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張學良：這是我對張學良的認識。

As directed from the Bureau of the FBI the following
 dated 17-22 April 1944 is in appendix below for your information
 and approval.

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姓名	性别	年龄	职业	住址
王德胜	男	45	工人	本市和平路123号
李秀英	女	38	教师	本市文化路45号
张国强	男	52	干部	本市中山路78号
刘小红	女	28	学生	本市青年路90号

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH RANCHI

No.684/75/KSS-110

Ranchi Dated 24th April '75.

To

Adhyaksh N.W.Anchal, Ranchi
Adhyaksh SE Anchal Khunti
Adhyaksh Assam Anchal Tezpur
Adhyaksh Orissa Anchal Rajgangpur
Adhyaksh Madhya Anchal Kautitoli.

Dear Brothers,

An extract from the minutes of the full KSS meeting dated 17-22 April '75 item No.7 is appended below for your information and needful action.

Item 7. Appointment of newly come out students of G.Th.College and Serampore College. The students were assigned as follows: -

1. Mr. Onon Dungdung.....N.W.Anchal
2. Mr. Christoray Tiga... -do-
3. Mr. Sudarshan Dang.... SE Anchal
4. Mr. Jaimasih Surin.... --do--
5. Mr. Nehmia Sandi Guria Assam Anchal
6. Mr. Rowelson Timung --do--
7. Mr. Gossner Kerketta... Madhyak Anchal
8. Mr. Manmasih Ekka..... Orissa Anchal.
9. Mr. Nemhas Ekka B.Th.... N.W.Anchal
10. Mr. Nirdosh Lakra...B.Th. --do--
11. Mr. Christodas Jojo B.Th. SE Anchal
12. Mr. John Minz B.Th. Orissa Anchal

Yours sincerely,


(Rev. P.D. Soreng) 24-4-75
Secretary
GEL Church Ranchi.

CC: To all candidates concerned.

REWA MISSION

JOHN NALLATHAMBI, B.A.,

Treasurer

SILOAM, TIRUKOILUR.

13 July 72

The Presidents/Heads of the Churches.
GELC, AELC, SALC & NELC.

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Dear Friends,

As we are short of funds, even to meet the salaries of our workers, we are sorry we are putting our workers into difficulties and inconveniences. May I request you, therefore, to kindly send in your contributions for this year at your earliest, so that I may rush to pay the salaries.

Awaiting to receiving your remittances and with kind regards,

Yours Sincerely,

John Nallathambi

Rev. CB Mingy
GELC

KSS-110

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Rgd. under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860)

PRAMUKH ADHYAKSH : REV. C. B. MINZ
UP-PRAMUKH ADHYAKSH : REV. J. TOPNO
SECRETARY : MR. C. A. TIRKEY
TREASURER : REV. DR. M. BAGE

HEAD OFFICE
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi
Bihar/India
Phone : 23358

No. 482 /72/KSS-110

Ranchi Dated 18th July'72.

To

Rev. John Nalla Thambi
Sileam, Tirukerlur

Sub:- Contribution for Rewa Mission.
Ref:- Your letter dt. 13th July'72.

Dear Brother,

With reference to your letter referred to above on the above noted subject I would like to let you know that since we took over Surguja Mission field from 1971 we are facing great difficulty to give the salary of the workers in the field. No doubt we have to support Rewa Mission also but may I request you to exempt me from giving contribution for Rewa Mission due to Surguja Mission field.

I hope the contribution from other Lutheran churches of India will be sufficient to support Rewa Mission partly as it has been handed over to the M.P.E.L. Church.

Yours Faithfully,

Pramukh Adhyaksh
GEL Church Ranchi.

अन्तर्देशीय पत्र
INLAND LETTER



The Rev. C. B. Minz.
Gossner E. Lutheran church,
Gossner Compound.
RANCHI. P.O
BIHAR STATE

← Third Fold तीसरा मोड़ →

भेजने वाले का नाम और



Sender's name and address :-

Rev. G. THOMAS EDWARD

9, Batcha Sahib Street

CHOO LAIMEDU, MADRAS-24

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REWA MISSION

Rev. G. THOMAS EDWARD
SECRETARY

KSS-110
9, Batcha Sahib Street
CHOLAIMEDU, MADRAS-24

January 15, 1972

The Members of the Rewa Mission Council,--FELC-I

Dear Brethren?

The meeting of the Rewa Mission Council will be held on January 28th. at 8:00 P.M in the conference room of the Concordia Seminary, Nagercoil, where the FELC-I Triennial is scheduled to meet from 27th.

Since this is going to be a very important meeting of the Council, the members are requested to make it convenient to attend this meeting.

Yours Sincerely,

G. Thomas Edward

G. THOMAS EDWARD

AGENDA

1. Opening Prayer: The President Rewa Mission
2. Minutes of the last meeting
3. Report on the field matters- Rev.C.B.Rao
4. Transfer of the R.M field to the MPFELC
5. Treasurer's report
6. Any other matters
7. Closing Prayers.

:: रीवा मिशन चंदा ::

ख्रिस्त में प्रिये भाइयो तथा बहनो,

आप लोगों को मालूम है कि रीवा एक मिशन क्षेत्र है जहां सुसमाचार प्रचार का कार्य बड़ी सफलता के साथ लुथेरान स्म० स्म० स्म० के द्वारा किया जा रहा है। लुथेरान स्म० स्म० स्म० लुथेरान कलीसियाओं का संयुक्त प्रयास है।

परमेश्वर के इस महान् कार्य के हेतु गत वर्षों की तरह इस वर्ष भी आप उदारता के साथ हाथ बटाइये तथा इस कार्य को सफल बनाइये।

प्रत्येक प्रचारकपन से निवेदन है कि वह अक्टोबर महीने में अपनी सुविधानुसार रीवा मिशन क्षेत्र के लिये प्रार्थना और दान अर्पण दिवस मनावें।

जमा किये गये दानों को इलाकाओं से सीधे केन्द्रीय सलाहकारी सभा खजांची के पास भेजें।

यह आवश्यक है दान के व्योरे की एक प्रतिलिपि अंचल आफिस में भी जानकारी निमित्त भेज दिई जाए।

पिता परमेश्वर आप के कामों को सफल और आशीषयुक्त करे।

प्रभु में आप लोगों का विश्वस्त,

Amir Z 22/9/70
(बी० मिंज)

दिनांक २२वीं सितम्बर, १९७०।

प्रमुख अध्यापक, जी० ई० स्ल० चर्च
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राजी।

गोस्सनर स्वजैलिकल लुथेरान चर्च
होटानागपुर स्व असमस्त - रांची ।

KSS-110

परिपत्र

गोस्सनर क्लीशा के प्रत्येक सदस्य को विदित किया जाता है कि इस वर्ष भी गत वर्ष के समान रीवा मिशन दिवस १६ वीं नोवेंबर १९६६ को मनाया जावे । चूंकि यह दिन स्तवार ही को पड़ता है इसलिये साधारण गिर्जा आराधना के साथ ही साथ रीवा मिशन दिवस मनाया जावे । स्तवार सिरनी के अतिरिक्त उस दिन रीवा मिशन दिवस के नाम से अलग चन्दा (दान) दिया जाय अ ऊपरोक्त तिथि के अलावे किसी अन्य तिथि को भी सुभीते के अनुसार यह पर्व मना जा सकता है।

पर्व मनाये जाने की सूचना निम्न प्रोफोरेमा पर देने की कृपा करें ।

तिथि - - - - -

C.M. 16/9/66
प्रमुख अध्यक्ष,

जी० ई० स्त० चर्च, रांची ।

----- यहां से काटें -----

हमारी	मंडली में	ता०	को रीवा मिशन दिवस मनाया
गया । इस सुअवसर पर हमारी	मंडली में	ह०	पैसा दान दिया गया जो
के० रस० रस० खजाना में भेजा गया ।			

तिथि - - - - -

प्रचारक/पाद्री

की सही ।

अन्तर्देशीय पत्र कार्ड
INLAND LETTER CARD



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Rev. C. B. Hind (Ran
Wahy Adhyaksh)

G. E. W. Chowdhury
found Ranthi

P. O. Ranthi, Bihar

तीसरा मोड़ Third fold

प्रेषक का नाम और पता :— Sender's name and address :—

Pauline Swain

Haldwar

इस पत्र के भीतर कुछ न रखिए NO ENCLOSURES ALLOWED

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~~KSS-155~~

Halen
3/2/69

Dear Sir,

Hereby I want

to let you know that

I have sent the sum
of Rupees 100.00 only in

the name of Raza Mission.

Donation of this
is having in our Halen
parish. Hence, I shall
send again when I
received from Cairo.

I am pleased and
thankful if this
amount is deposited
in the hand of
Concerned Khajaneh.

With hearty regards

Yours

Parish Seey & Dr
Haleem

31/2/26

11/12

11/12

Rev. S. Tisay

G. E. L. Church, Ghooghur Parish,
Orissa, Anchal,

P.O. Raibaga, Dt sundargarh.

116 Pramukh, Adhyaksh,

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

18. 12. 68.

Dear Sir,

I am simply Pleased to inform you in general that in our Ghooghur Parish the Rewa Mission Contribution is collected altogether for Rs 107. 13 P.P. The Calichist deposited it to the Orissa Ranchal Treasurer, Raigangpur, with whom concerned with me. It was asked from them and the account was taken from them, for found as it is now informed you herewith. Thus it cannot be said whether the Ranchal Treasurer sent to the K.S.S. Treasurer or not but it ought to be so.

I expect that he may send it to the K.S.S. Treasurer up till now. If not received he may be asked to send it and obliged.

The contribution is collected as follows. —

	Rs.	P.P.
1 Ghooghur Mandly - - - - -	23 -	56
2 Ghumul " - - - - -	17 -	51
3 Khairabhar " - - - - -	13 -	39
4 Keondmunda " - - - - -	16 -	78
5. Barmal " - - - - -	6 -	53
6 Dongabandh " - - - - -	6 -	52
7 Pharam " - - - - -	8 -	75
8 Rangamali " - - - - -	1 -	14
9 Samlaimunda " - - - - -	8 -	15
10 Khutikramunda " - - - - -	4 -	86

Total Rs. 107. 13.

Y/11

Yours sincerely
S. Tisay

Ghooghur Parish -
Chairman

पोस्ट कार्ड



To

The Pramukh Adlyksh

C. F. C. Church Compound

Ranchi

E. K. L. Church

Darigut

27.11.68.

महामानव प्रमुखवाच्य, जी. ई. एल.
चर्च रॉन्सी।

भाषा को शीघ्रसहाय।

महाशय,

भाषा को सूचित किया जाता है
कि नोबेम्बर महीने ही में कलकत्ता में
अनेक निम्न के चन्दों का उठना जाना
निश्चित है जिसमें अधिक सफलता की
संभावना नहीं दिखाई देती है।

अतः कुछ इलाके में ^{भाषा} चैन में
चन्दों की सुविधों एवं सफलता के लिये
निम्न बातें निश्चित कर भाषा से अनुरोध
करती है कि भाषा उसमें उसकी सहायता
करने की मेहरबानी करें।

१. उक्त चन्दा जनवरी - फरवरी में उठना जाना

२. उक्त चन्दों के समान ही इस के साथ
भी भाषा कागज हो।

Rev. Th. Haro

27.11.68.

Secretary,

REVENUE DEPARTMENT



पोर
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केवल पत्र
ADDRESS ONLY



Bramukh Adhyaksh

Rev C.B. Aind

G. E. L. Church

Ranchi

Bihar

C.M.A. 16/12

Rev. 16/12/68

KSS-110
Rato Birkera

6-12-68

महामान्यवर प्रमुख ऊच्चतम Rev C.B. Anil
प्रोद्गुहाय ।

आपका १५ नोवेंबर का पत्र प्राप्त Rewa Mission
का दान जो अन्न दान जो K.S.S में भेजा है सब
इलाका में जमा होता है और इलाका केयरमैन जरिये
अन्न दान में भेजा जाता है इसलिये आप के पत्र
अनुसार पैरिय ले नहीं भेजा जा रहा है ।

आपका विश्वस्त
Rev C.P. Kandulap
Rato Birkera



पोस्ट कार्ड

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REPLY

केवल पता

ADDRESS ONLY



To

Rev. C.B. Hind, Prs. Ashwakesh

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi

P.O. Ranchi.

Dist. Ranchi (Bihar).

~~2/12~~ Rev. S. Title
To ~~G. K. Ghosh~~ 110

Rev. C. B. Bird Bramen Adhyaksh
G. S. L. Church, Ranchi.

Dear Sir, 11/11/68

With reference
to your information, beg
to say the Rev. mission
contribution is yet in
Calichist's hand. Calichists
will come for meeting on the
2nd December—68, and
they will be asked to hand
it and will be sent on the
same week.

may excuse us for
the delay. yours faithfully
J. K. Ghosh
G. K. Ghosh. 21. 11. 68.

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH RANCHI

No 558/68/KSS-110

Ranchi Dated 15th Nov.68.

To
All Parish Chairmen of
the G.E.L.Church.

Dear Pastors,

Circular letter had been issued under this office No.460/68/KSS-110 dated 20th September'68 to observe the Rewa Mission Day on any time in Oct.68. In the same circular you had been requested to collect donation towards the Rewa Mission Fund and to remit the same to the Treasurer of the KSS by the first week of November'68.

It has been noted that very few Parish Chairmen have remitted the amount up till now. You are therefore reminded to remit the amount as early as possible to the Treasurer KSS, so that the fund could be sent to Rewa Mission work at an early date. Please treat this as very urgent.

Yours Sincerely,

CBA
Pramulh Adhyaksh,
GELChurch Ranchi.

गौरसनर खंजे लिफाफे लूथेरान चर्च
छोटा नागपुर को कासम - रांचो ।

पत्र संख्या 460/६८/के.स.स. - ११०

रांचो सेप्टेम्बर २०, १९६८

पेरिस चेयरमेन
- - - पेरिस

रीवा मिशन प्रार्थना दिवस - १९६८

प्रिय महोदय,

प्रति वर्ष जैसे इस बार भी पंजिका के अनुसार रीवा मिशन के लिये १३ अक्टोबर प्रार्थना दिवस ठहराया गया है, मध्य प्रदेश के रीवा क्षेत्र में भारत की सभी लूथेरान कलेशनों के सहयोग से खुसमाचार प्रचार कार्य हो रहा है, इस कार्य के लिये गराइलियों में प्रार्थना की जाय और उस दिन विशेष बन दिया जाय ।

इस बार आप को हम लिफाफा नहीं भेज रहे हैं पर यह निवेदन करते हैं कि आप कम से कम हर एक परिवार के लिये सब साफ लिफाफा खरीद कर दें । लिफाफे पर नीचे दिये हुए नामों के अनुसार लिख कर उस पर क्रम संख्या लिख लें और परिवारों में तथा जो नौकरों करते हैं उनको बांट दें और उन्हें यह संभावना कि प्रार्थना दिवस में उसे बेदी पर अपने कान सहित लावे । बेदी पर आप लिफाफे के रकम का हिसाब रख कर उसे सीढ़ी "खजाने की ई रत्न चर्च" संज्ञा के पत्र पर मनीषा डी २ रख दें । लिफाफा और डाक खर्च काट लें । उसका हिसाब जी ३ रत्न खजाने की अवस्था दें । इन व्यवहार में लगे लिफाफों को न फेंके पर उन पर दिये गये क्रम संख्या के अनुसार उनका हिसाब रखें तब आप को माबूम होगा कि कितने लिफाफे बांटे गये और कितने बेदी पर लगे गये कितने नहीं गये । संलग्नित फॉर्म को उपरोक्त विवरणों के साथ अवस्था हो प्रार्थना दिवस के बाद के हप्ते के गान्दर के स.स. मासिक में भेज दें ।

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पहले हप्ते में अवश्य पहुंच जाना चाहिये ।
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A report on the visit of five Synodical Presidents and Miss E. Hiram of Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church to Shahdol Field of Rewa Mission from October 14-16, 1966.

By God's grace it was my happy privilege to address the five Synodical Conventions of the AELC twice during my deputation tour of the Church in last four years. On these occasions I had humbly but sincerely extended an invitation to the ladies to visit us on the field to gain first hand knowledge of the work being done. Ever since with my associates I have been praying for the same. Now through the kind efforts of the President of Rewa Mission, who is also the President of AELC, the Lord made it possible for the five Presidents of Synodical Conventions to visit us. The Lord indeed is faithful and has answered our prayers. We the Rewa Mission family at Shahdol, would like to thank the President AELC and Rewa Mission Executive Councils of AELC and Rewa Mission for arranging and making it possible for a women delegation of this kind to visit our field for the first time. We are also thankful to the Synodical Presidents who undertook this strenuous journey to Shahdol to bless us with their loving fellowship.

The delegation reached Shahdol at 3.10 P.M. on October 14th by the Bilaspur-Indore Express and were received at the station by Revs. C.B. Rao and T. Spencer. As soon as the train stopped on the platform Rev. Rao boarded the ladies' compartment, welcomed them to Shahdol and prayed with them thanking the Lord for journeying mercies. Their luggage was then unloaded and were then driven in cycle rickshaws to the hospital compound. At the hospital compound gate the delegation was received by Dr. (Mrs) Ramabai Rao and the medical staff, patients and their relatives. It was indeed a very happy occasion for us all to have these 'daughters of Zion' in our midst and more so for Mrs. K. Devasahayam and Dr. (Mrs) Ramabai Rao, for they are childhood classmates and good friends. After a long time they met each other. The staff and those present were then introduced to the Presidents and the visitor by the doctor. She then led us to the verandah of the hospital, the place of worship for the Shahdol congregation for thanksgiving service. With our hearts full of joy, we sang the bhajan of praise, 'Jai Jai Yesu, Jai Jai Yesu' accompanied by kanjiras and talams followed by Dr. (Mrs) Rao leading the assembly in prayer. Rev. Rao then read Psalm 103 and welcomed the Presidents and the visitor. He said that this is a mission field still in the pioneering stage. In these humble dwellings which God has provided through you we live and work. Facilities and conveniences of modern type are very limited. But dwellers in these huts are your children whom you have commissioned and sent and they cherish a warm and loving heart toward them and with such a loving heart we welcome you in our midst and in our humble dwellings in the name of Triune God. Replying the brief welcome address President Mrs. K. Devasahayam thanked the assembly for the kind reception and welcome to them. We stood up, said Lord's prayer and with benediction the assembly dispersed. Presidents and the visitor were then entertained at tea by the Raos.

When we made out a programme for the celebration of Rewa Mission Day and the closing function of the jubilee year, we had designated 14th evening as a social evening for the congregation. Dr. (Mrs) Rao and her colleagues erected a pandal in front of the hospital building and beautifully decorated the same inside and out. Our joy knew no bounds when we learnt that the Presidents were also reaching the field the same evening. When they arrived we immediately extended them an invitation to join us in our celebrations and get together which they graciously accepted.

The Presidents were made to sit on chairs on a raised platform under the pandal with congregation seated on the ground in front of them. With invocation and singing of congregation bhajan "Ao Prabhu ghat aj hamare" our evening function commenced. Pastor Rao then offered prayer thanking God for fifty years ministry of Rewa Mission and all that HE accomplished through Rewa Mission in these years in Murwahi, Surguja and Rewa; for men of vision and dedication to the cause of spreading the gospel to unevangelised areas in our motherland, to serve as its Officers; for men and women who offered to go to these forbidden lands for the gospel at great sacrifice as missionaries and workers; for the present activities

of the mission. He also prayed beseeching God to expand and flourish the present ministry of the mission and to provide for the same. He also thanked God for the visiting Synodical Presidents. As the welcome song was being sung by the congregation, Presidents and the visitor were garlanded by representatives of the Sunday School, Yuvati and Yuvak Samaj, Mahila Samaj and the staff of the Rewa Mission. Rev. Rao then read from Philipines 4:10-20 and with a brief comment welcomed the Presidents in the fellowship of Rewa Mission family at Shahdol. We always had men officers and men visitors to our field but this is the first time an all women delegation of this kind has ever visited the field. Church women have played a great role in helping to achieve the purpose of Rewa Mission. This can never be underestimated. Their concern for Rewa Mission has been loving and motherly. This motherly love for us all further inspired by the love of Christ has brought these church members to us. We their spiritual children are not only happy to have you in our midst but consider it a great privilege to welcome you in our midst with hearts full of love and gratitude and to be waiting upon you to serve during your sojourn with us.

What you see before you is just the beginning of the fruit of your labour with us. There are more than 500,000 Adivasis that inhabit the jungles of this valley of the Vindhya still unreached with the gospel. In addition to the above we have a large mixed population living in towns and cities. We are the only missionary agency working here. In comparison to the huge task before us we are an insignificant force. We need a similar force of workers as we have in Surguja. Our need for workers and support for these workers is great.

This small country hospital has been the spearhead of Rewa Mission work in this area. We are thankful to God for the wisdom and vision He gave to our Officers to take the gospel to this area through this humble medical ministry when it was not possible to take the gospel directly. God has blessed the ministry of this hospital and opened many homes and hearts to receive the gospel of Jesus and be saved. It has opened doors to many villages where we could now go freely with message of salvation. The ministry and witness of this hospital has won many friends from the ranks of those people who were opposed to us. This pioneering testimony which the Lord raised has been also the place where we have witnessed many wonder works of our Saviour which has further established us in our faith and calling. It continues to be the chief centre of evangelistic work. But as you would see for yourselves that facilities that we should have to do work professionally efficiently is lacking. We are indeed thankful to you for having provided for one of the most pressing needs of this hospital and that is the shadowless lamp. How hard it had been to do without it is hard to describe. In the rainy season the roof leaks badly. We have to move patients and sometimes surgical cases from one place to another. Once even the operation table had to be shifted in the midst of gastro-jejunostomy operation. The well which provides us with drinking water - we call it 'Jacob's well' is used by patients and their relatives freely. The well is sometimes used as a public bathroom. As such asbestos cement roof and water system facilities are pressing and essential. In Amlai, Kewahi, Khanaudi and a few other places people have asked to run road side dispensaries once or twice a week but we have no transportation facilities. Beloved mothers essentially we have invited you here to welcome you, greet you and to have your blessed fellowship but as your spiritual children we also take this opportunity to cry out to you our needs and difficulties. Your motherly hearts would understand these needs of ours better than others. Lastly may we add that a chapel for this growing congregation is a must. The hospital verandah which is not at all spacious to accommodate the worshippers is also not a fit place for worship, specially from the point of view of presenting a witness to the people. Three years ago this small congregation took an initiative and collected nearly Rs.1600/- with which we sunk foundation for a chapel 57' x 20' with a vestry 8' x 10' and raised the foundation to plinth level of 3' above the ground level. In last three weeks we have collected cash and pledges to the amount of Rs.3100. By God's grace we have purchased 63000 bricks which will be our requirement for the above chapel. We still need Rs.7000. We would continue these local efforts,

but we also commit this urgent need to your prayers and support. We have also brought this to the notice of the Executive Committee of our mission. We request your prayers for all these and through you appeal to the Church as a whole to contribute liberally to meet these needs of ours. We also thank you for all that you have done for us and also for all that you would be doing for us hereafter.

Replying to the welcome address Presidents gave a brief message by turn. They spoke in Telugu, translated in English by Dr. (Mrs) Rao and then further translated from English to Hindi by Rev. Rao. Almost all of them reminded us of the love of God on the Cross of Calvary and it was this love in them which brought them to the field. It was the same love which has made this fellowship possible. They thanked the congregation the way they were received and welcomed and that they are filled with joy and thanksgiving to the Lord. They said that they were overwhelmed to see the excellent work being done by their children and specially by the children from their own Church. They had only heard of it and read of it in papers but today the Lord has given them opportunity to see it for themselves. Their labour was not in vain at all. We praise and thank God for the same they said. One of the Presidents and my notes tell me it was Mrs. K. Devassahayam who assured us that something was being done to raise the support of Missionary Miss A. S. Gopal's salary. Whether it is full or partial support it will ease a tremendous financial burden on the hospital. They further assured us that they have taken notes on our needs and would pray with us to the Lord to meet each one of them.

Miss K. Hiram also thanked the congregation for the honour given to her with other Presidents. She said she was not a President and was not worthy to receive the same. She was just a visitor and her father has underwritten all her expenses for this visit and said this was indeed a rich experience to her as a young person. On hearing this our congregation acted to make her President Emeritus (Honoris Causa) for the tour.

After hearing these Church Mothers special members were presented by the yuvak, yuvati and Streela Samaj of our congregation. A Telugu number was given by the staff of the hospital and the Presidents. After Lord's prayer and benediction sweets and mixture was served to the gathering followed by hot tea. With prayer the function came to an end.

Saturday the 15th Presidents joined the staff at their family devotion at the family altar of the Raos. Once again we were reminded from the Word of God about the love 1 Cor. 13. We were much encouraged by the fact 'Love never faileth'. Indeed it was this unfailing love of God toward man that brought Jesus to earth to be a propitiation for our sins. Miss A. S. Gopal then led us in prayer and with Lord's prayer and benediction we rose for breakfast. This is how we begin our day daily.

After the breakfast Presidents then joined us in our hospital devotional service at 8.30 A.M. conducted by the hospital chaplain Rev. Rao. We all together read 1 Cor. 13. Rev. Rao gave a gospel message and then prayed to God that non-Christians gathered there would accept the Lord as their Saviour; patients in the hospital may be granted healing in body and spirit and that His humble servants may be given grace enough for the day to glorify Him. With Lord's prayer and benediction the devotion service concluded.

The Presidents were then shown round the hospital by the doctor and the hospital staff. They were told how and from whence all that we have in the hospital were secured. Bed patients were introduced and were acquainted with their sufferings. We paused in our operation theatre and the shadowless lamp was switched on. President Mrs. K. Devassahayam was called upon to pray and thank God for the same. They were also shown the visible marks of leakages in the roof of the hospital. They were really moved by the pathetic conditions under which we were carrying on the work. They were then ushered to the chapel plinth and they were told a brief history of the same. There also they were moved

visibly and one of them was called upon to pray to the Lord to provide to complete the same. There are many temples and mosques of false gods and the god who is unknowable at all in this town and area but not one for the true and only living God The Most High God of Abraham.

After this inspection Presidents visited Shahdol bazaar for shopping.

The Mahila Samaj of Shahdol congregation had arranged an outdoor picnic for the Presidents. Under a Mahuwa tree on the 13 acre site of the mission about 13 women of the Samaj gathered with the Presidents. Each one of them cooked an M.P. speciality in light refreshment and brought with them. This small function began at 3.30 P.M. Pastor Rao who is also the leader of the Mahila Samaj presided. We sang a bhajan and then I read from Psalm 19 and gave a brief history of this valuable piece of mission property. They were also told that this was the future site for the proposed hospital to be built by LWF/CDS assistance. One of the Presidents was asked to pray for the same. Tiffin carriers were then opened and then we feasted on several specialities before us after thanksgiving to God. We were really satisfied for in the evening everybody was asking for carminative mixture. These Mothers from AMLC told our ladies of their activities and appreciated this outdoor programme very much. They also said that they would also introduce such outdoor meetings with picnic in their Samajs. With prayer Lord's prayer and benediction this programme concluded.

From the beginning of mission work in this place, we have felt the necessity of fasting and prayer to seek God's guidance and grace to face many problems which we encounter everyday. Thus Saturday evening was set aside for the purpose. Once again it was a more blessed occasion when ^{on} our invitation Presidents joined us in this period of intercession after a very heavy day. In addition to this every day at 4 P.M. we have a brief period of intercession. We gathered round our family altar at 9 P.M. It was my privilege to remind ourselves that our prayers should be for those items which would go to perform the Lord's will here upon the earth. With us they interceded for many things needed to accomplish Lord's will. This session ended at 11.30 P.M. The Presidents commended this practice very much and became more eager to know about the humble beginnings of this work. Since it was too late then doctor advised that we would have a missionary breakfast on Sunday morning and then in brief she would relate the humble beginnings of this ministry.

Sunday the 16th gathered with us for missionary breakfast. We sang 'Holy Holy Holy Lord God Almighty'. Doctor offered prayer and then as we were eating our breakfast porched eggs and bread and coffee doctor told the Presidents of the humble starting of this ministry in Telugu. There were questions and supplementaries asked to gather more information about this work. Again they were touched very much and praised God with us for the wonderful way in which He led His children through the valley of the shadow of death to behold the glories of saving souls today.

At 8.30 A.M. Presidents joined the congregation for Sunday worship service and at the Lord's table. Here again we experienced Lord's special blessings to us when we could celebrate the Lord's Day and Lord's Supper with our spiritual mothers.

After the worship service Presidents posed for a photograph with the staff.

They were then driven in cycle rickshaws to the Palace of the Royal Family of Shahdol. They were received there by the Rani who showed them round their small palace and its gardens. The distinguished ladies ate lunch with us. On this occasion Presidents were presented with a small gift from the congregation as remembrance of their visit to Shahdol Field.

We all gathered round our family altar when Dr. Rao prayed for them committing them in the Lord's hands as they journeyed forward to complete their remaining tour and then back home. Miss A.S. Gopal

accompanied them up to Kotma.

At the station they were seen off by the staff and representatives of Mahila, yuvak yuwati Sunday School and congregation men folks. It was another moving scene of parting. We invite them to visit us again when it is convenient for them.

I thank the members of our congregation and the Rewa Mission staff who helped me to make this visit of the Presidents so successful. My special thanks to my beloved wife Dr. (Mrs) R. Rao who did much to erect the pandal, cooking food herself to provide the best possible entertainment round the tables. Above all we are thankful to the Almighty God for His grace sufficient for us all to glorify His name even through this visit of His daughters. May His name be praised for ever.

C.B. Rao,
Missionary-in-Charge,
Shahdol, M.Pr.

P.S. We missed Miss Van Deusen who was to have accompanied the Presidents. Our special regards to her.

The Rev. J.D. Asirvadam, M.A.

Arulagam, Tambaram,
20 17th December 1966.

The Rev. V. Aind,
Pramukh Adhyaksh,
G.E.L. Church.

Dear Rev. Aind,

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Recently I came to know that you have taken over the leadership of the Gossner Church, for which may I express my congratulations and satisfaction that the Lord has called you to be GELC third Pramukh. I am confident that under your leadership further signal progress will be recorded. I was happy to send to Gospel Witness clippings from LWF news release in which your name appeared as Acting President in Dr. Bage's absence in Europe. I am sending you a copy of a letter which I am writing to Mr. N.E. Here in charge of your Central Office so that he may send me information promptly for inclusion in a report soon to be published. asked for

1966 and 1967 budgets: We received very little contribution from GELC in 1965. We are confident that with the unremitted balance of Rewa Mission contribution for 1965 and the amount collected on Rewa Mission Day in all the congregations you can easily remit the full budgeted sum of Rs. 5000 before the year end. We shall be thankful if you kindly arrange with the GELC Treasurer and the Treasurer's office to remit by a crossed cheque whatever has accumulated in your Treasury to the credit of the Rewa Mission. ^{This year} ~~this year~~ still remains unremitted to our Rewa Mission Treasurer. We shall appreciate your speedy help in this matter. I also understand that when the 1967 budget of Rewa Mission receipts and expenses was passed by the FELC on September 7th, 1966, the figure was kept at Rs. 5000 with the concurrence of Dr. Bage who attended the meeting as Secretary, FELC when he was still Pramukh, I believe. We shall be thankful for the Gossner contribution steadily increasing proportionately to the size of the Church and the steadily increasing work of the mission. With your good grasp of finances and administration and your long experience of the work of the Gossner Church, we are confident that during your term of office, you will help to increase the budget contribution steadily year after year.

Regarding arrangements for local Rewa Mission Jubilee Celebrations, we shall value your advice regarding possibilities therefor in 1967 when our Secretary writes to you on the matter.

I enclose a copy of Rev. C.B. Rao's report on the visit of the AELC Synodical Women Presidents of the AELC for circulation.

With all good wishes for a Blessed Christmas for you and your family as well as the whole GELC,

Yours in His service,
J. D. Asirvadam

Copy to the Secretary, Rewa Mission
Treasurer, "

Report of Rev. C.B. Rao re Visit of Synodical Women Presidents

I have suggested to Mr. N.E. How that you can get 6 additional copies sent, each church may get a copy for circulation among church leaders & heads of important institutions in each church. If that is not possible you may use my existing circulation paper, & you may change the order and add extra names in the list. I must know copies may be typed.

If you may kindly give the names and addresses of church Presidents (I am now going to Bage's) and the names and addresses of the Church Secy & Church Treasurer, I shall be thankful.

Dec 20/12

Mr. N.E. Horo, B.A.,
Manager, Central Office,
GELC.

Dear Mr. Horo,

The Rewa Mission Officers have asked me to write out a brief account of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations - All India and local.

I believe it was Mr. Samad, the Church Secretary that collected the jubilee gifts in kind. Could you kindly tell me who presented the greetings on behalf of the Church, the envelope with a gift in cash or cheque enclosed therein, and the parcel of clothes etc. I believe it was the Gossner Treasurer who gave the greetings and the gift in cash or cheque probably by the Secretary and you handed over the gifts in kind. I would like to ^{know} mention the names of persons who took part in the presentation. Kindly give me the names with correct initials of those who took part in the ceremony of presentation.

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Also on January 10th I handed over to Dr. Bage through the Treasurer and Secretary as noted in my diary 25 copies of the Souvenir and 25 copies of LNMS History and the Secretary and Treasurer took over 25 copies of the Souvenir only to be sold in their two different Anchals in Bihar outside Ranchi Town which is under the Pramukh. As the Secretary and Treasurer may be visiting you at Ranchi, kindly ascertain how many copies of the souvenir have been sold in their Anchals. Also copies of souvenir and history given to Dr. Bage may have been left with you as you are in charge of the Central Office, and you may know how many of these copies meant for the residents in and visitors to Ranchi have been sold. I shall be grateful for early information regarding these matters. If you feel that I should write to Dr. Bage regarding the copies entrusted to him, kindly let me know whether I should address him at Rangangpur.

With all good wishes for a Blessed and Happy Christmas and New Year to you and family,

Yours sincerely,

J.D.

Copy to The Pramukh Adhyaksh, GELC
The Secretary, GELC
The Treasurer, GELC ✓
The Secretary, Rewa Mission.

The officers who met on Dec. 17th wanted the Souvenir to be sold. So the details will be in the jubilee file forms in future. *J.D.*

The Treasurer etc How did you divide the 25 copies given for your 25 Anchals? How many are still with you - Kindly explain. Also additional copies of Dr. Bage's letter with the Central office. Sales proceeds are to go to the Treasurer, Anantapur. Since Mrs. Gossner is Treasurer, advisedly by a Bank deposit of Rs. 0. Kindly send me a note to say how the matter has been dealt with so far. Ever best wishes for a Blessed Xmas.

J.D. *J.D.*

The Rev. J.D. Asirvadam, M.A.

Arulagam, Tambaram,
17th December, 1966

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The Rewa Mission Officers have asked me to write out a brief account of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations - All India and local.

I believe it was Mr. Samad, the Church Secretary that collected the jubilee gifts in kind. Could you kindly tell me who presented the greetings on behalf of the Church, the envelope with a gift in cash or cheque enclosed therein, and the parcel of clothes etc. I believe it was the Gossner Treasurer who gave the greetings and the gift in cash or cheque probably by the Secretary and you handed over the gifts in kind. I would like to ^{have} mention the names of persons who took part in the presentation. Kindly give me the names with correct initials of these who took part in the ceremony of presentation. ^{As the publication is soon to be issued as at the officers' meeting, I have asked him to be the statement of the Jubilee Celebrations with this information.}

Also on January 10th I handed over to Dr. Bage through the Treasurer and Secretary as noted in my diary 25 copies of the Souvenir and 25 copies of LNMS History and the Secretary and Treasurer took over 25 copies of the Souvenir only to be sold in their two different Anchals in Bihar outside Ranchi Town which is under the Pramukh. As the Secretary and Treasurer may be visiting you at Ranchi, kindly ascertain how many copies of the souvenir have been sold in their Anchals. Also copies of souvenir and history given to Dr. Bage may have been left with you as you are in charge of the Central Office, and you may know how many of these copies meant for the residents in and visitors to Ranchi have been sold. I shall be grateful for early information regarding these matters. If you feel that I should write to Dr. Bage regarding the copies entrusted to him, kindly let me know whether I should address him at Rangangpur.

With all good wishes for a Blessed and Happy Christmas and New Year to you and family,

Yours sincerely,

J. D. Asirvadam

Copy to The Pramukh Adhyaksh, GELC

The Secretary, GELC

The Treasurer, GELC

The Secretary, Rewa Mission. To be kindly passed on to

and good wishes for a Blessed Christmas for you and family and for your responsible fellow workers in the Central Office. - J

Mr. Treasurer in Charge of sale of our Jubilee Publications.

1) I am sending Mrs. Pramukh Adhyaksh a Copy of a Report by Rev. C. B. Rao on the Visit of 5 GELC Synodical Women Committees to residents - for circulation. That can only be sent off to you on 8th. If you can kindly take 5 or 6 copies, you can send 1 copy to each anchor. Copies also for our circulation to important institutions like the Theol. College, Youth leaders, Women's Union etc. The Pramukh will send it to you with my circulation slip attached. You may fill in the gaps - which is the anchor where the Church Secretary is. I have also the very much - Similarly the anchor where Treasurer is. If you may type 6 additional copies, you can forward by post 6 circulation slips for each copy for your circulation.

2) I am sending copies of my letter to the Secretary Treasurer of the GELC. Kindly forward him and request him to hand over sale proceeds of Jubilee Publications to the Central Office. or send it directly to Treasurer. Rev. K. S. Rao

Dec 20/12

Together they are responsible only for 25 copies of Souvenir. J

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GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM
RANCHI, BIHAR.

Pranukh Adhyaksh : Rev. C.B.Aind

No. 711/66-KSS-110
November 15, 1966

To,

All Secretaries of Anchals
Secretary Headquarters Congregation,
Secretary Khatitoly Synod

Re: Rewa Mission Day - observance in the G.E.L.Church
congregations during 1966

Dear Friends,

As in previous years this year we have to observe the Rewa Mission Day in the congregations of the G.E.L.Church. Last year a date was fixed but then congregations were given the liberty to fix their own dates (any one Sunday) according to local conveniences. In previous years envelopes were supplied or we asked you to arrange your own. We also supplied (with a particular form for keeping the records of collections made. *Don*

We ask you to repeat the same arrangements this year also. We will be sending you the collection form for your Parishes. Each Parish will collect the amounts from its congregations and then send it to the Treasurer G.E.L.Church.

You are requested therefore to kindly fix a date for the congregations of your Anchal for observing the Rewa Mission Day and let us know the date or dates when it will be observed.

Last year we asked the Parishes to send the collections direct to the KSS Treasurer. You may please give your own instructions either to send the collections direct to KSS or to centralise it at the Anchal Treasury which will then send it to the KSS. Please make your own decisions in this respect. We only want to be assured by you that the collections are promptly centralised and remitted to the KSS Treasurer at his Ranchi address.

Please give clear instructions to your congregations/Parishes/Illakas/Synods concerned.

Yours sincerely,

cc/
Treasurer GELC
Head Acctt GELC

C.B.A.
Pranukh Adhyaksh

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To
Mr. N. E. Horo,
Manager, Central Office,
Gossner Church,
Ranchi.

10/29/3/66

Dear Mr. Horo,

At the time of the Triennial Conference I was so very pre-occupied with my duties connected with the jubilee celebrations that for the first time I missed full participation in the deliberations of our Triennial Conference. Though I was physically present I had to be as you noticed continually moving about contacting the persons who have to take part in one jubilee function after another and also to be with the leaders regarding the sale of the souvenir and the history of the Lutheran National Missionary Society. I realise what a precious opportunity I had of coming into the good fellowship with every delegate of the Gossner Church such I had always loved to do in the past. Though I happened to be in the mess along with you all, I often came late and even at the table I had to stay with certain persons to discuss matters connected with the jubilee celebrations and especially I should have enjoyed the full and frank conversation with you on the affairs of our dear Gossner Church. I was very sorry to hear that our good friend Mr. C. M. Horo has been so ill that he had to leave his work at Ranchi and return to his village at Govindpur. I am today writing a letter to reach him c/o. the present Headmaster of the School for Pracharaks at Govindpur.

My present main concerns in relation to our Churches are two. (1) To get every local congregation to celebrate the Rewa Mission Jubilee on a Sunday that the pastor and the Parish Committee may agree on and with the help of a special Rewa Mission Jubilee Committee try to contact every home and not only give them the news about our work and the aim of our celebrations but also take practical steps to make the work of the Rewa Mission very real to the rank and file of our church members in every parish. I would therefore value your advice in the matter. I have already suggested to the Pramukh Adhyaksh that you might be requested to function as a liaison between the Rewa Mission and the Gossner Church and its anghals, parishes and mandlis.

I am enclosing some papers which have already gone to the Pramukh Adhyaksh. The Bishop of the TELC as soon as he returned from Geneva on the 19th endorsed a typed appeal we had sent to congregations and institutions to reach them with the endorsement of the Church President. On the 19th Bishop Manikam endorsed the appeal and as we have a Special Committee for Rewa Mission work in the TELC, he sent over the papers to Mr. D. S. P. John, the Chairman of the Rewa Mission Committee of the TELC, who has an office of his own as the Headmaster of the U.C. High School, Madurai to have the appeal duplicated and sent out along with the jubilee circular No. II regarding local celebrations dated 12.2.1966 and that has already been done. In our appeal we had said that we would be supplying the needed envelopes to the pastors, so that they may see that each family or each earning member gets the envelope in which will be enclosed (a) a slightly abridged translation of the Jubilee Circular No. II in Hindi translated by Rev. C. B. Rao and sent out by him to the Pramukh Adhyaksh. Our request was that it may be published in the first place in Garbandhu and about 20,000 copies of the jubilee circular in Hindi be taken ~~xxxxxx~~ to go as enclosure 1 in the jubilee collection envelope. We had requested Dr. M. Bage that if there was any delay in pushing it into Garbandhu and taking 20000 reprints he could order the printing of 20000 jubilee circular in Hindi and send the bill to us for payment. In the case of Hindi we would need 1000 for the M.P. and 100 copies for the Rewa Mission and about 500 copies for the Surguja Board.

(b) The monthly subscription pledge slip - I am sending you a sample copy that is being used for the Churches in the Tamil area. We shall be thankful if you kindly discuss the matter with Pramukh Adhyaksh and get the Hindi translation sent by Rev. C. B. Rao printed in Garbandhu or printed separately even in which case we would like the

① even after printing 20,000
Copies of Jubilee Circular printed in advance
for GELC, 1000 for R.F. & L.C., 100 for
Rewa and 400 for Surguja,

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circular to appear in Garbandhu in a later issue and see that these packets of envelopes containing adequate quantities for each parish may go to the pastors of the GELC.

I do not know the set up in the GELC. In the TELC, ALC, MP ELC, JELC or SALC the Church President sends out directly to each pastor the circulars as well as the packets of envelopes that have to be distributed to the families of earning members. But I do not know whether you would handle the matter through the Anchal Presidents or other Officers. Of course dealing with such a common FELC concern directly by the President concerned will be more effective from one point of view but each Church is free to follow its own procedure and if these packets have to be distributed through the Anchals we would request you to take special responsibility for this matter and request the Pramukh Adhyaksh to have the needed packets sent out to the Anchal President. In any case as we have sent also 500 copies of the English circular No. II to be sent to the pastors and heads of institutions as advance copies so that each parish and each institution may decide on the proper time and date on which the jubilee could be observed. So in the first place kindly make sure that this circular ^{has already gone to every pastor} and every head of institution ^{and that immediately thereafter the} envelopes with the two enclosures ^{may be forwarded to every parish} directly or through the Anchal Office or through the Pramukh Adhyaksh. Of course as the Pramukh is the pastor in charge of Ranchi congregation, Ranchi Town can be easily handled but we would specially need your help and guidance in regard to reaching parishes and institutions through the Anchal Office.

(2) Apart from this immediate ^{Jubilee} concern which may be put through (if not in April or May) in June or July, there is another matter on which the Rewa Mission Officers will have to get busy in the second ^{half-year} term. As usual the first Sunday in October is Rewa Mission Day and Dr. Bage has with great devotion helped us to make the observance of the Rewa Mission Day effective in the Gossner Church. With the new ^{inspiration} of our Golden Jubilee and with the cooperation of all those who had attended the jubilee celebrations in Madras, I hope that the Pramukh and other Adhyakshs would be able to make the Rewa Mission Day observance even more effective in 1966 than till now.

I wish to make one suggestion to our Pramukh. In case this matter has not been handled so far this matter be taken up with the Anchals and it may be that the institutions may observe the local ^{Rewa Mission} jubilee sometime in July or August. ^{when the} congregations may combine the Rewa Mission Day observance with the jubilee celebrations and the congregation may bring their envelope offerings as well as gifts in kind to be auctioned ^{at the latest} on the first Sunday in October ^{before the} Rewa Mission Day. But it will be good not to mix up the two if at all possible, but if there have been practical difficulties which may delay the observance then it may be suggested to the congregations ^{in Gossner and other parishes} that they may hold the jubilee festival in connection with the Rewa Mission Day observance.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

J. D. Asawa-dam

~~the~~ along with the appeal as endorsed by
the Pramukh Adhyaksh and received at the President's Office

Christ Church parish, Ranchi Town and the two Bihar Anchals may hold the Jubilee celebrations as early as possible. One Gossner Student at Gurnukul who attended the Teachers' is willing to do the publication work in Bihar Centres of JELC under the direction of the Pramukh, at I shall write to the Pramukh regarding this when my 8 sons return from his village where he has gone to collect his harvest

Dec. 26/3

Mr. N. E. Horo,

My part time steno could not get my letter to you ready to be mailed on Thursday the 24th. So that it could reach you on Saturday the 26th, but the letter I had dictated to the Pramukh was ready, and I mailed it on the 24th and informed him that the copy of my letter to you which was to accompany my letter to the pramuksh will reach him through you. I therefore enclose not only the original letter to you but also its copy marked for the pramukh to be kindly passed on to him enclosed in a cover.

1966 is an important year for the Rewa Mission and we were all happy that the All India Celebrations could be held in Madras when the members of the F.E.L.C. Conference could all be present. Since Dr. Bage came into the scene as Chairman of the Board of Missions, he has taken a very real personal interest in the good work done at Shahdol and we shall be happy if there is any chance for you to visit Surguja to visit Shahdol also which is indeed one of the most inspiring centres of Christian work in the whole Lutheran area in India.

We shall look to you for your special interest and co-operation in our Jubilee efforts to make the local celebrations and occasion to deepen among all our people love for mission work and dedication to the call of winning souls in these remote, till - now - unreached areas in India.

Dec 26/5.
J.D.A.

To be printed
in the Sunday.

(To be enclosed in the
Jub. Offering Envelope
along with the Church
Constitution)

REWA MISSION MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE.

Thanking God for the dedicated services of the Rewa Missionaries
and praising Him for bringing many into the Church through the preaching of
the saving Gospel, I promise to contribute Rs. P. per month
for the support of the Gospel work in the Rewa Mission Field.

Date:

Signature.

To be printed
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* REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE SPECIAL OFFERING ENVELOPE. *
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* O! Give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His Name; *
* tell the people what things He had done (Ps. 105:1) *
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* I am debtor to preach the Gospel: for it is the *
* power God unto salvation to every one that believeth; *
* to Jew first and also the Greek. (Rom: 1. 14-16) *
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* He with soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully *
* (II Cor. 9 : 6) *
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* GOD LOVETH A CHEERFUL GIVER *
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* From: *
* (Name of Donor) *
* Pastor. *
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To his kindness
I passed in England &
* hinder & send to every
post. - in 1845
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from the Government
office here

Golden Jubilee appeal to the member

Golden Jubilee appeal to the members of congregations, pastors and other in charge of institutions

Herewith the Rewa Mission printed Jubilee Circular No.II dated 12th February, 1966 is sent for advance information so that due preparations for the celebrations on the appointed day may be made.

Dorairaj Peter,
J.D. Asirvadam,
Co-Chairman.

John Nallathambi, Treasurer,
G. Thomas Edward, Secretary,
K. Devasahayam, President.

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REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE

Circular II: **LOCAL CELEBRATIONS**, 12-2-1966

The first Jubilee Circular dated 17th July 1965 contained suggestions for effectively celebrating the Golden Jubilee: All India, Regional and Local. These were already communicated to all our Church Executives, Congregations and Institutions. On January 10, 1966 after the All India celebrations ended in Madras, the Board of Missions met, and recommended to the F. E. L. C. Triennial Conference that the decisions of last year regarding local celebrations be implemented in every parish, which has been duly endorsed. These local celebrations are intended to be an occasion to inform all the members of every congregation regarding the work in the Rewa Mission Field and inspire them to thanksgiving, to deeper interest and to fervent prayer that the work may be more fully blessed in the coming years. We have yet a great unfinished task which demands the faithful and whole-hearted co-operation of all our Church members. The Local congregations are requested

1. to **fix a Sunday** as early as possible and make adequate preparations to observe it as a day of thanksgiving and prayer for the work.

2. (a) to **Vote from its** parish or congregational **budget or reserve** Rs. 25 or its multiples according to its ability (e. g. Pursawalkam Church contributed Rs. 500. This source may not be available in many congregations. Then no amount need be voted.)

(b) to **enlist** the co-operation of **every earning member to give** the symbolic 50 coins (1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 25, or 50 coins) or so. (The first four contributions to the Jubilee Fund received from individuals by the Treasurer were Rs. 50 each).

3. to **enlist every earning member as a regular monthly subscriber**. This will enable the Adibasi Work in the Amarkantak area to be initiated as our main Jubilee Project and be developed year by year.

It is urged that full preparation be made to bring the work and objectives of the Rewa Mission to the knowledge of all our Church members. This may be done by news being given out from time to time from the pulpit by the pastor. P. C. Members and members of Rewa Mission Committees who volunteer can help by visiting homes, and conducting wherever possible Rewa Mission Jubilee Cottage Prayer Meetings. News may

be given in the Youth and Women's meetings, Boarding Homes and Institutions. It was suggested in the first Jubilee Circular of July 15, 1965 that ex-officio members may constitute the Rewa Mission Local Committee as follows: Secretary and Treasurer of Parish or Pastorate committee, and of the local Youth and Women's organisations with the Pastor as Chairman. The local Committee may kindly be constituted during this Year of Jubilee preparations and they may continue in future years as a standing Rewa Mission Committee for the Parish. Out of the Jubilee Fund, two Jubilee projects are to be executed.

1. Renovation of the Murwahi house to be used as Gnanabaranam Memorial Hostel (this was recommended unanimously by the Missionary Conference in November 1964.) This house built by Dr. A. Nallathambi as his residence and dispensary became the residence of the Gnanabaranams when his first house had to be dismantled, and later of the Krupadanams. In fact the decision to preserve the house is to honour the memory of all the three pioneer missionaries who lived in it.

2. Completion of the Shahdol Chapel: For which the foundation up to the plinth was dedicated in November 1962 (This has been urged by the missionaries as Need No. 1 in respect of our Shahdol work.)

Note: A suggestion has been made by a member of the Jubilee Working Committee that the Rewa Mission should consider at its next executive meeting the need to initiate a suitable memorial for Rev. B. J. Krupadanam in co-operation with the Surguja Board.

Any balance after meeting Jubilee undertakings and other Jubilee expenses will go into the Jubilee Endowment Fund along with life membership fees of Rs. 100 solicited from every life member.

May the Jubilee local celebrations with the blessings of God enlist every home as a partner in prayer and active help so that the Rewa Mission may enter on a period of expansion and rapid growth of the Church in the field.

The harvest is plentiful but the labourers are few.

Our Missionaries: The Rev. C. B. and Dr. (Mrs.) Ramabai Rao, Miss Emily S. Vedanayagam, Sister Agnes S. Gopal, Pastor S. Spencer (Shahdol) and Rev. Raymond Martin (Murwahi)

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20th February, 1966.

The Secretary, G.E.L.C.

Dear Mr. Samad,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that goes to the Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer of which a copy goes to the Pramukh Adyaksh. In the first place I wish to thank you for your good co-operation in our Jubilee matters and particularly for fulfilling your promise to bring gifts in kind from Chota Nagpur. All who have seen your hand-woven articles have deeply appreciated the quality of the gift as well as the significance of these gifts which represent manual labour of the producers and their donors as a tangible mark of love from ~~for~~ Chota Nagpur.

We have to appeal to all our co-operating Churches to send out first the English copy of Jubilee Circular No.2 to prepare Pastors and their committees to arrange for local Rewa Mission Jubilee celebrations on a selected Sunday in each Mandli. (In rural parishes apart from gifts in money through the printed Jubilee special offering envelopes, there will be gifts in kind. ~~to what extent we succeeded in creating a sense of obligation~~ ^{we ought to} to win Rewa especially its southern district of Shahdol and the Adibasis in Amarkantak area for Christ) - and then to distribute envelopes with the Hindi circular and monthly membership pledge slip enclosed therein and collect these envelopes on the selected Rewa Mission Golden Jubilee Sunday. We shall be thankful for your kind co-operation ^{in this local sale} so that the first circular, ^{which needs to be immediately distributed} for which an accompanying appeal has been enclosed to be issued in renewed copies with brief endorsement of the President of the Church along with the English circular. As I have ^{received} no reply from Dr. Bage regarding this and as you may be ^{requested from the Secretary of the Jubilee Committee}

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If the Hindi circular cannot go into the March Gharbandu, it may later go in to the April Gharbandu. If it cannot go into the Gharbandu, I had requested Dr. Bage to order sufficient copies for use at Ranchi and all the four anchals and send the bill for the printing the same as a separate ~~2 page~~ 2 page leaflet, to me and I shall arrange for its payment by our Treasurer.

Envelopes

In the T.E.L.C. ^{we} to print 8000 copies for our 62,000 members. We reckon that at least 40,000 members can be reached by 8000 envelopes at 1 per family of 5. You are almost four times as many as the T.E.L.C. members. I think some time ago we reckoned that you might ^{also} need 20,000 envelopes with 20,000 enclosures (a. Hindi Circular; b. a small membership pledge). It is for the G.E.L.C. leaders to determine how many copies could be effectively used. We shall value your co-operation. With cordial thanks for your warm hearted co-operation,

all the help you can give

Yours sincerely,

J. D. Aswathan

Kindly encourage pastors & lay leaders to do their best. Also those who attended the Madras Celebrations may help in as many local Celebrations as is possible.

Sale of Souvenirs. 25 Copies of the Souvenirs were given for disposal in the 2 anchals with Bureau of which the Secy of Treasurers G.E.L.C. are officers in their respective anchals. Kindly report how the sale proceeds. Don

Rewa Mission Golden Jubilee 1916-1966

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Choolaimedu, Madras-24.

PRINCIPAL J. SOUNDARAJAN

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21st Feb. 1966.

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THE REV. DORAIRAJ PETER
Tiruvannamalai (N. Arcot)

THE REV. J. D. ASIRVADAM
Tambaram, Madras-45.

Dear Dr. Bage,

1. C.D.S. Action: Kindly let me know if you have received any news regarding this matter.

2. Packet of 500 copies of Jubilee Circular No.2 was sent from the press by registered post which I trust reached you a week ago.

3. Distribution of the English Circular: We requested that immediately copies may go up to pastors in charge of parishes and heads of institutions so that the matter may be considered as early as possible and the day be fixed for local celebration in each Mandli and wherever possible by important institutions. Along with this should go a circular conveying our request, and kindly endorsing the same for implementation on the selected Jubilee Day.

4. As soon as the envelopes and circulars and the membership enrolment sheet have been printed, the press may enclose 1 copy of each of the circular and the slip in each envelope and the press may be asked to send out directly to the Pastors-in-charge sufficient copies of envelopes so that each family or earning member may get a copy.

In the T.E.L.C. the envelope distribution is done by ~~xxxxxx~~ the Chairman of the Rewa Mission Committee of the T.E.L.C., who sends out sufficient quantities for each pastor directly. But I do not know what procedure you follow in the G.E.L.C. It would be simpler if the centre does it for all the anchals. But you have your own arrangement. I shall be thankful if some information can reach me as to whether No.3 has been done and whether the translation has been printed; if so, when and how packets of envelopes with enclosures will go to each pastor. With cordial greetings,

Yours sincerely,
J. D. Asirvadam

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21st February, 1966.

The Vice-President, The Secretary, and The Treasurer.
Gossner Church.

Dear Friends,

Copies of my letter mail to Dr. Bage as the President of the Church have not been mail to you till now in the hope that I might have noted the addresses of the Secretary and Treasurer somewhere in my diary. I shall not wait any longer. But I wish to enclose copies of circular that have gone to the President for your information and for securing your co-operation in implementing Jubilee Circulars No. 1 & 2 in regard to local celebrations of the Rewa Mission Jubilee in every congregation of the G.E.L.C. This appeal of the Rewa Mission strongly backed by the F.E.L.C. needs to be implemented in the course of the Jubilee Year preferably as early as possible.

I have requested the Pramuk Adyaksh to get Circular No. 2 translated and publish in the March issue of the Gharbandu so that sufficient copies of reprints may be taken for distribution among the families or earning members in each congregation. We should give time to each Parish Council to make the needed preparation for an effective implementation of the requests made to our congregation through the Presidents of the Churches with the backing of the Board of Missions and the F.E.L.C.

I have recently written to him that in case it cannot go into the March Issue of Gharbandu, it may be printed separately so that sufficient copies may go not only for distribution among the parishes of the four anchals but also to the President of the N.E.L.C. for Hindi copies being made use of wherever possible in Bihar and also to Rev. B. Israelsson for M.P. congregations and to Rev. C.B. Rao and Rev. B. Ananda Rao for distribution among the homes of congregation in the Rewa and Surguja fields. As the congregations are free to choose suitable Sundays for their Jubilee celebrations, the Editor of Gharbandu may even now have the Hindi translation of Jubilee Circular No. 2. composed as matter for April issue of Gharbandu so that it may be available in permanent form in the official monthly publication of the G.E.L.C. Also through publication in Gharbandu, it would be available for the readers for their information.

Whether it could go into the March or the April issue of Gharbandu, I have assured the Pramuk Adyaksh to go ahead with the printing of the Jubilee Circular No. 2 as a separate pamphlet even if it may be too late to be printed in the March issue and early reprints taken or even if it may inconvenience the editing of the April issue by having to take the reprint one month ahead. The Jubilee Committee and the Rewa Mission Officers request that the Hindi circular be available immediately so that congregations who are ready to act early may have the necessary material provided in sufficient quantity as early as possible.

I write this to responsible Officers of the three anchals in Bihar and Orissa so that they may take up the question with the officers or the Executives of the Anchals and ensure due preparations being made not only for immediate distribution of the Circular in English but also for the distribution very soon thereafter of the Hindi circular and the monthly membership pledge to be printed and enclosed in the Hindi Rewa Mission Golden Jubilee Special Offering Envelope to be sent in sufficient quantities to the Pastors in charge of parishes. So that in each parish, due preparation may be made that every Mandly appoints its own Sunday and for its own celebration.

On Saturday the 18th I received the programme for the local Jubilee celebration to be held in an important rural Parish Pandur ~~not~~ far from Madras. Along with many parishes in T.E.L.C. Pandur has been a very devoted supporter of our Rewa work from 1916. At the Rewa Mission Festival Day they not only brought gifts in cash but also valuable gifts in kind - Calves, Goats, Poultry, ^{grains} Vegetables and locally made articles for sale. This rural Parish has invited the new President of the Rewa Mission (The Rev. K. Devasahayam of the A.E.L.C.,) our Treasurer and me to take part in the programme. They have a Jubilee service at 9 a.m. followed by auction of gifts in kind and in the afternoon there will be a special Jubilee meeting at which four or five members will take part. It may not be possible for President K. Devasahayam to be present but I have conveyed the Jubilee Committee's invitation to him so that if he can arrange to arrive on Saturday morning the 5th and spend the Jubilee Day with the local parish it will give the parishioners very great ^{joy} and satisfaction that the President himself could be with them in their local celebration. As the Rewa Mission Executive is meeting on Tuesday the 8th I have suggested that we could have the Executive on the 7th in Madras so that he ~~did~~ need not more time in Madras and Pandur than his absolutely necessary. Of course it will not be possible for Officers of the Rewa Mission to take part in every local celebration but we would be thankful if Gossner members who took part in the All India celebration could be present and share in local celebrations wherever possible. I write this to make a special request that not only the four Officers including the Pramuk Adyaksh but also other participants in our All India celebrations in Madras last January may help as much as possible.

Our goal for the immediate present is win the Adibasi population of the Amarkantak in the Southern section of the Shahdol District M.P. If we can foster universal interest among all Lutheran families in our supporting Churches this goal can be reached very soon. We are all agreed that every Christian as an missionary obligation and it is our privilege and obligation to organise our Churches and Congregations in such a way that this work becomes an object of earnest prayer concern in every family and in the heart and conscience of every Lutheran Church member.

EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD
ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS FOR GOD

Yours

Your dear fellow worker
in this missionary work,

J. D. Asirvadam

(J. D. Asirvadam)

P.S. I wish to convey to the Officers of the G.E.L.C. and through them to all those who shared in the splendid gifts in kind brought to us all the ways from Chota Nagpur to the first Jubilee meeting in Madras presided over by your revered Pramuk Adyaksh the deep appreciation of the Jubilee Committee and of the Rewa Mission. We are thankful for these precious indigenous gifts from Chota Nagpur which will be sold out on a special occasion to the members of the premier Lutheran Congregation in Tannah Street, Madras. In the early days of your autonomy this congregation had the privilege of receiving the first G.E.L.C. Secretary Mr. Peter Hurad and P.C. ^{Church} ^{Natash} arranged for a tea party at which a photograph was taken of Mr. Peter Hurad with the group that met him more intimately at the party. The members will recall ^{the} ^{reminiscent} this incident when the hand-woven pieces are sold. Then we shall report to you what amount has been collected on that account and credited to the G.E.L.C. ^{for Jubilee fund}

J.D.A.

Pramuk Adyaksh,
Gossner Church.

16th February 6

Dear Dr. Bage,

Herewith I enclosed a copy of Jubilee Circular No.2. dated 12th February to gether with an appeal to the Pastors and congregations and institutions to be kindly endorsed as suggested at the foot of the sheet by you as Pramuk Adyaksh. A packet of 500 copies of the printed Jubilee Circular No.2. was despatch by the press to you by registered post which would have reached you before this appeal comes into your hands. We shall greatly value the despatch of this English circular immediately with a roneced copy of the enclosed appeal with your commendation. Probably you have 200 pastors and heads of important institutions but I am sending you 300 copies extra so that pastors in charge of larger parishes may get additional 2 copies or so for circulation among these in charge of worship services in the various Mandlis of the parish.

This immediate despatch of English circular may kindly be followed as soon as possible by the despatch of printed Jubilee offering envelope in which will be enclosed a copy of circular No.2 in Hindi and a small slip in which a member if he so wishes to do may become a regular monthly subscriber to stabilise and develop the existing work as well as immediately initiate Adibasi Work which has been long pending for lack of adequate resources in the annual budget. The regular monthly subscriptions will augment our income and enable us to send increasing number of Adibasi personal into the Amarkantak area, South Shahdol.

If no information has been sent to you by letter or telegram that Rev.C.B.Rao will be sending you the translation, kindly have it done by a competent person locally with the instruction that the Hindi matter should be edited so as not to exceed 2 pages of the printed Hindi circular.

Yours sincerely,

Copy to the Vice-President, G.E.L.C.

" Secretary, G.E.L.C.

" Treasurer, G.E.L.C.

CIRCULAR TO THE PRESIDENTS OF THE CONSTITUENT CHURCHES OF THE FELC.

On the recommendation of the Board of Missions, the FELC Conference at its Triennial Session held in Madras on January 7-10 has requested the Churches to implement the proposals already agreed on and notified in the Jubilee printed Circular No. I of 17th July, 1966 in so far as they relate to jubilee celebrations in every parish and congregation. The Officers of the Jubilee Committee and the Presidents of the Rewa Mission and the Rev. K. Devasahayam, who is also Vice-President of the FELC, are issuing Jubilee Circular No. II to solicit the cooperation of congregations to make the jubilee celebrations effective means of mobilising interest of the rank and file of our church members in the remarkable work that is being carried on in His grace in our Rewa Mission Field. Printed copies of this Jubilee Circular No. II of February 1966 will be soon available to be sent mostly by registered packets to all the Presidents of our supporting Churches. We request that the printed copies in English be sent off to pastors in charge of parishes and missionaries and heads of institutions so that a day may be agreed on to be observed as the Jubilee Sunday in every congregation and also that proper preparations be made for a really inspiring jubilee celebration of thanksgiving and dedication.

We are also requesting the editors of our church magazines to translate this circular in English and print them in the regional church journals. The Rewa Mission will supply the needed reprints so that packets may be sent to every pastor in charge of sufficient copies to be given to every home, or earning member.

Sufficient printed copies of the jubilee circular in Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Hindi oriya, Santali, Boro and Bengali be sent to each parish so that every home or earning member may get a copy of this circular. For effective distribution we would suggest that the envelopes also are printed in the regional language for which a sample is herewith sent. The press which is entrusted with the work may place one copy in each envelope and each parish may get the required number of copies.

We are anxious that through this effort a living contact may be made with every home so that each pledges to take a share however humble it may be in the work of the gospel in the area entrusted to us for missionary action. The Rewa Mission will pay for reprints as well as for the envelopes that may be printed. The cooperation of the following leaders is requested:

1. for the material in Tamil - A representative group in the Tamil area (Mr. D. S. P. John, Chairman of the Rewa Mission Committee of the FELC and the Madras Officers)
2. " Telugu - Rev. K. Devasahayam, Chairman of the Rewa Mission Committee of the ABLC.
3. " Malayalam - Rev. Enos, the new General Secretary of the IBLC.
4. " Hindi - Dr. M. Bage, Editor, Garbandhu.
5. " Oriya - Rev. J. Bag and Rev. B. J. Mahanti
6. " Santali - The Rev. M. M. Tudu,
7. " Boro & Bengali - Sufficient copies of the translations to be printed in Boro & Bengali by persons designated by Rev. M. M. Tudu, Vice-President of the Rewa Mission.

Dorairaj Peter,
J. D. Asirvadam,
Co-Chairmen.

Rev. G. Thomas Edward, Secretary,
J. Nallathambi, Treasurer
K. Devasahayam, President,
Rewa Mission.

8.2.1966.

Rewa Mission Membership Pledge.

Thanking God for the dedicated services of the Rewa Missionaries and praising Him for bringing many into the Church through the preaching of the saving Gospel, I promise to contribute Rs. P. per month for the support of the Gospel work in the Rewa Mission Field.

Date:

Signature.

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* REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE SPECIAL OFFERING ENVELOPE.
*
* NO Give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon His Name;
* tell the people what things He had done (Ps.105:1)
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* I am debtor ..... to preach the Gospel: for it is
* the power God unto salvation to every one that
* believeth; to the Jew first and also the Greek.
* (Rom. 1. 14-16)
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* He with soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully
* (II cor. 9 : 6)
*
* GOD LOVETH A CHEERFUL GIVER (thick type)
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* From: Pastor
* Name of Donor)
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Note: In the printed envelope in the regional language are to be enclosed
1. a copy of the Jubilee Circular in the regional language, and
2. a copy of the slip to indicate a free will offering to be given regularly as monthly subscription, which may be received from time to time according to ability.

A practice has been in vogue in certain Church areas chiefly among Church workers of giving free will monthly offering of 1 pice per rupee in the past and now 1 NP per rupee and in some cases even 2 NP per rupee. Since the Rewa Mission came under the administrative control of the F.E.L.C. the appeal has been made that every earning individual, man or woman, Church worker or non-Church worker, may give a free will offering regularly every month however small it may be as the member's individual share for maintaining and developing the good work of the Mission. Vide the appeal in the Jubilee Circular of 1965 ~~with~~ as well as in this circular.

(The Jubilee Circular regarding local celebrations, and the Monthly subscription slip are to be printed separately and enclosed in the printed envelope before the envelopes are given to each family or earning individual. Non earning individuals also may place their symbolic 50 coins or equivalent: annas 8, rupee 1 etc. in an ordinary envelope and bring it to the altar)

JUBILEE COMMITTEE.

REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE

Circular
Jubilee Arrangements based on the actions of the
Rewa Mission, approved by the F.E.L.C. on the
recommendation of its Board of Missions

All India Celebrations.

Place: Lutheran Church, Tannah Street, Madras-7.

Time: When the F.E.L.C. Triennial Conference meets on
January 7-10, 1966.

Jubilee Events:

- Saturday, Jan. 8: 6-30 p.m. Preliminary Jubilee *Greetings only*
Function.
Sunday, Jan. 9: 10 a.m. Jubilee Service with Holy
Communion.
~~11-30 a.m.~~ Presentation of gifts in
money and in kind.
6-00 p.m. Public Meeting: Greetings,
Jubilee Address, Fifty Year
Report. Souvenir to be
released.

All India Jubilee Committee:

1. The Presidents of Supporting Churches; Gen. Secretary, IELC.
2. Officers of Rewa Mission, and Members of its Council, resident in Madras.
3. Mr. K. D. Benjamin as one of the Vice-Chairmen of the Jubilee Committee.

Officers of the Jubilee Committee:

Co-Chairmen : Rev. Dorairaj Peter and Rev. J. D. Asirvadam
Vice-Chairmen : Rev. K. Devasahayam and Mr. K. D. Benjamin
Joint Secretaries: Rev. G. Thomas Edward and Mr. J. Soundararajan
Treasurer : Mr. John Nallathambi, Treasurer of the Rewa Mission.

Jubilee Working Committee: The Co-Chairmen, the Joint Secretaries, the Treasurer, Rev. J. Kumaresan and Rev. P. J. Thomas.

Jubilee Projects: 1. Renovation of the Murwahi House to be used as Gnanabaranam Memorial Hostel.

2. Completion of the Shahdol Chapel, for which the foundation upto the plinth was dedicated in Novr. 1962.

3. Organising Adibasi work in the Amarkantak Area, 3500 ft. above sea-level. This is an area like Surguja where in 15 years, 6000 adibasi converts have been gathered.

Jubilee Fund: 1. Every supporting Church to present out of its funds a purse on the All India Jubilee Day, Jany. 9, 1966.

2. Every Congregation to contribute from its funds Rs. 25, 75 or 100 or multiples thereof (This was done with enthusiasm at the Arcot Lutheran Church Centenary).

[P.T.O.]

3. Every earning Church member to contribute 50 nickel or silver coins or currency notes.

Jubilee Endowment Fund :

1. Balance of Jubilee Fund after meeting Jubilee Expenses and carrying out Jubilee Projects 1 & 2.
2. Special Collections, donations from Churches and individuals and institutions.
3. Life Membership Fund donated @ Rs. 100 per life member.

(Note: Only the interest may be used for particular needs in any year).

Jubilee Celebrations in each Church Area :

1. *Central Celebrations* : The Executive of each Church is requested to fix a date for the Central Celebration in its area in connection with the most representative gathering for the whole church in 1966, and to appoint a Rewa Mission Committee to help in the Jubilee Celebrations and in other ways help forward the work of the Rewa Mission.
2. *Regional Celebrations* : The Central Rewa Mission Committee for each Church area will arrange for the Golden Jubilee Celebrations in connection with the annual gatherings convened by its Regional Councils.
3. *Local Celebrations* : Both the Rewa Mission and the F. E. L. C. have endorsed the proposal that the importance of the Jubilee Celebrations in each congregation be greatly stressed, and that full preparations be made to bring the work and objectives of the Rewa Mission effectively before all the Congregation members. It is requested that each parish or congregation set up a local Rewa Mission Committee consisting of the Pastor as Chairman, and the Secretaries and Treasurers of the (a) Parish Committee (b) Youth Committee and (c) Women's Committee as members. The Pastor or P. C. Secretary may convene the committee to appoint a Secretary as soon as possible in 1965, and work out a programme for Jubilee preparation, and hold the parish celebrations on a day agreed on. This committee is requested to function as a Standing Committee even after the local Jubilee Celebration with a view to support the growing work of the Rewa Mission. Free-will monthly contributions, to be solicited from every earning member needs to be collected by the parish Treasurer every month regularly along with the monthly subscription collected by the Catechist or Sexton for parish support. This will be sent every month to the Central Treasury of the Church, which will remit it preferably every quarter to the Treasurer, Rewa Mission.

The interest and support of every Constituent Church and its Congregations are basic for the development of our work.

G. THOMAS EDWARD
J. SOUNDARARAJAN

DORAIRAJ PETER
J. D. ASIRVADAM

Joint Secretaries.

17-7-1965

Co-Chairmen.

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REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Adaikalanathar Church, Vepery, Madras

January 9, 1966, at 10 a.m.

Hymn

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven ;
To His feet thy tribute bring ;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like thee His praise should sing ?
Alleluia ! Alleluia !
Praise the everlasting King !

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress ;
Praise Him, still the same as ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless :
Alleluia ! Alleluia !
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like He tends and spares us,
Well our feeble frame He knows ;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes :
Alleluia ! Alleluia !
Widely as His mercy flows !

Angels in the height adore Him,
Who behold Him face to face ;
Sun and moon bow down before Him ;
Dwellers in all time and space :
Alleluia ! Alleluia !
Praise with us the God of grace ! Amen.

Psalm 150 : Choir.

The Congregation shall rise, and the Minister facing the altar, shall say :

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Congregation : Amen.

Minister : O send out Thy light and Thy truth, let them lead me :
Let them bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy tabernacles.
Then will I go unto the Altar of God,
Unto God my exceeding joy ;
And upon the harp will I praise Thee, O God, my God.

Minister (facing the Congregation) : Beloved in the Lord ! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Minster (facing the Altar) : Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

Congregation : Who made heaven and earth.

Minister : I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

Congregation : And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

The Minister and the Congregation shall say :

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

O Most Merciful Father, Who hast given Thine Only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then shall the Minister facing the Congregation say :

Upon this your confession, and in obedience to our Lord's command, I declare unto you who do truly repent and believe in Him the entire forgiveness of all your sins ; In the Name of the ✠ Father, and of the ✠ Son and of the ✠ Holy Ghost.

Congregation : Amen.

Minister (facing the Congregation) :

I saw also the Lord, sitting upon a throne : high and lifted up.
And I heard the voice of a great multitude, saying, Alleluia :
for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.

Ps. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands : Serve the Lord with gladness.

Congregation : Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost :

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Minister : Lord, have mercy upon us.

Congregation : Lord, have mercy upon us.

Minister : Christ, have mercy upon us.

Congregation : Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister : Lord, have mercy upon us.

Congregation : Lord, have mercy upon us.

Minister : Glory be to God on high.

Congregation : And on earth peace, good will toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship
Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to
Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God,
heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have
mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin
of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that
sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy ; Thou only art the Lord ;
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Minister (facing the Congregation) : The Lord be with you.

Congregation : And with thy spirit.

Minister : Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers
of Thy people who call upon Thee ; and grant that they may both
perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may
have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same ; through Jesus
Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee
and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.

Congregation : Amen.

The Congregation shall sit.

Old Testament Lesson : Deut. 6 : 1-9.

Minister : Here endeth the Old Testament Lesson.

Congregation : O Holy God, O Holy Mighty God, O Holy
Immortal God, Have mercy upon us.

Epistle Lesson : Romans 12 : 1-5.

Minister : Here endeth the Epistle for the Day.

Congregation : Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Gospel Lesson : Luke 2 : 41-52.

The Congregation shall rise and say :
Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Minister : Here endeth the Gospel for the Day.

Congregation : Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed :

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven
and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of
Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one
substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made ; Who,
for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And
was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And
was made man ; And was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate. He suffered and was buried ; And the third day He rose
again, according to the Scriptures ; And ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of the Father ; And He shall come
again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead ; Whose
kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father
and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by
the prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic
Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins ;
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead ; And the Life of the
world to come. Amen.

Anthem : How beautiful upon the mountains.

Hymn

Lift up your heads, ye gates of brass,
Ye bars of iron, yield,
And let the King of Glory pass ;
The Cross is in the field ;
That banner, brighter than the star
That leads the train of night,
Shines on their march, and guides from far
His servants to the fight.

A holy war those servants wage ;
In that mysterious strife,
The powers of heaven and hell engage
For more than death or life.
Ye armies of the living God,
Ye warriors of Christ's host,
Where hallowed footstep never trod
Take your appointed post.

Thanks giving - Thanks living
 Missionary Creed - (1) I am ^{additor} ~~additor~~ both to Jews
 & St Paul and barbarians
 (2) As much.

Rice Christens
 Rose "

Roman 1:14-16

Though few and small and weak your hands, ^{I am ready to preach the Gospel}
 Strong in your Captain's strength,
 Go to the conquest of all lands;
 All must be His at length.
 Uplifted are the gates of brass, (3) I am not ashamed
 The bars of iron yield: ^{I the Gospel of Christ,}
 Behold the King of Glory pass;
 The Cross hath won the field. Amen.

Sermon: Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam, Bishop of Tranquebar.

Congregation (standing): ^{Righteousness alone can build a nation not by plans}

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.

Do good in Thy good pleasure unto Zion: Build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Then shalt Thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness: with burnt-offering and whole burnt-offering.

Collection will be taken.

Hymn

'For My sake and the Gospel's, go
 And tell redemption's story';
 His heralds answer, 'Be it so,
 And Thine, Lord, all the glory!'
 They preach His birth, His life, His Cross,
 The love of His atonement
 For whom they count the world but loss,
 His Easter, His enthronement.

Hark! hark! the trump of jubilee
 Proclaims to every nation,
 From pole to pole, by land and sea,
 Glad tidings of salvation;
 As nearer draws the day of doom,
 While still the battle rages,
 The heavenly dayspring, through the gloom,
 Breaks on the night of ages.

Still on and on the anthems spread,
 Of hallelujah voices;
 In concert with the holy dead,
 The warrior Church rejoices;
 Their snow-white robes are washed in blood,
 Their golden harps are ringing;
 Earth and the Paradise of God
 One triumph song are singing.

Missionary obligation - foundation - "I am a debtor" I owe you the Gospel
 It is not charity ^{obligation} but a responsibility & obligation
 Triune God is the first Evangelist, He sent His Son to the world
 Participate with Church in the mission of God, Evangelism
 is a divine mandate.

He comes whose advent-trumpet drowns
 The last of time's evangels,
 Immanuel, crowned with many crowns,
 The Lord of saints and angels.
 O Life, Light, Love, the great I AM
 Triune, who changest never,
 The throne of God and of the Lamb
 Is Thine, and Thine for ever. Amen.

Minister now shall place the offering on the Altar and consecrate it to Rewa Mission work with the following prayer:

Of Thy bountiful mercies we have received grace for grace.
 Accept these gifts which Thy unworthy children bring before Thee
 and use these and us for the extension of Thy kingdom, especially
 in mid-India. Amen.

Minister: Let us pray.

The Congregation shall sit.

The Minister and the Congregation shall say:

Our Father, Who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name;
 Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in
 heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our
 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead
 us not into temptation: But deliver us from evil; For Thine is
 the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.
 Amen.

Hymn

Deck thyself with joy and gladness,
 Dwell no more, my soul, in sadness;
 Let the day-light shine upon thee,
 Put thy wedding garment on thee,
 For the Lord of life unending
 Unto thee His call is sending:
 Come! for now the King most holy
 Stoops to thee in likeness lowly.

Hasten, then, my soul, to meet Him,
 Eagerly and gladly greet Him.
 As without He standeth knocking,
 Quickly thy soul's gate unlocking,
 Open wide the fast closed portal,
 Saying to the Lord immortal,
 'Come, and leave Thy servant never,
 Dwell within my heart for-ever.'

Now in faith I humbly ponder
Over the amazing wonder
That the Bread of Life remaineth,
Though it countless souls sustaineth;
That with the blest wine of heaven,
Christ's own Blood to us is given.
O most glorious consolation,
Pledge and seal of my salvation!

Jesus, source of life and pleasure,
Truest Friend and dearest Treasure,
Thou from Whom all life outgoeth,
Thou from Whom my being floweth,
Humbly now I bow before Thee,
And in penitence adore Thee;
Worthily let me receive Thee,
Perfect peace and pardon give me. Amen.

During the singing of the Hymn the Minister shall uncover the Vessels and reverently prepare for the Administration of the Holy Sacrament.

Minister: Let us pray.

Minister and Congregation: O Lord Jesus Christ, although I am not worthy that Thou shouldest enter under my roof, I desire Thy help, and I long for Thy grace, that I may be found righteous and blessed. I come trusting only in Thy Word, which invites me to Thy Table, and assures me, unworthy one, of the forgiveness of my sins through Thy precious Body and Blood, of which I partake in this blessed Sacrament. O Dear Lord, I know that Thy divine Word and promise are most certainly true, and trusting thereon I partake of this holy feast. Let it be unto me according to Thy word.

O Lord Jesus, make me one with Thee, that I may abide in Thee, and Thou in me, so that I may never be separated from Thee in time or eternity. Amen.

Minister: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.

Congregation: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is meet and right so to do.

Minister (facing the Altar): It is truly meet, right and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God:

And now do we praise Thee, that Thou didst send unto us Thine Only-begotten Son, and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst reveal the fullness of Thy Glory.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name; evermore praising Thee and saying:

Minister and Congregation: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory; Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

Minister: We also with this blessed host cry aloud and say: Holy art Thou, O God, Thou and Thine Only-begotten Son and Thy Holy Spirit; Holy art Thou, and great is the Majesty of Thy glory, O Father and Lover of men, Who didst so love the world as to give Thine Only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish, but have everlasting life.

Who having come into the world and having fulfilled for us Thy holy will, and being obedient unto the end.

In the night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He break it and gave it to His disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you; this do in remembrance of Me. ✠

After the same manner also, when He had supped, He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying:

Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins; this do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me. ✠

Therefore remembering His salutary precept, and all that He endured for us: His passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, His session on the right hand, and His glorious

coming again, we give thanks to Thee, O Lord God Almighty not as we ought, but as we are able; and we bring before Thee, according to His institution, these Thy gifts of bread and wine, giving thanks to Thee through Him, that Thou hast deemed us worthy to stand before Thee, celebrating and making the Memorial which Thy Son hath willed us to make;

And we beseech Thee: Send down Thy Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts here before Thee, that according to the Word of Thy Dear Son they may be sanctified and blessed; that in this bread and wine we may worthily receive the Body of Christ and His precious Blood; that in true faith and with contrite hearts we may eat and drink thereof to the remission of sins, and be sanctified in soul and body; that we may be one body and one spirit, and may have our portion with all Thy saints who have been well-pleasing unto Thee; through Christ our Lord;

Taught by Whose salutary precepts and following Whose Divine command, we make bold to say:

Minister and Congregation: Our Father, Who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil;

Congregation: Amen.

Minister: Deliver us, O Lord, from all evil, both the present and that which may come; grant us gracious peace in our days, that in all things Thy Holy Name may be hallowed, praised and blessed, for to Thee is due all glory, worship and adoration, O Father, Son and Holy Ghost, now and evermore.

Congregation: Amen.

Minister
(facing the *Congregation*): The Peace of the Lord be with you alway.

Congregation: Amen.

Congregation: O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.

The communicants shall proceed to the Altar and kneel for the Administration.

Minister: Take and eat, this is the Body of Christ given for thee.

Take and drink, this is the Blood of Christ shed for thy sins.

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His precious Blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith unto everlasting life.

The communicants shall now leave the altar.

Congregation: Lord now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace: according to Thy Word;

For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

A light to lighten the Gentiles: and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

Minister: O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good.

Congregation: And His mercy endureth for ever.

Minister: We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us with this Thy salutary gift; and we beseech Thee, of Thy mercy, to strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Congregation: Amen.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation : And with thy spirit.

Minister : Bless we the Lord.

Congregation : Thanks be to God.

Bishop : The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. ✠

Congregation : Amen. Amen. Amen.

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REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE

Jubilee Function on Saturday 8th January, 1966 at 6-30 p.m.

Chairman : Dr. M. Bage, Pramukh Adhyaksh, Gossner E. L. Church.

Hymn : O for a thousand tongues to sing

Bible Reading : 2 Cor. 4:1 - 15. Dr. A. Nallathambi,
our First Medical Missionary

Prayer : Rev. N. J. Ezekiel, President, Indian Evangelical
Lutheran Church.

Chairman's Opening Remarks

Greetings : G.E.L.C. : Dr. M. Bage, Ranchi, Bihar.

N.E.L.C. : Rev. M. M. Tudu, Benagaria,
Santal Parganas, Bihar

J.E.L.C. : Rev. J. Nag, Jeypore, Orissa

M.P.E.L.C. : Rev. B. N. Sahay, Chhindwara, M.P.

A.L.C. : Rev. Dorairaj Peter, Tiruvannamalai.

Rewa Mission : Rev. C. B. Rao, Shahdol, M.P.

Hymn : Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Greetings continued : A.E.L.C. : Rev. K. Devasahayam, Guntur, A.P.

T.E.L.C. : Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam, Tiruchirapalli.

I.E.L.C. : Rev. N. J. Ezekiel, Ambur

S.A.L.C. : Rev. V. John, Renigunta, A.P.

Surguja Church : Rev. B. Ananda Rao, Surguja, M.P.

Introduction of Representatives of Local congregations and Gurukul :

Rev. S. M. Appadurai : T.E.L. Church, Vepery

Mr. A. M. Gopal : A.E.L. Church, Vepery

Rev. A. Iyadurai : T.E.L. Church, Kilpauk

Dr. P. David : Gurukul

Rev. K. J. Francis : S.A.L. Church

Rev. K. Sathyachellan : Arcot L. Church

Rev. G. Thomas Edward : I.E.L. Church, Nungambakkam

Rev. Y. N. Devaraj : I.E.L. Church, Perambur

Rev. J. E. Jubilee : T.E.L. Church, Royapuram

Rev. G. Daniel : T.E.L. Church, Tambaram

Hymn : 'Thy Kingdom come!' -on bended knee (Collection)

Dedication Prayer, and Benediction : Chairman

REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE

Jubilee Function on Saturday 8th January, 1966 at 6-30 p.m.

O For a thousand tongues to sing

My great Redeemer's praise,

The glories of my God and King,

The triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God,

Assist me to proclaim,

And spread through all the earth abroad,

The honours of Thy Name.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears,

That bids our sorrows cease;

'Tis music in the sinner's ears,

'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,

He sets the prisoner free;

His blood can make the foulest clean,

His blood availed for me.

He speaks, and, listening to His voice,

New life the dead receive,

The mournful broken hearts rejoice,

The humble poor believe.

Hear Him, ye deaf: His praise, ye dumb,

Your loosened tongues employ;

Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;

And leap, ye lame, for joy!

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Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Doth his successive journeys run;

His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,

Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

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REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE

Jubilee: Peoples and realms of every tongue January, 1956 at 6-30 p.m.

Dwell on His love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name.

To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And endless praises crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

Then all the earth shall rise and bring
Peculiar honours to its King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.

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'Thy Kingdom come'-on bended knee
The passing ages pray;
And faithful souls have yearned to see
On earth that Kingdom's day.

But the slow watches of the night
Not less to God belong;
And for the everlasting right
The silent stars are strong.

And lo! already on the hills
The flags of dawn appear;
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
Proclaim the day is near:

The day in whose clear - shining light
All wrong shall stand revealed,
When justice shall be throned with might,
And every hurt be healed:

When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
Shall walk the earth abroad, —
The day of perfect righteousness,
The promised day of God.

Hymn: 'Thy Kingdom come' - on bended knee (Collection)

Dedication Prayer and Benediction: Christian

Copy of letter addressed Dated 8-1-66
 To

The Rt. Rev. Bishop R. B. Manickam Ph. D., D. D.,
 Bishop of Tranquebar.

Respected Bishop,

We request you to bestow your personal attention and decide what is just and proper:—

1. The C. C. removed three confirmed P. C. Members who were elected in 1962, as it was proved in court that two of them and the wife of the other did not declare their salary as required by rule 165.
2. The P. C. (with Mr. M. Dorairaj as Treasurer) did not include 10 to 12 persons in the voters list for the conference to be held in July '65 as they did not declare their salary as per note to rule 165.
3. Two members who realised their fault, correctly declared their salary as per rule 165 after it was pointed out by the P. C. (with Mr. Dorairaj as Treasurer) and paid the arrears from 1-1-65 on the above basis and asked for inclusion. The P. C. (with Mr. M. Dorairaj) referred the matter to the C. C. Secretary, who ordered it to be placed before the P. Conf. and to act as per its decision. It was argued at the conference on 25-7-65 for about 1½ hours that they could be included in the list. But Mr. D. Devasahayam argued that it should not be done and with Mr. M. Dorairaj's support it was decided by the P. Conf. on 25-7-65 not to include them.
4. Mr. M. Dorairaj, Treasurer of the previous P. C. was again elected and is now also in the present P. C. as treasurer. It was found that though his salary, **not including** overtime allowance for which also he pays Provident Fund, was Rs. 381/- while he was paying Church Fund only for Rs. 350/-. Objection was raised for his election.
5. The objection was over ruled and he was confirmed by the C. C. Again on representation to the Bishop and as per his advice another objection to the decision of the C. C. was sent through the P. C. Mr. M. Dorairaj altered his salary from 350/- to Rs. 400/- in Sept. 65 and again altered the Church Fund contribution to Rs. 20/- being the maximum

allowed as per rules in Oct. '65. The present P. C. examined this and recommended action against Mr. M. Dorairaj under Rule 83.

6. The P. C. called for a budget Conf. on 31-10-65. The Conf. on receipt of a valid objection against the inclusion of Mr. M. Dorairaj in the voters list decided to remove him from the list for the same reason for which two members were not included at the Conf. Dt. 25-7-65, as rule 63 gives absolute powers to the Conf. to include or delete any name from the voters list. Accordingly the Conf. demanded and sent away Mr. M. Dorairaj then passed the budget and also sanctioned giving a purse of Rs. 500/- at the Rewa Mission Golden Jubilee Celebration.

7. The C. C. considering the issue raised in item 5, so interpreted rule 165 that they gave out the intention of the rule which they did not do for items 1, 2, and 3 and decided that Mr. M. Dorairaj should continue in the P. C.

8. The C. C. on the basis of the decision in item 7 declared the proceedings of the P. Conf. Dt. 31-10-65 invalid, though there is no provision in the rules to declare the proceedings of a Conf. as a whole invalid and had thus rendered this church and P. C. unable to do any work as there is no budget for the P. C.

9. The order of the C. C. invalidating the P. Conf. which passed the budget has thus rendered it impossible to present a purse at the Rewa Mission Golden Jubilee Celebration.

10. Thus the C. C. which applied rule 165 on 3 confirmed P. C. members and considered its application by the P. C. to 10 to 12 members of the Congregation as proper, now hastens to interpret the same rule when it is applied to another member whose retention in the P. C. the C. C. is apparently favouring.

The above facts were put forth to you by us in person and we expect you our Respected Bishop to do that which is just and proper not only by men but also by God. We pray and hope that wise counsel would prevail to avert any unpleasant situation.

Yours faithfully,

J. GNANASUNDARAM

T. ARULANANDAM

D. PACKIAMS

SAMUEL DHANASINGH

A. GEORGE

GOSNER EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH
RANCHI.

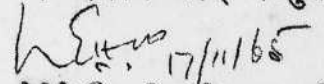
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November 17, 1965.

- रीवा मिशन प्रार्थना दिवस चंदा १९६५ -

जी. ई. स्ल. क्लोशिया के
पेरिस चैयरमैनो के नाम।

यीशुसहाय ! रीवा मिशन चंदा के फार्म आप सबों को भेजा गया था, आप से अर्जो की गई थी कि रीवा मिशन के लिए मंडलियों में चंदा जमा किया जाय, आप में से कितनों ने चंदा का रुपया भी भेज दिया है उसके लिए बहुत बहुत धन्यवाद, जिन्होंने ने अब तक चंदा का रुपया और फार्म नहीं भेजा है कृपया अवश्य ही जल्दी भेज देने का कष्ट करें, आप के सहयोग ने प्रभु के सुसमाचार कार्य के लिए बहुत फल लाया है,

आप की मंडलियों को के एस. एस. की ओर से धन्यवाद और यीशुसहाय
जना दीजिए,

 17/11/65
असिस्टेंट टू सेक्रेटरी जी ई स्ल चर्च

प्रेस-मेमबेन-
~~प्रेस-मेमबेन~~ प्रेस
जी. ई. एल. चर्च.

प्रार्थना
रीवा प्रिंसन दिवस ईर्दिये.

प्रिय होदय,

प्रति वर्ष जैसे इस बार भी प्रिंसन के अनुसार रीवा-
प्रिंसन के लिए १० अक्टोबर प्रार्थना दिवस बंदरगा बाया है। मध्य-प्रदेश
के रीवा क्षेत्र में मएल की सभी लूथेरन कलीबियाओं के सहयोग से सुसमाचार
प्रचार कार्य हो रहा है। इस कार्य के लिए मेडलियों में प्रार्थना की जाए और
उस दिन विशेष दान लिया जाय।

गत वर्षों में ~~अ~~ दान बरोजों के लिये विशेष लिफाफे आप
को दिये गये थे जो मेडलियों में लोगों के बीच बाँटे गये थे। इस बार
आप को हम लिफाफे नहीं भेज रहे हैं पर यह निवेदन करते हैं कि
गत वर्ष के वैसे हुए लिफाफे इस्तेमाल के लिए व्यवहार में लावे। फिर
भी आप अपने बच्चे हर परिवार के लिए एक से सादा लिफाफा
खरीद कर दें। लिफाफा पर नीचे दिये हुए नमूने के अनुसार लिख
कर उस पर कुछ संख्या लिख लें और परिवारों में तथा जो नौकर-
करते हैं उनको बाँट दें और यह सुझावे कि प्रार्थना दिवस में
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में के रकम का हिसाब ~~आपने रखें और~~ उसे सीधे, "रेव. जॉन्सी जी. ई. एल.
चर्च, रोची" के पते पर भेजिए। लिफाफा खर्च तथा
जब-खर्च उसी रकम से निकाल लें, पर उसका हिसाब स्वयं ही जी. ई. एल.
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मालूम होगा कि कितने लिफाफे बाँटे जायें और कितने वेदी पर
लाये ~~गये~~ अपने अपने कितने नहीं भेजें। संलग्न मार्ग को आपको
विशेष के साथ अवश्य ही प्रार्थना दिवस के बाद के दफ्ते के अन्त के १६-१८
ऑक्टोबर भेज दें।

१० अक्टोबर को प्रार्थना दिवस मनाने में कठिनाई हो तो अपनी-
मेडलियों के लिए इसका एकादश अर्थात् १६ या २४ अक्टोबर बंदरगा।
अवश्य ही चंदरा को हिसाब नोटबुक दिष्ट के पहले दफ्ते में ~~भेज दें~~
के १६ ऑक्टोबर भेजें जाना चाहिये -

आप का विष्णु

रीवा प्रिंसन प्रार्थना दिवस ईर्दिये

"परमेश्वर दय से देने वाले से प्रेम रखें।"

गुप्तहोना -

पाइकी सही-

With the Secretary
Hordern

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH RANCHI.

No. 456/65-Kso-63
July 2, 1965

To
All Parish Pastors
G.E.L.Church.

Bishay:- 1964(January-December) ka amad-kharch
ka hisab.

Mahashay,

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15 July tak

Kripaya ise atyant hi awashyak samjhen.

cc. Anchal Adhyakshas
Anchal Treasurers
Synod Pr. Khush'holy

Ap ka bishwast
H. E. S. S.
Asstt. to the Secy.
GELC.Ranchi.

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GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH CHOTANAGPUR & ASSAM.

No. 760/65-KSS-162.

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Nov. 12, 1965. G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

Mr. H. Samad,
Secretary GEIC,
Kadman(Khunti)
Ranchi.

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing two letters from Rev. J.D. Asirvadam which are about the Rewa Mission Jubilee Celebrations, and from the letters it appears that you have to do something about the Jubilee gifts to be presented to the Celebrations.

I had a talk with the Pramukh Adhyaksh in this respect and he said that I should remind you of this fact. It is thought that you will have opportunity to discuss this matter in the KSS Officers meeting on 23-24 th. Nov. here.

In the meantime please do what you can in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

W. S. 12/11/65
Asstt. to the Secretary,
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

The Call To Prayer For

THE NATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF INDIA

(By the Rt. Rev. George Devadoss, Bishop in
Madura — Ramnad, C. S. I.)

N. M. S. WEEK OF PRAYER: Oct. 3rd to 10th, 1965.

Day of Prayer: Oct. 10th, 1965.

EVANGELISM — AN URGENT CALL.

Now it is high time to awake out of sleep — Romans 13: 1.

A few years ago the executive Committee of the N.M.S. made a Ten Year Plan for the Evangelisation of our country. Yet, the percentage of Christian population of our country has remained almost the same — 2 per cent and odd. We have to ask if there has been delay in carrying out the plan.

The New Testament is clear in its demand on the *Urgency of Evangelism*. "Now is the accepted time. Now is the way of salvation." Jesus said, "Say not ye, there are yet four months and then cometh the harvest? Behold I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already unto harvest."

Delay has its dangers.

1. Delay gives advantage to the enemy. It allows valuable time to other forces to claim the souls of men. In the month of October 1917, while the leaders of the Russian revolution were meeting in a house in the Moscow Street, the leaders of the Orthodox Church were meeting in another house in the same street to discuss vestments. In every street and village the church is surrounded by men and women who urgently need the Good News of Christ. Young people are being subjected to the pressure of materialism and the degrading influences of modern pleasures. For many the foundations of life are cracking beneath them. David Livingstone heard the words of a famous preacher, "I have often stood and watched the smoke arise from a thousand villages where no missionary has ever been." Livingstone vowed that to these he would bring the Gospel. That is the urgent challenge we have to accept.

2. Delay gives a mistaken view of the Gospel.

Jesus did not come to give the example of good life that we might imitate at leisure. He did not come to give good precepts. He came to seek and to save the lost. The Cross is not a moving

picture of nobility and sacrifice. It is a deadly encounter with the powers of darkness. The victory of the Resurrection means life to a world in the midst of death.

When the disciples burst out from the "Upper Room" to the market places of Jerusalem, suffering and death held no fears for them. They were compelled by the inner constraining urgency of the message. Jesus said to Zachaeus "*Today* I must abide in thine house". For Zachaeus other engagements had to be cancelled and a few days time would have given him an opportunity for adequate preparation.

But Jesus said, '*Today*' He might not pass that way again. "Let us live" said Martin Luther, "as though Christ were crucified yesterday, risen today and coming tomorrow". The great preacher Richard Baxter said, "I preach as a dying man to dying men." If preaching loses its note of urgency, it loses power. Let us recover the passion of the great heralds of God down the centuries.

May we consider a personal appeal? We are called to be Christ's ambassadors at our daily post through the week — in office, in shop, in factory, in school, in hospital or home. Are we able to speak a "good word for Jesus Christ".

Here is God's authentic message of direct and passionate urgency, "I have set before you life and death Therefore choose life."

"Now it is high time to awake out of sleep." This is the call of the N. M. S. to its workers, friends and supporters.

Let us pray:

Let us give thanks for the tender mercy of our God, whereby the Day spring from on High hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Jesus said: They shall come from the East and the West, and from the North and the South, and shall sit down in the Kingdom of God.

We thank Thee, O God:

Other sheep I have which are not of this fold: them also must I bring, and they shall hear My voice.

We thank Thee, O God.

For that Thou did'st so love the world as to give Thine only Son to bear the sins of the world, and to open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

We thank Thee, O God :

For all saints and martyrs who through the centuries kept alive the torch of truth, and bore Thy Gospel from shore to shore, and especially for those who first preached Christ in this our land.

We thank Thee, O God :

For all men and women who have gone forth as missionaries from the N.M.S. of healing and teaching; and for all, of whatever race, who through their word and example have become disciples of Christ.

We thank Thee, O God.:

For all who support the work of the N.M.S. by their constant prayers and gifts.

We thank Thee, O God :

For Thy missionary servants, and all converts to the faith of Christ, who have joined the noble army of martyrs, and for those who have sealed their testimony with their blood.

We thank Thee, O God :

Go ye, therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptising them into the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you.

THY KINGDOM COME, O Lord, THY WILL BE DONE.

Let us remember in prayer :

The Branches

Committees of the N.M.S. — U. P. Area Committee, North Tamil Area Committee, South Tamil Area Committee, Madras City Area Committee.

Workers of the N.M.S. Headquarters, Organising Secretaries,
and Fields: Jawadhi, Puri, U. P., Nepal and
Rajasthan.

The supporters of the N.M.S. Children, young people and elders.

THY KINGDOM COME, O LORD THY WILL BE DONE

We thank Thee, O God, for the great multitude out of every nation who, through Thy blessing upon the labours of Thy missionary servants, have found in Jesus Christ their Saviour and Lord. We pray for our brethren in these new born Churches that strengthened through Thy spirit in the inward man, they may come to know the breadth and length and depth and height of the love of Christ, and be filled unto all the fulness of God; enable those among them who are called of Thee to minister in holy things to walk in blamelessness of life, clothe them with the spirit of wisdom, humility and love, kindle in the hearts of all followers of Christ the love of souls, and grant them Thy grace that, being transformed by the renewing of their mind and treading in the footsteps of Christ, they may lead many out of darkness into light through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. — Amen.

Let us pray for the spread of the Gospel in our land :

O God, our heavenly Father, who did'st manifest Thy love by sending Thine only begotten Son into the world that all might live through him; pour Thy spirit upon Thy Church that it may fulfil His command to preach the Gospel to every creature in our land; send forth, we beseech Thee, labourers into Thy harvest; defend them in all dangers and temptations; and hasten the time when the fulness of the Gentiles shall be gathered in and all Israel shall be saved; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord... — Amen.

The blessing of God Almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you for ever. — Amen.

(Bishop) R. B. MANIKAM,

President.

Rev. P. J. THOMAS,

General Secretary.

N. M. S. House,

102, Peter's Road,

Royapettah, Madras 14.

Mr. S. W. KANAGARAJ,

Hon. Treasurer.

Note.—Collections on the N.M.S. Sunday may kindly be sent to the N.M.S. House.

जी. इ. एल. चर्च रांची,
छोटानागपुर और आसाम।

पत्र संख्या : ६८४/६५-KSS-११०
सेप्टेम्बर ३० १९६५.

पेरिस केयरमैन, पेरिस,
जी. इ. एल. चर्च.

- रीवा मिशन प्रार्थना दिवस १९६५ -

प्रिय महोदय

प्रति वर्ष जैसा इस बार भी पंजिका के अनुसार रीवा मिशन के लिए १० अक्टूबर प्रार्थना दिवस ठहराया गया है, मध्य प्रदेश के रीवा क्षेत्र में भारत की सभी लुथेरान क्लोशियाओं के सहयोग से सुसमाचार प्रचार कार्य हो रहा है, इस कार्य के लिए मंडलियों में प्रार्थना की जाए और उस दिन विशेष दान लिया जाए,

गत वर्षों में दान बटोरने के लिए विशेष लिफाफे आप को दिये गये थे जो मंडलियों में लोगों के बीच बाँटे गये थे, इस बार आप को हम लिफाफे नहीं भेज रहे हैं पर यह निवेदन करते हैं कि गत वर्ष के जैसा हुए लिफाफे इस काम के लिए व्यवहार में लावें, फिर आप कम्से कम हर परिवार के लिए एक सादा लिफाफा खरीद कर दें, लिफाफे पर नीचे दिए हुए नमूने के अनुसार लिख कर उस पर क्रमसंख्या लिख लें और परिवारों में तथा जो नौकरी करते हैं उनको बाँट दें, और उन्हें यह समझा दें कि प्रार्थना दिवस में उसे वेदी पर अपने दानसहित लावें, वेदी पर आए लिफाफे में के रकम का हिसाब रख कर उसे सीधे "खजांची जी. इ. एल. चर्च" रांची के पते पर भेजवा दें, लिफाफे का खर्च तथा डाक खर्च उसी रकम से काट लें पर उसका हिसाब खजांची जी. इ. एल. चर्च को अवश्य दें, इन व्यवहार में लाने लिफाफों को न फेंके पर उन पर दिये गए क्रम-संख्या के अनुसार उनका हिसाब रखें तब आप को मालूम होगा कि कितने लिफाफे बाँटे गए और कितने वेदी पर लाए गए और कितने नहीं आए, संलग्न फार्म को उपरोक्त विवरण के साथ अवश्य ही प्रार्थना दिवस के बाद के हफ्ते के अंदर के एस. एस. अफिस भेज दें,

१० अक्टूबर को प्रार्थना दिवस मनाने में कठिनाई हो तो अपनी मंडलियों के लिए दूसरा स्तवार अर्थात् १७ या २४ अक्टूबर १९६५ ठहरावें, चन्दा और हिसाब नोवेंम्बर १९६५ के पहिले हफ्ते में अवश्य ही के. एस. एस. अफिस पहुंच जाना चाहिए,

कृपया उपरोक्त बातों को ठीक ठीक याद कर रीवा मिशन प्रार्थना दिवस हर मंडलियों में मनावें,

आप का विश्वस्त,

असिस्टेंट टू सेक्रेटरी जी. इ. एल. चर्च,

हस्ताक्षर का स्थान -

रीवा मिशन प्रार्थना दिवस १९६५
"परमेश्वर हर्ष से देने वाले से प्रेम रखता है"

क्रम संख्या ..

पादों की सही

M. Bag

B. Adhyaksh

30/9/65

रीवा मिशन प्रार्थना दिवस १९६५

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गया.

पेरिस सजांची की सही

पेरिस चैयरमैन की सही

निर्नाक

24-11-19

के. एस. एस. खानांची, रांची,

पास मनिआर्डर से उपरोक्त मैं अपने पेरिस का रोवा मिशन चंदा : रु. पैसा आप के हिसाब के साथ भेज रहा हूँ। मनिआर्डर रसीद का नम्बर है.

दिनांक

पेरिस चैयरमैन की सही

REWA MISSION GOLDEN JUBILEE

**Jubilee Arrangements based on the actions of the
Rewa Mission, approved by the F. E. L. C. on the
recommendation of its Board of Missions**

All India Celebrations.

Place: Lutheran Church, Tannah Street, Madras-7.

Time: When the F. E. L. C. Triennial Conference meets on
January 7-10, 1966.

Jubilee Events :

- Saturday, Jan. 8:* 6-30 p.m. Preliminary Jubilee
Function.
Sunday, Jan. 9: 10 a.m. Jubilee Service with Holy
Communion.
11-30 a.m. Presentation of gifts in
money and in kind.
6-00 p.m. Public Meeting: Greetings,
Jubilee Address, Fifty Year
Report. Souvenir to be
released.

All India Jubilee Committee :

1. The Presidents of Supporting Churches; Gen. Secretary, IELC.
2. Officers of Rewa Mission, and Members of its Council, resident in Madras.
3. Mr. K. D. Benjamin as one of the Vice-Chairmen of the Jubilee Committee.

Officers of the Jubilee Committee :

Co-Chairmen : Rev. Dorairaj Peter and Rev. J. D. Asirvadam
Vice-Chairmen : Rev. K. Devasahayam and Mr. K. D. Benjamin
Joint Secretaries : Rev. G. Thomas Edward and Mr. J. Soundararajan
Treasurer : Mr. John Nallathambi, Treasurer of the Rewa Mission.

Jubilee Working Committee : The Co-Chairmen, the Joint Secretaries, the Treasurer, Rev. J. Kumaresan and Rev. P. J. Thomas.

Jubilee Projects : 1. Renovation of the Murwahi House to be used as Gnanabaranam Memorial Hostel.

2. Completion of the Shahdol Chapel, for which the foundation upto the plinth was dedicated in Novr. 1962.

3. Organising Adibasi work in the Amarkantak Area, 3500 ft. above sea-level. This is an area like Surguja where in 15 years, 6000 adibasi converts have been gathered.

Jubilee Fund : 1. Every supporting Church to present out of its funds a purse on the All India Jubilee Day, Jany. 9, 1966.

2. Every Congregation to contribute from its funds Rs. 25, 75 or 100 or multiples thereof (This was done with enthusiasm at the Arcot Lutheran Church Centenary).

[P.T.O.]

3. Every earning Church member to contribute 50 nickel or silver coins or currency notes.

Jubilee Endowment Fund :

1. Balance of Jubilee Fund after meeting Jubilee Expenses and carrying out Jubilee Projects 1 & 2.

2. Special Collections, donations from Churches and individuals and institutions.

3. Life Membership Fund donated @ Rs. 100 per life member.

(Note : Only the interest may be used for particular needs in any year).

Jubilee Celebrations in each Church Area :

1. *Central Celebrations* : The Executive of each Church is requested to fix a date for the Central Celebration in its area in connection with the most representative gathering for the whole church in 1966, and to appoint a Rewa Mission Committee to help in the Jubilee Celebrations and in other ways help forward the work of the Rewa Mission.

2. *Regional Celebrations* : The Central Rewa Mission Committee for each Church area will arrange for the Golden Jubilee Celebrations in connection with the annual gatherings convened by its Regional Councils.

3. *Local Celebrations* : Both the Rewa Mission and the F. E. L. C. have endorsed the proposal that the importance of the Jubilee Celebrations in each congregation be greatly stressed, and that full preparations be made to bring the work and objectives of the Rewa Mission effectively before all the Congregation members. It is requested that each parish or congregation set up a local Rewa Mission Committee consisting of the Pastor as Chairman, and the Secretaries and Treasurers of the (a) Parish Committee (b) Youth Committee and (c) Women's Committee as members. The Pastor or P. C. Secretary may convene the committee to appoint a Secretary as soon as possible in 1965, and work out a programme for Jubilee preparation, and hold the parish celebrations on a day agreed on. This committee is requested to function as a Standing Committee even after the local Jubilee Celebration with a view to support the growing work of the Rewa Mission. Free-will monthly contributions, to be solicited from every earning member needs to be collected by the parish Treasurer every month regularly along with the monthly subscription collected by the Catechist or Sexton for parish support. This will be sent every month to the Central Treasury of the Church, which will remit it preferably every quarter to the Treasurer, Rewa Mission.

The interest and support of every Constituent Church and its Congregations are basic for the development of our work.

G. THOMAS EDWARD

J. SOUNDARARAJAN

Joint Secretaries.

DORAIRAJ PETER

J. D. ASIRVADAM

Co-Chairmen.

17—7—1965

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GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH RANCHI.

No. 928-944-164-KSS-110

Dated 30. Nov. 1964.

Mr. S. Bhenra Treasurer S. F. Anchal, Khunti.
Mr. Z. Horo " Assan " Tezpur.
Mr. P. D. Lakra " N. W. " Guila.
Mr. Martin Homron " Orissa " Rajganpur
Rev. P. D. Soren; Syd. Sanchalak Khutitoli.
Mr. Michael Karketta Jt. Treas. H. Q. Cong. Ranchi.

Sub: - REWA MISSION DAY COLLECTION.

Dear Friends,

You were asked by our letter No. 734/64-KSS-110 dated Aug 18, 1964 addressed to your Anchal Adhyakshes/Synod Sanchalaks to observe the Rewa Mission Day in October this year. We believe you have observed the mission day in all your congregations and have raised collections.

May we now remind you to remit the collections quickly to the Treasurer GELChurch at his Ranchi address so that it can be handed over to the Rewa Mission.

We take this opportunity to also remind you to send the collections to the Treasurer GELC on account of

All Asia Lutheran Conference &

The Bible Society, which is remaining with you or your congregations.

We value your close cooperation in the matter aforesaid and hope quicker action by you.

Yours Sincerely,

cc. All Anchal Adhyakshes.
All Anchal Secretaries.
Secy. H. Q. Congregation.
Treasurer GELC.
Head Acctt. GELC.

Asstt. to the Secy.
GELChurch, Ranchi.

No. /64-Kss-

WE SEEK YOUR ATTENTION AND COOPERATION.

The year 1964 is coming to a close, and we are reminded of our task of closing our accounts and hurrying up with the pending works of the year to be able to begin our work anew in 1965.

The Census report for 1964 and the Financial Statements of Anchals/Synods/Ilakas and congregations are to be prepared as quickly as possible so as to reach the KSS office latest by 31st Jan. 1965. We state this for everybody's attention and hope to get the full co-operation needed.

Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

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GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH ANCHAL.

Memo No. 734/64-KSS-110. Dated 18 August '64.

To
The Anchal Adhyaksh, S.E. Anchal.
" " " H.W. "
" " " Orissa "
" " " Assam "
" synod Sanchalak, Khutitoli synod.

Dear Sirs,

Subj:- REWA MISSION.

A copy of letter dated 8.8.64 from the rev. J.D. Asirwadani, addressed to the Panchal Adhyaksh G.E.L.C. Ranchi is sent herewith for your information and wide publication. The synod Sanchalaks, Ilaka chair-men and Parish chair-men be directed to announce this news down to the pracharak level on 8.9.64 the first Sunday of September so that the REWA DAY 2:30 4th Oct. '64 may be observed in every church.

Yours sincerely,
for Secretary G.E.L.C. Ranchi.

The Rev. J.D. Asirvadam, M.A.

Arulagan, Tambaram,
8th August, 1964.

Mr. C.M. Hero,
Ranchi.

Rev. J.D. Asirvadam
14/8/64

Dear Mr. Hero,

I am sending all the papers to you because I am not sure whether Mr. N.E. Hero is in the station. Kindly help the Rewa Mission, as you always do, by passing on the papers through the K.S.S. Office Manager to the Presidents of Anchals and the Manager of K.S.S. Office. To Rev. B. and I am sending the papers directly.

Yours sincerely,
J.D. Asirvadam.

See
14/8/64

Sent under instructions to reach you quickly.

Rev.

Forwarded to Mr. N.E. Hero, KSS OFFICE
MANAGER as known by the Rev. Asirvadam. Rev. Himantam
wants that these papers be passed to the authorities
concerned through the KSS Office.

Rev. Himantam

14.8.64

The Rev. J.D. Asirvadar, M.A.

Arulagan, Tambaram,
8th August, 1964.

Mr. N.E. Hero,
Ranchi.

Dear Mr. Hero,

It is long since I have had any contact with you in correspondence. I hear that Dr. M. Bage was planning to leave Ranchi on the 10th. I shall be thankful if you can send me the address at which I can reach him in Europe.

I am sending two copies of the report so that one may go to the President or Acting President in India who has to deal with the K.S.S. correspondence and one copy to you so that you may kindly arrange for its publication and have it pushed into the September issue of Garbandhu with the full consent of the Acting President.

I have also to request you kindly to distribute the copies that are to go to the Acting President, and the Anchal Presidents, the original copy to Pramukh Adhyaksh being kept in your office for being placed before any meeting of the Officers. I am sending a copy to Up-Pramukh Adhyaksh, Rev. B. and to reach him at Rajgangpur. If by any chance he is now at Ranchi, kindly share the official copy with him.

Soliciting your full cooperation to see that every congregation even in the remotest village shares in this contribution for the support of this great missionary work to which we are all committed,

Yours sincerely,
J.D. Asirvadar,

Sent under instructions to reach you all
quickly.

From

The Rev. J. D. Asirvadam, M.A.

Aralagan, Tenbaran,
8th August, 1964

The Prabukh Mhyaksh,
Gessner Church,
Ranchi.

*copy to
Manager, H.S.S. office*

Dear President, K.S.S.,

The Secretary of the Rewa Mission has already sent you a circular letter regarding October 4 being celebrated as the Rewa Mission Day in 1964. The K.S.S. had authorised the observance of the Rewa Mission Day on the first Sunday in October 1963. Similarly we request that the K.S.S. may kindly authorise the usual observance of the Rewa Mission Day this year also. I am sending you a brief report for publication in Garbandhu, and I shall be thankful if it could appear in the September issue, so that copies of reprint may be taken and sent to the Anchals for distribution in all the parishes. I am also writing to the Presidents of Anchals a letter soliciting their cooperation, and I am requesting them to send you a statement of the number of copies that would be needed of the President's circular as well as reprints from Garbandhu of news regarding our work.

Rev. M. M. Tudu has informed me that the report has been sent to the Editors of the Santali, Bangali and Dore Churches journals of the N.E.L.C. It was my intention to have a full report that will appear in the Gospel Witness to go into Garbandhu, but I wish to be sure that at least the short report goes into the August issue. We shall send you sufficient copies of the English report for the year 1963-64, so that every pastor may get a copy and also he may have a certain number of copies for distribution among the leaders in parishes in charge of congregations. It is our earnest request that the announcement regarding the Rewa Mission observance on October 4 be made on the first Sunday in September and news also be given at that time taking necessary advance copies of reprint for distribution through the Anchals.

The usual circular letter signed by the Officers of the Rewa Mission and countersigned by the President of the Federation will soon reach you along with a draft circular letter to be cyclostyled in Hindi and sent to reach all the pastors as soon as possible in August. I am particularly anxious to know if the report can be translated and printed in Garbandhu. I am also requesting the Manager of your Central Office to arrange for immediate translation of the report for publication in Garbandhu.

Sent under instructions to reach you quickly.

Yours sincerely,
J. D. Asirvadam.

(A brief report for favour of publication in the church journals of the Jeypore Evangelical Lutheran Church and of the Northern Evangelical Lutheran Church.)

REWA MISSION.

The Rewa Mission will be celebrating its 50th year Jubilee around Epiphany Day, 1966. To have all the members represented at the time of the central celebrations, the Rewa Mission is requesting the F.E.L.C. to set apart one day for our Golden Jubilee at the next session of the Triennial Conference of the F.E.L.C. to be held early in January 1966.

When the Silver Jubilee was celebrated the mission had not had a single convert, but in the second quarter we have had baptisms of Adivasis since the first Kol, Cornelius Dehait was baptised by Rev.B.J.Krupadanam on July 11, 1943. He married a Christian girl and settled as a Police Constable at Raipur. Since then we have baptised Pabias and Gonds and more recently Uraons. But the remarkable development of the last years has been that for the first time in the history of the Rewa Mission 82 Hindus have been baptised from April 1962 to July 1964. Of these 14 belonging to 4 families are Brahmans, 4 Harijans and the rest non-Brahmin caste Hindus. This remarkable development has been mainly due to the ministry of the medical staff and its follow-up work. Our doctor and her staff was a great reputation throughout Shahdol District not only for their professional ability but also for their service of sacrificial love and their remarkable faith in a prayer hearing God. Rev.C.B.Rao and Rev.Titus Spencer who are in charge of congregations in the Shahdol area have also been giving the gospel message to the patients and their relatives at the hospital prayers every morning and evening. Throughout the district there is a widespread testimony that in this small hospital there is not only good medical service but that patients have tasted the power of Christ in answer to prayer.

The medical work was firmly established when we could buy a two acre property in Shahdol Town and a new hospital building has been erected and the eight old houses have been well repaired but the roof of all the houses and of the hospital need to be renovated. One reason why Rewa, Korea and Surguja were assigned by the N.M.S. to the Lutheran Churches was that Lutherans have the needed Adivasi personnel to take the gospel to large sections of Adivasis in the population of these regions. The Rewa Mission began work in Surguja in 1951 and later it has been carried on with money secured from abroad through the F.E.L.C. Today we have 4500 Uraon Christians in the Church of Surguja. We have similarly thousands of Adivasis living in the Amarkantak Range of South Shahdol 3000 feet above sea-level. Our missionary is ready to start this work, provided the Churches can provide the needed funds.

We continue the work carried on by our pioneer missionary in the Murwahi Field on the borders of Rewa and Korea. In the last three years we have had converts from the Gond and Uraon communities. The Uraon work was started in 1959 when the Disciples Mission handed over a part of their field adjoining Murwahi. Samuel Khalkho was our first Uraon convert baptised in June 1960. He studied at the Govindpur School for Pracharaks. Even while he was under training he led his cousin sister and three youngmen related to him to join the Church. In 1963 he was stationed at the headquarters of Pasan Block Development area, Pendra Taluk and he has led a leading family in one of the villages and an influential youngman in another village. More are being prepared for baptism. We need your prayers so that all the Uraon families living in scattered groups in Pendra Taluk may be seen won for Christ. We need your prayers also for all our workers and for the new converts who have greatly endured persecution.

October 4th is appointed as the Rewa Mission Day and it is the first Sunday of the N.M.S. Week of Prayer. It is requested that information is given regarding our work on the first Sunday in September and one or two Sundays prior to October 4th, so that all our church members may observe October 4th as a day of special prayer for the joint missionary work of all the Lutheran Churches in India supported entirely by the Lutheran Churches of India and give liberally for the support of this work through the offertory taken at the church service even in the smallest congregations. We also appeal to church workers and other church members to give monthly subscriptions. We need your prayers for our workers and our converts who endure persecution with courage and also for the new work to be opened among Adivasis in South Shahdol.

Officers of the Rewa Mission.

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH RANCHI.

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No. 857 / 64-KSS-110

Dated 9 Nov. 1964.

Pramkh Adhyaksh
GELC Ranchi.

Subj:- Rewa Mission Work.

Sir,

May we draw your attention to the KSS resolution on the above subject which is reproduced below:-

Extract KSS minutes Oct. 20-22, 1964.

Item 2. Rewa Mission Work. " Minutes of Madras officers regarding the above subject was read. The minute says that to meet the monetary need of the Rewa Mission Work monthly subscriptions be raised in each supporting church.

Resolved that the GELC is unable to raise monthly subscription for the Rewa Mission Work on account of its own financial burdens and difficulties. However, it will make greater effort to collect greater income from its congregations on the Rewa Mission Day."

The authorities of the Rewa Mission may kindly be informed of the action of the KSS/GELC on the lines of its resolution.

The minutes of the Rewa Mission, we presume are with you.

Yours Sincerely,

cc. Treasurer GELC.
Head Acctt. GELC.

W. Summ 7/11/64
for Secy. GELC Ranchi.

Rewa Mission

REPORT FOR 1963-64

In the report that was sent along with a call to observe the Rewa Mission Day on the first Sunday in October, 1963, mention was made that for the first time in the history of the Rewa Mission 23 Hindus had been baptized in 1962 and 8 persons until the end of August 1963. At the meeting of the F.E.L.C. Executive held in Madras on July 17-18, 1964, it was reported that since April 8, 1962, 80 Hindus had been baptized. Of the 80 Hindu converts, 14 belonging to four families were Brahmins, four were Harijans and the rest (62) were non-Brahmin caste Hindus. It has since been reported that a widow and her 13 year old daughter belonging to the *Ahir* or shepherd caste were baptised at Dhanpuri on July 12th. This progress of the gospel among the Hindus in Madhya Pradesh, where there is much opposition to Christian work is indeed something for which we have great reason to be thankful. Three of the above Brahmin families and several of the non-Brahmin families and some of the recent Uraon converts have endured much persecution with courage and they have given a powerful witness among the people.

Johan Shiv Prasad, baptised in November 1962 and his wife came to faith in Christ when he was a compounder at the headquarters hospital at Shahdol. He was at first transferred to Karkeli R. S. and later to a remoter place. They have suffered much but they have consistently given a courageous testimony to what Christ has done to them in their lives. When he was invited to attend a wedding in the family, the head of the family who had invited him not knowing he was a Christian, sought to treat him as an out-caste, but his young relatives insisted on his being seated with the rest of the party at their meals, even though Johan was willing meekly to suffer humiliation and take his food outside the house. The second Brahmin convert Chotilal Sharma, then at Chirmiri Colliery, went later with his wife to his parental home at Meerut, Uttar Pradesh. The father would not receive him in the house though his mother and brothers pleaded for him. So he had to go away to a relative in New Delhi where he has set up a cycle shop. Chandrasekaran who had left Mambalam, Madras, as a young lad because of his stepmother was working in a work camp at *Sakra* as a clerk to the contractor. After baptism, he was thrown out of work, and he was helped by Missionary C. B. Rao to tide over his period of unemployment of about 2 months and he is now working

on a smaller salary in a different place in the P.W.D. Similarly several non-Brahmin families were uprooted from Sakra Camp and had to take up work in other places. Our missionaries report that they have been steadfast in faith and in witness despite all the hardships they have endured.

It has been the witness of our medical work that has drawn many to faith in Christ. The remarkable Christian witness of the medical staff in their untiring service of love, and remarkable answers to prayer at critical times in the life of the patients have made a powerful Christian impact not only on the patients, but on a very wide circle of relatives and friends, and they have been touched by their loving concern and sacrificial service to the patients, and by their strong faith in a prayer hearing God.

The ministry of the medical staff has been powerfully aided by the preaching of the Word to the patients and their relatives and friends who have listened to the preaching of the Word by the ordained missionaries who have given the message every morning and evening and by the personal witness given by the workers to the patients and those with them.

On July 20, 1963 the evangelistic staff was strengthened by the advent of Miss Emily S. Vedanayakam. She had been commissioned by the Bishop of Tranquebar as missionary to Rewa in June 1953. Continuing her Hindi studies and taking courses in 1953-54 at the Bible School at Shahpura of the Madhya Pradesh Evangelical Lutheran Church, she was ready to settle down at Murwahi or Kotma, but in spite of all efforts made in co-operation with President E. Raman of Madhya Pradesh E. L. Church, a suitable companion could not be found in the Madhya Pradesh Church. It was also found that the time was not ripe for women's work being started in our field. So she worked with Sister Esther Premswarup in her Orphanage at Shahpura and helped also in the evangelistic work in surrounding areas and also helping to some extent in the work of the Bible School for Women at Shahpura. When the medical work was developing at Shahdol, the need for a woman missionary was keenly felt. It was not easy for Miss Emily to be released from Shahpura where her services seemed indispensable, but finally both Sister Esther and Miss Vedanayakam felt guided that the imperative need of the Shahdol work was an inescapable call to her. Thus Miss Vedanayakam was guided to Shahdol and she joined our staff on July 20, 1963. She was immediately impressed with unparalleled opportunities for service in and outside the hospital.

In the very beginning of her work among the patients she contacted two Tamil women who after a week were returning to Sakra where they reported there were about 40 South Indian families. She was invited to visit Sakra on Thursdays, their weekly holiday. The medical staff released Sister Agnes S. Gopal to go with Miss Vedanayakam every Thursday. They both met the older folks in their homes and in small gatherings and gave them the good news about Jesus Christ, our Saviour. They organised a school for about 50 children to instruct them every Thursday in our Sunday school. The response was remarkable. Chandrasekhar, the Brahmin clerk of the contractor at Sakra who had known some Christians gave public testimony that Jesus was the Saviour of the world. Meyyappan with his wife and child were the first fruit from Sakra and they were baptized on September 19, 1963. They came from Village Vandalur, 4 miles from Tambaram (Madras). On November 22 Sundar of Sankarankoil, Tirunelveli District and five others of his family were baptized. Both families were goldsmiths by caste. On December 11, Chandrasekharan was baptised with his wife and daughter.

In these days very few congregations report of baptisms of caste Hindus. Within a period of 25 months 80 caste Hindus have been baptized not counting the two baptised on July 12th. This is indeed a matter for profound thanksgiving to God. For this evidence of God's blessing on the work of our devoted missionaries we ascribe all praise and glory to our Lord who is working through His Spirit in the hearts of many in this hitherto unevangelised area.

Adivasi work in South Shahdol: Ever since hospital work was begun at Shahdol, the Rev. C. B. Rao has been eager to organise Adivasi work in the hilly area of South Shahdol along the Amarkantak Range, 3000 ft. above sea-level. Here we have at least as large a concentration of Adivasis as in Surguja where the Lord has blessed the work started in 1951 by the Rewa Mission, now carried on by the Surguja Board, of which the President of Rewa Mission is the Chairman. We rejoice that in 13 years a Church of about 4,500 Uraon members has been gathered. A great opportunity for the gospel awaits us in the Amarkantak area, but year after year the budget provision could not be used because most of our supporting Churches have not contributed their full allotment towards the budget.

Our finances: The F.E.L.C. authorised special collections in 1962 and 1963 in all the congregations of the Federation Churches

to meet special specific needs for the work. We are grateful for such response as we have had to these efforts. We had listed our special needs which amounted to Rs. 33,000 (Rs. 8,000 to be raised in 1962 and Rs. 25,000 in 1963). We have so far received only a little over Rs. 10,000. The roofs of our hospital buildings are to be renovated, and the Federation Executive at its meeting on July 17 and 18 is making an effort to secure for this purpose a grant of Rs. 10,000. Still we would need money to clear the Provident Fund deficit, put up the much needed superstructure of the Shahdol chapel and meet other essential capital needs.

Our budget needs : The Rewa Mission has presented as a matter of great urgency the need for every contributing Church paying its full quota as the T.E.L.C. has done consistently all these years. The sources of our income for our budget needs are as follows :

1. *Annual effort* :—The call to observe Rewa Mission Day is forwarded to the President of every F.E.L.C. Church. The report of the work which accompanies the annual appeal will bring before the congregations the progress and needs of the work to be duly announced by pastors and others in charge of congregations in church services on Sundays prior to October 4, the Rewa Mission Day. Our church members even in the smallest congregations may be requested to give according to their ability for the support of this work in this difficult mission field.

2. *Monthly subscriptions* :—From the beginning of our work in 1916 some of the supporting Churches have encouraged their members to give a regular monthly subscription for the support of this work. In view of rapidly developing work the Rewa Mission has been appealing to all the Churches of the Federation to augment the income of the mission by securing monthly subscriptions from earning church members. As the Churches of the Federation have assumed full responsibility for the work of the mission on the action of the Triennial Conference of the F.E.L.C. in 1960 we request that this may be done to start with in all town congregations and in head congregations of rural parishes.

In the T.E.L.C. for example the church employees pay their freewill Rewa Mission contributions through the acquittance roll and other church members through the Rewa Mission column in the printed monthly Church Contribution Register. In the T.E.L.C. the church members pay 4 P. per Rupee for church support and they are encouraged to give a freewill offering approximately at 1 P. per Rupee for the support of the Rewa Mission. Wherever

there is no such provision to pay to the Rewa Mission through the Rewa Mission column in the Church Fund Contribution Register, members not in the employ of the Church may pay the monthly subscription through a separate Rewa Mission Subscription Book which may accompany the monthly subscription book for church support.

An adequate response from our church members will enable the Rewa Mission to take advantage of opportunities of bringing the gospel to new places in our area.

Murwahi Field:—The Rev. Raymond Martin stationed in Kotma, Shahdol Dt. takes care of small congregations in and around Kotma but his main work is in the old Murwahi field in Pendra Taluk, Bilaspur District. The main centres in this field are now reached by bus running from Pendra Road to Murwahi. We have three schools in this area, a recognised school at Usad and two unrecognised schools at Karhani and at Ganganaitola. Our first two primary schools are commended by the inspecting officers for their efficiency securing 100% passes at the Government Primary School Examination. One of the four heads of Gond families who were baptized in recent years has put up a spacious school building on his site at Karhani and he has offered it for our use so long as the mission maintains this school.

Ganganaitola is in the new Uraon area adjoining the old Murwahi field. It was transferred to the Rewa Mission by the Disciples Church in 1959. The main reason was that we could employ Uraon workers from Ranchi or Surguja to evangelise the small scattered Uraon groups here and there in this part of Pendra Taluk. In June 1960 our first Uraon convert Samuel Khalkho was baptized and he received his pracharak training at the Gossner Bible School at Govindpur in Ranchi District in 1961 and 1962. While under training he led to Christ his cousin Sanjani Tabitha Bai and three young men related to him. After being baptized at Kotma on Pentecost Day, 1962 Tabitha Bai was sent for training at Tabitha School, Govindpur. During the summer vacations 1963 and 1964, she had visited several villages in the Uraon area and given a strong witness for Christ. In 1963, three more Uraons were baptized. We have adequate staff to reach all the scattered Uraon groups in this area and we look to the work of the Spirit to bring all of them into the House of Faith.

Officers of the Rewa Mission.

LIST OF STAFF

Shahdol:

- (1) The Rev. C. B. Rao :—Missionary-in-Charge and Chairman of the Field Missionary Council.
- (2) The Rev. T. Spencer :—Asst. to the Missionary-in-Charge.
- (3) Dr. (Mrs.) Ramabai Rao :—Medical Officer-in-Charge of the Hospital.
- (4) Sister Agnes S. Gopal :—Nursing Supt. and Business Manager.
- (5) Sister B. V. Reddy :—Nurse.
- (6) Sister K. M. Aaron :—Nurse.
- (7) Miss Emily S. Vedanayakam :—Missionary-in-Charge of Women's work.

Kotma and Murwahi :

- (1) Rev. Raymond Martin :—Missionary-in-Charge.
 - (2) Sri Isaac Surin, Usad.
 - (3) Srimathi Mariam Surin, Usad.
 - (4) Sri Sudharam Gupta, Karhani.
 - (5) Sri Zachariah Angeth, Karhani.
 - (6) Sri Chohanas Kujur, Ganganaitola.
 - (7) Sri Dharmdas Kujur, „
 - (8) Sri Thomas Minz, Lokhada.
 - (9) Srimathi Dayamani Thomas, Lokhada.
 - (10) Samuel Khalkho, Pasan.
- } Teachers.
- } Teacher-
- } Evangelists.
- } Evangelistic
- } Workers.

Note :—Usad and Karhami Schools have classes I-V with 30 and 40 Adibasi children respectively. Ganganaitola has only classes I-III with 20 Adibasi children.

CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS

Place	Baptized				Confirmed		
	Men	Women	Children	Total	Men	Women	Total
<i>Shahdol Field—</i>							
1. <i>Shahdol Town</i>	52	40	49	141	41	34	75
2. <i>Dhanpuri</i>	39	28	23	90	29	24	53
3. <i>Nowrozabad</i>	8	10	9	27	6	7	13
4. <i>Amlai</i>	14	3	6	23	10	3	13
<i>Kotma, Shahdol Dt.—</i>							
<i>Kotma, Anuppur, Bijuri</i>	39	22	38	99	39	22	61
<i>Murwahi and Uraon area</i>	23	13	30	66	23	13	36
Total	175	116	155	446	148	103	251

GOSWAMI EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH SANCHI.

No. 774/G.E.L.S. 110

September 1 1964.

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To

Adhyaksh S.E. Anchal.

" H.W. "

" O-isan "

" Assam "

Sanchalak Khutitoli synod.

Dear Sirs,

A pamphlet of newa Mission is forwarded herewith in quintuplicate for wide publication down to the Pracha-ekam level to observe the newa Day.

Yours sincerely,

W. S. on 11/9/64

Copy with 5 copies of pamphlet to:-

to- Secy. G.E.L.C. Sanchi.

Synod Sanchalak Govindpur

" " Takana

" " Ru-ju

" " Ro-onjo

" " Kinkel

" " Lohar-daga

" " Chidpur - North

H. Q. Congregation.

etc

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH RANCHI.

No. /64-KSS-110

Dated 30.Nov.1964.

Mr. S. Bhenra Treasurer S. E. Anchal, Khunti.
Mr. Z. Horo " Assam " Tezpur.
Mr. P. D. Lakra " N. W. " Guila.
Mr. Martin Monrom " Orissa " Rajgangpur
Rev. P. D. Soren, Syd. Sanchalak Khutitoli.
Mr. Michael Karketta Jt. Tres. H. Q. Cong. Ranchi.

Sub:- REWA MISSION DAY COLLECTION.

Dear Friends,

You were asked by our letter No. 734/64-KSS-110 dated Aug 18, 1964 addressed to your Anchal Adhyakshes/Synod Sanchalaks to observe the Rewa Mission Day in October this year. We believe you have observed the mission day in all your congregations and have raised collections.

May we now remind you to remit the collections quickly to the Treasurer GELChurch at his Ranchi address so that it can be handed over to the Rewa Mission.

We take this opportunity to also remind you to send the collections to the Treasurer GELC on account of
All Asia Lutheran Conference &
The Bible Society, which is remaining with you or your congregations.

We value your close cooperation in the matter aforesaid and hope quicker action by you.

Yours Sincerely,

cc. All Anchal Adhyakshes.
All Anchal Secretaries.
Secy. H. Q. Congregation.
Treasurer GELC.
Head Acctt. GELC.

Asstt. to the Secy.
GELChurch, Ranchi.

No. /64-Kss-

WE SEEK YOUR ATTENTION AND COOPERATION.

The year 1964 is coming to a close, and we are reminded of our task of closing our accounts and hurrying up with the pending works of the year to be able to begin our work anew in 1965.

The Census report for 1964 and the Financial Statements of Anchals/Synods/Ilakas and congregations are to be prepared as quickly as possible so as to reach the KSS office latest by 31st Jan. 1965. We state this for everybody's attention and hope to get the full co-operation needed.

Secretary,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.