISTADOSS

BOOK-POST



To

Rev T. Iyer

President. G. S. L. C.

Ranchi

Bihar

From

E. S. CHRISTADOSS,
38, Broadway,
MADRAS - I.



Dr.D.R.Williams
Medical Missionary - FELC
Sumatra-Indonesia.

18 Baradwajar Street
Tambaram, 24th May 1956.

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The Rev. J.J.P. Tiga M.A. B.D.
President, Gossner Ev: Lutheran Church
Ranchi - Bihar.

Rev. & dear Sir

You will find enclosed herewith a letter of introduction given to me by Bishop R.B. Manikam of the FELC of which I am a member. I have been asked to pass on the letter to you with a view to come to some definite arrangement with regard to the purpose for which the letter was given to me.

To say the least, I would be more than delighted to have an opportunity for meeting some of your congregations and to say a few words about the first missionary effort of the FELC in India which was launched by sending me to Indonesia in 1947, about my experience as I was doing this work and about the Batak Church which it was my privilege to serve.

In the discharge of this deputation work I have offered to cover most of the Lutheran fields in Central and North India. But before I could do this work I have to ascertain in the first place whether I am welcome to your field and if so whether the time stated hereunder would suit the convenience of your church. If not suitable you are quite free to make alternative proposals. Because of my limited travelling experience I need also to be informed about the station at which I should first report in your field and the shortest route by which I could travel to get there.

June 16th - 23rd	Gossner Ev: Lutheran Church
24th - 30th	Santal " " "
July 1st - 7th	Jaipur " " "
8th - 15th	Madhya Pradesh " "

As for the places that I should visit in your field, I would like to leave it to your wishes and convenience. For my part, let me assure you, that I can adjust myself to any class or route to be prescribed by your Church with regard to my travelling and that I shall make it my special endeavour to keep my travel expenses to the barest minimum so that this proposed visit of mine does not, by any chance, cause undue expense.

Looking forward to hearing from you and ultimately to meeting you by God's grace, with kindest regards

Yours sincerely

D.R. Williams
(D.R. Williams)

REV. R. B. MANIKAM, M.A., B.D., PH.D., D.D.,
BISHOP OF TRANQUEBAR

TRANQUEBAR HOUSE
TIRUCHIRAPPALLI, S. I.,
INDIA

8th May, 1956.

To

The Presidents of the Lutheran Churches in the Central and
North India.

Dear Friends,

I write to introduce to you Dr D.R. Williams of the TELC who had been our Medical Missionary in the Batakland for a number of years. He has now been granted a furlough of three months for doing deputation work amongst our Lutheran Churches. He desires to visit your congregations. You may kindly arrange with him as to the time of his visit, its duration and its financial implications. I am sorry that the COM/FELC has no funds to pay for his travel and hospitality expenses. Therefore you must make your own arrangements with Dr Williams in this regard.

I am sure that should you invite him, his visit to your congregations will prove a great blessing.

Yours sincerely,

R. B. Manikam

President, FELC.

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GURUKUL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE, MADRAS.

Rev. P. David, M.A., B.D., Ph.D. (Yale),
Principal,

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'Gurukul'
MADRAS-10.
3 May '56.

To
All the heads of the Lutheran Churches and Synods in India.

Dear friends,

We thank you very much for your cooperation so far in the sale of the Tranquebar Jubilee Stamps commemorating the 250th anniversary of Ziegenbalg, the first Protestant and Lutheran Missionary in India. May I mention that the following quantities had been despatched from this office to the different churches as follows?

President, E.G. Synod, A.E.L. Church	-	1000
" W.G. Synod, " "	-	1000
" E.Guntur Synod, " "	-	1000
" C.Guntur Synod, " "	-	2000
" W.Guntur Synod, " "	-	1000
" A.E.L. Church	-	1000
" S.A.L. Church	-	3000
" G.E.L. Church	-	4000
" Arcot Luth. Church	-	2500
" M.P. E.L.C.	-	1000

Local Pastors:

Rev. D. Ebenezer, Morning Star Church	-	500
" D. Chinnappan, Adaikalanathar Church	1000	
" M. Durairaj, " "	500	
" G. Vedakkan, Danish Mission Church	250	
" Zachariah, Perambur Bks Road	250	

Secy., Tamilnad Christian Council, Madras 3000

According to the instructions given by the Executive of the Federation, the money collected should be sent to the Treasurer of the Federation whose address is: Rev. H.W. MAYER, PUTTUR, Chittoor Dist., S. India. Will those who have not sent in the money collected kindly send the same to the Treasurer of the Federation? Please treat this as an important financial item in your programme.

May I again remind you that the Executive Council of the Federation has decided that the 9th July of this year, i.e. 1956, be celebrated as a Jubilee Day by all the Lutheran Churches in India? The other Protestant Churches are also exhorted to join in the celebrations, but the Lutheran Churches should be the ones that shall take the lead and encourage them bringing to the minds of all people the fact of God's act of grace in Christ Jesus, which is our salvation, and its declaration to us in India through the first Protestant and Lutheran Missionary Ziegenbalg. And also emphasise on this occasion how much we are indebted to God to thank him and praise him. As an expression of this praise and thanksgiving, collections can be raised through the sale of the Jubilee Stamps for supporting the Gurukul work, the project of the Lutheran enterprise in India.

As has been announced each stamp costs one anna and the Geneva authorities have sent in another parcel of 50,000 stamps. We have with us at present about 55,000 stamps still to be used by the churches. We will be awaiting your order. Please order as early as possible so that you may have in your hands sufficient number of stamps on the days of celebrations. Please direct all your orders to Principal, Gurukul, MADRAS-10.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

P. David

THE PRESIDENTS OF CONSTITUENT CHURCHES OF THE F.E.L.C.

Dear President,

You are certainly aware that the Quarter Millennium Jubilee publications are available at the Christian Literature Society. You will be happy to hear that the sales of these publications have been proceeding quite satisfactorily. As the Board of Publication was anxious to clear the stock of the Jubilee Calendars before it is too late, the price was reduced to Rs.0.8.0 per copy and I hope that you would pass on this information to the congregations in any circular that you may write and request them to place orders for these calendars directly with the C.L.S. P.O.Box.501, Madras 3.

We have also to request for a similar publicity with regard to the reduced price of the Lutheran Enterprise by Rev.C.H.Saavaly which is to be sold at Rs.1/- per copy until 1st October this year. Here again the Board of Publication is anxious to clear the stock as it is now more than four years since the book was first published.

At the instance of the FELC Executive that met in Madras last October which sanctioned Rs.500/- towards the printing of extra copies of Prof. Lehmann's book It Began at Tranquebar meant for free distribution to libraries and institutions both in India and abroad, we have printed 300 copies in cloth binding. At the Enlarged Executive meeting at Penigunta on 11-12th April 1956 a special committee has been appointed to prepare a list of libraries and institutions that should receive free copies. In order to help this committee to make an exhaustive and representative list, I have been requested by the FELC to write to you to give us a preliminary information that we need before this committee meets. I shall be very thankful if you could give me a list of libraries and institutions or any other bodies that you feel should receive a copy of this library edition. We need to have this information before the end of July.

The Board of Publication was also anxious to secure for each constituent Church a contact person who would be able to supply the Editor of the Gospel Witness news or articles or reports about events at least once a month so that the monthly can be made more interesting to the members of the constituent Churches. The Board has already appointed Mr. S.D. Purushotham for the S.A.L.C., President Tiga for Cossnar Church and President Herlyck for the A.L.C. and I shall be thankful if the other constituent Churches would similarly give me the names of the contact persons who could help me in this important task. I have also requested the members of the Board of Publication to secure such contact persons who could help me and if you could in consultation with the member of your Church on the Board secure a suitable person I shall be most thankful.

Yours sincerely,

Jacob Kunwar

Chairman, Board of Publication.

Madras-171
24.4.19561

F. E. L. C.

THE
NATURE OF THE CHURCH

REPORT

ABOUT THE THEOLOGICAL DISCUSSIONS

BETWEEN

THE FEDERATION OF EVANG.-LUTH. CHURCHES

AND

THE CHURCH OF SOUTH INDIA

IN

BANGALORE, 18TH & 19TH APRIL, 1956.

BY

W. HELLINGER,

CONVENER, LUTHERAN GROUP.

Printed as Manuscript.

THE NATURE OF THE CHURCH.

The meeting of the theological discussion group in Bangalore, April 1956, took place, because the lutheran group had desired to discuss the theme "The Nature of the Church." Already for the meeting in March 1955 had the convener of the lutheran group proposed to the convener of the CSI group, Bishop L. Newbigin, that this theme should be included in the agenda. The proposal had been made, because Bishop Newbigin's book "The Household of God" had appeared in the market, in which he strongly criticizes the lutheran conception of the Church. It would have been incongruous to assert full theological agreement in Bangalore, while Bishop Newbigin's book disagrees sharply with an important part of lutheran teaching. The proposal to discuss the nature of the Church in March 1955 was accepted by the CSI and the lutheran group presented a paper prepared by the Rev. A. Anderson. The CSI however had not produced a paper by this time and was not ready for the discussion of the proposed theme. It was therefore agreed to meet again in 1956 to deal mainly with the theme "The Nature of the Church."

In preparation for this meeting, to be held in Bangalore, the lutheran group met on the 16th and 17th April 1956 in Madras. The meeting was well attended (14 members) and had on the agenda a statement by the, Missourie Evang. Luth. Mission about their proposals

for further cooperation, an informative statement by Dr. H. W. Gensichen on "The Ministry of the Church according to Bishop Newbigin's book the "Household of God" and Rev. A. Anderson's paper on "The Nature of the Church." The latter was carefully studied, amended and found suitable to be presented to the CSI.

The CSI again failed to produce a similar paper for discussion. They referred us to their statement on "The Nature of the Church" presented in 1952 to the theological commission of the World Conference on Faith and Order. As this paper describes the nature of the CSI and as since 1952 Bishop Newbigin's book was edited, and as meantime negotiations between the CSI and the Church of England had produced important results, we felt justified in finding the presentation of the CSI inadequate. Even before the meeting in Bangalore began, it looked as of there was not much left to be discussed as far as the CSI was concerned, but we did not expect that the discussion of our theme was bound to produce no results.

The lutheran group was commissioned to keep the discussion with the CSI going and we therefore proposed on behalf of the FELC to the CSI continuation of the discussions on the themes

"A common Catechism as a Way to Understanding and Unity,"

'The Lord's Supper,'

The latter theme was proposed, because two member churches (SALC and MELIM) wished that the agreed statement of 1955 on the Lord's Supper should be reconsidered with the aim to state the real presence in unmistakable terms. This proposal was justified because the agreed statement of 1955 had been referred to the member churches of the FELC to obtain their opinion. The CSI eventually declined the discussion of the two proposed themes. That much about the preparation on the lutheran side.

The minutes of the meeting in Bangalore, 18th and 19th April 1956, will be made available separately. But a fuller report of these discussions at this juncture is necessary in order to enable non-participants to understand the situation.

Our discussions this time have not been very successful. Both sides worked under a handicap. The lutheran side was not aware of the degree in which the conception of the ministry in the CSI has become rigid, and expected that a genuine discussion of the form of the ministry would be possible, though difficulties were envisaged. The CSI members were handicapped insofar as they want to keep the door for union wide open to us, while on the other hand they are already under obligations, which narrow down the scope for free theological discussion, though they are chary to admit this. The more evident the necessary process of consolidation in the CSI is, and the more this church finds its own form, the less elastic can it be in negotiating fresh union schemes. The CSI is not slow in passing on the

information that the process of becoming a solid entity is very satisfactory. But that means that the time factor is of the essence for further union negotiations. The CSI presses for quick action and has good reasons to do so. That for the Lutherans time is not equally pressing forms a handicap for the CSI which wants to achieve tangible result quickly, while the Lutherans want thorough theological negotiations which take their own time.

It characterises this situation that in the 1955 discussions the lutheran proposal to attempt to draft a common confessional statement was rejected by the CSI. Similarly, our proposal to draft a constitution under which the CSI and the Lutherans could unite was not accepted. This year again, our proposal to discuss a common catchism was turned down; only after some pressure from our side was the appointment of an exploratory committee agreed upon. In all the three cases the reason for rejecting our proposals, given by the Most Rev. Moderator, was: "After you have joined us we can discuss these matters with you, but we cannot do so as long as you are outside." The Moderator has certainly good reasons to say so. One of them would be that the very necessary process of consolidation in the CSI cannot be disturbed and what has been achieved so far cannot be undone in order to start again from the beginning.

For us Lutherans this means that we have to accept what has found its form in the CSI by now as well as the developments evolving from it. For the CSI it is

desirous and difficult at the same time to not let us feel the delicacy of this situation too perceptibly.

As the process of consolidation is slow in the CSI, as far as credal statements are concerned, and as with regard to order it is far advanced, we understand the hesitancy on the side of the CSI to discuss the form of the ministry thoroughly with us in Bangalore: They produced no paper of their own nor did they want to discuss our paper in detail. However, orally we were given a number of statements which were sufficiently clear to let us understand the doctrine of the ministry in relation to the nature of the church as conceived in the CSI:

(a) The Lambeth quadrangular was demonstrated to us in a modified form giving the four pillars on which the Church stands as follows: The scriptures and the creeds; the Sacraments; the Historic Episcopate; Fellowship. Practically this is identical with the Lambeth square. We refer to it hereafter as the Bangalore quadrangular.

(b) Continuity is given with the universal church through the historic episcopate, in the "ancient succession." "We are not willing to break off the continuity with the universal church, which we have" (Bishop Newbigin).

(c) Three bishops (the Moderator, Bishop Newbigin, Bishop Lipp) gave witness to their personal experience: Coming from churches without the episcopal succession they are now aware of its great blessings.

(d) In the historic episcopate God can be understood as acting in History.— This is often used as an argument in favour of tradition on one plain with the Scriptures.

(e) The only scriptural evidence quoted was Acts 6; 1-6 with emphasis on verse six. But no common attempt at exegesis was proposed.— This text does not refer to the ordination for the ministry of the word and the sacraments.

No reference to the reformers was made or invited. Summing up we were given the following arguments in favour of the form of the ministry in the C. S. I:

A modified quadrangular; a doctrine of continuity in the form of the ministry; personal experience; tradition; one Scripture quotation which may or may not be applicable.

We remember here that in previous discussions we agreed that the Scriptures are the sole source for faith and order in the Church. We cannot help finding that the CSI members deviated from this principle in their argumentation for their form of the ministry.

To make acceptance of their form of the ministry easier for us we are informed that "it would certainly be the policy of the CSI" to receive non-episcopally ordained ministers also in the future "without any suggestion of reordination." We note that this is a policy statement, not a theological one.

There remains no doubt that the form of the ministry in the CSI is considered to be a theological issue of

great importance. We are grateful for the following clarifying remark of the Moderator, Bishop Sumitra, which he made in the steering committee on the second day of the Bangalore meetings: "We cannot contemplate a change in our conception of the ministry. We have promised to maintain effectively the historic episcopate. We have joined the Anglicans." These remarks, we assume, are prompted by the negotiations between the Church of England and the CSI. The results of these negotiations give a clear picture and deserve our attention. They are made available in two booklets :

The convocation of Canterbury and the Church of South India.

The convocation of York and the Church of South India.

In these official documents the Church of England speaks with admirable dignity, authority, assurance and frankness. Every aspect of the ministry in the CSI is most carefully explored and discussed, and nothing less than agreement with the conceptions of the Church of England is considered to be acceptable. The issue discussed was, whether limited intercommunion with the CSI could be established. To that end the form of the ministry in the CSI was closely examined. Going through the methods of this examination we find three kinds of materia which had been taken into consideration to arrive at a decision :

(a) Personal contacts: Reports from ministers of the Church of England who visited the CSI; Bishop Hollis attended one session of the Joint Committee

which prepared the resolutions for the Convocation; other visitors from India.

(b) The actual practice and the Liturgy of the CSI; the constitution of the CSI.

(c) Authorities quoted by speakers during the convocations:

Ordinal and formularies of the Church of
England

The Colonial Clergy Act of 1874

The Common Prayer Book

Act of Uniformity

Derby Committee

Lambeth Conference

Codex Juris Canonici

St. Jerome

St. Thomas Aquinas

St. Clement of Rome

Hippolytus

There were no direct references to the Scriptures, though of course the view is held that the conception of the form of the ministry in the Church of England is congruous with them. No cognizance is taken of the reformation and its theology.

The result of the solemn deliberations of the two convocations is, that the Church of England accepts as "true bishops, presbyters and deacons in the Church of God" those bishops presbyters and deacons who are consecrated or ordained in the CSI at or after the inauguration of that Church. Ministers who are not

ordained by bishops in the succession are not accepted. Four resolutions passed by the full Synod regularize the consequences of these two agreed attitudes for the relationship between the two churches.

It might be asked, whether it is of relevance, if one of the parent churches of the CSI passes resolutions concerning the latter; can the CSI be held responsible for what others say about her? In answer to this and in order to really understand what happened we do well to examine the *argumentation* in the discussions of the two convocations. We do so under the following headings:

- (a) The idea of Growth.
- (b) The ministry in the CSI.

(a) *The idea of Growth:*

We Lutherans hold that, what constitutes the Church, is not subject to growth. The Gospel is the same at all times and everywhere. Jesus Christ, the Head is today, yesterday and tomorrow the same. What constitutes the Church is of divine right (*de jure divino*). But the form, the Church takes in this world, may vary. There may be increase or decrease in number, there may be an impressive display of holiness or charity or there may be decay. There may be various kinds of administration and there may be variety in the form of the ministry. That which is laid in the hands of the believers is not constitutive, it is of human right (*de jure humano*).

Here already we are at variance with the CSI. The CSI "confesses its own partial and tentative character,"

“confesses itself to be on the road,” the “idea of movement is written into its fundamental documents.” CSI/NCH pg. 3, 4, 5.

The Church of England would not speak of itself in similar terms, but is assured of itself and claims to be “holding in trust a treasure for Christendom as a whole” CC/CSI pg. 18. “The anglican Communion is to *maintain* its own integrity and its proper witness” CY/CSI pg. 8. “Let the Church of England *abide* strictly by the rules of its own ordinal and by its own ethos” CY/CSI pg. 19. “The first point in the whole question is the *preservation* of the integrity, value and unity of the Anglican Communion” CC/CSI pg. 17. Or uneasiness is expressed about the idea of growth in the following way: the “idea of movement written into the *fundamental* documents” suggests uncertainty about the fundament of the Church. We therefore sympathise with the following remark made in the Canterbury convocation: “The difficulty is felt that, whereas in the Church of England the standard of faith laid down in its formularies is perfectly clear, in the Church of South India it is not so” CC/CSI pg. 24.

From its position of assurance the Church of England, having “suspended judgement for five years,” looks now at the growth and development in the CSI and arrives at satisfying conclusions and “could now make up its mind” and “help the CSI to develop in ways that are right” CY/CSI pg. 8, It can now give “testimony to the great and undoubted development in the CSI since its inauguration.” This development is

indicated by what would be called "the growing catholicity of the CSI," it refers to the conception and the form of the ministry in the CSI. But this development is not yet complete and hope and confidence are expressed that the growth will continue in the right direction: "Full intercommunion between the Church of England and the Church of South India will not be possible until the unification of the ministry, through episcopal ordination, is complete" CC/CSI pg. 18. "In the light of the *further* development of the CSI it is no longer necessary to postpone a definite judgement concerning the bishops, presbyters and deacons consecrated or ordained in the Church of South India" CC/CSI pg. 35. "There is a growing assurance in regard to the orders of the CSI, in regard to its ministrations and practice" CC/CSI pg. 20.

(b) *The Ministry in the Church of South India.*

To begin with we pass two remarks:

(a) The Church of England recognizes the ministry of the CSI "on theological grounds." This is as it should be. We Lutherans do not like depreciating theology when we join in discussion with the CSI,

(b) The term "catholic" or "catholicity" used in the Church of England or in the CSI refers to the order of these churches and denotes the historic episcopate or the apostolic succession. It includes the meaning "only valid" and "continuity" and in this somewhat complicated way it means also "universal." By using the term "catholic" the Church of England claims also to have the episcopal succession in common with the Church

of Rome. This is thought to be a valuable asset for a future reunion with the Roman church. The CSI uses the term in the same sense, but there seems to be some vagueness about it. We do well to observe closely its significance.

What does the CSI think about its own order? In its constitution (pg. 10) we read: "Continuity with the historic episcopate will be effectively maintained." It is difficult to understand how the intention thus expressed could be modified. Yet, the above quotation continues "it being understood that no particular interpretation... ..is thereby implied or shall be demanded." And on page 77 we read ".....is not to be taken as committing the united church to the acceptance of any particular interpretation of episcopacy." It would be a similar kind of statement, if the Railway Department were to announce that they are running an "Express" train between Madras and Bombay, but that no reference to the speed of the train is implied in the term "Express."

We are not wrong in assuming that the formulations in the constitution of the CSI are of a tactical nature. What is really meant to be carried forward is the episcopal succession, while the liberty of interpretation does not influence the practice and will be superfluous in the future. That is exactly the hope and belief of the Church of England and they are experts in judging the order and ministration of a church.

The two convocations base their resolutions on the examination of the personal informations obtained from leaders of the CSI, on the liturgy, the ordinal and the

actual practice of the CSI. Great care has been taken by the two convocations to examine thoroughly every aspect of the ministry in the CSI. They act only equipped with detailed information and want to be fully aware of what they do. This again is as it should be. They are mainly concerned to be fully assured about three points: the minister, the form, the intention.

The minister. What satisfies the Church of England is that the first bishops of the CSI were either Anglican bishops or consecrated by three Anglican Bishops, i. e. bishops in the succession. Only bishops ordain. These facts give undisputed satisfaction to the members of the convocations.

The form. While being critical of what the constitution of the CSI says about episcopacy the two convocations were satisfied that the ordinal, the liturgical form for the consecration of bishops conveys the authority of the episcopate and the priesthood without question. The form of and the ordinal for the consecration of bishops "is in all essentials similar to those in use in the Anglican Communion" CC/CSI pg. 11. To those who deplore that in the CSI bishops were consecrated and presbyters ordained without having been confirmed by a bishop the answer is given that, "after a man had knelt before a bishop in the apostolic succession who had laid his hands upon him and prayed that he should receive the Holy Spirit for the office and work of a bishop in the church of God, it was a little difficult to suggest that man had not received the Holy Spirit" CC/CSI pg. 25.

The intention. The concept of intention in connection with the validity of sacraments plays an important part in the Roman church. If for instance a priest would be forced to solemnize a marriage against his will, such marriage would be null and void, and the couple would live in concubinate in case the priest were to declare that he did not have the intention to bind them in matrimony. This indicates what the term intention means. The two convocations examined very earnestly the question, whether apart from the correct ordinal in use in the CSI there was also the intention to create bishops and presbyters in the catholic continuity. "None of us hold that tactual succession (1) and correct formulae of ordination can guarantee a true and effective (1) episcopate or presbyterate" CC/CSI pg. 11. Along with the ordinal must go the valid intention. The examination of this point led in both the convocations to the conviction that there "was clear, positive and strong evidence of an intention similar to that in the ordinal of the Church of England" CC/CSI pg. 13. "It had been made abundantly clear to the members to the Joint Committee that the CSI really desired the catholic tradition which the Church of England had inherited" CC/CSI pg. 15. No anxiety need be felt about "the intention of the CSI to integrate itself fully in catholic order" CY/CSI pg. 9. In the Convocation of York Bishop John Wordsworth's "telling words" were quoted: "The sacrament of order requires laying-on of hands, with prayer suitable to the office conferred, and with a general intention of making a man what the Church intends as a bishop,

priest or deacon. We hold that such an ordination conferred by a bishop, as a sole or chief minister, who has been himself so ordained, even if he is a heretic, is valid and cannot be reiterated without sacrilege" CY/CSI pg. 96. The implication is that anything beyond this should not be demanded from the CSI, but so far the requirements are fulfilled. There remains the "anomaly" of the non-episcopally ordained presbyters in the CSI, but in spite of that the relationship of the two churches will "grow and be completed according to *the facts of the situation*" CY/CSI pg. 28.

These are the findings of an assembly of leading theologians of the Church of England who judged carefully on the basis of several kinds of informations. It may not be possible to disavow them. But any statement on behalf of the CSI, that they do not want to be judged by what others say about it, should be converted into a protest to the authorities of the Church of England. That would be very delicate. Nor do we Lutherans press for it. We gladly concede to the CSI the full liberty to choose an order which they think is the correct one. At this stage of the discussions we pray of them that similar freedom is granted to us.

Summing up we have to say:

(1) It became clear in this year's Bangalore discussions that the CSI has decided its form of ministry with a very high degree of finality. It is obvious that this decision has not been made on the otherwise often recommended regional-union principle, but on denominational-doctrinal lines.

(2) The form of the ministry in the CSI is indicated by the terms "historic episcopate" or "ancient succession" or "episcopal succession". There seems to be no reason to avoid the term "apostolic succession." The doctrinal significance of the historic episcopate is, that only ministers in this order can validly administer sacraments. The Lord's Supper administered by non-episcopally ordained ministers is not the real Lord's Supper. This is the prevailing view point in the Church of England guiding their decisions about intercommunion. In the CSI this doctrine is neither enforced nor contradicted.

(3) The CSI is on the one hand holding very strong views about the episcopal succession and follows a strict practice in creating bishops and presbyters, while on the other hand a "policy" is followed receiving non-episcopally ordained ministers for administration to those who accept them. But this policy is to be reconsidered after 30 years.

(4) It is difficult for the CSI to effectively integrate in the catholic order without alienating the sympathy of those who are not willing to do so. The danger of being ambiguous exists.

(5) The CSI tries to house two opposites; The rigid doctrine of the ancient succession as the unifying ministry and a call to other denominations for continued existence in a united church. This attitude cannot be maintained permanently and is possible only, because the CSI understands her union as vicarious, nourishing

the hope that the union of the parent churches will follow in due course. "The anomalies in the CSI are due to a failure of the parent churches and can be ended only when the parent churches are united," CS/CSI pg. 4. This concerns mainly the parent churches in England. So far the main obstacle for the reunion of the churches in England is the insistence of the Church of England that all should accept the historic episcopate.

(9) This long-distance hope of the CSI and the Church of England is likely to transfer effective reapproachment for the Lutherans to the ecumenical level. In spite of all emphasis on the call for regional union it becomes gradually clear that the long-distance expectations for wider union are of a denominational nature. It would not be fair to deny that, nor can anything else be expected. To make believe that doctrines and confessions are not very important for the life of the Church would be heretic enthusiasm.

LUTHERAN REACTION.

(1) In the face of the solid and rigid position into which the CSI has moved we claim very seriously, what seems to us to pertain to the elementary freedom characteristic of a christian church, the right to discuss the theological significance of the historic episcopate.

(2) There are ecclesiastical quarters, besides the Church of Rome, in which the voice of the reformers is purposely not heard. The reformation is considered to be a more or less unfortunate episode of limited

importance. "Integration into catholic tradition" sounds very suspicious for Lutherans. "To maintain side by side the catholic and the evangelical elements in the church" does not allay and deaden our suspicions, because there are catholic elements which militate against and exclude the evangelical ones. The great gift which we received in the reformation is the Gospel redeemed from abominable abuses. As long as we can distinguish the Gospel from its adulterations we are in duty bound to be careful.

(3) In former discussions with the CSI we had agreed that the Scriptures are the sole guide for faith and order in the Church. That was very encouraging. Now, when the CSI is taking a firm stand in the question of order, we are referred to the "catholic" elements of the Church. To what extent then, we ask, do agreements and common statements reflect what governs the life of the church. What we meant was, that the sole application of the Scriptures does not rule one aspect of the Church among others only, but the whole life of the Church in every aspect. As no form of the ministry can be traced back to Christ himself, nor even to the apostolic teaching in the New Testament in an exclusive and obligatory sense, we hold that the validity of the ministry does not depend on one specific form and certainly not on the historic succession. As far as the history of the episcopate is concerned we find indeed periods in which this form of the ministry has done unforgettable service to the Church of Christ, but we also look back on periods in which the episcopate established the possibilities to do unbelievable damage to

the cause of the Gospel jeopardizing its credibility. The episcopal succession cannot prove by its history that it is of divine right. The desire for union on the basis of a unified ministry in the form of episcopal succession cannot be taken to be on one plain with the message of reconciliation, of forgiveness of sin, of resurrection and eternal life. For the CSI to maintain her concept of what the Church should be, or rather become, it is necessary to develop a doctrine of the nature of the church on the lines of the Lambeth quadrangular, of which the Bangalore quadrangular is just a replica. But this doctrine practically cancels our agreement on the authority in the Church, namely the Scriptures alone.

We stand by the principle that the Scriptures are the sole authority for the preaching and the teaching of the Church. This is not a point on which we feel free to negotiate. The form of the ministry is of human right, the Gospel is of divine right. To declare the form of the ministry to be of divine right amounts to an imposition of human law on the believer. However mild the way to do so may be, we are constrained to disagree. This illustrates what we mean by preaching the "pure" Gospel — "The Gospel rightly preached." (Confessio Augustana VII).

4. We do not intend to say that we are opposed to any form of episcopacy. We can even persuade ourselves to hold that it is preferable to have a permanent bishop as ^{leader} ~~head~~ of the church instead of a president elected only for a term of service. But we think that we would be disloyal to the Gospel, if we were to permit

ourselves to give a doctrinal interpretation to the office of the bishop as constitutive for the Church and the validity of the ministry.

5. As so far the discussion with the CSI on the nature of the church failed to lead to an agreement, we have to point out clearly what caused the failure. The CSI, having made its decision regarding the form of the ministry, is no longer in a position to discuss in right earnest the possibility of a modification. The only way to agree would have been that the Lutherans accept the form of the ministry of the CSI as it is. That was asking too much. It is obvious that the responsibility for the failure to agree cannot be laid down at the door of one side only.

It would be a denial of the right to decide under the bondage of the conscience, if one side were to declare that the other side is acting sinfully. It is gratifying to know that somebody has a deep and firm belief and and we propose to sincerely respect each other for this reason. Would it have been better to arrive at a compromise in the absence of real convictions? We have come to a point where one side would have to surrender to the other. But we shall be humble enough not to ask that from each other recognizing that each is responsible before God for his attitude.

CONCLUSION.

For the time being it seems unrealistic to expect union agreement in the near future. But all possible efforts should be made to find ways and forms in which

we can testify to the fellowship which exists between the two groups and churches, perhaps aiming at cooperation on a federal basis. We hope that the inclusion of "fellowship" in the Bangalore quadrangular will not stand in the way. As far as the Lutherans are concerned there seem to be real possibilities for genuine cooperation. They should be explored and put at the disposal of the Lord of the Church.

ABBREVIATIONS :—

CC/CSI—The Convention of Canterbury and the Church of South India. London 1955.

CY/CSI—The Convention of York and the Church of South India. London 1955.

CSI/NCh—The Nature of the Church. Madras 1952.

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The C.S.I.—Lutheran Joint Theological Commission.

The Minutes of the Commission which met at the United Theological College, Bangalore, on April 18th and 19th, 1956.

The following members were present :

Lutherans : The Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam (T.E.L.C.) The Rev. W. Hellinger (T.E.L.C.), the Rev. S. W. Sawarimuthu (T.E.L.C.) The Rev. Dr. H. W. Gensichen (T.E.L.C.), The Rev. K. Nathaniel (S.A.L.C.) The Rev. V. John (S.A.L.C.), the Rev. Dr. C. M. Doerman (S.A.L.C.) The Rev. P. David (S.A.L.C.) the Rev. A. S. Jacob (S.A.L.C.), the Daniel Bitsch (A.L.C.), the Rev. Dr. P. David (A.E.L.C.), the Rev. Anderson (E.J.L.C), the Rev. S. G. Lang (M.E.L.I.M.), the Rev. B. H. Jakkayya (M.E.L.I.M.) the Rev. H. M. Zorn (M.E.L.I.M.), and the Rev. M. L. Kretzman (M.E.L.I.M.).

C.S.I. : The Most Rev. H. Sumitra, the Rt. Rev. J.E.L. Newbigin, the Rt. Rev. A. M. Hollis, the Rt. Rev. R. Lipp, the Rt. Rev. D. Chellappa, the Rev. T. S. Garrett, the Rev. W. B. Harris, the Rev. M. V. George, Mr. R. D. Paul and the Rev. J. R. Chandran.

The Commission was jointly chaired by the Rt. Rev. J.E.L. Newbigin and the Rev. W. Hellinger. The Rev. J. R. Chandran was asked to be the Secretary.

I. Minutes of the Previous Meeting — Referring to the minutes of the joint meeting held on March 15th to 17th 1955, the following points were noted :

- i. The Christian Literature Society had published under the title the "Sacraments" a booklet containing the papers prepared for that meeting and the agreed statement on the Lord's Supper.
- ii. As per minute 5 (iii) the Rev. J. R. Chandran had written the Foreword for the booklet containing all the agreed statements in the Indian languages. The Telugu translation had been completed and the

booklet was in the process of publication. The other translations had not been completed.

iii. Regarding the actions taken by the Churches on the recommendations made by the joint Commission, it was reported that the Synod of the C.S.I. at its meeting in January 1956 accepted the general principles underlying the proposals for pulpit and altar fellowship. The Synod had also decided to submit the agreed statements to the dioceses for their careful study and comment. The F.E.L.C. Executive had considered the Report of the Joint Commission at its meeting on October 13th and 14th, 1955 and printed copies of the relevant minute (Minute 13 (a) and (b)) had been circulated. The Lutheran members drew the attention of the Commission particularly to sections 5 and 8 of the Minute viz :—

5. This statement does not propose Church Union in the sense that the Lutheran Churches be absorbed in the C.S.I. or vice-versa. Should in the good Providence of God the Churches concerned be led to unite sometime in the future, the result would have to be quite a new Evangelical Church.

8. If and when the recommendations of the above Report are to be implemented we trust that the Constituent Churches will act unitedly. It is our belief, however that should any Constituent Church of the F.E.L.C. take independent action and establish pulpit and altar fellowship with the C.S.I. that would not *eo ipso* preclude its membership in the F.E.L.C.

The Missouri Lutherans had issued a separate statement on the proposals for pulpit and altar fellowship in which they stated that they were not yet convinced that the measure of agreement achieved in the discussions so far would justify the establishment of pulpit and altar fellowship and that they wanted to continue the conversations pledging themselves to follow the guidance God gives through His Word and His Spirit.

II. Discussions on the Nature of the Church.—The discussions began with comments on a paper on "the Nature of the Church" by Rev. A. Anderson, the paper prepared by the C.S.I. on the subject for the Lund Conference on Faith & Order, Bishop Newbigin's book "The Household of God" and relevant sections of the C.S.I. Constitution. It was soon found that there was no satisfactory agreement on the question of the nature of the Church's unity and continuity. The Lutherans asked the C.S.I. members for a clear statement on the theological basis of the Historic Episcopate. They also asked if the C.S.I. would be willing to enter negotiations for union with an open mind without demanding the acceptance of the Historic Episcopate as a pre-condition of negotiations.

The C.S.I. members produced a brief statement on the Historic Episcopate (See Appendix).

It was however, not possible to arrive at an agreed statement. There was no common mind on the nature of the relationship between the Church's ministry and its unity and continuity. The Lutheran group, commissioned by the F.E.L.C. triennial conference proposed continuation of the discussions suggesting the following two themes.

- 'A common catechism as a way to understanding and unity'
- 'The Lord's Supper' (On the basis of the reaction of some Lutheran churches to the 'agreed statement').

The C.S.I. members were rather doubtful of the value of continuing such discussions if no attempt was being made by the Churches to implement the recommendations of the previous meetings.

III. Recommendations

- i. It was decided to report back to the respective Churches that the joint Commission has completed the work it had been asked to do.
- ii. It was decided to recommend the formation of four theological conferences, one for each of the linguistic regions in S. India. viz. Tamil, Malayalam, Kannada and Telugu. With regard to getting the approval of

the Churches for these conferences, the Rt. Rev. K. B. Manikam will raise the matter with the F.E.L.C. and Mr. R. D. Paul with the C.S.I. It was agreed that at the regional conferences the main subjects for discussion should be *the Law and the Gospel, the Lord's Supper, and the Unity and Continuity of the Church and its Ministry*. Papers on these subjects in the regional languages should be prepared in advance for these conferences. The Conferences should be for about four days duration. In order to facilitate the organising of these conferences it was decided to appoint the following interim-conveners.

Tamil	...	Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam.
Telugu	...	Dr. P. David.
Malayalam	...	Rev. M. V. George.
Kannada	...	Rev. S. G. Lang.

iii. In view of the regional conferences in 1957 it was agreed that the Joint Commission will not meet during the next 12 months. It was also agreed to recommend that if the conversations in English should continue it should be the meeting of the Inter-Church Conference with an adequate representation of laymen and women.

v. The decision to print booklets containing the agreed statement in the S. Indian languages was re-affirmed and the following persons were appointed to be in charge of the translations.

Kannada —The Rev. M. Anandamurthy with the Rev. B. H. Jakkayya as consultant.

Tamil —Rev. W. B. Harris and the staff of the Tamilnad Theological College with the staff of the Nagercoil Seminary as consultants.

Malayalam—Rev. M. C. Kretzmann and the Staff of the Nagercoil Seminary with Rev. M. V. George as consultant.

The Telugu edition was already in process of publication and Bishop Sumitra was requested to send copies to all the Telugu members of the Joint Joint Commission. It was also decided to print 1500 copies of the Tamil, 1000 copies of the Telugu, 1000 copies of the Malayalam and 300 copies of the Kannada booklets.

v. The question of preparing a common catechism for the two Churches was considered and there was no agreement as to the advisability of having a common catechism before the union. However it was decided to appoint an exploratory committee consisting of the staffs of the three South Indian seminaries namely the Tamilnad Theological College, Tirumaraiyur, the Concordia Theological Seminary, Nagercoil, and the Kerala Union Theological Seminary, Trivandrum, with the Rev. M. L. Kretzman as convener. This Committee will study the catechisms already in use in the two Churches and bring forward proposals regarding possibilities of a common catechism.

vi. It was decided to draw the attention of the Churches to the recommendations made by the previous meetings of the Joint Commission, expressing gratitude for the steps already taken to implement them and urging that more progress be made towards their implementation.

vii. **Prayer for Unity**—referring to the Minute 6 (vii) of the 1955 meeting regarding prayer for unity, it was noted that no action had yet been taken on it. It was decided to re-affirm the minute and request the Rev. S. W. Sawarimuthu and the Rt. D. Chellappa to prepare the Litany of prayer for Unity as soon as possible. It was also decided to draw the attention of the Churches to the Week of Prayer for Unity (January 18th to 25th) and to urge them to observe it in an appropriate manner so that the

concern for unity will be shared by all Church members.

viii. **Printing of Minutes.**—It was decided that 600 copies of the minutes be printed and that the C.S.I. statement on the Historic Episcopate be included in the minutes. It was agreed that Dr. Anderson's paper be published in the South India Churchman, the Gospel Witness and other Christian periodicals.

IV. It was resolved to place on record the Joint Commission's thanks to the United Theological College for placing the College building at their disposal and looking after the hospitality of the members.

APPENDIX

Statement by C.S.I. Members on the Historic Episcopate.

1. The C.S.I. accepted the historic episcopate as the gift of one of the uniting Churches, offered as its contribution to the life of the United Church. Along with that offer went the acceptance by all the uniting Churches of what each had to offer, as is expressed by the words in the Basis of Union: "In His spirit of love, all the ministers of the uniting Churches will from the inauguration of the union be recognised as equally ministers of the united Church without distinction or difference". (P69).

2. The historic episcopate is retained in the CSI because it has proved itself to be of great value for the enrichment of life of the Church.

3. Neither its original acceptance nor its retention depends upon the acceptance of any doctrine of Apostolic Succession, in the sense that one particular form of the ministry is the sole and essential channel for the transmission of the grace needed for the exercise of the ministry in the Church of God.

4. The Constitution states: "In making this provision for episcopal ordination and consecration, the Church of South India declares that it is its intention and determination in this manner to secure the unification of its ministry, but that this does not

involve any judgement upon the validity or regularity of any other form of the ministry, and the fact that other Churches do not follow the rule of episcopal ordination will not in itself preclude it from holding relations of communion and fellowship with them." (II. 12) The seriousness with which the CSI regards this provision is shown by the fact that it has received a number of ministers from non-episcopal Churches into its ministry without any reordination: that this has been done not only for ministers from the parent Churches but for those from other non-episcopal Churches with which it enjoys fellowship; and that it has, though pressed by the Anglican Churches to reconsider its relation to non-episcopal parent Churches, firmly refused to do so.

5. In any future union it would certainly be the policy of CSI to follow the same line of acceptance of all ministers of the uniting Churches as 'equally and without distinction or difference ministers of the united Church' without any suggestion of reordination and to maintain the same full communion and fellowship with all the parent Churches however organised.

6. Yet, in any wider union, the CSI would wish that it, no less than the other uniting Churches, should be able to bring into the life of the united Church all the riches of its own life and inheritance. This would include its ministry through which it finds itself linked with the Churches of the past centuries to which it is historically joined in a rich continuity.

7. 'No Scheme of Union can succeed unless it is plain that what is aimed at is a genuine continuance, within the wider fellowship, of the whole inheritance of the separate ministries mutually enriched, and not the extinction of non-episcopal ministries in order that they may be replaced by an episcopal ministry which itself remains essentially what it was before'. (Report of the Theological Commission, Synod Minutes 1954 page 147). This would be no less applicable if the ministry which it desired to extinguish were the episcopal one which we in CSI now enjoy and value.

8. To abandon this would involve the surrender of one of the aims of its present unity, as expressed in the Constitution:

'The Church of South India desires to be permanently in full communion and fellowship with all the Churches with which its constituent groups have had such communion and fellowship' (II. 14)

9. Wider union would result not in a new Church but in less inadequate manifestation of the one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, which is Christ's body and we believe that the form of the ministry should reflect this.

10. We do not believe that Christ's presence can be guaranteed by any corporate continuity but we do believe that corporate continuity is the proper fruit of Christ's presence.

11. In answer to the questions above we have felt bound to indicate the reasons which make it seem to us most unlikely that we shall be led to abandon the historic episcopate. Certainly in entering into negotiations for wider union the CSI would not refuse to discuss with the utmost frankness and to listen to all that the other Churches might desire to say about the theology of the ministry as well as about its practical organisation, and this would obviously include the fullest discussion of episcopacy. We dare not lay down before hand where the Holy Spirit will guide us to go and we must be ready and willing to follow where He leads. But in the light of our experience we earnestly commend to our Lutheran brethren the gift which we have received and which we have come increasingly to value. //

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION FOR THE F.E.L.C. ENLARGED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AT RENIGUNTA 11-13 APRIL 1956.

1. PROGRESS OF WORK SINCE THE EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD IN MADRAS OCTOBER 1955:

(a) The Jubilee Calendar: In accordance with the suggestions made at the Executive, pictures of William Carey, Missionary Gossner, the Ranchi Church, Father Heyer, the Andhra Christian College and Gurukul were secured and included in the jubilee calendar. 14451500 copies were printed and were on sale since the beginning of the year. The cost of printing amounting to Rs.1077.13.3 has been paid from the FELC reserve funds. So far 731 copies have been sold and we need to sell at least 500 more copies in order to recover the investment.

(b) With regard to the enquiry whether it would be cheaper if the calendars were posted to foreign countries by the C.L.S., it is gathered that there is no such advantage, but in order to save time with the permission of the Treasurers of the Mission Boards in India, a few copies of the folders by air-mail and other copies by sea-mail have been despatched directly from the C.L.S. and the postage amount would be recovered from the respective Treasurers.

(c) Beyreuther's Biography of Ziegenbalg: This book printed in 750 ordinary copies and 250 cloth bound copies, was on sale during the Tranquebar celebrations and so far 270 have been sold. As previously stated, the entire responsibility for this publication although done on behalf of the FELC rests with the C.L.S. We need to record our thanks to the translators, the Rev. S.G. Lang and Dr. H.W. Gensichen.

(d) It Began At Tranquebar by Prof. A. Lehmann: Although the committee appointed to go through the manuscript of Prof. Lehmann's books has worked hard to make available the final manuscript in time, it was not possible to bring out the book in time for the Tranquebar celebrations but was on sale during the days of the Asia Lutheran Conference at Gurukul. 300 special copies (cloth bound) were printed for purposes of free distribution to universities, Church libraries etc. and the bill amounting to Rs.391.0.3 has been paid from the special jubilee publication fund. Prof. Lehmann has asked for 20 free copies of his book and the C.L.S. according to its usual practice sent 6 copies from the 1000 copies printed and with my approval 14 copies from the special library edition have been despatched to Prof. Lehmann. This action needs approval.

We have also to draw up a list of institutions and persons for the distribution of this special library edition. It would be good to appoint a small committee consisting of members who would draw up a list and securing the approval of the FELC Office-bearers we can ask the C.L.S. to despatch the copies. The postage on this account will have to be borne from the special jubilee fund. The subsidy that the C.L.S. has asked for amounts to Rs.1255/-. This amount is less than the amount that was sanctioned according to Resolution 178/55 because the length of the original manuscript was reduced and the cost of the book has been brought down to Rs.2/- ordinary binding and Rs.2.12.0 for cloth binding. *So far 265 copies have been sold.*

(e) Special 500 extra copies of the January Gospel Witness for purposes of publicity: 500 extra copies of the January issue of the Gospel Witness were printed and in addition to the usual 24 pages the significant dates in the history of the Tranquebar Mission running up to 4 extra pages were sent separately as a supplement to this issue. Sharing half the cost, the amount paid on this bill from the Jubilee Publication Fund is Rs.71.14.3.

(g) The Jubilee Folder: In Resolution No.180/55 a grant of Rs.145/- was made to the C.L.S. to cover 1/3rd of the total cost for 5000 copies of the Jubilee folder. When this action was taken, it was hoped that the Tamilnad Christian Council from which the suggestion to expand the folder to a 10 page booklet emerged, would meet 1/3rd cost but at the subsequent meeting of the Tamilnad Christian Council, it was made clear that there were no funds of the T.C.C. from which this item could be paid. The proportionate cost of the bill for printing 6000 copies of the Jubilee folders amounts to Rs.256.12.0. We need to sanction the extra amount of Rs.111.12.0 to the C.L.S. from the jubilee publication fund. A major part of the folders was distributed as supplement to the N.C.C. Review, the

Guardian and the Gospel Witness and copies were sent to the Presidents of the constituent Churches of the F.E.L.C. and the Rev. S.G. Lang for the M.E.L.I.M. and to the Treasurers of the C.S.M., L.E.L.M., Andhra Lutheran Conference, U.L.C.M. and Office-bearers of the FELC. Few air-mail copies and the rest by sea-mail were sent to Prof. Lehmann for distribution in the Eastern Germany and Rev. Kellermann for the Western Germany, Mission Director A. Bärverfeldt, the Board of Foreign Missions, Ohio-USA, and the U.L.C.M. Board. About 300 copies were distributed at the Tranquebar celebrations and some more copies were distributed during the L.W.F. Executive meetings and Asia Lutheran Conference.

2. THE LUTHERAN ENTERPRISE BY REV. C.M. SWAVELY: From the statement printed by the Business Manager 271 copies are available at the Lutheran Press and the C.L.S. has been supplied (through the Chairman 100 copies and directly from the Lutheran Press 50) 150 copies and the Business Manager is not sure whether the 25 copies supplied to Dr. A.N. Gopal are for free distribution in the U.S.A. She has, however, promised to secure information about this. The total number of copies that are now available for sale both at the Lutheran Press and the C.L.S. are 421 and at Rs. 4/- a copy the amount to be realised would then be Rs. 1684/-.

In order to settle the payment of the printing bills with the Diocesan Press, the F.E.L.C. granted a loan of Rs. 1000/- to the former Chairman of the Board of Publication and out of this amount Rs. 164/- has been paid and the total amount due to the F.E.L.C. on the Lutheran Enterprise account is Rs. 836/-. This amount could be further reduced by Rs. 248/- which is the amount due from the Business Manager for the sale of 62 copies. It is recommended that this amount be treated as an outstanding loan which shall be cleared from time to time through the sale of the copies.

3. STATEMENTS FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER; (a) Audited account for 1955: See page (1).

(b) Debt to the Lutheran Press: When the Business Manager took over the accounts of the Board of Publication, printing bills for six months had not been paid and that is the reason for a large sum that has been carried over as a debt to the Lutheran Press. The amount that the Board of Publication owes to the Lutheran Press as on 31.12.55 amounted to Rs. 1144.5.3. Details for this have been called for from the Business Manager. It is important that this debt is cleared immediately by an advance from the jubilee publication fund which could be reimbursed from the sale proceeds of the Lutheran Enterprise and the sale of other F.E.L.C. books on hand. (see page 2) and we have to ~~Rs.~~ credit Rs. 80.6.0 through the sale of other F.E.L.C. publications.

4. REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION IN MADRAS 10 APRIL 1956.

Madras-10. I
8.4.1956. I

J. KUMARESAN,
Chairman.

F. E. L. C. BOARD OF PUBLICATION.
1955 statement.

March 5, 1956.

Income - Advertising	Rs. 135 10 0
Subsidies	1072 10 0
Subscriptions	569 10 3
Jubilee Printing	261 1 4
Beginning Cash Balance	10 12 0
	<u>2049 11 7</u>

Expenditure -	
Bank Charges	6 9 0
Printing	1710 0 0
Jubilee Printing	261 1 4
Postage, stationery etc.	10 15 9
Editor's expenses	115 1 6
V.P.P. Postage	30 8 0
	<u>2134 3 7</u>

Income Receipts	2049 11 7	
Beginning Bank Balance	229 2 1	
	<u>2278 13 8</u>	
Expenditure	2134 3 7	
	<u>144 10 1</u>	
Ending Bank Balance		139 15 10
Cash on hand		4 10 3
		<u>144 10 1</u>

sd: Mrs. J. Godfrey Haywood,
Business Manager.

To The Business Manager, The Gospel Witness, c/o. The Board of Publication of
F. E. L. C.
Debtor to the Lutheran Press, Guntur 2.

OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS WITH THE LUTHERAN PRESS

Balance as on 31.12.1954		1448 2 9
Total bills in 1955		1406 2 6
Total amount paid in 1955	1710 0 0	
	<u>1710 0 0</u>	2854 5 3
Balance	1144 5 3	
	<u>2854 5 3</u>	2854 5 3
Dr. Balance as on 31.12.55		1144 5 3
2.1.56 January 1956 issue		94 0 0
2.2.56 February 1956 issue	190 0 0	115 9 0
2.3.56 March 1956 issue		115 9 9
	<u>190 0 0</u>	1469 8 0
Balance due to the Press as on date		1279 8 0

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CONSTITUENT CHURCHES OF THE F. E. L. C. TOWARDS THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madhya Pradesh	Rs. 100
Arcoot Lutheran Church	75
Andhra Lutheran Church (South)	65
American Lutheran Conference	65
Tamil Evan. Luth. Church.	135
Gossner E.L.C.	65
Santal Church	135
East Jeypore	35
Jeypore E.L.C.	65
Andhra E.L.C.	200
	<u>970</u>

BOOK ACCOUNTS.

15.3.1956.

STATEMENT OF LUTHERAN ENTERPRISE ACCOUNT AS OF 15.3.1956.

1. Number of copies as per previous statement d/- 15.10.54	492
2. Number of copies sold during the period or supplied otherwise for details see below	<u>221</u>
3. Number of copies on hand as of date.	<u>271</u>

Details for 221

1. Supplied to Rev. J. Kumaresan for Tranquebar celebrations. (C.L.S.)	100 copies on consignment
2. Supplied to C.L.S. vide bill 5628	50 do
3. By credit or cash sales	62 "
4. By way of shortage either by sending sample copies for advertisement, for book review or otherwise	9 "
	<u>221</u>

4. Amount due from us for 62 copies shown in sub item (3) Rs. 248

Amount due for 25 copies from Dr. A. N. Gopal as per last statement (not yet paid) B. 100

Amount due from C.L.S. for 150 copies

N.B. These two items are supplied on consignment basis. Therefore amount is not shown against them.

Amount borrowed from F.E.L.C. General Account	Rs. 1000
Amount repaid to March 1956	<u>164</u>
	due <u>836</u>

sd: Mrs. J. Godfrey Haywood,
Business Manager.

OTHER F.E.L.C. SALES AS OF 15.3.56

1. Amount of passion history received from Gurukul, Madras	Rs. 74 12 0
<u>N.B.</u> This amount was reported as due from Gurukul in our statement dated 15.10.1954	
2. Rev. E. Wangjo on 5106	5 0 0
3. Feb. 2, 1956 cash sales	0 10 0
	<u>80 6 0</u>

Due to Board of Publication.

Mrs. J. Godfrey Haywood,
Business Manager.

15.3.56

LIST OF F.E.L.C. STOCK ON HAND AS OF 15.3.56.

1. Passion of Christ Part 1 stiff binding	7
2. do 2 do.	43
3. do 1 Paper cover	26
4. do. 2 do.	21
5. Book of Worship-service only	43
6. Service with music	79
7. Biographical Record	164
8. Doctrinal Statements 1949	70
9. do. 1951	288
10. Declaration of Principles etc.	200
11. German Protestant Missionary Work	90
12. Fellowship with the Bible	119
13. Call to the Ministry of Christ	65
14. The Augsburg Confession	7
15. The Constant Christ	2
16. Treasure for Indies	25
17. Small Catechism	50

sd: Mrs. J. Godfrey Haywood,
Business Manager.

F. E. L. C.

AGENDA - F. E. L. C. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
1956. April 11th, 12th & 13th inst. RENIGUNTA.

Timings of sessions: 9:30a.m - 12:30: 2-30: p.m : 4:30.p.m:5-6pm)

*Fed Exec 18th + 19th
at Calcutta*

*10/11/56
11-16/56
Annual*

- ✓ 1. Devotions.
- ✓ 2. (a) Roll call
- (b) Requests for excuse .
- ✓ 3. Minutes of the previous meeting.
- ✓ 4. Report of the selection committee for W.C.C meeting 161/55.
- ✓ 5. L.W.F. Assembly 1957.
- ✓ 6. Request for L.W.F. 1956-57 increased contribution.
- ✓ 7. Report of the exchange programme of L.W.F.
- ✓ 8. Report of the F.E.L.C. Publicity committee.
- ✓ 9. Jubilee calender.
- ✓ 10. Res. 164/55 contribution of a token grant towards the work with which C.O.M is connected.
- ✓ 11. Res. 165/55 Indian Missionary to East Africa.
- ✓ 12. Res. 183/55. Rawerkela Project.
- ✓ 13. Res. 187/55 Location and status of Gurukul.
- ✓ 14. Res. 191/55 Report of the C.S.I. Lutheran Joint Theological commission.
- ✓ 15. Res. 193/55 Drafting committee.
- ✓ 16. Res. 205/55 J.E.L.C request for a High School.
- ✓ 17. Res. 207/55. Full time field worker.
- ✓ 18. Res. 209/55 Serempore college request.
- ✓ 19. Convener of the C.O.M. Letter by Bishop Sandegren.
- ✓ 20. ~~Report of the exchange programme L.W.F.~~
- ✓ 21. Board of publication.
- ✓ 22. Lutheran N.M.S.
- ✓ 23 (a) Election of members to the college council.
- (b) Election of the chairman of the college council.
- ✓ 24. Appointment of a co-opted member on the Executive Council, in Dr. C.W. Oberdorfer's place.
- ✓ 25. Report on New curriculum conference.
- ✓ 26. Report on Calcutta work.
- ✓ 27. Res. 51/92- cooperating missions- Resolved to refer to the Executive Council the preparation of a statement on
 - 1. Which are the cooperating missions
 - 2. What are their privileges-
 - 3. What is the amount of their financial obligation towards the annual budget, etc.

33. 9th July celebrati
in Mr. ...

S.S.

Res. 51/100. Referred to the committee of constitution and Bylaws for definite proposals.

✓ 28. Report on Youth work.
✓ Report of the Treasurer
29 David Ruth - Confere

30. Women's Work
31. Apts of auditors.
32. Date & Place of Meet. Confere
and next Exec. C. meeting if any.
Exec.

FEDERATION OF EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCHES IN INDIA
(Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st. December 1955)

HEADINGS	RECEIPTS			EXPENSES			BALANCES	
	54 Bal.	Receipts	Total	54 Bal.	Expenses	Total	Receipts	Expenses
Travel		50 0 0	50 0 0	611 7 9	1176 8 6	1788 0 3		1738 0 3
Office		17 0 0	17 0 0	480 6 9	442 14 3	923 5 0		906 5 0
Membership Contributions	5355 0 0	10481 0 0	15836 0 0		11067 8 0	11067 8 0	4768 8 0	
Committee Travel		100 0 0	100 0 0	677 12 0	353 8 0	1031 4 0		931 4 0
Miscellaneous items	194 10 3	144 10 6	339 4 9		500 0 0	500 0 0		160 11 3
W.C.C. Evansten Travel				18 14 6		18 14 6		18 14 6
Publications		153 12 0	153 12 0	155 8 0		155 8 0		1 12 0
Jubilee Publications		3195 10 1	3195 10 1		384 4 3	384 4 3	2811 5 10	
Totals	5549 10 3	14142 0 7	19691 10 10	1944 1 0	13924 11 0	15868 12 0	7579 13 10	3756 15 0
LESS Expenses			15868 12 0				3756 15 0	
Balance			3822 14 10				3822 14 10	
ADD. Opening Balance on April 1, 1954 *			5500 3 8				5500 3 8	
CREDIT BALANCE ON 31-12-1955			Rs.9323 2 6				Rs.9323 2 6	

*Cr. Bal. Recd. from predecessor Rs. 5476 8 8
Add Interest received thereon 23 11 0
Rs. 5500 3 8

Puttur,
March 17, 1956.

To be paid

*Ch S 1250/-
Giddan 256/121-*

H. W. Mayer,
Treasurer, Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India.

Enlarged Exec. Council of
The F.F.L.C.

Reingunta (S.A.L.C).

April 11th to 13th, 1956.

Chairman: Rt. Rev. R.B. Manikam.

Rev. Chrys: 18th Session - 3 P.M., 11.4.56
St. Mt 12: 22-31 - Chairman.

Roll Call:

Recording Secretary: Rev. Savariyudhu
Minutes - Printed & circulated. confirmed
Business Cee - Rev. Meyer, Rev. Uthayappan, Rev. Hellingger,
Savariyudhu, Uthayappan (Chairman)
Nominations Cee: - Edman, Tiger, Uthayappan,
Secretary (convenor)

Hours of Meeting: 9:30 - 12:30
3 - 4:30

Report of the Treasurer 5 - 6:30
- accepted.

4. W.C. 161/53-

5- LW7. 12 delegates from India
A.E.L.C. - 1 Dr. Sopal - ✓ LW71
2 E.L.C. - ✓ \$500 - +1
3 T.E.L.C. - " ✓ \$500 - +1
4 A.A.C. - ✓
5 Madhya - ✓
6 Santal - +1
7 West Jeypan - 1
8 S.A.L.C. - 1
9 A.E.L.C. - 1 + 1 (woman)

provided this
contribution is
accepted by the
LW7, Exec

Official Visitors:

Missouri - 1
E. Jeypan - 1
A.C.C. - 1

S.A.L.C. - 1 + 3 (Missouri)
T.E.L.C. - 2
A.E.L.C. - 2 + 2 or 3
E.L.C. - 2
M.P. - 1
12 visitors.

2 from non-member churches.

Churches are asked to appoint their
delegates later by Sept 1.

Palastau : our round about the above

Finances:

Schedule II accepted

7. hwt contribution 56-57. — difficult to
recommend increase to churches

wcc express inability to raise

M. W. F.

Nonmembers Cee

1. Chairman of the Ed. Cee -
2. Two representatives ^{in place of} J. S. Sivaradam
and Dr. E. Poalasan ~~Wangsoo~~ Tigan ^{Dr. Gopal}
3. Co-opted members - Dr. Theodoerff
A. S. Jacobs
4. Commission on Education
5. Convenor of Cee. on Theol. Edu - in place
of Dr. Theodoerff - Savarimuthu
6. L. W. F. Cee. on Theology - ^{Dr. David (conv.)}
^{Rev. Kumari}
^{P. Julisson}
7. " " " " Education - ^{Rev. Manikau}
^(conv.)
Mr. T. S. Paulus,
~~Rev. Paul David~~
Mr. Ewen Williams

12. 4. 56

F. E. L. C. Entoyed Exec. Council

1. Devotion led by Rev Benjamin
2. Minutes of 11. 4. 56 read & confirmed

I The C.C. to take action on
 the plan to have a conf^{ce}
 with C.S.L. - 6 delegates
 to be appointed.

II Vote on proposal to be
 the permanent location of
 the West College.

III When grant - see item
 10 of the F.F.L.C. agenda

Office of the Diwan, Gangpur State,

SUNDARGARA.

No...22/cou

Date...26.3.1947.

To

The Secretary,
G.E.L. Mission,
Ranchi.

Dear Sir,

I shall feel obliged if you kindly let me know the total number of your adherents in this State.

Yours sincerely,

V. C. Samella

Diwan,
Gangpur State.

ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY.



To

THE *Secretary,*

G. E. L. Church,

Gumgutoly, Ranchi

Govindpur, P. O.

Jariagash.

A
OFFICE OF THE }
Supdt. }
Jashpur State. }

REMINDER.

No. 8018/14-I/A date December 1943.

Form

THE Superintendent, Jashpur state:

P.O. Jashpurwager, via - Ranchi, B.N.R.

Invites attention to this office letter No. 8018/14-I dated

7th December 1943, on the subject noted below and requests

the favour of an early reply thereto.

Subject: - Half-yearly return of mission census.

G. Dasgupta
H/c

for Supdt. Jashpur.

POSTCARD

ADDRESS ONLY



From; *D*
Despatching Clerk:
Office of the Superintendent,
JASHPUR STATE.
P.O. JASHPUR, VIA RANCHI

21/11

The Secretary

G.E.L.Church in Chota

Nagpur & Assam

G. E. L. Mission, Compound

Ranchi

Office of the Superintendent, Jashpur State E. S. A.
P. O. Jashpurnagar

Reminder No. 1375/2/A.

Dated, Jashpurnagar, the 21st August 1943

Invites attention to this office letter No. 1375/2 dated 26.6.43 on the subject noted below, and requests the favour of an early reply thereto.

Subject: -
Half-yearly return of
Christian converts.

W. L. A.
Superintendent
Jashpur State
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ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY.

To



THE Secretary,

G.E.L. Church in Assam & Chota Nagpur

Ranchi.

OFFICE OF THE
Supdt.
Jashpur State.

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REMINDER. II

No. 1375/2/A date 11th August 1943

From

THE Superintendent,

Jashpur State, E.S.A

Invites attention to this office letter No. 1375 dated
26-6-1943, on the subject noted below, and requests

the favour of an early reply thereto.

Submission of half-yearly Mission
report for the half year ending
30th June 1943.

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Supdt. Jashpur.

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OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Memo No. 1777-78/43/F-6. Dated, the 2nd August, 1943.

From :
The Hony. Secretary,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

To,

The Rev. J. A. Kujur, Kondra.
The Rev. P. Beck, Kinkel.

Subject :- Submission of half yearly report of
Mission for the half year ending 31st June,
1943, for the Jashpur State.

Dear Sir,

Please fill up the attached form ~~form~~ and return it to the
office of the undersigned as early as possible. The information
is urgently needed.

Yours sincerely,

The Hon.
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/3C.

Total No. of Adherents.	Male.	Female.	No. of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.
3317 or 3466	- Together with male & females		1 school	72	12

For Jashpur Upper ghat
Jashpur Nich ghat

Signature and Date.

Beck
28/8/43

III Half yearly Report of the G.F.L. Church in Jashpur Nichehat
 for the year 1943.

List of Pastors and Catechists :-

1. Rev. Paulus Beck, Kuntal P.O., St Ranchi.
2. Cate. Mathias Ming, Sarhapani, P.O. Narayanpant. Jashpur
3. Head Cate. Emmanuel Tigo, Sarhapani, P.O. Narayanpant. Jashpur
4. Cate. Mangaldas Turkey, Marialdour, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
5. " Luther Ming, Barjot, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
6. " Sadrak Turkey, Sagibhaona, P.O. Bagicha. Jashpur
7. " Shan Knuwar Kujit, Pakritolla, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
8. " Ishwar Sahay Lakra, Chhorhaghophra, P.O. Narayanpant. Jashpur
9. " Wleannus Lakra, Bagea, P.O. Narayanpant. Jashpur
10. " Chouhas Kujit, Bansbahar, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
11. " Nathaniel Lakra, Koronga, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
12. " Nain Sukh Turkey, Barangit, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
13. " Shimon Toppo, Khutgaon, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
14. " Samuel Turkey, Balwaleahet, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
15. " Bilelus Ming, Golidih, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
16. " Gohan Ekka, Pakridipa, P.O. Tapkara. Jashpur
17. " Shimon Kujit, Bipatpur, P.O. Nagar. Jashpur

Beck
 4/7/43

Gashpur nichghat Half yearly Report 1943.

Total no. of christians, male and females up to the end of May 1943:

Total no. of christians 3466.

hist of New Converts (Gashpur nichghat) 1943.
January to the end of May 1943.

No.	Chr. Name	non-chri name.	fathers name.	Surname	pre. R.	Cast	Age	Birth place.	Sex	Date of Baptism	Baptized by	place of Baptism
1.	Mamant Singh		Birshay	Singh	9	Orason	30.	Katang got.	woman	21/4/43	Rev. B. B. B.	patkistilla
2.	Ashrita		pramsukh	Ekka.		50	17.	Katang got.	young girl	21/4/43.	50	50
3.	Daniel		Dale	Singh.		50	32.	Pandla shily	young boy	21/4/43.	50	50
4.	Dishram	Entawa	Somra.	hisophta		50	18.	Bipatpur	boy	27/4/43	50	Bipatpur

Beck
4/6/43

The First half yearly report of the G.E.L. Church
in Jaspur State, for the year 1943.
Jaspur upper ghat.
List of New Converts.

No.	Chris. Name	Non Chris. Name	Fath. Name	Sur-name	Pres Resd.	Caste.	Age.	Birth Place	Condition	Sex.	Date of Bapt.	Where baptd.	Signature
1	Narmi	Budhni	Jyub	Tirkey	Dharain	Uranus	17	Kummi Chhaka	Kumwari	Girl	8-6-43	Silonga	
2	Timothius	Gandura	Budhu	Tirkey	Ichkela	Uranus	20	Ichkela	Married	Man	13-6-43	Ichkela	
3	Hiramani	Mangri	Budhu	Tirkey	Ichkela	Uranus	16	Ichkela	Kumwari	Girl	13-6-43	Ichkela	
4	Pramod	Sakra	Lakru	Tirkey	Rateya	Uranus	17	Ralya	Kumwar	Boy	16-4-43	Ralya	

Rev. J. Kenjir
23.7-43.

To

Konolva:
23.7.43.

The Secretary,
Lutheran Church.

Dear Sir,

I am sending herewith
the list of new converts in the Jasper
upparghat and a list of trees under
the mission. ~~copy~~.

I am rather sorry to
let you know that I am suffering
from malaria fever again. Two of my
childrens are also suffering the
same.

yours faithfully.
J. K. K.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Memo No. 1777-78/43/F-6. Dated, the 2nd August, 1943.

From :
The Hony. Secretary,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

To,

The Rev. J. A. Kujur, Kondra.
The Rev. P. Beck, Kinkel.

Subject :- Submission of half yearly report of
Mission for the half year ending 31st June,
1943, for the Jashpur State.

Dear Sir,

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office of the undersigned as early as possible. The information
is urgently needed.

Yours sincerely,

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BEMINZ/3C.

Total No. of Adherents.	Male.	Female.	No. of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.
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For Jashpur Upper ghat
Jashpur Nich ghat

Signature and Date.



ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY.

To

THE SECRETARY,

G.E.L. Church in Chota Nagpur & Assam

G.E.L. MISSION COMPOUND

GOVINDPUR, P.O. Jariagarh

(Ranchi)

OFFICE OF THE
Supdt.
Jashpur State.

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2/11/43

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REMINDER. 11

No. 2849 date 2-1 1943

From

THE

P.O. JUSHPUR, VIA RAJGHI.

Invites attention to this office letter No. 2611/14 dated 10th December 1943, on the subject noted below, and requests the favour of an early reply thereto.

Submission of half-yearly return of Mission.

11/12/43
Supdt. Jushpur.

No. 1375/2.

From

H.J.B.LePatourel Esqr.,
Superintendent,
Jashpur State, E.S.A.

To

The Secretary,
G.E.L.Church in Assam & Chota Nagpur.
Ranchi.

Dated, Jashpurnagar, the 26th June, 1943.

Subject :- Submission of half-yearly report
of Missions.

Sir,

I have the honour to invite you attention to this office No. 2237/28 dated 10th August 1938 on the above subject, and request you to submit your report on the due date (i.e. 1st July 1943).

I have etc.

Sd/- H.J.B.LePatourel.
Superintendent
Jashpur State.

Memo No. 1388-89/43/F6. Dated, the 29th June, 1943.

Copy forwarded to the Rev.J.A.Kujur and the Rev.P.Beck for information, guidance and compliance.


Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

To,
the secretary. G.E.L. Office
In Chotomagpur & Assam

Dated Kinmel, the 1st August 1943.

Manjowar Mahashay, Secretary
Sahab. ko yishusahay.

Garhput ka half yearly census
report galti to nahin hai - par 1942
ka annual report pahile ke census
ke anusar tha - karan ki Mujhe
census from bli nahin mila jiske
karan 1942 ka annual report
previous year ke anusar bhej dia
tha. 1942 ka jo annual report ashal
hai wahi ap ke pas bheja gaya
hai - agat usko thik mante hain
To 3466 Total no. of christians
male and females up to the end of
may 1942: aur thik nahin
mante hain To 3317 Total no. of
Christians male and females up
to the end of may 1943. Winge:

Yours sincerely

Beek

ap koi ko thik mante hain
nahin to 1943 ka annual
report main chit
dikhaya Beek

No. 1375/2

From

H.J.B. LePatourel Esqr.,
Superintendent
Jashpur State, E.S.A.

To

The Secretary
G.E.L. Church in Assam & Chota
Nagpur, Ranchi

Dated, Jashpurnagar, the 26th June
1943

Subject:- Submission of half-yearly
report of Missions.

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Sir,

I have the honour to invite
your attention to this office No.
2237/28 dated 10th August 1938 on
the above subject, and request you
to submit your report on the due
date (i.e. 1st July 1943).

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

H. J. B. LePatourel

Superintendent
Jashpur State

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To *Replied*;

Express Letter
No. 5294

From

H. J. B. LePatourel Esqr.,
Superintendent, Jashpur State

To

The President, G. E. L. Church in Chota Nagpur & Assam
Govindpur, P. O. Jariagarh (Ranchi)

Dated, Jashpur, the 8th January 1943

Subject:- Submission of half-yearly report of Missions.

Sir,

I have the honour to invite your attention to this office No. 2237/28 dated 10th August 1938 on the above subject and request you to submit your report on the due date. It is now overdue.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

H. J. B. LePatourel
Superintendent
Jashpur State
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91/43/F-6.

16th January, 3.

To,


The Superintendent,
Jashpur State.

Subject :- Half Yearly report of
Mission.

Sir,

With reference to your Express letter No. 5294 dated the 8th January 1943, addressed to the President, G. E. L. Church, Ranchi, on the above mentioned subject, I have the honour to state that the report has been sent to you by post on the 13-1-1943, and I hope you have received it by this time.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,


Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

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16-1-43.

77/43/F- 6.

18th January,

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To,

The Superintendent,
Jashpur State.

Subject :- Submission of half yearly
report of Mission.

Sir,

With reference to your Reminder I No. 2611/14,
dated the 10th December 1942 on the above mentioned
subject I have the honour to give the following
figures :-

Total No. of Adherents.	Male	Female	No. of Schools	Boys	Girls.
5766	2414	3452	4	87	20

Please send me a copy of letter No. 2237/28 dated
the 10th August, 1938. The letter is misplaced.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

T. K. K. K.

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BEMINZ-2C
13-1-43.

II The Second Half yearly Report of the Q.E.L. Church in
 Jaspur state for the year 1942.
 Jaspur Michghat

A List of pastors and catechists:—

1	2.	Rev. pauns Beck	Kinrel P.O.	st Raveli		
1	2.	Cate. Matias Ming	Sarhapani P.O	Varayampur.	Jaspur state	
2	3.	" Mangaldas Turkey	Varialdaur P.O	Tapkara.	"	"
3	4.	" Luthes ming	Barjot P.O	Tapkara	"	"
4	5.	" Saadzak Turkey	Sagibhadra P.O	Bapicha	"	"
5	6.	" Ishwarsahay Lakra	Chushahghora P.O	Varayampur.	"	"
6	7.	" Urbanus Lakra	Bagee + Samleema P.O	Varayampur	"	"
7	8.	" Nathaniel Lakra	Koroug'a P.O	Tapkara	"	"
8	9.	" Chounas Rujor	Bansbahar P.O	Tapkara	"	"
9	10.	" Main Sukh Turkey	Baralegjit P.O	Tapkara	"	"
10	11.	" Shimou Toppo	Rhutgash P.O	Tapkara	"	"
11	12.	" Samuel Turkey	Balwabahar P.O	Tapkara	"	"
12	13.	" X. Salay Ming	Sapbahar P.O	Tapkara	"	"
13	14.	" Bilchus Ming	Golidih Tumb P.O	Tapkara	"	"
14	15.	" Rupus Ming	Chatakaur P.O	Nagar	"	"
15	16.	" Shimou Rujor	Baratap P.O	Nagar	"	"
16	17.	" Shankunsa Rujor	Suji bahar P.O	Tapkara	"	"
17	18.	" John Etkka	patridipa P.O	Tapkara	"	"
18	19.	Head catechist	Emmanuel Tiga	Sarhapani P.O	Varayampur.	

III Total no of Christians male and females up to the end of Decmbr 42
 Jaspur Michghat:— 3256 Christians.

IV Jaspur Michghat mein kusak ek hi G.P. school hai. jis mein
 karile 70 Larke Larkian parte hain (29 Larkian bachet 56 Larke)

V Koi Mayagagah—gamin kisi kisin ke kam ke liye is sal
 hasil nahin kea hai:

Apka Biswas Sewak.
 pauns Beck.
 Jaspur Michghat
 P.O. Kinrel
 12-12-42.

The second half yearly report of the Q.E.L. Church in Jaspur Michghat for 1942

The Second Half yearly Report of the G. E. L. Church in Jashpur State for 1942

Jashpur Vicarage.

List of new converts in the second Half year 1942.

S.N.	Chris. Name.	Kon. Chr. Name	father's name.	Sur. Name:	pr. R.	cast	Age.	Birth place.	Concl.	Date of Bapt.	Baptized by	place of Baptism
1	May Bilas	Lufo Bolo	saona	Khalkho	Ghidih	Orason.	70	Ghidih	man	3-6-42.	P. Beck.	Gatridipa
2	Christauidin	Sukti		Khalkho	Ghidih	Orason.	60	Ghidih	woman	3-6-42.	P. Beck	patridipa.
3	philisita	Rotho		Phing	Batai Kella.	Orason.	20	Batai Kella	girl	14-11-42.	P. Beck	Bandrehma.
4	Manohar	Biro	Maudraj	Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	40.	Khutgaon.	man	21-11-42.	P. Beck.	Khutgaon.
5	Bilasi	Bhino		Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason	6.	Khutgaon	girl (child)	21-11-42.	P. Beck.	Khutgaon
6	Elisaba	Sina		Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	4.	Khutgaon.	child girl	21-11-42.	P. Beck.	Khutgaon.
7	Jivan Math	Purnmai	Maudraj	Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	2.	Khutgaon.	child (boy)	21-11-42.	P. Beck	Khutgaon
8	Bishram	Painshay		Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	35	Khutgaon	man.	21-11-42.	P. Beck	Khutgaon
9	Anandli	Akli		Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	28.	Khutgaon	girl (young)	21-11-42.	P. Beck	Khutgaon
10	Shanti	Shaniaro		Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	2.	Khutgaon	girl (child)	21-11-42	P. Beck.	Khutgaon
11	Jham	Rudu.	Maudraj.	Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	27.	Khutgaon	man.	21-11-42.	P. Beck.	Khutgaon
12	Phulmani	Naikari		Rujuz	Khutgaon	Orason.	22.	Khutgaon	girl (young)	21-11-42.	P. Beck	Khutgaon

To
The Secretary
Lutheran Church.

Dear Sir,

With ref. to your letter no. 2551-52/42/F.S.
dt. 3rd December, 1942. I beg to submit herewith
the answer of the questions sent.

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2595	1275	1335	3.	31	6	1091-
2510						

I am suffering from fever. Continually. Since
17th Nov. 1942. Not only I. but my 6 children
are also suffering from malaria fever.
I have called for the teacher of the Jesualla
mission school. But neither he sent the accounts
of the school nor he came to me. Thus the
total number of the school is incorrect. Others
are write.

yours faithfully,

J. K. K. K.

Redirected

ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY



To

THE Secretary

G.E.L. Church in Chota Nagpur &
Assam

ms
OFFICE OF THE
Supdt.
Jashpur State.

G.E.L. Mission, *Ranchi*
Govindpur
P.O. Jariagarh (Dist. Ranchi)

10/12

REMINDER. I

No. 2611/14 date 10th December 19 42.

From

THE Superintendent Jashpur State

Jashpur Nagar

Invites attention to this office letter No. 2237/28 dated
10th August 1938, on the subject noted below, and requests
the favour of an early reply thereto.

Submission of half-yearly
reports of Mission.

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Supdt. Jashpur.

76/43/F-18.

13th Jan., 3.

To,

The Diwan,
Gangpur State.
Sundargarh P. O.
Via Jharsuguda.

Sir,

Subject :- Half Yearly report regarding the
Missionary activities in Gangpur State
for the half year ending the 31st December,
1942.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 9482 dated 11-11-42
and Reminder No. 1 dated 18-12-42 and the subsequent Express
letter No. 85 dated 6-1-43 on the above mentioned subject,
I have the honour to give the following figures :-

	Total No. of Adherents		Male		Female.
(1)	26817		13094		13723
	Decr. 500	Decr.	106	Decr.	390
(2)	Total No. of Schools		Boys.		Girls
	17		580		240.
(3)	There is no acquisition of land by the Mission for building or other purposes in the State.				
(4)	No change.				

2. Please send me copies of letter No. 5095/5096/5097
dated the 6th September, 1941. These letters are misplaced
in the office. I shall answer you after receiving these copies.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Th. M. M.
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

Print.
10/7/44

Runga 19 July 1944.

Mahamanyawar

Secretary Th. Swin Esq.

ap ko mera yisthusahay - Main ap ka lhaja
hua Reminder paya uske pahile ap ka koi chitthi
nahi paya hua.

ap ka P.C. pakar main Runga Parish
ka census January se June tak ka lhaaj deta hua.
Runga Parish men Padri - Pracharak - Arya Sahayak
1 17. 72.

Ghar. 495. Bap. paye hue 3138. Puranadharm 27. Naya 5. Orishi krit 1418.

1944 men 52 lookiyan
dristhapan paye

" 48 lark dristhapan paye

" 12 Sharm khojak baptisma

5 prani Naya dharm khojak
paya hue hain.

Sarkari Naukri men hain.

State master High School men 2.

" " Middle school men 2.

" " Lower Primary men 2.

Range Officers 2 Ranger

1 Mohair

Court men 1 Mokhter

Hospital men 1 Warsh.

Larai men gaye hue ham

Runga Mandli se 2 jawan (1 margaya).

Pamura " " 2.

Golebahar " " 2.

Dooram " " 2.

Jambahar " " 2.

Kiralaga " " 1.

Siksha bibhag men.

High school sundargarh men

3 larke

3 larakiyan

Primary school Runga

6 larke

3 larakiyan

Sunday school 10 Mandli men.

Jaha larke 100.

Larakiyan 134.

Prarthana samaj 6 Mandliyon men

sabhon ke liye

Bahiron ke Prarthana samaj 3 Mandliyon men har.

age shukh

apka bishwas

Johan Topno Runga

11th July, 1944.

To

The Rev. J. A. Kujur,
G. E. L. Church, Kondra,
P. O. Raidih. Dist. Ranchi.

Rev. J. A. Kujur,

Main ne ap ki chithi tarikh 4-7-1944 ka paya. Ap ko is ke liye dhanyabad. Is chithi ke bare ap ko main nimn likhit baton ko likhta hun.

(1) Main ne ap ke half yearly report hi ka true copy mere letter No. 1371/44/F-18A, dated 24-6-1944 ke sath bheja tha. Is copy men koi typing mistake nahin hai. Galti ap ke report men hai. Agar ap sab sankhyaon ko jorte to yah galti nahin hota. Apne apne uprokt chithi ke sath is copy ko lauta diya hai, main phir apke pas lauta deta hun ap is True copy ko apne pas rakhiye aur Pastors' retreat ke samay, chahe anewale Mahasabha ke samay main ap ko apka original report dijaunga aur tab boliye ki meri galti hai ki ap ka galti hai.

(2) Mere uprokt chithi No. 1371/44/F-18A, dated 24-6-1944 ke dusre para men hai --- " Phir bhi ap Precharaken ka pura nam gotra aur address bhejiye". Is para ka jabab apne nahin diya hai.

(3) Usi chithi ke tisre para men hai ---- Apne schoolon ki sankhya 157 bataya hai. Yah kaise huwa ?

Is para ka jabab apne nahin diya hai. Kripaya Nos. (2) aur (3) ka jabab bhejiye.

(4) Apne apne chithi tarikh 4-7-44 ^{men} ko address ke bad is prakar shuru aur ant karte hain :-

" Howd Sir,

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--- --- --- --- --- --- ---

Ap ka bishwast,

J. A. Kujur."

Kripaya smarn kariye ki ap ek abhishikt jan hain aur tab Prabhu ko yad kar sochiye ki is prakar ki chithi likhna ap ko uचित hai athwa nahin aur tab mujhe in points (2) to (4) ka jabab dijiye.

Ap ka bishwast,

The Swan
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

To

168
18/7/44

Konkani.
4-7-64

The Secretary,
Lutheran Church.

Hon'd. Sir,

Ap mera half yearly report ko
lanlaye. Aur mujhe ko kai forme ki galtri
ke karan. Karwa bachan likhe hain. Ap

Galouda men ap ki galtri hai

♂ Galouda men Christianon ki Santkya. 149.

Purnshon ki Santkya. 93.

Striyon ki Santkya. 76

149 logo ki 142, kahiye

Ap Christianon ki Santkya 142. dete hain.
Kaise jumege. Ap Sathariye ap ka
Typing mistake hai. Kupsa Karte apna
kam ko har samay dhariye. Aur dusron
ki dosh akela mat dekhiye apna dosh.
ko pahile dekhiye.

Ap ki abistwasat
Jaluzin.

Urgent

Reminder

Office of the Superintendent
Jashpur State, E.S.A

Memo No. 1287

To

The President
G.E.L.Church
Ranchi

Dated, Jashpurnagar, 9th June '44

Subject:- Submission of half-
-yearly reports.

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Your attention is
invited to this office letter
No. 7-C dated 4th February 1937
and you are requested to send
your report without delay.

Secretary Sauris JES
Superintendent
Jashpur State
C. kindly sub-
mit the reports
with out delay
W. 21/4/44

26th June, 1944.

1372/44/F-18A.

To

The Superintendent,
Jashpur State.
P.O. Jashpurnagar. Via Gumla.


Subject :- Half Yearly Report of Jashpur State
regarding Missionary activities for the
~~year~~ half year ending 30th June, 1944.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 1287 dated the
9th June, 1944 addressed to the President, G.E.L. Church
Ranchi on the above mentioned subject, I have the
honour to give you the following informations.

Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female	No. of Schools	Boys	Girls.
6222	3085	3137	2	120	33

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,


Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Jashpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

- | | | | |
|-----|--|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (3562) | (1789) | (1773) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (1) | (78) | (13) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) (Nahin) | | |

(4) *Jashpur* State men ap ka kam :- I Susamachus Pracharna

II Pabitra Sacraments Ka Kam (a) Pabitra
Baptisma (b) Pabitra Prabhukhoj

III Marriage Registration IV Evangelistic work.

V Mandli su dhat ke liye Bai Hkian Kurma

Signature with date.

BEMINZ/12C.

Beep
14/6/44

1371/44/F-18A.

24th June, 1944.

To

The Rev. J. A. Kujur,
G. E. L. Church, Kondra.
P. O. Raidih. Dist. Ranchi.

Dear Rev. J. A. Kujur,

Ap ka census ko janch karne se malum hua ki ap ka hisab dena galti hai. Apne sankhyaon ko nahin jora hai. Christianon ki sankhya ko jorne se ~~12~~ 2653 hota hai, purushon ki sankhya 1296 aur striyon ki sankhya 1364 hai aur purush aur striyon ki sankya ka jor 2660 hota hai. Christianon ki sankhya aur is jor sankya men 7 ka pharak hai. Ap sankhyon ka jor karke kyon nahin bhejte? Kripaya is ko sudhar ke bhejiye.

Phis bhi ap Pracharakon ka pura nam gotra aur address bhejiye.

Apne High School ki sankhya 157 bataya hai. Yeh kaise hua?

Ap ka bishwast,

Theodorin

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BEMINZ/2C.

965-66/44/F-18 A.

3rd May, 1944.

To.

The Rev. P. Beck, Kinkel.
The Rev. J. A. Kujur, Kondra.

Ap log half yearly report aur bhejiye January se June 1944 ka. Jo manga jata hai so thik thik dijiye aur report 15-6-1944 tak men mere pas ana chahiye. Ap log jante hain ki half yearly report dena ap logon ko hota hai aur yah apna kartabya jan kar samay men dena chahiye. Aphshosh ki bathal ki ap logon men se kitne barabar bhulte hain aur likhte hain ki ap ki chithi phalane tarikh men mujhe mila chahe main tour men tha isi se deri huwi ityadi likhte hain. Ap logon ko yah likhta hun ki chahe ap tour men hai chahe ghar men magar samay par mujhe report dijiye jisten main bhi samay par report dena sakun.

Ap logon me se jo do ya adhik Political States men kam karte hain we kripaya har Political State ka alag alag report dewe. Form sath men bheja jata hai.

Ap ka bishwast,

G. E. L. Church
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMIN7/4C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Jashpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

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|-----|--|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) () | | |
| (4) | <i>Jashpur</i> State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Signature with date.

No. 958-64/44/F-18A.

~~347-52/44/7-12.~~

3rd May, 1944.

To

The Rev. M. D. Akra, Rev. L. Bagrailla, Rev. E. Ekka, Rev. J. Topno
Rev. Th. Topno, Rev. C. C. Hero, Rev. D. Hero.

Ap log half yearly report aur bhejiye January se June 1944 ka. Jo manga jata hai so thik thik dijiye aur report 15-6-1944 tak men mere pas ana chahiye. Ap log jante hain ki half yearly report dena ap logon ko hota hai aur yah apna kartabya jan kar samay men dena chahiye. Apshehosh ki bat hai ki ap logon men se kitne barabar bhulte hain aur likhte hain ki ap ki chithi phalane tarikh men gujhe mila chahе main tour men tha isi se deri huwi ityadi likhte hain. Ap logon ko yah likhta hun ki chahе ap tour men hai chahе ghar men magar samay per mujhe report dijiye jisten main bhi samay par report dena sakun.

Ap logon se se jo do ya adhik Political States men kam karte hain we kirpaya har Political State ka alag alag report dowe. Form sath men bheja jata hai.

Ap ka bishwasht,

The Secretary

Hony. Secretary,
G. S. L. Church.

Half yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Gangpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

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|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (3) | Kya jaminadi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) () | | |
| (4) | <i>Gangpur</i> State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Signature with date.

Encl.
19/4/44.

(Office of the Superintendent
Jashpur State, E.S.A)

No 16/R

To

The Secretary
G.E.L.Church in Assam &
Chota Nagpur
Govindpur, P.O.Jariagarh

Dated, Jashpurnagar, 5th April 1944

Will you please let me have
the following information at your
earliest convenience.

- (1) The number of converts or adherents upto date in the Jashpur State
- (2) Total number of Mission schools (U.P & L.P) in the State.

sgs lebalouil
Superintendent
Jashpur State

No. 830/44/F 18A.

17th April, 1944.

To

The Superintendent.
Jashpur State.

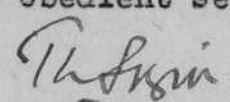
Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 16/R dated the 5th April 1944, I have the honour to give you the following informations :-

(1) The number of converts or adherents up to date in Jashpur State ----- 6325.

(2) Total number of Church Schools in the Jashpur State ---- There are only two U.P.Schools one at Sarhapani and the other at Ichkela.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,


Hon. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

(Express Letter).

No. 57

D/ 4.1.44

From

J.W.Woodhouse, Esqr.,

DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE
SUNDARGARH.

Via. - JHARSUGUDA.

B. N. Ry.

To

The Secretary, G.E.L.Church,

Ranchi.

Subject:- Half yearly report regarding the
missionary activities in Gangpur
State for the half year ending
the 31st December 1943.

My dear Father,

The report regarding missionary activities in the State for the half year ending the 31st December 1943 is due to the Political Agent immediately after the end of December. I would be grateful if you would kindly give me the following information so as to reach here by the 31st January 1944 at the latest.

1. Number of adherents with information regarding increase or decrease in both sexes (male and female separately).
2. Number of village schools under your control and the number of pupils receiving education (boys and girls separately).
3. Any new acquisition of land by the Mission for building or other purposes.
4. Religious activities of the Missionary in the State.

115/44/F-18A.

13th Jan., 1944.

To

The Diwan,
Gangpur State.
Sundargarh P.O.
Via Jharsuguda, B.N.Ry.

Subject :- Report - Half Yearly - Gangpur -
Missionary activities for the Half Year
ending the 31st December, 1943.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your Express letter No. 57 dated January 4, 1944 on the above-mentioned subject, I have the honour to give the following figures :-

	Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female
(1)	26511	12990	13521
Decr.	264	94	170
(2)	Total No. of Schools	Boys	Girls
	17	586	258
(3)	There is no acquisition of land by the Mission for building or other purposes in the State.		
(4)	No change.		

Yours sincerely,

H. H. H.
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

Half yearly Report of Gangpur State
July - December, 1943.

Congregational.

	Total	No. of Adherents	Male	Female.
Rajgangpur	--	5030	2522	2508
Ghoghor	---	3147	1541	1606
Runga	---	3019	1501	1518
Karimatti	---	5079	2452	2627
Loarom	---	2000	998	1002
Birkera	---	1482	723	759
Jorabandh	---	965	479	486
Total		20722	10216	10506
	Decr.	6053	Decr. 2868	Decr. 3185
Jan. - June 1943		26775	13084	13691

July - Dec.
1943

as submitted to Gangpur State Autho- rites		26511		12990		13521
		264 Decr.		94 Decr.		170 Decr.

S c h o o l s

	No. Of Schools	Boys	Girls			
Rajgangpur	9	194	60			
Ghoghor	4	118	43			
Runga	2	20	10			
Karimatti	8	159	95			
Loarom	6	92	39			
Birkera	nil	nil	nil			
Jorabandh	-	60	32			
	Incr.	643	279			
	Incr.	12	Incr. 30			
Jan.-June 1943		574	249			
July-Dec. 1943 as submitted to the Gangpur State Autho- rities.		17		586		258
		Incr. 12		Incr. 9		

Gangpur State Half Yearly Report
1st July to 31st December, 1943.

(Birkera Parish.)

- (1) Christianon ki kul sankhya:- 1482
Purushon ki sankhya:- 723
Striyon ki sankhya:- 759
- (2) Schoolon ki kul sankhya:- nil
Larkon ki sankhya:- nil
Larkiyon ki sankhya:- nil
- (3) Kya Jamin adi ghar banane ya aur
koi kam ke liye liya gaya hai... Nahin

- (4) Gangpur State mei ap ka kam:—
Christianon ke gharon ki dekh
rekh karna. Christian Chal Chalan ka
sthapit karna aur Baahan aur
Sacramenton ka byaohar karna

Birkera
23-12-43

L. D. Lokra
G. E. L. Church.

Half year report
1st July to 31st Dec. 1943

Half yearly report regarding the missionary activities in Gangpur state for the half year ending the 31st December 1943.

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|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Christianon ki kul sankhya.
(5030) | Purushon ki sankhya.
(2522) | Striyon ki sankhya.
(2508) |
| 2. Schoolon ki kul sankhya
(9.) | Larkon ki sankhya
(194) | Larkiyon ki sankhya
(60) |
| 3. Kya jamin adi ghar banane wa aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hain ? (nahin.) | | |
| 4. Gangpur state me ap ka kam :- | | |

Gangpur state me Padri aur Prachark
ka kam. Bhasm prachark ka kam hai

Rev. E. Erika

Rajgangpur

21 Dec. 1943.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Memo No. 2373-79/43/F-18A. Dated, the 6th October, 1943.

From :- The Hony. Secretary,
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

To
The Revs. E.Ekka, Th.Topno, J.Topno, D.Horo, C.C.Horo,
M.D.Lakra and L.Bagraila.

Mahasay,

43) Ap ke pas Gangpur State ke Half-Yearly Report (1st July to
31st December, 1943) ka form bheja jata hai. Kripaya susamay men
bhar kar Secretary, C.C. ke Office men bhejiyega. (15/10)

Ap ka bishwast,

The Hony.
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/8C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1943.

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|-----|--|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya |
| | (2000) | (998) | (1002) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (6) | (92) | (39) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :-
अतिरिक्त विवरण में नहीं मिला है। | | |

Rev. C. C. Horo
Lowaram
22-12-43,

Signature with date.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

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Mahasay,

Ap ke pas Gangpur State ke Half-Yearly Report (1st July to 31st December, 1943) ka form bheja jata hai. Kripaya susamay men (15-12) bhar kar Secretary, C.C. ke Office men bk bhejiyega.

Ap ka bishwast,

The Secretary
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/8C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1943.

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| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (5079) | (2452) | (2627) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (. 8) | (159) | (95) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) (nahin) | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Gangpur men state taraph se mere kam ka koi rokawat to nahin hai. par kahi bahin jabti khet par phauhdari uthaye hain. jiske karan se stri purush pakre jate hain. abhi karib ek sau se besipakre ja chuke hain aur age bhi pakre jaenge. isi dar se abhi kahi bahin Gangpur Chhor Koppur taraph bhag gayi hain. so girja adi men bahut kam admi ate hain. jabau ek derh sau admi girja ate the wahani 10-15 jan girja men upasthit hote hain. kahi bahin apnihi ichha par state ke berudh chalne se unki atmik aur laukik dasa kharap hote ja raha hai. aur Padri aur Pracharakon ki laukik dasa bhi kharap hote ja raha hai. desh ki mahangi se dohra halat kharap hote hai. pakre huon men do Pracharak (hi age piche pakre gaye hain. Pralhudan Bage Kardoga aur usika pita Jaemasih Bage Jiliapos. in sab ke pakre jane ka karan nahin jante hain. Kya galti men pakre gaye hain so maluin nahin hua hai.

D. Horo, Karimati Parish

22-12-1943

Signature with date.

*Gangpur
Jashpur*

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1943.

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|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (3147) | (1541) | (1606) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (4) | (118) | (43) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) (<u>नहीं</u>) | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

गंगपुर स्टेट में मेरा काम प्रचार करना है।

Thomas Sopono 27.12.43.
Signature with date.

Runga 20th July 1943.

Dear Sir

I received your letter at the date of 17th July 1943.

I send half yearly report of my Parish -

(1) Number of adherents

20 adherents are increased in my parish. 12 males and 8 females.

(2) Number of village schools

Two village schools namely at Baclamba and Jambahal.

a) Baclamba Infant school

7 boys and 1 girl Total 8 students

b) Jambahal Infant school

13 boys and 9 girls Total 22 students

Runga L.P. School is under the state.

(3). nothing

(4). Sakshi Saptak has been done at Sahajbahal

yours obediently
J. Topno Runga

Jorabandh 30.12.43

Mahamanyaw Mahashay C.C
Secretary Sahib ko mera Dikhasakay.

Age main Jorabandh Parish ke
Nagra Estate ka Census ap ko likh
bhejta hun.

Purush 206 }
stri 230 } 436

Larke 273

Larkiyay 256

School
Larke 60

School
Larkiyay 32

Gungpur State mein mera Nam
khusi se chalta hai. State ke Taraph
se koi roktoz ki bat nahin hai.

Age shubh,
Ap ka agyadhin,
L Bagwala,
Jorabandh Parish.

18A-

Office of the Superintendent
Jashpur State, E.S.A

No: *D. B. 8018/14-I*

To

The Secretary, G.E.L. Church
Govindpur, P.O. Jariagarh (Ranchi)

Dated, Jashpurnagar, the 7th Dec. 1943

Subject:- Half-yearly return of
Mission Census.

...

Sir,

to

I have the honour/invite your
attention to this office letter No.
7-C dated 4.2.37 on the above subject
and request you to submit your report
by the 25th December 1943.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient
servant,

H. S. Lal
Superintendent
Jashpur State

No. 14/44/F-180

5th January, 1944.

To
The Superintendent,
Jashpur State.

Subject :- Submission of the Half Yearly
Report of the Mission July -December
1943.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 8018/14-I dated
7th December 1943 and the subsequent Reminder No.
8018/14-I/A dated December 1943 on the above mentioned
subject I have the honour to give the following
figures :-

Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female	No. of Schools	Boys	Girls
6304	3189	3115	3	119	31

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

T. B. Sani

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Jashpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1943.

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| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (3485) | (1760) | (1735) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkhyon ki
sankhya |
| | (1) | (70) | (15) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) (Nahin) | | |
| (4) | Jashpur State men ap ka kam :- <i>Pracharan pracharna -</i>
<i>prabhugisthi Christ ko pracharna (i) pakitra sacraments ka</i>
<i>bedhar karna: arthat - pakitra prabhugisthi batna aur</i>
<i>pakitra snan dena: II Christanon ka sadi biwah sanskar</i>
<i>karna III Christan samaj ko bahen ke anusar shastan</i>
<i>karna:</i> | | |

Beek
16/12/43

Signature with date.

Half yearly Census Report July to December 1943
Jaspur upper ghat.

No.	Name of Pracharak pan.	Name & Surname of the Pastor.	Name and Surname of the Catechist.	Male	Female	Total	Remarks.
1	Sitonga		Masihdas Lakra	152	167	319.	
2	Ranpur.		Kunjai Kujur	72	80	152.	
3	Barogharia		Dharmdas Tirkey	151	164	315.	
4	Darigarhi	Rev. Johan Kujur	Philip Joppo.	48	48	96.	
5	Hetar		Philimon Kujur	101	102	203.	
6	Mangal		Daniel Khalkho	142	131	273.	
7	Barganw.		Simon Ukeia	133	111	244 244	
8	Ratea		Nomal Joppo	63	77	140	
9	Keondapani		Prabhusahay Ekka	52	63	115	
10	Dipatoly.		Stephan Ukeia	99	101	200	
11	Jharganw.		Christodas Lakera	41	35	76	
12	Ichkeela		Barnabas Muir	165	157	322.	
13	Nasar		Abdiya Kujur	60	66	126.	
14	Galonda		Amrit Muir	67.	72	139.	

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Rev. Johan Kujur

8-1-44

Half yearly Census Report, January to June 43. Gaspur upper ghat.

No.	Name of Prachara xpan.	Name & Surname of the Pastor	Name and Surname of the Catechist.	Male	Female	Total.
1	Ichteela		Barnabas Muir.	186	164	350
2	Ranpur		Kunjul Kujur	73	77	150
3	Ketar		Philimon Kujur	97	98	195
4	Barogharia	Rev. Johan Kujur	Dharmdas Turkey	142	169	311
5	Kata		Komal Topko.	58	71	129
6	Bargana		Simon Ekpa	125	111	236
7	Leonpani		Prabhuschay Ekpa	51	61	112
8	Dipatoly		Stephan Ekpa	104	96	200
9	Jhargana		Christodash Lakpa	60	28	88
10	Galonda		Dwrit Muir	65	72	137
11	Barigarha		Phikip Topko.	42	45	87
12	Mangal		Daniel Khalkho	138	135	273
13	Pitonga		Masihdas Lakpa	146	162	308
14	Kapar		Panch (Girja)	56	61	117

Pahile 6 mahina ka hisab. main bahut-katnuiti se mere office. men paya par beheji gai ki nahing mujhe mischay nahing hai kyunki isi ko banane ke piche main sehat hi men lekar hoke lauta aur main lagatar lekar tha aur ab tak lekarhi hu.

Jalanju

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Rev. Johan Kujur
8-1-44

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Memo No. 2380-81/43/F-18A. Dated, the 6th October, 1943.

From :- The Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

To
The Revs. J.A.Kujur and P.Beck.

Mahasay,

Ap ke pas Jashpur State ke Half-Yearly Report (1st July to 31st December, 1943) ka form bheja jata hai. Kripaya susamay men (15/12) bhar kar Secretary, C.C. ke Office men bhejnyega.

Ap ka bishwast,

The Hon.
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/3C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Jashpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1943.

- | | | | |
|-----|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larknyon ki
sankhya |
| | () | () | () |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) () | | |
| (4) | Jashpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Signature with date.

2062/43/F-18A.

24th August, 1943.

To
The Diwan of Gangpur State,
Sundargarh,
Via, Jharsuguda, B.N.Ry.

Subject:- Report - half yearly - Gangpur -
Missionary activities for the half year
ending the 30th June, 1943.

Sir,

With reference to your Express letter No. 5453 dated August 21, 1943 on the above mentioned subject, I have the honour to give the following figures :-

	Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female.
(1)	26775	13084	13691
	Decr. 42	Decr. 10	Decr. 32
(2)	Total No. of Schools	Boys	Girls.
	17	574	249.
(3)	There is no acquisition of land by the Mission for building or other purposes in the State.		
(4)	No change.		

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

H. M. S.

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

To ^{T. D. B.}
The Secretary,
Lutheran Church.

Dear Sir,

Main Jaspur State upar ghat ka
half yearly report bhej deta hun
Main mahina din se bimbar hun aur din 2
kamzor hota jata hun. Waisahi merey beti bhi
bahut kamzor hai.

Total No of Adherents.	Male	Female	No. of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.
2819.	1439.	1380.	2.	49.	16.

Yours faithfully.

J. Akujir

Kondra

18-8-43.

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OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Memo No. 1779-85/45/F-18. Dated, the 2nd August, 1943.

From:- The Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

To The Rev. E. Ekka, Th. Topno, J. Topno, D. Horo, C. C. Horo, M. D. Lakra
L. Bagrailla.

Mahasay,

1943
Kripa kar ke Gangpur State ka Census Report/1st January - 31st
June tak ka shighra bhejiye. ~~1st~~ Ap ka Census Report mere office
men 20 August 1943 men jarur hi pahunchna chahiye. Form niche
bana kar bheja jata hai us ko bhar kar bhejiye.

Ap ka bishwast,

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BEVINZ/8C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities
in Gangpur Stae for the half year ending the 31st June, 1943.

(1)	Christanon ki kul sankhya	Purushon ki sankhya	Striyon ki sankhya.
	(2999)	(1489)	(1510)
(2)	Schoolon ki kul sankhya	Larkon ki sankhya	Larkiyon ki sankhya
	(2)	(20)	(10)
(3)	Kya jamin adi ghar ya banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) (nahin)		
(4)	Gangpur State men ap ka kam :-		

Sakshi saptah mana gaya jismen Pracherak logon ke
path aur lakke larki Sahajkhar bejar men git gan aur
dharma praechas hue - kabut admi jama hue aur
dharma praechas hue - tashir dikhaye gaye - (apka
bheja hua yahi form of 21 Aug 43 ko mila aur bhar kar
bhejta hun.

Signature with date.

Johan Topno Runga
21 Aug. 43.

GANGPUR STATE.

SUNDARGARH.

EXPRESS LETTER.

N. B.—This is an ORIGINAL MESSAGE, sent by post to save telegraphic expense and undue use of the wires, but intended to be treated, on receipt, with the same expedition as if it had been telegraphed. To save time and formalities it is worded and signed as if it had been so despatched.

From,

The Diwan of Gangpur State,
Sundargarh,
Via, Jharsuguda, B.N.Ry.

To,

The Secretary, G.E.L. Church,
Ranchi.

No: 5453

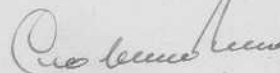
Dated August 21 , 19 43.

Subject:--Report - half yearly - Gangpur -
Missionary activities for the
half year ending the 30th June
1943.

Dear Sir,

I would be grateful if you would kindly furnish the information by return post as asked for in my letter No4493 dated 14-7-1943 as the Political Agent, Sambalpur is pressing to send the report at an early date.

Yours Sincerely,



Diwan,
Gangpur State.

GUPTA.,
20-8-43.

[To be kept in office of receipt]

URGENT

REMINDER

No. 1

FROM

THE *Sewam,*
Gangpur State

TO

THE *Secretary G. E. L. Chure*
Ranchi

Dated Sunday the 24th July 1943.

SIR,

I ~~am directed~~
have to draw your very early
attention to this office No. 4493 of the 14th

July 1943 and to request you to ~~return the~~
~~righthand portion duly filled up before the~~
send the reply by return of post.

SUBJECT:— *Half yearly report*
regarding the missionary activities
in the Gangpur State for the half
year ending the 30th June 1943

I have the honour to be,

SIR

Your most obedient servant,

Ch. S. Chakraverty
Sewam

Recd
24.7.43

N.B—Here note the number and date, purport of reply sent.

Reply to be sent by the end of
August 1943.

118.

Rajgangpur

24-7-1943.

मानवर सेकेटरी साहब को मेरा योग्य सहाय,

आप को चिट्ठी No. 1519-25/43/F-18 तारीख:
6th July 1943. regarding Half-yearly Report.
के विषय प्रचारकों को हिदायत किया गया है
पर अब तक हिसाब न आनेके कारण आप
के पास त्रेज नही सके है; हिसाब मिलने
पर जल्दी से त्रेज दिया जायगा ।

आप का विश्वस्त

E. E. K. G.

To
 learn file.
 Th. Srin
 17/8/43
 Hony Secy.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
 IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Memo No. 1779-85/43/F-18. Dated, the 2nd August, 1943.

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Mahasay,

1943

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Ap ka bishwast,

Th. Srin

Hony. Secretary,
 G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/8C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities
 in Gangpur Stae for the half year ending the 31st June, 1943.

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|-----|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya
(1864) | Purushon ki
sankhya
(883) | Striyon ki
sankhya.
(981) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya
School. 3
(Pupils-140) | Larkon ki
sankhya
(92) | Larkiyon ki
sankhya
(48) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar ya banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke
liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) (Nahin.) | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- गंगपुर स्टेट के भीतर नगर मार्केटिंग से
सब काम बिना एक टोक चलता है । | | |

Signature with date.

Rev. C. C. Horo.
 Howarom
 13-8-43.

Memo. No. 1779-85/43/F.10.
dated 2nd Aug. 1943.

Rajgangpur

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities
in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st June, 1943.

(1)	Christanon ki kul sankhya	Purushon ki sankhya	Striyon ki sankhya.
	(4844)	(2452)	(2392)
(2)	Schoolon ki kul sankhya	Larkon ki sankhya	Larkiyon ki sankhya
	(5)	(181)	(51)
(3)	Kya jamin adi ghar ya banane ya aur koi dusra kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Man ya Nahin)		(23)
(4)	Gangpur State men ap ka kam :-		

Rev. E. Ekka.

18-8-1943.

Signature with date.

Runga Parish Mardumsumari January 1922

No	gamo	Padri	brachas	ghos	Baptism wale	purene dharma kh	Naye dharma kh	dusse zakah alaye	Purush	stri	Hindi	Muno
1	Runga	1	1	61	400	2	7	13	195	205		143
2	Pamura		1	33	219				103	116		219
3	Bhobra		1	27	144	4	6		70	74		110
4	Rajabasa		1	20	117	4			59	58		76
5	Baclamba			16	66	12			31	35		66
6	Golebas		1	27	170	5	3		90	80		18
7	Jambakel		1	36	214	11			112	102		214
8	Mukamp			14	104		12		55	49		104
9	Deogan		1	40	279				142	137		6
10	Kiralaga		1	34	201				95	106		
11	Simdega		1	15	89				40	39		
12	Tangusan		1	19	117	1			52	65		
13	Hutupan		1	24	156	3			76	80		
14	Talpara		1	11	80				45	35		
15	Vindih		1	33	219				99	120	6	
16	Gidpahas		1	28	170				94	76		
17	Gerindih		1	33	194	10			101	93		
18	Jamudo		1	7	39				20	19		39
19	Sundogash		1	6	21				10	11		11
		1	17	484	2999	52	28	13	1489	1510	6	1006

une 1943.

Runga

uraon	Kharuip	paah sakte	drish krit
79	178	62	193
		25	98
	34	16	71
	41	6	48
		3	19
122	30	27	98
		14	77
		14	51
231	42	38	154
76	125	25	92
	89	8	35
26	91	16	48
28	128	22	73
80		11	28
219		33	98
170		13	66
191	3	33	86
		6	21
7	3	14	12
1223	764	386	1348

Mr. Ramo	Robin	John	John	John	John
1	1	1	1	1	1
2	1	1	1	1	1
3	1	1	1	1	1
4	1	1	1	1	1
5	1	1	1	1	1
6	1	1	1	1	1
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23	1	1	1	1	1
24	1	1	1	1	1
25	1	1	1	1	1

Johan Tapmo
Runga
2 Aug. 1943.

Half yearly report

कारिमटी पेरिस गांगपुर-स्टेट के मन्दा
 १९४३ के जनवरी से ३०वीं-जून-तक
 (खतानों-की-संख्या)

प्रकार/काम	खतानों-की-संख्या			१९४३ में		कुल-लड़के-लड़कियों की-संख्या			१९४३ में		जिले-की-संख्या
	पुरुष	स्त्रियां	दोहर	१९४३ में	१९४२-३१	लड़के	लड़कियां	दोहर	१९४३ में	१९४२-३१	
१ विभिन्न प्रकार	६५	२७	१५२	-	५३	-	-	-	-	-	-
२ विभिन्न प्रकार	१६२	१६६	३६९	-	-	-	-	-	-	४२	-
३ जोड़ों की	३५५	३२६	७४४	१६	-	३६	१२	५७	-	२३	१
४ न (डोग)	२७१	३२०	५६१	६	-	३७	१३	५०	१३	-	१
५ पुनापानी	४७६	४६७	९४३	१६	-	४६	३२	७८	७२	-	१
६ कारिमटी	२३३	२३७	४७०	-	३६	६	५	११	-	६	१
७ खंगरी नया	२२४	२३०	४५४	-	१४	१२	११	२३	-	१	१
८ लस	६५	२४	१४६	-	११	-	-	-	-	-	-
९ नाला	१२७	१६०	२८७	-	१	-	-	-	-	२४	-
१० खेती	१५६	१६४	३२०	१	-	२	१	३	-	१७	१
११ मध्यम	२७	६६	१२६	२२	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
१२ नाला	६४	७२	१४२	-	६	१२	३	१५	-	२	१
१३ नाला	२२	२५	४७	-	७	६	६	१२	-	३	१
दोहर	२४६६	२६२६	५०९२	६४	१२२	१६६	६२	२५८	६९	१२४	२

Half yearly report

कारिमटी-पेरिस (खंगरी-जिले-के-मन्दा)

प्रकार/काम	खतानों-की-संख्या			१९४३ में		कुल-लड़के-लड़कियों की-संख्या			१९४३ में		जिले-की-संख्या
	पुरुष	स्त्रियां	दोहर	१९४३ में	१९४२-३१	लड़के	लड़कियां	दोहर	१९४३ में	१९४२-३१	
१ मीठुरा	२२०	२५१	४७१	२०	-	३२	१०	४२	-	-	१
२ खंगरी	६२	१००	१६२	११	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
३ खंगरी	३६	४०	७६	-	५	-	-	-	-	-	-
४ नाला	३४	४१	७५	-	६	-	-	-	-	-	-
दोहर	३६२	४३२	७९४	३१	१४	३२	१०	४२	-	-	१

भा-यार

- कारिमटी-इलाके में दो-पेरिस-हैं- कारिमटी-और-लोवारोम-उसमें-मुमको-लोवारोम-पेरिस-का-रिहावा-नहीं-मिला-है-। समूह-लोवारोम-पेरिस-के-अपने-सिद्धे-आप-के-पास-मेजा-होगा-से-में-कारिमटी-पेरिस-के-मन्दा-गांगपुर-स्टेट-और-खंगरी-जिले-के-प्रकार/कामों-का-रिहावा-कल-२-दिले-का-मेजा-देला-है-।
- नया-जगह-मंडली-काम-के-लिये-कहीं-नन्देवस्त-नहीं-हुआ-है-।
- यम-के-काम-में-इन-साल-गांगपुर-अपने-के-कारिम-बहुत-ही-बाधा-है-। माई-साल-अप-तक-स्टेट-के-अप-से-अपने-को-रिहाते-हैं-। फिर-बहुत-को-का-लेव-जव-हो-गया-है-। उनको-लेव-में-स्टेट-अपने-तक-से-लेती-का-बाधा-और-करता-है-। उनका-सब-चीज-ले-लिया-गया-है-। जितने-माई-को-का-लेव-ती-जव-नहीं-है-। पर-मालगुजारी-और-कई-को-शे-के-वजह-से-उनका-चीज-भी-ले-लिया-गया-इस-से-काम-बाधा-हो-गया-। बहुत-मुश्किल-से-काम-चला-या-। ५-६-है-मंडली-काम-की-बहुत-धर-गया-है-।

आप-का-मादिनास्त
 A. Hov,
 Karimati 28-7-43

महामान्यवर सेक्रेटरी

जी० ई० एल० चर्च — रांची ।

महाराष्ट्र
आपकी चिट्ठी द. जुलाई १९४३ नं० १२१६-२५/
४३/F-१८ के मुताबिक मैं अपने पेरिश का
अधीनस्थ रिपोर्ट संक्षेप से देता हूँ ।

(१) धर्मलोकियों की संख्या बढ़ती जा रही है।
जून के अन्त तक ६ पुरुष और १६ स्त्रियों का
बपतिस्मा हुआ है। फिर ४ घराने धर्मलोकियों
हैं जिनको भी बपतिस्मा के लिफे तैयार कर
रहे हैं। इधर उधर और भी धर्मलोकियों की
बात सुनी जा रही है। ईश्वर से हमारी विन्ती है
कि उनके लिफे मुक्ति का द्वार खोल देवे।

(२) मेरे पेरिश में केवल १ स्कूल है जिसमें
१६ लड़के और ६ लड़कियां विद्या अध्यायन
कर रहे हैं।

(३) घर बनाने ओ दूसरे काम के लिफे जमीन का
कोई बन्दोबस्त नहीं है।

(४) धर्म प्रचार-कार्य - कोई विशेष रूप में नहीं
नहीं किया गया है। चाहना तो है पर फकतक
नहीं हुआ है।

Birker

19-7-43

आप का आज्ञाधीन सेवक

M. D. Lokan, Birker

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st June, 1943.

(1)	Christanon ki kul sankhya	Purushon ki sankhya	Striyon ki sankhya.
	(2764)	(1344)	(1420)
(2)	Schoolon ki kul sankhya	Larkon ki sankhya	Larkiyon ki sankhya
	(5)	(119)	(49)
(3)	Kya jamin adi ghar ya banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) (नही)		
(4)	Gangpur State men ap ka kam :-		

श्री. १९४० ई. से १ जनवरी से गंगपुर स्टेट के अन्ध्र क्षेत्री जेरिशा में काम किया है। मैंने जिनमें १० इन्चरस पर है, प्रायः सब प्रकार पर जो जिला पर चला है। शोचनीय दशा में था, अब प्रायः सब को दशा कुछ सुधार रहा है। क्लेश में केवल केवल दो स्कूल बा अरु ५ हो जपे है। स्कूल की स्थिति और आधार की केवल गाइयो पर है, मसहरो का वलवापि केवल सब में एकठ बार और दो बार आता है। मैंने कदको दू कदको दे दिया जाता है नही कर है। स्टेट के अन्ध्र क्षेत्री मिशन स्कूल नही है। मंडको की दशा अभी जिरि हुई है। वे आता बहुत ही शोडा से सुधार रहा है। आपने ही सुधे घर ही सब के बनाना पडा और अपनी नमं बनो है। इतने दिनों में

Signature with date.

४३० बालको को स्नान, २१५ बने को बुढ़ापु,
 २० धर्मोपदेशको को स्नान ६९ मंडकी दशा
 और ही कतो को तशुहश किया है। मंडकी में मिशन विभाग
 सुधी बुजा, और बनिबार सुधु लोग है। सुधारने का
 प्रयत्न किया जा रहा है।

Thomas Simpson

17.8.43

Diwan
~~SUPERINTENDENT~~ OF GANGPUR STATE.

S U N D A R G A R H.

EXPRESS LETTER.

N.B. :- This is an ORIGINAL MESSAGE, sent by post to save telegraphic expense and undue use of the wires, but intended to be treated, on receipt, with the same expedition as if it had been telegraphed. To save time and formalities it is worded and signed as if it had been so despatched.

From,

J.W.Woodhouse, Esqr.,
Diwan, Gangpur State,
Sundargarh.

To,

The Secretary, G.E.L.Church,
Ranchi.

No. 4493

Dated July 14, 1943.

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Subject:-Half yearly report regarding the
missionary activities in the
Gangpur State for the half year
ending the 30th June 1943.

Dear Sir,

Please refer to my letter No. 9481 dated 11-11-42.
The report on the above subject has become overdue. I would be
grateful if you would kindly give me the following information
by return of post :

1. Number of adherents with information regarding increase or decrease in both sexes (Male and female separately).
2. Number of village schools under your control and the number of pupils receiving education (boys and girls separately).
3. Any new acquisition of land by the mission for building or other purposes in the State.
4. Religious activities of the Missionary in the State.
5. Number of females out of the total number of adherents.

M. Patel.

GUPTA.,

Yours truly,

J.W.Woodhouse
Diwan.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G. E. L. CHURCH
IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

Mem No. 1779-25/43/7-15. Dated, the 2nd August, 1943.

From:- The Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

To
The Rev. S. Beka, Th. Topno, J. Topno, D. Hore, C. C. Hore, H. D. Lakra
L. Bagraile.

Reference,

1943

Kripa kar ke Gangpur State ka Census Report/1st January - 31st
June tak ka chighra bhajiyee. ~~///~~ Ap ka Census Report mere office
men 30 August 1943 men jarur hi pahunchana chahiye. Form niche
bana kar bhaja jata hai us ko bhar kar bhajiyee.

Ap ka bishwas,

Th. Hori

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BHMINZ/SC.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities
in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st June, 1943.

- | | | | |
|-----|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| (1) | Christians ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (2) | Schoolen ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya |
| | () | () | () |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar ya banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke
liye liya gaya hai ? (Haan ya Nahin) () | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Signature with date.

1519-25/43/F-18.

6th July,

43.

To

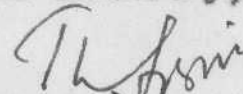
The Revs. D.Horo; C.C.Horo; E.Ekka; Th.Topno;
J.Topno; M.D.Lakra; L.Bagraila.

Dear Sirs,

Please send to this office the half yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in the Gangpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1943 on the following heads as early as possible.

- (1) Number of adherents with information regarding increase or decrease in both sexes (male and female separately).
- (2) Number of village schools under your control and the number of pupils receiving education (boys and girls separately).
- (3) Any new acquisition of land by the mission for building or other purposes in the State.
- (4) Religious activities of the missionary in the State.

Yours sincerely,



Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BEMINZ/8C.

4th October, 3.

2352/43/F-18A.

To
The Superintendent,
Jashpur State.

Subject :- Submission of Half Yearly
Report of Mission.

Sir,

With reference to your No. 3164/14-I, dated, the 28th Sept., 1943 I have the honour to submit the following amendment with regard to this office letter No. 2061/43/F-18A, dated the 24th August, 1943 on the above mentioned subject.

Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female	No. of Schools	Boys	Girls
5912	2442	3470	4	79	16

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

The Secy
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

Office of the Superintendent, Jashpur State, E.S.A
P.O. Jashpurnagar

Memorandum No. 3164/16-I dated, 28th Sept. 1943

To

The Secretary, G.E.L. Church in Assam & Chota Nagpur
G.E.L. Mission, Ranchi.

Please refer to your letter No. 2061/43/F-18A
dated 24-8-43 on half-yearly report of Mission.

You have shown the total number of adherents as
5912 whereas numbers of males and females reported are
4242 and 3470 respectively - the total of these figures
is 7712. The discrepancy may kindly be explained at a
very early date.

H. S. Lal
Superintendent
Jashpur State

2061/43/F-18A.

24th August, 1943.

To
The Superintendent,
Jashpur State.

Subject :- Submission of Half Yearly
Report of Mission.

Sir,

With reference to your Reminder No. 1375/2/A,
dated the 21st August 1943 on your office letter No.
1375/2 dated 26.6.43 on the above mentioned subject
I have the honour to give the following figures :-

Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female	No. of Schools	Boys	Girls.
5912	4242	3470	4	79	16

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

The Secretary
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

[To be kept in office of receipt]

[To be returned to issuing office]

URGENT

REMINDER

No.

No.

FROM

THE Diwan, Gangpur She.

TO

THE Secretary, G. E. L. Church,
Ranchi

Dated the 22. 1. 1945.

SIR,

I ^{am directed} _{have} to draw your very early attention to this office No. 9311 of the

18.12.44 and to request you to return the righthand portion duly filled up before the ~~sent the under noted report by return of Post.~~

SUBJECT:— Half yearly report—
Missionary activities— half year ending the 31st Dec. 44.

I have the honour to be,

SIR

Your most obedient servant,

[Signature]

Diwan,

[Initials]
N.B.—Here note the number and date, purport of reply sent.

The United Press, Ltd, Bhagalpur—1942.

FROM

THE

TO

THE

Dated the 19 .

Your No. dated 19 .

SUBJECT:—

RECEIVED AND NOTED.

REPLY will be submitted by the

19 .

N.B.—Here note explanation of delay, if necessary.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

[To be kept in office of receipt]

[To be returned to issuing office]

URGENT

REMINDER

No.

No.

FROM

THE *Dewan, Gurgaon Stal*

TO

THE *Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi*

Dated

the 9th January 1945.

SIR,

I ^{am directed} _{have} to draw your very early attention to this office No. 9311 of the

15-12-44 and to request you to return the righthand portion duly filled up before the ~~send your report by return of post.~~

SUBJECT:— *Half yearly report
Missionary activities - half
year ending the 31st Dec. 44.*

I have the honour to be,

SIR

Your most obedient servant,

*14
K. S. Chella*

Dewan,

6.
N.B.—Here note the number and date, purport of reply sent.

FROM

THE

TO

THE

Dated

the 19

Your No.

dated 19

SUBJECT:—

RECEIVED AND NOTED.

REPLY will be submitted by the

19

N.B.—Here note explanation of delay, if necessary.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

OFFICE OF THE DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE.

To

The Secretary, G.E.L. Church,
Ranchi.

No. 9311 Sundargarh, December 15, 1944.

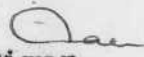
Subject: Half yearly report - missionary activities -
half year ending the 31st December 1944.

My dear Father,

The report regarding missionary activities in the State for the half year ending the 31st December 1944 is due to the Political Agent immediately after the end of December. I would be obliged if you would please give the following information by the 25th of the current month at the latest:-

- (1) Number of adherents
- (2) Number of schools and reasons of increase or decrease.
- (3) Number of students.
- (4) Number of females out of the total number of adherents.

Yours sincerely,


Offg: Diwan,
Gangpur State.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G.E.L.CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

Memo No. 2413-19/44/F-18A. Dated Ranchi, the 17th Nov., 1944.

From :- The Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

To
The Rvs. E. Ekka, Th. Topno, J. Topno, D. Horo, &
C.C. Horo, M.D. Lakra and L. Bagrailla.

Mahasay,

Ap ke pas Gangpur State ka Half-Yearly Report (1st July to 31st December, 1944) ka form bheja jata hai. Kripaya susamay men ~~kakik~~ (15-12-44) bhar kar Secretary, C.C. ke Office men bhejiyega.

Ap ka bishwast,

J. Surin
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BMINZ/SC.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

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|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (3208) | (1621) | (1587) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (1) | (12) | (6) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banana ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin) | | |
| | (Sundergarh men Raja se girjaghar ke liye mila hai) | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

J. Surin 28/1/45
Signature with date.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G.E.L. CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

Memo No. 2413-19/44/F-18A. Dated Ranchi, the 17th Nov., 1944.

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To
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Ap ka bishwas,

The Hon.
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/SC.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

- | (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | (1863) | (902) | (961) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (136
136) | (94) | (42) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi duare kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin) | | (na) |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- प्रत्य: 8/11/44 | | |

Signature with date.

Rev. C. C. Horo
Lwarani
12-12-44

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

- | | | | |
|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (3568) | (1704) | (1864) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (7) | (174) | (85) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin) (नही) | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

धर्म प्रचार करना है।

Thomas Sopono

Signature with date.

15. 12. 44.

महामान्यवर सेक्रेटरी,
लूथेरान चर्च—रांची ।

महाशय,
मैं आपने पेरिश (गांगपूर स्टेट) का रिपोर्ट
जुलाई—दिसम्बर १९४४ का भेजता हूँ। कृपया
शूलों को सुधार के ग्रहण कीजिए।—

- (१) खिस्तानों की कुल संख्या... १५४९
पुरुष ७४८ स्त्रियां ७९३ ।
- (२) स्कूलों की कुल संख्या २
लड़के २८ लड़कियां १८ ।
- (३) जमीन आदि लिया गया है?— नहीं ।
- (४) गांगपूर स्टेट में मेरा काम—(क) बचन की
सेवकाई और सक्रामेन्टों का अनुष्ठान करना
और (ख) खिस्तान चर्चाचरणा की रक्षा और
बढ़ती में सहायता करना है ॥

Ramp,
Bisra
D/- 10-12-44.

आप का आज्ञाधीन सेवक

M. D. Lakra
G. E. L. Church
Birker

Rajgangpur, Parish.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

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|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (5071) | (2504) | (2567) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (, 9) | (164) | (36) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin) (Nil) | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- <i>उम्हें प्रार्थना करना है</i> | | |

E. EKILA
16-12-44.

J. Lank
Parish Secy

Signature with date.

मान्यवर - सेक्रेटरी - जी. इ. एल. चर्च. रांची. जो. मेरा. धी सुसहाय -
महाराज -

मैं: गांगापु. स्टेट. के. अन्ध. कारिमटी. पोरस. के -
पुस्तक - स्थियों. का. जो. स्कूलों. के. लड़के. लड़कियों. का. हिस्सा -
सुलझिसे. विस्तर. तक. का. (Half yearly 1944) जेज. देता. हूँ -
पुस्तक. स्थियां. टोटल. स्कूलों. के. स्कूल लड़कियां टोटल
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Daniel Horo

Karimati

Camp Birnutejpur

22-11-44

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G.E.L.CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

Memo No. 2420-2/44/F-18 A. Dated Ranchi, the 17th Nov., 1944.

From: The Hony. Secretary,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

To The Revs. J.A. Kujur & P. Beck.

Mahasay,

Ap ke pas Jashpur State ka Half-Yearly Report (1st July to 31st December, 1944) ka form bheja jata hai. Kripaya susamay men (15-12-44) bhar kar Secretary, C.C. ke Office men bhejiyega.

Ap ka bishwast,

F. J. Singh
Hony. Secretary,
G.E.L. Church.

BBMINZ/3C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Jashpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

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|-----|--|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin). () | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Signagure with date.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G.E.L.CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

Memo No. 2413-19/44/F-18A. Dated Ranchi, the 17th Nov., 1944.

From :- The Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

To
The Rvs. E. Ekka, Th. Topno, J. Topno, D. Horo, &
C.C. Horo, && M.D. Lakra and L. Bagraile.

Mahasay,

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Ap ka bishwast,

The Hon.
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/8C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

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|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christianon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | () | () | () |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin) () | | |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Signature with date.

22nd August, 1944.

1836/44/F-18A.

To

The Diwan,
Gangpur State.
Sundargarh P.O.
Via Jharsuguda. B.N.R.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your reminder of the 17th August, 1944. The half yearly report ending with 30th June, 1944 has been long sent to you on 12th July, 1944 under my letter No. 1489/44/F-18A.

I wonder how it has not reached you. However I am sending herewith true copy again to you.

Yours sincerely,



Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

[To be kept in office of receipt]

[To be returned to issuing office]

URGENT.

REMINDER

NO.

No. /

FROM

THE Diwan, Gangpur State,
Sundergarh

TO

THE *Secretary, G. S. I. Church,*
Ranchi.

Dated *the 17th August 1944*

SIR,

I ~~am directed~~ *have the honour* to draw your very
early attention to this office No. 5255 of the

21st July 44 and to request you to return the
righthand portion duly filled up before the
send your reply by return of post.

SUBJECT:— *Half yearly report—*
missionary activities - half
year ending 30th June 44.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

[Signature]

Diwan Gangpur State.

30 class
16-8-44

N. B.—Here note the number and date,
purport of reply sent.

FROM

THE

TO

THE

Dated *the* 19 .

Your No. dated 19 .

SUBJECT:—

RECEIVED AND NOTED,

REPLY will be submitted by the

19 .

N. B.—Here note explanation of delay,
if necessary.

I have the honour to be

SIR,

Your most obedient servant

1489/44/F-18A.

12th July, 4.

To

The Diwan,
Gangpur State.
Sundargarh P.O. Via Jharsuguda. B.N.Ry.

Subject :- Report - Half Yearly - Gangpur -
Missionary activities for the Half Year
ending the 30th June, 1944.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to send herewith the following figures on
the above mentioned subject :-

	Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female.
(1)	25991 Decr. 520	12782 208- Decr.	13209 312
(2)	Total No. of Schools 17	Boys 740	Girls. 339
(3)	There is no acquisition of land by the Mission for building or other purposes in the State.		
(4)	No change.		

Yours sincerely,

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

To
 The Diwan,
 Gangpur State.
 Sundargarh P.O.
 Via Jharsuguda. B.N.Ry.

Subject :- Report - Half Yearly - Gangpur -
 Missionary activities for the Half Year
 ending the 30th June, 1944.

Dear Sir,

I beg to send herewith the following figures on the above mentioned subject :-

	Total No. of Adherents	Male	Female
(1)	20971	10136	10835
	Decr. 5540	Decr. 2854	Decr. 2686
(2)	Total No. of Schools	Boys	Girls.
	17	740	339

- (3) There is no acquisition of land by the Mission for building or other purposes in the State.
- (4) No change.

Yours sincerely,

BBMINZ/2C.

Hony. Secretary,
 G. E. L. Church.

Rajgaugpur Parish

Half yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Gaugpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

- | | | | |
|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (4942) | (2470) | (2472) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (, //) | (202) | (48) |
| (3) | Kya jaminadi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Han ya Nahin) () | | |
| (4) | <i>Gaugpur</i> State men ap ka kam :- चामो घटेश करना // . | | |

E. EKILA

14-6-1944

Signature with date.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Gangpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

- | | | | |
|-----|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (1) | Christianon ki
kul sankhya
(3295) | Purushon ki
sankhya
(1591) | Striyon ki
sankhya.
(1707) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya
(8) | Larkon ki
sankhya
(167) | Larkiyon ki
sankhya.
(76) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Nen ya Nahin) (nahin) | | |
| (4) | <i>Gangpur</i> State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Ashram Prachar karna

Ashram

Signature with date.

BBMINZ/12C.

22, 6, 44.

Half yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Gangpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

(1)	Christianon ki kul sankhya	Purushon ki sankhya	Striyon ki sankhya.
	(1525)	(747)	(781)
(2)	Schoolon ki kul sankhya	Larkon ki sankhya	Lerkiyon ki sankhya.
	(2)	(28)	(18)
(3)	Kye jaminadi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liye gaya hai ? (Haan ya Nahin) (Nahin)		

(4) *Gangpur* State men ap ka kam :- (i) Purohitiye kam (Bachon
 aur Sacrament ki sawakai karna). (ii) Christianon ke
 dhasamacharon ki raksha aur biddhi men sahayta karna.

M. S. Lakra (Pastor)

Signature with date.

16-6-44

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Gangpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

- | | | | |
|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christenon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (5139) | (2516) | (2623) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (323) | (201) | (122) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Haan ya Nahin) (nahin) | | |
| (4) | <i>Gangpur</i> State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Gangpur state men mere kam men koi badha nahin hai.
main itne din bimari ke karan apna sab kam Paddri
christochit Hows ko Jimna dia tha abe aram hokar 18 June se
apna kam suru karne ka khabar Pracharakpan ko Janti dia
hun. Abhi kwoal hamko kamjori hai.

Daniel Hows Karimati

13-6-44

Signature with date.

Gangpur Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1944.

- | | | | |
|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (1912) | (905) | (1007) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (5) | (98) | (52) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Hain ya Nahin) (<i>नहीं</i>) | | |
| (4) | <i>Gangpur</i> State men ap ka kam :- <i>यतः मरुत ११</i> | | |

Rev. C. C. Hora
Lowarom
Signature with date. 12.6.44

Jorabandh 4.4.44

Inchamanyawat Secretary Sahile,
Apko mera Likhusakay.

Pracharakon se Census Report pane
mai der hai, isse Jaldi bhijne
na sake. Kripaya maph krunge.

Gungpur Census Report
Jora Bandh Parish

I	Pracharakpan	men	Women	Boys	Girls	Students	Boys	Girls
1.	B. Bouda	69	79	92	84	19	9	
2.	Kapet hunda	48	62	73	73	16	10	
3.	Tejadh	36	48	41	45	3	1	
4.	Bouda Bouda	30	31	43	28	-	-	
5.	Chiroda	18	24	22	19	1	-	
6.	Jorabandh (Gungpur)	9	11	15	17	5	3	

Total 210 - 255 - 286 - 266 - 44 - 23

II Mere sapthak bishayak kam Gungpur mein
achehka hai.

Apka agyadhin,
L. Bapula.

916/47/F-18 A.

29th March, 7.

To,

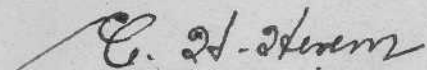
The Diwan,
Gangpur State.
Sundargarh P.O., B.N.Rly.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 22/ Con dated the 26th March, 1947 I beg to let you know the following figure :-

Total number of Lutheran Christian adherents in the Gangpur State	23,205.
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Yours sincerely,



Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

CCBECM/2C.

310/47/F-18 A.

28th January 7.

To

The Superintendent,
Jashpur State. E.S.A.
Via Gumla.

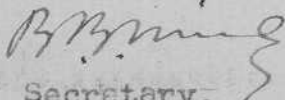
Subject :- Mission Reports of the G.E.L.Church
in Jashpur State.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 3635/14-1
dated 7th November 1946, I have the honour to give
you the following informations.

1. Total No. of Adherents	Males	Females
6653	3238	3415
2. Total No. of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.
2	147	55.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,


For Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

CBBGM/2C.

Yours truly

C. H. Heron
Secretary

Please treat it very
gent & care.

CONFIDENTIAL
POST CARD

THE ANNEXED CARD IS INTENDED
FOR THE ANSWER

ADDRESS ONLY
To



Benial Minto

C. Clerk, G.E.L.

Church Ranch.

Camp. Rajaampur.
2-1-1947

Dear B. Miss,

I am sorry. I forgot to ask you to prepare the Annual statement of Jashpur State — which is required by the State. Please prepare it and send it to the office of the Superintendent without any further delay. We reached here safely, we shall start for Bamra tomorrow & catch the bus at Bamra station and shall go to Desgah district. We have forgot to bring a gramophone. Every thing is ok.
P. S.

O N F Jashpurnagar 22 Raj 22
 President of E. L. Church - Ransti

-Reference the office no 3635/14-1 dated
 7th Nov 1946 Please Expedite your
 report

= Superintendent



JR 2
 13/55

Annual Report of Jashpur Midghat 1946

No. 111/47

1. The List of Missionaries:- Rev. P. Beck

2. The List of Catechists:-

1. Head catechist Emmanuel Tiga. Sarhapani
2. Catechist Matias ming Pandripani + Kinkundri
3. Catechist Shan maib Lakra. Sarhapani
4. " Boas Ekka. Sagithaona.
5. " Sadoak Tikky Chetaghoghra.
6. " Main Sakh Tikky Pakriolla + Sujibahar
7. " Mangaldas Tikky Narialdauz.
8. " Luther ming Barjor
9. " Chouhas Kujus Bamsbahar + Bagea.
10. " Ishwarsahay Lakra. Banderchuma.
11. " Sudashan Khess Barangjor.
12. " Nathaniel Lakra. Koronga.
13. " Erus Lakra. Khutgam.
14. " Samuel Tikky. Baluabahas.
15. " gohan Ekka. Paknidipa.
16. " Bilelus ming Golidib.
17. " Emmanuel shanti Kundo. Sajbahar.
18. " shimon Lakra. Charaidauz.
19. " shimon Kujus Bipattpur.

3. Total number of Christians in the year (1946)

Total number of Christians 3911

Male 1901
female 2010 } = 3911

4. New converts within this year (1946) 90 }
5. Old converts before 1946. 34 } not yet baptised

Total 124

6. New converts Baptised. 6.

- (1) Martha Chetaghoghra
 - (2) Eli saba Khalkho Barjor
 - (3) Masih Prakes Khalkho Barjor
 - (4) Manib Das Khalkho Barjor
 - (5) Sulari Khalkho Barjor
 - (6) Christ Kalyan Ekka. (18 ad) Kinkundri
- Pastor in charge
Jashpur Midghat
F. L. Chuschi.
21-12-46.

Half yearly Report Gaspur Michghat.

Total no of. Christians, male and females
in the middle of 1942.

Gaspur Michghat. 3117.

Beek.
9/5/42.

The half yearly report of the G. E. L. Church in Gashpur state for the year 1942.

Gashpur Nichghat:

A. List of Pastors and Catechists

1. Rev: Paulus Beck, Ninkel P.O. St. Raulhi.
2. Cate: Matias Mingz, Sarhapani, P.O. Narayanpur, Gashpur.
3. " Mangal Das Turkey, Navindawar, P.O. Tapkara "
4. " Luther Mingz, Sujibahar, P.O. Tapkara "
5. " Sadrak Turkey, Sagibhona, P.O. Bagicha "
6. " Ishwar Sahay Lakra, Chhachhaghora, P.O. Narayanpur, Gashpur.
7. " Urbanus Lakra, Baga, P.O. Narayanpur, Gashpur.
8. " Chouhars Kujur, Bansbahar, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
9. " Nain Sukh Turkey, Barangjor, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
10. " Nathaniel Lakra, Koronga, P.O., Tapkara, Gashpur.
11. " Shimon Jopso, Khutgaon, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
12. " Samuel Turkey, Bahwabahar, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
13. " Christ Salay Mingz, Sajbahar, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
14. " Bilchus Mingz, Golidih, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
15. " Johan Eeka, Pakridipa, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
16. " Dhankumar Kujur, Barjor, P.O. Tapkara, Gashpur.
17. " Shimon Kujur, Bapatpur, P.O. Nagaz, Gashpur.
18. Head Catechist Emmanuel Tiga, Sarhapani, P.O. Narayanpur, Gashpur.

P. Beck pastor in charge
Gashpur Nichghat 9/5/42.

Jashpur Vichghat Parish
List of New Converts:

S.No	Christian Name	non-christ name	Father's name	Surname	pr. Resi-	cast	age	Birth place	Condition	Date of Bapt.	Baptized by	place of Baptism
1.	Juel Tirkey	Budhu	Timothius Shelabato	Tirkey	Bhelwatsly	Wraon	45	Bhelwatsly	man	19-4-42	P. Beck	Bipatpur
2.	Titus Eeka	Hamura	Nando	Eeka	Bipatpur	"	55	Bipatpur	"	19-4-42	"	Bipatpur
3.	Sukra Lakra	Suka	Masihcharan	Lakra	Khutgaon	"	15	Khutgaon	youngboy	22-2-42	"	Khutgaon
4.	Amrita	Pethe		Lakra	Khutgaon	"	14	Khutgaon	girl	22-2-42	"	Khutgaon

Beck

Pastor in charge
Jashpur Vichghat
9/5/42.

F. 18A

List of New Corners
from the Michigan Basin

F-18A

No.	Location Name	Formal Name	Formal Name	Survey or Ref.	Cost	Age	Notes	Location	Notes
1.	First corner	Michigan	Michigan	Township	Wood	H2		19 - 4 - H2	19 - 4 - H2
2.	Second corner	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	"	H3		19 - 4 - H2	"
3.	Third corner	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	"	H4		22 - 2 - H2	Michigan
4.	Fourth corner	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	"	H5		22 - 2 - H2	Michigan

Well

Location in map

3 of 12

ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY.

To

THE Secretary,

G. E. L. Church in

Chhotaungpou & Assam

G. E. L. Mission Compound

Ranahi

OFFICE OF THE }
Supdt. }
Jashpur State. }



REMINDER. I

No. 4278/14-T/A date the March 1945.

Form

THE Superintendent, Jashpur State - F 15A

P.O. Jashpur Nagar via Ranchi

Invites attention to this office letter No. 4278/14-T dated the 24th December 44, on the subject noted below and requests the favour of an early reply thereto.

Subject: - Mission School.

42/15/15/15
Supdt. Jashpur.

176/46/F-18A.

28th January 6.

To

The Superintendent,
Jashpur State. E.S.A.
Via Gumla.

Subject :- Mission Reports of the G.E.L. Church in
Jashpur State.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 5624/14-I, dated
the 12th January, 1946, I have the honour to give you
the following informations.

(1)	Total No. of Adherents	Males	Females.
	6592	3260	3332
(2)	Total No. of Schools	Boys	Girls.
	2	130	35

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

E. H. Menz
Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

CBBGM/2C.

ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY.



To

BUY NATIONAL
SAVINGS CERTIFICATE
DELIVERY

3 DEC. 45

8 30 A.M.
RANCHI

THE Secretary

G. E. L. Church in Ch. Nagpur and Assam

A
OFFICE OF THE }
Supdt. }
Jashpur State. }

G. E. L. Compound

RANCHI

REMINDER.

No. 4895/14-I date 28th December 19 45

Form

THE Superintendent

Jashpur State E.S.A

Invites attention to this office letter No. 7-0/37 dated
Feb. 1937, on the subject noted below and requests

the favour of an early reply thereto.
Report on mission activities
in JASHPUR STATE.

Jhivem
Supdt. Jashpur.

ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY

~~SAVINGS CERTIFICATE~~

DELIVERY

7 DEC. 45

3. 30A.M.
RANCHI



To

THE Secretary

G. E. L. Church in Assam & Chota Nagpur

Ranchi

[Signature]
OFFICE OF THE }
Supdt. }
Jashpur State. }

Recd
7.12.45

REMINDER. I

No. 45-08/14-I date 3rd December 1945.

Form

THE Superintendent

Jashpur State E.S.A

Invites attention to this office letter No. 7-0/37 dated February 1937, on the subject noted below and requests the favour of an early reply thereto.

Yearly report of Mission activities in Jashpur.

P. K. Ray
Offg Supdt. Jashpur.

Report to be sent to the end of this month
10/1/46

Office of the Superintendent
Jashpur State E.S.A

No. 5624/14-I

To

The Hon. Secretary
G.E.L. Church in Chota
Nagpur & Assam
G.E.L. Mission Compound
Ranchi

Dated, Jashpurnagar, 12th Jan. 1946

Subject:- Mission - Reports.

Reference this office No.7-C
dated 14th February 1937.

Your attention is invited
to the above subject and two
subsequent reminders noted below.
I
~~and~~ request you to kindly expedite
despatch of your report.

(1) No.4508/14-I d/- 3.12.45

(2) No.4895/14-I d/- 28.12.45.

J. K. Meena

Superintendent
Jashpur State

SPT

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I send to the want of
stamps in the post office
from a month - I am
obliged to write in the
p.c. when the time is
passing on. there
fore I solicit your
favours to excuse
me for this

Yours M. Obediently

Beell

Pastor
18/12/45

POSTCARD



To, the Secretary

G. E. L. Church Comp.

Ranchi

Dist. Ranchi

Recd 8 Dec
28/12.

Annual Census Report 1945 { Gashpur
Nichehat.

Total number of Christian population in Gashpur Nichehat

I - females 1927 + Males 1923 = 3850. = 3850

II Number of new converts = 29

III Number of schools 1 Vp. only at Sakhafani

Number of boys 71.

Number of girls 13.

} = 84. Total number of students

IV Work of the pastor in the State :- preaching out
of the living word Jesus Christ to the Christians
and non Christians. Marriage registration
Birth registration: Holy sacraments :-
Sacrament of Baptism and Sacrament
of Holy Communion and missionary work
P. T. O

Recd
14/1/46

From

The Rev. Jakujir.

Chairman, Kondra

To

The Secretary

Church Council

Dated 9th January 1946.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that the new Superintendent, Jaspur State, has found his post. I had been to Nafar to ^{pay} him respect. On the same day I have applied for permission to ~~take~~ start M.C. Classes. Please apply from the Church Council also. I am sending one copy of my application ^{to you}. I am appointing two new teachers. The first one is M.C. trained and the second one is failed M.C. Odedyal Kujar is taxing me much. I shall give you a short history of his plan of not ^{to} ~~starting~~ starting M.C. Classes. This time I have no time

The new Superintendent is a Hindu
by Cast. By short conversation I
found that he has a very good
behaviour. He speaks very nice Hindi.
I have heard that his wife also
a learned woman. She has intended
to start a women club.

Also am sending the yearly
Census report. As some of the
Pracharaks did not gave me their
report in time. Thus I failed
to submit it to you, as I had
told you. Consequently, excuse me
the delay.

yours faithfully,
J. K. Jaiswal

Revised
14/1/46

Yearly Report of Jaspour upperghat 1945.

No	Name of Congregations	Name & Surname of the Pastor	Name and Surname of Catechists	Males	Females	Total	Remarks.
1	Darigarhi	Rev. J. Kujur	Philip Toppo	52	49	101	
2	Ranpur		Kunjai Kujur	68	77	145	
3	Briopani		Barnabas Mier	82	81	163	
4	Kalea		Komal Toppo	68	79	147	
5	Baro-pharia		Dharmdas Turkey	151	175	326	
6	Ketar		Philemon Kujur	102	112	214	
7	Mangal		Daniel Khatko	113	128	241	
8	Galonda		Anwit Mier	56	64	120	
9	Bargaus		Simon EKKa	128	118	246	
10	Koondipani		Schay EKKa	53	70	123	
11	Jhargaus		Christodas Lakra	61	41	102	
12	Jekheta		Prabhu Das Tija	89	77	166	
13	Dipatoly		Juel Bara	98	100	198	
14	Sitonga		Harish Das Lakra	158	149	307	
15	Nagar		Olediyal Kujur	58	85	143.	
				1337	1405	2742	

Rev. J. Kujur

Chairman.
8-1-45.

F18A

Office of the Superintendent
Jashpur State E.S.A
P.O.Jashpurnagar

No. 132/R

To

The Hony. Secretary
G.E.L.Church
Ranchi

Dated, Jashpurnagar, the 4th May '44

Reference your letter No.830/
44/F.18A dated 17th April 1944.

Please furnish a list of Pracha-
-raks working in Jashpur State.

W. S. K. K. K.

Superintendent
Jashpur State

Half yearly report garh pns. state F 184.

F. 184 Mich. ghat. January - June 1944

- I
- 1) Christianong ki mul sankhya. 3562
(a) Esbian 1773 (b) Durush 1789 = Total 3562.
 - 2) Kitne school (1)
(a) school ki roll sankhya. 91 = 78 boys + 13 girls = 91 Total
 - 3) church ke liye koi gamin nahin liya gaya hai.
 - 4) garh pns. state - new pastor ka kam. ————— pastorology
(a) pabitra nitala baehan waeharna.
(b) " sacraments (i) pabitra Baptisma dena
(ii) " prabhumbhoj baehna
(c) marriage registration
(d) birth ~~death~~ registration.

II catechists list:—

- 1) Head catechist Eummanuel Tige - sarhapani. p.o. Kinkuri
Pharsabahal thana.
- 2) matias miy sarhapani. p.o. Kinkuri. Pharsabahal
thana.
- 3) Saadakh Tirkay - sagibhaona - p.o. Kinkuri - Begicha thana
- 4) Mangaldas Tirkay - Warialdowz - p.o. Tapkara - Pharsabahal
thana.
- 5) Rukhs miy - Barengjot - p.o. Tapkara - Pharsabahal thana.
- 6) Wain Sukh Tirkay - Dhunthon Dowz. p.o. Tapkara. Warayampus
- 7) Sahay Lakra - Cheshaghoshra - p.o. Kinkuri. thana.
- 8) urbanus Lakra. Beega + hande chuma - p.o. Kinkuri
Warayampus.
- 9) chonhas Kujit - Pharsabahal - p.o. Kinkuri
thana. Warayampus
- 10) Nathaniel Lakra - Koronga - p.o. Kinkuri
thana. Warayampus.
- 11) sudarshan khess - Barengjot - p.o. Kinkuri. thana
- 12) Shimon Topis - khutgaon - p.o. Tapkara - thana Pharsabahal
- 13) Pilelus miy - solidit. p.o. Tapkara - thana Pharsabahal
- 14) John Daku - pakridipa - p.o. Tapkara - " " "
- 15) Samuel Tirkay Balwabal " " " "
- 16) Shimon Lakra - charaidowz - p.o. Nagat Thana Nagat.
- 17) Christophal Kijus - Sajabal - p.o. Tapkara - thana Pharsabahal
- 18) Shimon Kijus - Sifatpur - p.o. Nagat - Thana Nagat.
- 19) Rev. Paulus Beck - p.o. Kinkuri Dist Ranchi

Yours most obedient servant
Paulus Beck
Kinkuri. 26/6/44

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Copy of letter No. R.1-22 dated the 15th March 1945 from the Political Agent, Orissa States., Sambalpur to the Diwan, Gangpur State, Sundargarh.

Sub:- Half-yearly report regarding missionary activities in the Gangpur State.

Reference your memorandum No. 1254 dated the 10th February 1945.
2. The Resident desires that the half-yearly report on the above subject should be discontinued.

OFFICE OF THE DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE.

No. 2886

D/- 23.3.45

Copy forwarded to Secy. G. E. L. Church, Ranchi for information.

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Diwan,
Gangpur State.

KSN., 23/3.

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THE President

G.E.L.Church in Assam & Ch.Nagpur

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Jashpur State. }

G.E.L.Mission Compound, Ranchi



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Office to attend at once
REMINDER. I

No. 1084 date 9th June 19 45

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THE Superintendent

Jashpur State, E.S.A

Invites attention to this office letter No. 7-C dated
February 1947, on the subject noted below and requests

the favour of an early reply thereto.
Report: Half-yearly - Mission

W. G. Sabir

Supdt. Jashpur.

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G.E.L.CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

Memo No. 882-83/45/F-18A Dated Ranchi, the 12th June, 1945.

To

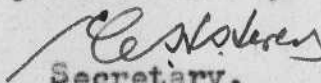
The Rev. J. A. Kujur, Kondra.

The Rev. P. Beck, Kinkel.

Mahasay,

Ap ke pas Jashpur State ka Half-Yearly Report (1st January to 30th June, 1945) ka form bheja jata hai. Kripaya susamay men (25-6-45) bhar kar Secretary, C.C. ke office men bhejiyega.

Ap ka bishwast,


Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

CBBCM/3C.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in the Jashpur State for the half year ending the 30th June, 1945.

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|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya. | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin) | | |
| (4) | Jashpur State men ap ka kam :- | | |

Signature with date.

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Express

SECRETARY
G.E.L.CHURCH
RANCHI

PLEASE SEND HALF YEARLY MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES
REPORT ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 1944

DIWAN

Sd/-K.C.Samalla.

Diwan,
Gangour State.
31-1-45.

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31.1.45
Copy in confirmation is forwarded to the
Secretary, G.E.L.Church, Ranchi for early
submission of the report.

GUPTA.,

K.C. Samalla
Diwan,
Gangour State.

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Mahamanyawar Mahashay
C.C. Secretary, Sahib ko mera

- Yishusachay*
1. From *blu* *ku* *bhya* *gita* hai.
 2. Matum home ki Nagra Estate ke kitne mandiyon jaise, Bobirker, Kapat Munda, Teradik, Bonhera Baber aur Chirobera, ^{vide} November Mahina se ab Rev. Mr. Lakra ke jina me a gaya, isse unhin ko Report dena kaha tha par unhone mujh hi ko kaha.
 3. Nagra Estate ke un Christianon ka hisab, jo Joint Board Pachawatpan me hain (sirf 9 ghos hain) unka hisab ^{sirf} mujhe aage ko is 1945 me dena pwarega so bhi matum home. Kripaya bhul chuk mujh tipiyon.

L. Saprita

6/2/45

OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE G.E.L. CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

Memo No. 2413-19/44/F-18A. Dated Ranchi, the 17th Nov., 1944.

From:- The Hony. Secretary,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

To
The Revs. E. Ekka, The. Topno, J. Topno, D. Horo,
C.C. Horo, M.D. Lakra and L. Bagraila.

Mahasay,

Ap ke pas Gangpur State ka Half-Yearly Report (1st July to 31st December, 1944) ka form bheja jata hai. Kripaya susamay men (15-12-44) bhar kar Secretary, C.C. ke Office men bhejiyega.

Ap ka bishwast,
The. Topno
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

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Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

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|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (1083) | (216) | (256) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (2) | (40) | (42) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin) | | (nahin) |
| (4) | Gangpur State men ap ka kam :- <i>Ham bina uske bheja se chalta hai.</i> | | |

Signature with date.

L. Bagraila
2.2.45

154/45/F-18A.

February 1, 1945.

To
The Superintendent,
Jashpur State. E.S.A.
Via Gumla.

Subject :- Half Yearly Report of Jashpur State Reg:
Missionary activities for the Half Year ending
31st December, 1944.

Dear Sir,

With reference to you Reminder dated 16-1-45 addressed to
the President, G. E. L. Church Ranchi on the above mentioned subject,
I have the honour to give you the following informations.

(1)	Total No. of Adherents.	Males.	Female.
	6431	3199	3232
(2)	Total No. of Schools	Boys.	Girls.
	2	120	33

Yours sincerely,

Th. Dixon
Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

BBMINZ/2C.

ON JASHPUR STATE SERVICE ONLY.



To

THE President

G.E.L.Church in Assam & Ch.Nagpur

G.E.L.Mission

Ranchi

OFFICE OF THE }
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Jashpur State. }

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REMINDER. *III*

No. 7-C/B date 16th January 19 45

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THE Superintendent

Jashpur State E.S.A

Invites attention to this office letter No. 7-C dated
4th February 1937, on the subject noted below and requests
the favour of an early reply thereto.

Subject-Submission of half-yearly
report on Mission activities
in the State.

of D. L. Daburil
Supdt. Jashpur.

Half Yearly report regarding the Missionary activities in
Jashpur ~~State~~ State for the half year ending the 31st December, 1944.

- | | | | |
|-----|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Christanon ki
kul sankhya | Purushon ki
sankhya | Striyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (3663) | (1829) | (1834) |
| (2) | Schoolon ki
kul sankhya | Larkon ki
sankhya | Larkiyon ki
sankhya. |
| | (1) | (78) | (13.) |
| (3) | Kya jamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi dusre kam ke liye liya
gaya hai ? (Han ya nahin). (nahin) | | |
| (4) | Jashpur State men ap ka kam (1) prabhu ka baaham praahama
(2) pabitra Sacraments ka kam. Karna arthat
(a) Baptisma dena aur (b) prabhubhoj banana.
(3) Sadi Sanskar aur Registry Karna
(4) ganam marom ka bahi men likhna.
(5) Mandli ^{adhat} karwai arthat Mandli Saja ke dand
Sunana aur Mandli grahan Karna.
(6) Mandli bisayah sambandhi Kam adi: | | |

Beek 16/12/44.
Signagure with date.

Half yearly report regarding the missionary activities
in Jaipur state for the half year ending the 31st
December, 1944.

	Christians ki Kul Sankhya.	Purushandi kul Sankhya.	Striyon ki Kul Sankhya.	Pracharkon ka Nam.	Rate.
Rakā	149.	65.	78.	K. Joppo	
Rampur	143.	67	76	K. Kujur	
Barogharia	324.	149	175	Sh. Muir	
Manigal	287.	155.	132.	D. Khalkho.	
Ketar.	209.	103	106	Ph. Kujur	
Keonapani	123.	54.	69.	S. Ekka	
Jharganw	91	48	43.	Ch Das. Lakra.	
Jchkela.	163	88	75.	P. Lakra.	
143 Darigarha	96	46	50	P. Joppo	
Hattiy. Galonda	130	63.	67.	A. Muir	
Biropani	162	85	77.	B. Muir	
Dipatoly	203	99.	104.	S. Ekka	
Bartoly.	237	126	111	Simon. Lakra	
		66	69.	Obisio Kujur	
Nagar.	133.	156	168	M.D. Lakra.	
Sitonga	156 324.				
	2768	1370	1398.	H. Turky.	
Jchkela	Schoolon ki Sankhya. 43 1	Larkon ki Sankhya 20 43.	Larkiyon ki Sankhya 20 = 63		

- (2) My Tamin adi ghar banane ya aur koi kam
ke liye diya gaya hai. — Ham — Jchkela School ke liye.
- (3) Jaipur state men ap ka kam. : —
- (1) Jchkela men school ghar. Is ka annual barash.
Awash banaya jaye.
 - (2) School ka dal number. barhaya jaye.
 - (3) Sunday School ki Sudhar kaise hoga, upay.
 - (4) Gijjo Harri Sudhar ki prakar ho sakta hai.
 - (5) Etwar ko bajar jane ke liye.
 - (6) Prarthna Samaj Awash karke Chalaya jaye.
 - (7) Dorchapan Siksha aur deorchapan diya.
 - (8) Prashanotas Gijjo. jaise hove.

(9)

Dekha jaise ki
Chara dan Shab koai dete hai
kyo. Prati ~~bat~~ bishay par Swapalan ki

karhti huwi hai

(10)

Centralise ke bishay

(11)

Jubili Chanda. prati ghos. (F) - 1/8 -

(13)

Matwalpan Kispurkar roki jaise.

(14)

Mandly Sayawala ke sath byawar.

(15)

Shadi Sambandhi keatin O. nigan.

(16)

Hindum ki shadi me unke sath

sath jane ko ta asli kabhi nahing

jane chahie.

(17)

In uprokt bishay par awash bishes
dhyan diya jaise. taki Atmit Jiwon
ki karhti ho. Kam kyo. uchit
karrwai uprokt bishay par kyo jaise.

In uprokt bishay par main bahut dhyan kyo.
aur age ko bhi kyo jayga. Kintu leimari ke karan
kam dur karrwai me dhila O. pending rah jata hai.

Yours

J. Kuyur
12.12.44.

N. B. Bishes bat ap ko janane ko hai ki Abdiya Kuyur
jaisa uska Swabhas hai. Mit. Manmarit Padri ke samay
Shi se Padri O. Maki ke kam me Badha datta hai
uske dwara Aksharha koai kam ki unvati me
rok rok hoti hai. Uske sambandh me bahut kaatun hai
par ham uchna nahing chahie. Yadi e.c. Chatti
to apni janach karte dekh lewa. Mujhe 3 barash me
pura Dumbhaw hai ki wah koai Padri se
mel milap se ek chit hoke kam nahing kyo hai.
aur Sandeh hai ki Age karega.

J. Kuyur

153/45/F-18A.

February 1, 1945.

To
The Diwan,
Gangpur State.
Sundargarh P.O.
Via Jharsuguda. B.N.Rly.

Subject :- Half Yearly Report of Gangpur State re;
Missionary activities for the Half Year ending
31st December, 1944.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your Reminder dated 22-1-45 and the subsequent telegraph dated 31-1-45, I have the honour to send herewith the following figures on the abovementioned subject :-

	Total No. of Adherents.	Male.	Female.
(1)	21395	10364	11031
Decr.	4596	2418	2178
(2)	Total No. of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.
	17	740	339
(3)	There is no acquisition of land by the Mission for building or other purposes in the State.		
(4)	No change.		

Yours sincerely,

The Diwan

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

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I hope you have
received by
this time.



Yours faithfully,

J. K. Singh

To The Secretary

Lutheran Church.

Ranchi P.O.

(Ranchi)

F-18A

Camp
Nagar.
26.6.44.

To
The Secretary,
Lutheran Church.

Dear Sir,
Received your reminder
regarding half yearly report.
I beg to inform you that I have
already dispatched it - on 18th June
1944.

To

The Secretary,
Lutheran Church.

F. 18A Koudra.
20. 7. 44

Hon'd. Sir,

Apka Reminder, Subject: a) Am Sahas māsāt
civil and state
(b) Census and list of
Pracharako.

1. Apka Chitni no. 1316/44/F-5 dt. 21st June. 1944. ne ham
dushtil-parivar se jalti huwi lag men aur lakry lagaye
aisa-ke lag uska lahar dhachhak rahi hai. No and uprokt
Chitni ki Explanation ap ko through President-diya hum
main Sochta hum-ke we ap ko diye honge. Usi Explanation
men minuto se leare lehi hai. Hamare pach minuto langar
hai main lehej sakta hum, par jab ham down se chit-hta hai

2/9 Ap apne Original Chitni men Civil ka mimut nahing
mange the. (b) Masahi pracharak list-lehi nahing
mange the. ap ka Chitni no 965-66/44/F-18A. 8/13rd
May 1944. hai... Main pracharakon ka list-apne se
Sancheh men lehej diya tha.

Ap ke Chitni para 3 Nos. (2) aur (3) ka jawab.
No 3, Sawal hai: "Kya Jamni adi ghar kuanane ya aur
ko ai dusra kam se liya gaya hai?" (Hau ya nahing)
Main jawab ki Copy to nahing rakha hum,
Kintu mujh ko yad hai ki main main uska jawab "nahing"

kahe diya hum. Par jo ap khul. achhi tarah se
jante hai, main leishwas karla hum ki Jaspur State-
men main Church Council ke ko ai Jamni kharida
nahing, se sakta hai. Bishes karke hamare mission
ki list hai. Aur jo C.C. se kharida nahing gaya hai
uske leishay, koi rakam ki report-State men kahe
met-diye. No (2) ka jawab: "Sawal. School ki
kul Sanchya. karteon ki Sanchya. karteyon ki kul Sanchya."

Main ne Report men diya : - Nagar High School. 70
Jaisa ap ka true copy men hai, dekhijye -
Yeh School Minor School namig hai. Yeh kewal ap ke
Information ke hiye hai. Main do ber Lichh ke hu xi Nagar
men Bahadur High School Bidyarthi hai. Jisko dharm
Siksha dene ka uchit prabandh kiya jawe. Par mujh
ko koai Jabab nahing milti hai. High School ki Likhra
Samsodhan dene ka Abhipray hai. Xi un Bidyarthiyo ke hiye
Upay kiya jawe. Ap ka ^{chitri} report wo School ka huab
nahing mangti hai. Spast hai.
So Jab Nagar School ko nikal date hain tab hamare
upagrah men kewal Ek School hai, wahi to hai Dehla
U.P. School Jismen Bidyarthi Sansodhan kiya hai
diya gaya hai. Main Bidwas Karita hu xi ap in bar
ko lewa keataye mujh saale hain. Kyonke hamara High
School, Nagar men nahing hai. Waischa Jamin etc ke
Lichh ke

Ap ki Chitri itna dukhdai hai ki main nahing
kar Sakta hun.
Main ap ko "Hond Sir" kahne se adar deta hun
kyonke ap adarpane ke goya hain. Ap Apne man ke
Abishwasta ko, Jo mujh par ap ka hai Chitri No 136/44/F-5
8-21st June 1944 men pragat kiye hain. Jab main Abishwan
hain to mujh ko "Ap ka Abishwan" Likhne ke Suwa
koai dusri bat Lichh nahing hanti hai. "Yours truly,
Yours Sincerely, I have the honour to be, Sir, your most
Obedient-Servant nahing Lichh Sakta hun. Ap ki Chitri
men itni Kari katey hai. Dur Shab. hain ap galti hanti
hain. Main Kondra Ake itna dukh uthaya hun, jitna main
Kahi lehi dukh na uthaya, ab itna umar bit gayi. Lertan
Jhagartan ka koai bat nahing hai. 1943 se ap ka hatma
Hukum main Rote Huwe mania hun. Rote Huwe. Bal
bachon ko do leinori kalat men dudar laund karke.
Mandly ka kam ko kiya hun. Kam nahing kerne se Rote
se man ji Sakta ha athena. jine Sakta hun. Ap ka
pura adhar mere upar hai. Ap mujh ko Badly kar.
Sakle hain. Ap mujh Diomis kar Sakle hain

Ap mujh ko Katiakya ee nikal Sakti hai, Par.
 leina janch kiya utni kari baton bolha
 ap ke case pad uttam pad wale ko ~~bolha~~
 awashyak hai tha.

yadi ap un baton ko likhne ke
 pahile mujh ki ko puchhe to ap ko
 shak ahal baton malum hoi. Sach mai
 ap ke us chitral ke liye ati udash.
 hum

Age shukh.

Ap Ka Abishwas-

Jacquir

Half-yearly report-regarding the missionary activities in Jaspur State for the half year ending the 30th June 1944.

Pracharakpan ka Nam	Christianon ki Kul Sankhya	Parishad ki Kul Sankhya	Strigon ki Kul Sankhya	School ki Kul Sankhya	Larkon ki Kul Sankhya	Larkiyon ki Kul Sankhya	Pracharak ka Nam.
Mangal	277	147	130	-	-	-	D. Khalkho
Ripaloh	199	100	99	-	-	-	S. Eteka
Ralya	132	59	73	-	-	-	K. Toppo
Silonga	319	153	166	-	-	-	M. Lakod
Keondpani	118	54	64	-	-	-	P.S. Ekka
Jhargam	95	48	47	-	-	-	Ch. D. Ekka
Ketan	199	98	101	-	-	-	Ph. Kujar
Bargam	245	129	116	-	-	-	S. Ekka
Galonda	142	73	76	-	-	-	A. miir
Kampur	146	75	71	-	-	-	K. Kujar
Nafar	129	64	63	-	-	-	D. Kujar
Narigarha	142	47	75	-	-	-	Ph. Toppo
Baroharia	313	148	165	-	-	-	Sh. Jirka
Jekheda	199	101	98	-	-	-	B. miir
Nafar Highschool	-	-	-	95	70	25	-

the 30th June 1948
a letter in foreign date for the last year
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(2) क्या जमीन आठों घर बनाने या और कोई दूसरा काम के लिये खिचा गया है?

(हां या नहीं) — हां — इचकेलमें स्कूल प्रधान के लिखे स्टेट कि
अजोर से एक टांड मिला है ।

(3) जसपुर स्टेट में अग्रण का काम । दिसम्बर 20, 1943 को मुझे बदले का
हुकूम मिला ।

अग्रण को मैं जानती दिया था कि जनवरी महीना में विमार था । फरवरी और
मार्च में बदले अनेक के लिये मैं यहां जहां गाड़ी के प्रबन्ध में कोईता
फिरा । बहुत आवश्‍यक काम जैसे सादों के खिवाई कोई दूसरा काम
स्टेट और लैबल में ही अग्रण । कारण ऐसा ही दिखता था कि इस
हप्ते में या उस हप्ते में मुझे को कोरडरा छोड़ना है । ऐसा ही होते
महासभा तक चले अग्रण । ऐसा उठ जाने के निश्चित दिन के 2 दिन
पहले मुझे सी. ए. से खबर मिला कि *slowly in your place until*
further order महासभा के पीछे बदले हुकूम रहेंगे । उसके पीछे
स्टेट और *Civil* दोनों जगह अलग-अलग सजा हुई । (काम पूरा, देखिये)
उसे के आधार पर काम महासभा के पीछे अग्रण से नहीं लेंगे
काम जारी हुआ है । ऐसा दौरा का काम आधार महा स्टेट में
अजोर लैबल में । उसके पीछे स्वयंसेवकों के लिये दिन
पहले से मैं विमार पडा । वैसे ही मैं एक हफ्ता तक पुचारक सिद्धा
काम चलाया । एक दिन सिद्धा हुआ खतम नहीं हुई थी कि मैं
अजोर से विमार पडा गया । ऐसा कि कई दिन तक खानूरी में नहीं
रहा । इन दिनों में वीरवार से वीरवार में अजोर दौरा के काम में
निकल चुका है । दे बखार ना आवेती भरडले में काम ही

F.P
स्कूल
के.के. ये

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17 JUN 44
BIRMOHUR
BANGALORE STATION

To The Secretary

C. F. L. Mission

Ranchi

F. 18A G. L. C. L. Lasse. F. 18A.

Karimahi Illaka

14/6/1944

To The Secretary
G. L. C. Church
Ranchi

महाशय,

आप को मेरा विशेष सहय -

में बहुत ही दुःखित हूँ क्योंकि मेरा half
yearly census चापू वानू S. Hora को
नहीं मिले, मैं अपने लडके के भारी
विभारी में बन्ना हुआ था, सो खुद न
जाकर चिट्ठी भेजा। & आप मुझे लिखे
कि C. C. को रिपोर्ट 15 तारीख को मिलना
है। और मैं आज भी वैसा ही दशा में हूँ
इसलिये Chairman को रिपोर्ट न देकर
खुद ही आप के पास रिपोर्ट भेजता हूँ
यदि वे रिपोर्ट न दिये होंगे तो कृपया
देख करने के लिये मेरुवानी कीजिये
इसमें घरी गलत हो तो भी माफ़ी मांगता
हूँ जिस उदार के हित आप का धन्यवाद हूँ

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21-7-44

Express Letter.

From

Mr. K.C.Samalla, B.A.,
Diwan of Gangpur State,
Sundargarn.

To

The Secretary, G.E.L.Church,
Ranchi.

Subject: Half-yearly report - Missionary
activities - half year ending
the 30th June 1944.

My dear Father,

The report regarding missionary activities in the State for the half year ending the 30th June 1944 is due to the Political Agent immediately after the end of June. I would be grateful if you would kindly give me the usual information by return post to enable me to submit the report by the 25th of this month at the latest.

Yours Sincerely,

K.C. Samalla

Diwan,
Gangpur State.

GUPTA.,
13/7

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Secretary G. & L.
Church Ranchi

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Please send Half yearly missionary
activities report ending 31st
Dec 1944 = Diwan =

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So

The Secretary G. E. L. Church,
Rauchi

Ghoghor The 22 Dec. 1942

Manyawas Mahashay ko yishu sahay.

Ab hi chitti No 2553-59/42 mila bahut hardwar 6 kam
ke bhise, aur samay ke hase hone ke kasan diye huwe
taikh motabik jabek deno nahin seke so kripanya onauph
korange, des hone par lhi. do pachechak pan se hisse nahin
mila koseke to piche keje danga,

1. Ghoghor Parish men Purushon ki sankhya 1370
aur Strigong ki 1332 - hai, Purush 14 barke aur
Stri 3.1
2. Kaliska ke andar 7 school haen, 4 ke hisse mila
Larke 71 aur Larhiyan 28 haen,
3. Kaliska hal men main jagah ke handokast - nahin kiya hai
jo purana handokast - hai sobi hai, Parcha ke pala
nahin milte hai, Khas Ghoghor ke alag parcha hai,
par yahan ke parcha lhi nahin hai, nikelna koga,
malgupri ghataya gaya, purana deno naya den seh diya
gaya, sabik den, Rs 1-9-6, the naya den, Rs: -9-9 Pai

Ab ka Bishwas -

Thomas Japono

3403
 3571
 6974

	male	female	Schools	Students - m. F.
Kor.	3403	3571	13	270 - 115
Jawa kedu.	260	243		
	49	70		
	188	167		
	37	40		35 - 18

Karimata. 9522

Jarakmu. 5429

Rajjaspur. 11866

26817

मान्य

जी. ३०-एल. ए. ए. सेक्रेटरी-को-मो-थीससहाय-।

प्रश्न -

मैं-आप-प्रेजा-हुआ-निही-को-२० दिसेस्य-को-पाया-

श्री-पुचरको-को-उसके-अनुसार-हिमाव-मांगल-पर-यहां
गांगपुर-को-२४,००-को-आप-आइ-जाहेन-इध-उध-हो-गये
जिस-जल्दी-हिमाव-पुचरक-सब-नहीं-दे-सके-मैं-जैसे-पाया-
आप-को-प्रेजा-देता-हूँ-।

१- आप-माटी-कुंए-को-रुटा-श्री-टेंडा-को-गेलये-मैं-निवेदन
पत्र-प्रेजा-दिया-हूँ-कहाया-आप-को-आ-हुकुम-पर-माया-जाय-
करे-को-पानी-निआलने-आ-वुल-ही-कही-ता-है-।

आप-का-आधिकास्व

D. Gov.
Karimati

20-12-42

Karimali-Haka
 Gangpur Christianon Ki Sankhya 1941 Ke January
 se 1942 Ke December tak

Parish	Christianon Ki Sankhya			Kalisha Ke Schoolon Ki Sankhya			Gangpur mein Kalisha Ke bije naye jagah		
	Purush	Stri	Total	1941 se 1942 mein bache ki sankhya	School Ki Sankhya	Larke		Larki	Total
Karimati	2535	2622	5157	146	9	190	77	267	nahin
Kwarom	868	949	1817	58	4	80	38	118	0
Total	3403	3571	6974	204	13	270	115	385	nahin

Gangpur mein November December ke khilas malgujari tahsil kia jata hai. Raiyal log na dene ke karan slati apne dal ke sath rakam mein (dhan, chawal urid adi mein) tahsil kar raha hai jiske dar se bhai aur behin apne gadon ko chhor isthar uthar bhag jate aur gaye hain jo un mein se kitne ab tak nahin lautte hain. jiske wajah Pracherak sab yahi hisse ko jaldi nahin la sakte. main jaise paya ap ko bej deta hun.

D. How,
20-12-42

Gangpur State ke Christianon ka Census
Jura Broudh Parish

	ghar	purush	stree	juwan	juwati	larke	larki	bulak	bulake
Jura Broudh	8	9	13	—	6	10	9	3	5
Pirkeon	46	75	86	16	30	70	60	14	12
Thapatmunda	30	35	42	14	14	39	38	4	6
Vagadh	32	42	44	10	14	26	27	7	13
Bahera Bahar	19	32	34	4	4	29	22	5	—
Chirubera	11	14	21	5	2	14	11	4	4
<u>total</u>	<u>146</u>	<u>260</u>	<u>243</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>188</u>	<u>167</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>40</u>

School Kshatron ki pankhlye

Larke 35
Larkiyay 18
total 53

L. Bagnaila
Jura Broudh Parish
2.1.43

GANGPUR STATE.

SUNDARGARH.

EXPRESS LETTER.

N. B.—This is an ORIGINAL MESSAGE, sent by post to save telegraphic expense and undue use of the wires, but intended to be treated, on receipt, with the same expedition as if it had been telegraphed. To save time and formalities it is worded and signed as if it had been so despatched.

From,
J.W.Woodhouse, Esquire,
Diwan of Gangpur State,
Sundargarh.

To,
The Secretary, G.E.L.Church,
Ranchi.

No. 85-

Dated January 6th, 19 43.

Subject:-Yearly report regarding the
Missionary activities for the
year ending the 31st December
1942.

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Dear Sir,

Reference this office letter No.9481, dated the 11th -
November 1942, on the above subject.

2. Kindly send report by return post.

Yours truly,



Diwan, Gangpur State.

GUPTA., 6/1.

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On Gangpur State Service Only.

To

The Secretary, G. E. L. Church
Ranchi.

DESPATCHER,
DIWAN'S OFFICE,
GANGPUR STATE }



DEPARTMENT *Reports & Return*

GANGPUR STATE.

Reminder No. I

P. O. Sundargarh.

Dated the 18th December 1942.

The undersigned has the honour to invite attention to this office letter No. 948 dated, the 11th November 1942 on the subject noted below and to request an early reply thereto.

Subject:— *Half yearly report regarding the missionary activities in the Gangpur State for the half year ending the 31st December 1942*

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DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE.

*Recd
18.12.42*

Please address reply
by designation & not by name
SUNDARGARH.
Via Jharsuguda,
B. N. R.

Church Council
Received *Offr.*
Register No. 497...
Date 16.11.42
File F. 18
Reply No.
Date

No. 9482

FROM,

J. W. Woodhouse, Esquire,
DIWAN OF GANGPUR STATE.

To,

The Secretary, G.E.L. Church,
Ranchi.

Dated Sundargarh, the 11th November 1942.

Subject :- Half yearly report regarding the
missionary activities in the Gangpur State for
the half year ending the 31st December 1942.

Dear Sir,

The report regarding missionary activities in the State
for the year ending the 31st December 1942 is due to the
Political Agent immediately after the end of December. I would
be grateful if you would kindly give me the following
information before the 31st of December 1942.

- (1) Number of adherents with information regarding
increase or decrease in both sexes (male and
female separately).
- (2) Number of village schools under your control
and the number of pupils receiving education
(boys and girls separately).
- (3) Any new acquisition of land by the mission for
building or other purposes in the State.
- (4) Religious activities of the missionary in the
State.

2. May I also invite your attention to my predecessor's
letter No. 5095/5096/5097 dated the 6th September 1941 and
request you to send me this information. Each half year as
indicated therein ?

Yours truly,

J. W. Woodhouse
Diwan,
Gangpur State.

KSN., 6/11.

**The Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church
in Chotanagpur & Assam.**

Mission Estd. 1845—Autonomous 1919
Registered under Societies Registration Act XXI of
1860 on July 30, 1921.

Officers and members of the Executive.

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2. *Secretary*: Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, B. D.
3. *Treasurer*: Mr. N. Soy,
4. Mr. Th. Surin, B. A., B. L.
5. Rev. L. Jojowar,

Other members of the Church Council.

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 6. Rev. S. Bage, | 10. Mr. C. D. Ekka. |
| 7. Rev. W. Radsick, | 11. Mr. P. Soy. |
| 8. Rev. L. Topno, | 12. „ D. Tirkey, |
| 9. Rev. S. Kula, | 13. „ P. S. Vengra B. A. |

G. E. L. COMPOUND.
RANCHI. (BIHAR) INDIA.

No. 2553-59/42/F 18

Dated the 3rd Dec. 1942.

To,

- | | |
|-----|---------------------------------------|
| (1) | The Rev. Eliazar Ekka, Rajgaungpur. ✓ |
| (2) | „ Johan Topno, Runga. |
| (3) | „ Thomas Topno, Ghoghor. ✓ |
| (4) | „ Daniel Horo, Kerimatti. ✓ |
| (5) | „ Christochit Horo, Loarom. ✓ |
| (6) | „ Mesihdas Lakra, Ratobirkera. |
| (7) | „ Luther Bagreila, Jorabandh. ✓ |

Ap log kripaya in sawalon ka uttar ham ko 20win December tak bhejiye, yane 20win tarikh tak men C. C. Office men pahunchna chahiye. Ye sab sawal sirph Gangpur State ka hai, bshar ka nahin. So ap log sirph Gangpur State ka dijiye.

Question 1.

Ap ke Mandli men Christianon ki sankhya 1-1-1942 se 31-12-1942 tak kitna hai? Purush aur striyon ka alag alag.

Note :-

(a) Ap log December mahina men kitne purush (bachchhe se burha tak), aur stri (balika se burhi tak) ka alag alag hisab dijiye apne apne Parish ka.

(b) Ye sankhyayen ghat gaye athwa barh gaye?

Question 2.

Kal isha ke schoolon ki sankhya aur har ek (school) men kitne arke hain aur kitne b rkiyan hain, alag alag bataiye.

Question 3.

Agar koi naya jagah jis ko Kiisha ne ghar banane ke liye athwa koi dusra kam ke liye Gangpur State ke andar hasil kiya hai (acquired).

Th. Surin

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

Binod: Retype it & send them to the office of the G.E.L. Church

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G. E. L. COMPOUND.
RANCHI. (BIHAR) INDIA.

No.....

Dated the 30th Dec. 1942

To

- (1) The Rev. Eliajar Ekka.
- (2) " " Johan Topono Runga.
- (3) " " Thomas Topono Ghoghor.
- (4) " " Daniel Horo, Karimatti.
- (5) " " Christchit Horo Loarom.
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Q 1. Ap ke Mandli men Christanon ki sankhyan 1-1-1942 se 31-12-1942 tak kitna hai ? Purush aur atriyon ka alag alag.

Note :- (a) Ap log December mahina men kitne purush (bachchha se burha tak), aur stri (balika se burhi tak) ka alag alag hisab dijiye apne apne Parish ka.

(b) Ye sankhyaye ghat gaye athwa barh gaye ?

Q 2. Kalisha ke schoolon ki sankhya aur har ek (school) men kitne larke hain aur kitne larkiyan hain, alag alag bataiye.

Q 3. Agar koi naya jagah jis ko kalisha ghar banane ke liye athwa koi dusra kam ke liye Gangpur State ke andar haismil kiya hai (acquired).

Th. Surin

Hony. Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

[To be kept in office of receipt]

URGENT.

REMINDER

No. I

FROM

THE Diwan, Gangpur State.

TO

THE Secretary, G. E. L. Church,
G. E. L. Compound, Ranchi.

Dated Sunday the 22nd July 1942.

SIR,

I ~~am directed~~ ^{have the have} to draw your very early attention to this office No. 1827 of the 1410 March 42 and to request you to return the righthand portion duly filled up before the 1st. August 1942.

SUBJECT:—

Difficulty experienced
in giving information
reg. number of adherents
& schools etc. Six months

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

For Inhabant.
Diwan,
Gangpur State

42
22.7.42
PBD
N.B.—Here note the number and date, purport of reply sent.

28/7/42.

MURHU
22 APR. 42
HANDI

On Gangpur State Service Only.

22 APR. 42
4 - P.M.
RANL...



To

The Secretary,

G. E. L. Church, ^{Compound} Ranchi
Berjia, P.O. Pherba

Despatcher,
DIWAN'S OFFICE.
GANGPUR STATE.

DEPARTMENT Reports.

GANGPUR STATE.

Reminder No. 1

P. O. Sundargarh.

Dated the 20th April 1942.

The undersigned has the honour to invite attention to this office letter No. 2227 dated, the 27th March 1942 on the subject noted below and to request an early reply thereto.

Subject:— Report regarding missionary activities in the Gangpur State for the half year ending December 31, 1941 (number of females out of the total number of adherents)

True / He.
for DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE.

Recd
20.4.42.

Camp Burju.

25th April, 2.

1139/42/F- 18.

To,

The Diwan,
Gangpur State.

Subject :- Report re: missionary activities in the Gangpur State (number of females out of the total number of adherents.)

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 2227 dated, the 27th March, 1942 on the above mentioned subject I request you to kindly refer ^{to} my office letter No. 1077/42/F- 18, dated the 15th April, 1942.

Yours faithfully,

D. K. G. G.
Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

18
No. 1827. D/ 14. 3. 42.

From

Khan Bahadur A.G.Khan, B.A.

DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE

SUNDARGARH.

Via.—JHARSUGUDA.

B. N. Ry.

To

The Secretary,
The Gossner Evangelical
Lutheran Church,
G.E.L.Compound;
Ranchi.

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for your kind letter No.568/42/F.18 dated 24.2.42. We would like to know whether any inconvenience is caused to you in supplying the statistics asked for every 6 months, ~~at any season of the year.~~ If you could kindly mention what difficulty you experience which has caused this delay in supply of the information needed, it might be possible to over-come it by some alteration of details with the previous sanction of the Political Agent. If 6 monthly supply of the said statistics is troublesome, I can move the Political to accept whatever period would be suitable to you for the supply of the statistic

Yours sincerely,

mu
Diwan,
Gangpur State.

15th April,

2.

1077/42/F- 18.

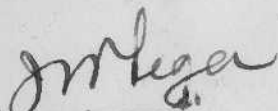
To,

The Diwan,
Gangpur State.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 2227 dated 27th March, 1942 I have the honour to state that out of the total number of adherents of the Lutheran Church in Gangpur State 14117 are females.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

inquit
No. 2227.D/ 27.3.42.

From
Khan Bahadur A.G.Khan, B.A.,

DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE
SUNDARGARH.

Via. — JHARSUGUDA.

B. N. Ry.

To

The Secretary,

G.E.L.Church,

Ranchi.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No.568/42/F.18 dated the 24th February 1942, I write to request you to kindly let me know by return post how many of the total number of adherents are females. This information is required by the Political Agent, Sambalpur.

Yours faithfully,

A.G.Khan
Diwan,
Gangpur State.

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26/3

File 18
No. 1303. D/ 24. 2. 42.

From
Khan Bahadur A.G.Khan, B.A.,

DIWAN, GANGPUR STATE
SUNDARGARH.

Via — JHARSUGUDA.

B. N. Ry.

To

The Secretary,

G.E.L.Church,

Ranchi.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly refer to my letter No.814,
dated the 4th February 1942 ?

2. I shall be grateful if you will kindly send
reply to my queries by return post. Political Agent
is pressing for early reply.

Yours Sincerely,

W. V. S. V. S.
Dewan,
Gangpur State.

GUPTA.,
19.2.42.

No. 588/42/F. 18.

24th Feb. 2.

To,

The Diwan,
Gangpur State.
Sundargarh P. O.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following figures as desired in your letter No. 814 dated the 4th February, 1942. I am sorry I cannot give you just now the numbers of males and females separately. I have asked for these figures from the pastors and I shall send them to you as soon as I get them.

No. of adherents	No. of schools	No. of students.
27317	17	585

Yours sincerely,

J. D. Gupta 24/2
Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

No. 18

G. E. L. CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

Secretary : Rev. J. J. P. TIGA, B. D.

Ranchi, (Bihar) India.

The 194 .

No.

Copy to the Chairman,
Kammati, Daba, Chair-
man, Rajgaon Daba,
and the Chairman, Java
leader Daba for infor-
mation with the request
to submit the reports, as
required by the Superintendent
of the Jangpur State at
once

J. J. P. TIGA
8/2/42

From

No. 814.

4. 2. 42.

Khan Bahadur A.G.Khan, B.A.,
Diwan,
Gangpur State.

To

The Secretary,
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

No.

Sundargarh, February , 1942.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly refer to this office letter No. 5096 dated 6.9.1941?

2. The Political Agent is pressing for the information upto date on the following points:-

- (a) Number of your church adherents with information regarding increase or decrease in both sexes for the six months ending 31st Dec., 1941.
- (b) Number of village schools under your church control and the number of pupils receiving education for the same period.

I shall be very grateful if you kindly send this information by return of post.

Yours sincerely,

A. G. Khan
Diwan,
Gangpur State.

No. 814
4-2-42.

From

Khan Bahadur A. G. Khan, B. A.,
Diwan,
Gangpur State.

To,

The Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

No. Sundargarh, February , 1942.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly refer to this office letter
No. 5096 dated 6.9.1941 ?

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the six months ending 31st December, 1941.
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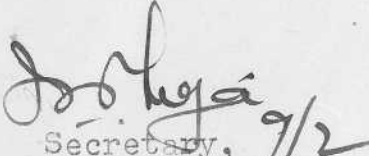
I shall be very grateful if you kindly send this information
by return of post.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- A. G. Khan.
Diwan,
Gangpur State.

Memo No. 375-77/42/F- 18. Dated Ranchi, the 9th Feb., 1942.

Copy to the Chairman, Karimatti Ilaka; Chairman, Rajgangpur
Ilaka and the Chairman Jarakudar Ilaka for information with the
request to submit the reports as required by the Superintendent
of the Gangpur State at once.


Secretary, 9/2
G. E. L. Church.