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IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM**

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11/12/70  
P.M.  
Gossner Theological College,  
Ranchi, Bihar.

From:

Dr. N. Minz  
Secretary-Cum-Treasurer  
North India Regional Lutheran  
Conference.

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To,

Rev. C. B. Minz  
Pramukh Adhyaksha, GELC

Rev. C. B. Rao  
Rewa Mission, Sahdole

Rev. M. M. Tudu  
General Superintendent, NELC

Rev. A. Berg  
World Mission Prayer League  
Darjeeling.

Rt. Rev. R. Israelsson,  
Bishop of Chhindwara, M.P.

Rt. Rev. J. Nag  
Bishop of Jeypore,  
Jeypore, Koraput Dist. Orissa.

Dear Friends,

As I do not possess the addresses of your Church  
treasurer~~er~~ I am writing to you hoping that you will be kind  
enough to pass this letter on to them. You will soon be getting  
the official invitation to the fifth regional Lutheran Conference  
from our convener Bishop J. Nag. In view of the ensuing conference  
may I remind you that you have pay up your dues for 1969 and 1970  
as mentioned below: ( the due is Rs.5.00 per delegate per year)

GELC	15 delegates	Two years	Rs. 150.00
NELC	13	"	130.00
JELC	10	"	100.00
MPELC	7	"	70.00
WMPL	2	"	20.00
Rewa	2	"	20.00

If you send a cheque, kindly make it payable to  
Rev. Dr. Nirmal Minz, Secretary & Treasurer North India Regional  
Lutheran Conference. I will appreciate it very much if you will  
send the above dues against your Church's name by the end of this  
year.

Looking forward to meeting you at Chhindwara in  
January. With greetings and good wishes to you and your Church,

Sincerely Yours,  
29.11.70  
Rev. Dr. Nirmal Minz  
Secretary/Treasurer.

## AFFILIATION FEE / FEE FOR 1970 WITH ARREARS FOR 1968 &amp; 1969

TO BE PAID BY AFFILIATED BODIES: NEICC

(10)

Name of Affiliated Body	Aff. Fee 1968	Spl. Contr. 1968	Aff. Fee 1969	Aff. Fee 1970	Total
1. C. B. C. N. E. I.		Rs. 250		Rs. 3000	Rs. 3000
2. K. J. P. Synod			Rs. 250	" 750	" 1250
3. C. I. P. B. C.				" 150	" 150
4. Mizo Presbyterian Synod				" 1050	" 1050
5. Mizo Baptist Church			" 300	" 300	" 600
6. N. E. L. Church				" 150	" 150
7. G. E. L. Church	Rs. 100	" 50	" 150	" 150	" 450
8. North Bank Baptist Association			" 150	" 150	" 300
9. Tripura Baptist Christian Union			" 150	" 150	" 300
10. Goalpara Baptist Church Union				" 150	" 150
11. Cachar Hill Tribes' Synod				" 150	" 150
12. Cachar District Presbyterian Synod	" 100	" 50	" 150	" 150	" 450
13. Eastern Himalaya Church Council			" 150	" 150	" 300
14. Mizo Salvation Army				" 150	" 150
15. Mara Independent Evangelical Church				" 150	" 150
16. Church of God (Guallapatty)				" 150	" 150
17. Church of God (Mawkhari)				" 150	" 150
18. ChristiNational Church			" 150	" 150	" 300
19. North Bank General Baptist				" 150	" 150
20. Australian Baptist Missionary Society			" 75	" 150	" 225
21. World Mission Prayer League				" 150	" 150
22. Bible Society: Assam Auxiliary		" 50		" 150	" 200
Total	Rs. 200	Rs. 400	Rs. 1525	Rs. 7800	Rs. 9925

NOTE: Please make your payment immediately with arrears if any, to Rev. L.S. Diengdoh, NEICC Treasurer,  
Church House, Mawkhari, Shillong- 2.

(E. Stafford)

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30/11/66

Surp. Com. of <sup>other</sup> Church /  
North India

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN ORTAKAUR & ASRAH.

No. 729/SC-HOD-152  
November 30, 1966.

The undermentioned document is forwarded to :

1. The Prankh Adhyaksh.
2. Rev. J. Lakra.
3. Rev. Prof. J. J. Piga.
4. Rev. Prof. S. Surin.
5. Rev. H. Tote.
6. Treasurer, G. E. L. C.
7. Head Accountant, G. E. L. C.

for information, guidance and necessary action. The document is an extract from minutes item 22 (ii) dated Nov. 4-10, 1966 containing regulations regarding proposal for Church Union among Lutheran Churches in North India.

*Enc.*  
30/11/66  
( H. E. R. D. )  
the  
Secretary G. E. L. Church.

Enc (1)

Extract minutes item 22 (ii) dated Nov. 4-10, 1966.

" item 22 NORTH INDIA REGIONAL CONFERENCE :

(ii) Union of Lutheran Churches in the North :-

Rev. Dr. H. Piga reported that the North India Regional Conference which had met at Duska discussed the question of union of the Lutheran churches in North India. The conference had decided to ask the churches concerned for their opinion.

After some discussion it was decided that a committee of five members be formed which give proper advise to the EEC on this question. The following were unanimously appointed to serve in this committee:

1. Prankh Adhyaksh ----- convenor.
2. Rev. J. Lakra,
3. Rev. Prof. J. J. Piga, ✓
4. Rev. Prof. S. Surin, ✓
5. Rev. H. Tote. \*

*Decided to hold meeting  
to discuss the matter  
whether to have  
Northern India*

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16.9.64  
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GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH RANCHI

Memo No. 784/64-KSS-152

Dated 15th Sep. '64.

To

Pramukh Adhyaksh GELC, Ranchi  
Anchal Adhyaksh Orissa  
Anchal Adhyaksh Assam  
Anchal Adhyaksh S.E. Anchal  
Anchal Adhyaksh N.W. Anchal  
Sanchalak Khutitoli Synod  
Director J.M.B. Kokar, Ranchi  
Pastor H.Q. Cng. Ranchi.  
Principal Th. Coll. Ranchi  
Headmaster Pracharak Trg. School, Govindpur.

It is announced that the next meeting of the North India Lutheran Churches will meet at Ranchi (GELC Compd) from 6th-7th Oct. 1964.

All delegates are requested to arrive at Ranchi by the evening of 5th Oct. 1964 positively. Agenda will be sent to delegates by the Convener of the Conference Rev. J. Lakra GELC. Khutitoli.

Gossner Church has been allotted 14 seats as already announced in our letter No. 148-57/64-KSS-152 dated March 5 1964. Names of delegates should be immediately sent to the Pramukh Adhyaksh.

Yours Sincerely

16.9.64  
Asstt to the Secy.  
G.E.L.C. Ranchi.

Dr. R. L. Cunville,  
Retd. Director of Pasteur Institute and  
Medical Research Institute Shillong.

"FELI-VILLE"  
Laitumkhrah Shillong-3  
ASSAM.

Date 28-7-67

To Mr P. D. Bage,  
Treasurer,  
C.E.L. Church,  
Raohi.

Dear Mr Bage,

Thank you very  
much for your letter No. 175/67  
of 17-7-67. Very sorry indeed for  
the mistake created. Through  
oversight I took your church  
as the Northern Luther Evangelical  
Lutheran Church. On checking  
with your statement in your  
above letter I found it to be  
correct and that this is  
for your G.E.L. Church, Raohi.  
Therefore the payment by your  
church for the year 1967 is now  
complete. I thank you again  
for pointing out the mistake  
on my part.

With best Christian  
greetings.

Yours sincerely  
R. L. Cunville  
Treasurer,  
North East India  
Christian Council.

**Affiliation Fees Payable to NEICC  
By the Affiliated Bodies  
For 1966 & 1967**

	Arrear For 1966		Payable For 1967		Total Due For 1966 & 1967	
	Affil. Fee	Spl. Contri- bution	Affil. Fee	Spl. Contri- bution	Affili. Fee	Spl. Con- tribution
1. Australian Baptist Missionary Society	Rs. p. 100.00	Rs. p. 50.00	Rs. p. 100.00	Rs. p. 50.00	Rs. p. 200.00	Rs. p. 100.00
2. North Bank Baptist General Conference	- -	- -	200.00	100.00	200.00	100.00
3. Bible Society: Assam Auxiliary	- -	50.00	100.00	50.00	100.00	100.00
4. Cachar Hill Tribes' Presby. Synod	- -	- -	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
5. Church of India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon	- -	- -	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
6. Church of God	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	200.00	100.00
7. Church of God (Turei Gospel)	- -	- -	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
8. Council of Baptist Churches in North East India	- -	1000.00	2000.00	1000000	2000.00	2000.00
9. Christ National Church	- -	- -	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
10. Eastern Himalaya Church Council	- -	- -	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
11. Goalpara Baptist Church Union	- -	- -	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
12. Gessner Evang. Lutheran Church	- -	50.00	100.00	50.00	100.00	100.00
13. Khasi-Jaintia Presby. Synod	200.00	250.00	500.00	250.00	700.00	500.00
14. Lekher Independ. Evang. Church	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	200.00	100.00
15. Mizo Baptist Church	200.00	100.00	200.00	100.00	400.00	200.00
16. Mizo Presbyterian Synod	- -	- -	700.00	350.00	700.00	350.00
17. Northern Evang. Lutheran Church	40.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	140.00	100.00
18. Salvation Army	40.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	140.00	100.00
19. Tripura Baptist Chr. Union	- -	- -	100.00	50.00	100.00	50.00
20. World Mission Prayer League	- -	50.00	100.00	50.00	100.00	100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>780.00</b>	<b>1750.00</b>	<b>5100.00</b>	<b>2550.00</b>	<b>5880.00</b>	<b>4300.00</b>

Sd/- R. L. Cunville,  
NEICC Treasurer,  
13/1/67

NORTH EAST INDIA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL  
Panbazar, Gauhati-1, Assam.

Ref: No. NEICC/16/67/NB/1-50

Dated, Jan. 30, 1967

Circular Notice

To,

The Secretaries of the Affiliated Bodies,  
North East India Christian Council.

Dear Friends,

Kindly take note of the following and immediate actions where necessary.

1. Nasrapur Follow-up: Kindly inform this office of any action taken by your Churches, Synods or Church Councils in the past year to organize any Bible Study Classes, Conferences or the like for making a study of the findings of the NCC Consultation on the Mission of the Church in Contemporary India as a follow-up of that Consultation held by NCC at Nasrapur in March 1966.
2. Church Union Scheme: Please inform the office of any attempt made by your Churches, Synods or Church Councils to translate into local vernacular and to make a proper study of the Second Draft of the Basis of Church Union Scheme for N.E. India together with the paper on "Church Union-Theological and Non-Theological Factors" written by Dr. F.S. Downs, and published and sent from this office. Please remember that your Church's definite expression of opinion on the proposed church Union Scheme based on this Second Draft is expected to reach this office at least by the end of this current year (1967). If any Clarification is needed on any issue, the matter may be communicated to this office.
3. NEICC Annual Meeting: Please note that the 30th Annual Session of the NEICC will be held at Shillong, Monday, Oct. 9th (8 a.m.) till Thursday, Oct. 12th (1:30 p.m.), 1967, prior to the NCC Triennial Assembly to be held at the same place from the evening of Oct 12th 1967, as decided by the NEICC Executive held on Jan. 13th, 1967. Detail fix programme etc will follow later.
4. NCC Triennial Assembly: The Sixteenth Triennial Assembly of the National Christian Council of India is being planned at Shillong, Thursday Oct. 12th to Monday, Oct 16th, 1967.  
Please plan your own meetings in such way as to keep these dates free, fix so that your delegates and other visitors can attend this great and important meeting. More detail information will be sent later.
5. Regional SCM Secretary: It is understood that Mr. K.T. Rock, recently appointed to be the Regional Travelling Secretary of the SCM Union of N.E. India has resigned to go to the Bible School at Kangpokpi, in Manipur. Another person is therefore needed to replace him. If any of the Affiliated Churches has any suitable person to offer for this service, please contact either Prof. B. Minty at Union Christian College, P.O. Barapani, K. & J. Hills, Assam, or Prof. O.M. Rao at the Eastern Theological College, P.O. Garali, Jorhat, Assam, as early as possible.
6. ISSU Field Secretary: It is understood that Rev. N. Daniel, Field Secretary of the India Sunday School Union, who is well-qualified in the field of Christian Education, is planning to visit West-Bengal in March next. If any of the Affiliated Churches would like to have him at that time and want to have his help and services in conducting any Sunday School Teachers' Training Courses or Institutes, he may be directly contacted at 7, Mission Road, Bangalore - 27, South India, or the NEICC Secretary.
7. NEICC Affiliation Fees: A list of Affiliated Bodies of the NEICC with the Affiliation Fees due for 1966 and 1967 is attached herewith for your kind perusal. Any arrear that is due for 1966 be immediately remitted to the NEICC Treasurer: Dr. R.L. Cunville, 'Feli-Ville',

Laitumkhrah, Shillong - 3, Assam. The amount due for 1967 may be sent at any time during the course of the year; however, the earlier the best.

Please remember that on the advice and direction from the National Christian Council of India, we are accepting a voluntary cut of 10% on the NCC grant towards our annual budget of the Council as from January 1967 as a step towards self-support. This means that the Council will have to depend more on its own resources. Therefore, it goes without saying that the Affiliated Bodies will have to come forward with more increasing contributions with a view to give greater support and co-operation to the NEICC in carrying out its programmes.

Please remember also that the additional Special Contribution of 50% over the annual affiliation fee has been requested from each of the Affiliated Bodies for these two years - 1966 & 1967 - just to wipe out the deficit which is coming down from past years. Actually in 1966 Account there is no deficit but a balance of Rs. 528.55p (Rs. 12,348.10 - Rs. 11,819.55p), but we still have the previous year's (1965) deficit of nearly Rs. 5,000.00 on account of which we are still carrying a closing deficit of Rs. 4,370.91p from 1966 account to 1967 Account. The Special Contributions asked from the Affiliated Bodies this year including the arrears should be able to clear off this deficit during 1967; then we shall be able to begin the year 1968 with a clean sheet. We hope the Secretaries and the Treasurers of the Affiliated Bodies would keep this in mind and give us the fullest co-operation.

8. Dr. Abdul Haqq's Evangelistic Campaigns: It is now definitely known that Dr. Abdul Haqq will be available to conduct Evangelistic Campaigns in North East India from October 24 to November 5, 1967. A strong Advisory and Planning Board has been set up now with 25 members by the NEICC Executive to undertake the programming the Campaigns and for seeking all co-operation and help from the churches and individuals in this great and all-important task of bringing the Gospel Message of Christ to the millions in this region. We hope that the churches and all believers in this area will be alive to this great responsibility and extend all possible help and co-operation with men, money and prayer.

At the moment the Advisory Board is looking for a suitable person who can be appointed as a Full-time Paid Secretary for the next ten months to hold the full responsibility of the Campaigns. If there is any suitable person who can be seconded or released by any of the Affiliated Bodies, it will be much appreciated. Please contact the NEICC Secretary if you have such a person.

The Advisory Board met at Gauhati on Jan. 27, 1967 with Rev. C.R. Thompson, the Chairman of the last Madurai Campaign and Mr. Samuel Jones, Personal Assistant to Dr. Haqq and chalked out the following tentative programme for Dr. Haqq's Campaigns in North East India:

October 24th. & 25th., 1967 - Imphal, Manipur State  
October 26th. & 27th., 1967 - Kohima, Nagaland  
Oct. 29th. to Nov. 5th., 1967 - Tezpur, Assam

Dr. Haqq will come also for a two-day visit to Shillong on Feb. 18th. & 19th, 1967, when it is expected that Dr. Haqq will address a Rally of Christian Leaders and laymen to give them an inspiration and vision of the coming Campaigns. You are welcome to attend this Rally, if you can.

Please keep these Campaigns in your prayers and also Dr. Haqq and others who would be responsible for these Campaigns. Look also for more news to come to you from time to time.

9. NEICC Proceeding Books & News Bulletins: The 1966 issue of the Proceeding Book is still available. Please write to the Secretary and order your copies, priced at Rs. 2.00 per copy. Please advise all the NEICC Sub-Committee members to purchase a copy each and possess it as a personal copy. I have already sent to various church leaders in different areas the December issue of the News Bulletin. I shall appreciate if they will send me immediately the money they have received from the sale of these News Bulletins.

(Rev.) E. Stafford.  
Secretary: NEICC  
30.1.67.

11/7/67  
Dr. R. L. Cunville.

Retd. Director of Pasteur Institute and  
Medical Research Institute Shillong.

"FELI-VILLE"  
Laitumkhrah Shillong-3  
ASSAM.

Date 5-7-67

To **Treasurer,**  
**Rev. Bage,** **North East India**  
**Christian Comm.**  
**G. E. L. Church,**  
**Ranchi.**  
**Bihar.**

Dear Rev. Bage, Thank you very much  
for your letter of 21-6-67. In order to  
finally clear up the accounts with your  
Church, I am giving below the details of  
payment and the amounts due from your  
Church, with effect from 1965.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payment made</u>	<u>Receipt Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
6-10-65	628		70.00	<u>28-9-65</u> 70.00
21-5-66	676		70.00	<u>17-5-66</u> 70.00
2-8-66	700		60.00	<u>29-7-66</u> 160.00
25-6-67	754		240.00	<u>18-5-67</u> 150.00
			<u>Total 440.00</u>	<u>450.00</u>
				Rs up.

<u>Years</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Due</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Still due</u>
1965	150.00	450.00		
" 1966	150.00		440.00	
" 1967	150.00			10.00
	<u>Total 450.00</u>			

I hope the above statement is now clear to you,  
I would therefore request you to kindly send Rs 10.00  
in order to complete the payment up to 1967.  
With best Christian regards  
R. L. Cunville

# GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Rgd. under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860)

PRAMUKH ADHYAKSH : Rev. C. B. AIND  
UP-PRAMUKH ADHYAKSH : Rev. B. MINZ  
SECRETARY : Rev. Dr. M. BAGE  
TREASURER : Mr. C. A. TIRKEY

## HEAD OFFICE

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi  
Bihar/India  
Phone : 510

No.

125/67

Dated Ranchi the 17th July 67.

To

Dr. R. L. Banville,  
Treasurer, N.E.I.C.C.  
"Feli-Ville"  
Laitumkhark Shillong-3  
Assam

Dear Dr. Banville,

I have your letter of 5/7/67 re: G.E.L. Church membership and Special Contribution for 1965, 1966 & 1967 statement showing demand and payment made by G.E.L. Church. I am thankful for it. In order to clear up the account with your N.E.I.C.C. I am giving below a ~~sample~~ comparative statement of Transactions which will make clear for judgement the correctness of accounts.

Actual payment made by the GEL Church according to record

P.I.N.	3203	dt	28/9/65	..	Rs. 70/-
"	3549	dt	17/5/66	..	Rs. 70/-
"	3644	dt	29/7/66	..	Rs. 160/-
"	4037	dt	18/5/67	..	Rs. 150/-

*Thru to 45 of*

Payment supported by your receipt supplied.

N.628	dt	6/10/65	for	Rs. 70/-
N.676	dt	21/5/66	for	Rs. 70/-
N.700	dt	2/8/66	for	Rs. 160/- and not
N.753	dt	25/5/67	for	Rs. 150/- and not for Rs. 240, show by your statement.

Actual Demand of N.E.I.C.C.

1965 .....	Rs. 150.00.
1966 .....	Rs. 150.00.
1967 .....	Rs. 150.00.

Total Rs. 450.00.

I hope the above statement is now clear to you, complete payment has already been made. The G.E.L. Church has now no balance due for payment up to 1967.

With best Christian greetings  
Yours Sincerely,

*M. Bage*  
Mr. Treasurer,  
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

Dr. R. L. Curville,  
Retd. Director of Pasteur Institute and  
Medical Research Institute Shillong.

"FELI-VILLE"  
Laitumkhrah Shillong-3  
ASSAM.

Date 25-5-67

Dear Dr. Bafé,

Thank you very  
much for your Cheque of Rs 150/- <sup>recd</sup>  
by me today, a receipt for the amount is sent  
herewith. By the way, on looking  
up the books I found that you have  
not paid for the Special Contribution  
of Rs 50/- for 1966. As we are very  
short of money, I would request  
you to kindly send the amount  
at an early date.

With best Christian Greetings,

Yours sincerely,

R. Louis Curville

Treasurer,  
North East India  
Christian Council.

# GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Rgd. under Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860)

PRAMUKH ADHYAKSH : Rev. C. B. AIND  
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TREASURER : Mr. C. A. TIRKEY

HEAD OFFICE  
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi  
Bihar/India  
Phone : 510

No. \_\_\_\_\_ /67

Ranchi.  
21-6-1967

Dr. R. E. Conville,  
Treasurer, North East India  
Christian Council,  
Feli-ville  
Laitumkarah Saillong-3  
Assam.

Dear Dr. Conville,

We have your letter of 25-5-67 concerning Special Contribution arrear Rs.50/- for 1966. In reply to it we have to request you to kindly refer this office payment Voucher No. 3644 d/- 29/7/66 for Rs. 160.00.

GECC Annual Affiliation fee to NEICC for 1965 & 1966	
balance Rs.30/- of each year .....	Rs. 60.00
50% Special Contribution for 1965 and 1966 @ 50/- p.a .....	" 100.00
Total	Rs. 160.00

(Rupees one hundred sixty) only.

(By cheque No. 267376 d/-27/7/66)  
For which amount of Rs. 160.00 you have issued R.N. 700  
d/-2/8/66.

Now we hope the arrear claim made is already cleared.

With Christian greetings,

Sincerely yours,

*M. Bage*  
For Treasurer,  
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.  
21/6/67

Dr. R. L. Curville,  
Retd. Director of Pasteur Institute and  
Medical Research Institute Shillong.

"FELI-VILLE"  
Laitumkhrah Shillong-3  
ASSAM.

To

Date 2-8-66

The Treasurer,  
Gosser Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Ranchi.

Dear Sir (Name not eligible), thank you  
very much indeed for your letter  
of 29-7-66 enclosing a cheque for Rs 160/-  
(Rupees 160/-) just now. It is  
a really great help when our financial  
position is very low. The receipt  
is enclosed herewith.

With best wishes and Christian  
greetings, may God continue to  
pour His richest blessing  
on the work of your Church.

Yours sincerely,  
R. Lewis Curville

Treasurer,  
North East India  
Christian Council.

The Treasurer,  
Gosser Evangelical Lutheran Church  
RANCHI





John or R. L. Camwill  
"Feli-villa"  
Shillong-3  
Treasurer,  
North East India  
Christian Council.

15/10/65  
Dr. R. L. Cumville. B.Sc., M.B.,A.M.S.  
(Retd. Director of Pasteur Institute)

FELI-VILLE  
Laitumkhrah, Shillong -3  
(ASSAM)

Date 8-10- 1965

To Mr. Treasurer,  
Gosoner Evangelical Lutheran Church,  
Ranchari.

Dear Sir, Thank you very much  
for the affiliation fees Rs  
70.00 p. for 1965- we shall  
look forward to the special  
contribution next year. A  
receipt for this amount is  
enclosed herewith.

With best wishes  
and Christian greetings  
Yours and the Church members.

yours sincerely,  
R. L. Cumville

Treasurer,  
North East India  
Christian Council.

J.C

Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur & Assam

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No. 199/65

Ranchi.

30-9-1965

Dr. R. L. Junville, NEICC Treasurer,  
Feli-Ville, Laitumkhrah,  
Shillong-Assam.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the letter No. NEICC/281/65/APP/9-21  
d/-23/8/65 to the Secretary, Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Tezpur: I am sending a cheque for Rs. 70/- only on the United  
Bank of India Ltd. Ranchi Branch, affiliation of the G.E.L.Church  
Assam Anchal. The K.S.S. of the G.E.L.Church has no fund in its  
budget to pay 50% more of its Annual Affiliation for 1965 & 1966.

Yours Sincerely,

*P. D. K. 30/9/65*  
Accountant,  
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

CC: The Secretary,  
G.E.L.Church, Tezpur.  
for information.

Office of the Treasurer, G.E.L.Church, Ranchi. *OTC*

No. 182-83/65

Ranchi.  
20-9-1965

The Treasurer,  
G.E.L.Church in Chotanagpur and Assam,  
Chainpur.

Sir,

Please refer to the copy of letter of Rev. E. Stafford, Secretary NEICC/281/65/AFF/9-21 d/-23/8/65 addressed to the Secretary G.E.L.Church, Tezpur-Assam. Which the secretary Assam Anchal has forwarded its copy requesting for payment of Assam Anchal Affiliation Fee to the the Treasurer NEICC for the year 1965 & 1966.

In this connection I have to inform you that the K.S.S. of the GELC has to pay Assam Anchal Affiliation fee, for which Rs. 70.00 ( Rupees seventy ) only has been provided in the budget 1965. 50% more contribution to NEICC Fund demand from the budget 1965 & 1966 is not possible.

Please issue cheque in favour of Dr. R. L. Cunville, ~~THE HONORABLE~~  
NEICC Treasurer, Feli-Ville, Laitumkhrah, Shillong.

Yours faithfully,

*R.J. Bege*

Accountant,  
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

20/9/65

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

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FELI-VILLE P-8

Dr. R. L. Canville, B.Sc., M.B., A.M.S.  
(Retd. Director of Pasteur Institute)

Laitumkhrah, Shillong  
(ASSAM)

Date 18-11-1964

To

Mr C.M. Hora,  
Treasurer,  
G.E.I. Church in Chittagong & Assam.  
Kandinge Salakari Sabha, Raichur.

Dear Sir,

Thank you very much  
for the affiliation fee of Rs 70.00  
on behalf of your church for  
the year 1964. A receipt for  
the amount is sent herewith.  
With best wishes & Christian  
greetings,

Yours sincerely,  
R. L. Canville

Treasurer,  
North East India  
Christian Council.

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**North East India Christian Council**  
(In affiliation with the National Christian Council of India)  
Dinam Hall, Shillong.

Ref. No. 3/62/Accts/22

8th Sept. 1962.

To  
The Treasurer,  
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

*Am A.M.  
13/9/62*

Sir,

Thank you for cheque No. 156495 dated 31.8. '62  
for Rs 60.00. I am sending herewith receipt for the  
same.

With all good wishes,

Yours Sincerely,

*L.S. Diengdoh*  
(L.S. Diengdoh).  
Secretary, North East India,  
Christian Council.

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*23/6/62*  
North East India Christian Council

(In affiliation with the National Christian Council of India)

Dinam Hall, Shillong.

Ref. No. NEICC.33/62/Aff/6,

.....June 20, 1962.

To

*Xerox copy of the original document*  
The Treasurer,  
Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church,  
Ranchi, Bihar.

Sir,

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Total		Rs. 240/-	

*Sanctioned  
C.M.Z. 28/6/62*  
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*28/6/62*  
With kind regards,

*L. J. Singh*  
Yours sincerely,  
Secy. NEICC.

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25.6.1962

Rev. C.B.Aind, Treasurer,  
G.E.L.Church in Chetanagpur and Assam,  
Rajgangpur.

Dear Mr.Aind,

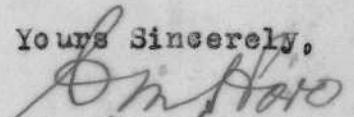
Please send a crossed cheque for Rs.240.00 payable to "North East India Christian Council" on account of affiliation fees for:-

the year 1959-60	.....	Rs. 60.00
" " 1960-61	.....	60.00
" " 1961-62	.....	60.00
" " 1962-63	.....	60.00
		240.00

... of the Secretary NEICC

Letter no.NELCC. 33/62/Aff/6, d/-20.6.62 is sent herewith in original.

Yours Sincerely,

  
B.M. Hora.  
Head Accountant,  
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi.

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(True copy)

NORTH EAST INDIA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL  
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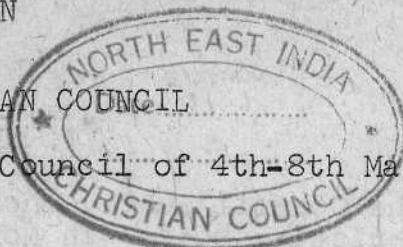
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Secy. NEICC.

*B.M.H.*  
23/6/62

CONSTITUTION  
OF  
THE NORTH EAST INDIA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL

(Revised in the Assam Christian Council of 4th-8th May 1960).



I. NAME

The Council shall be called the NORTH EAST INDIA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL (hereinafter called the Council).

II. AREA

The area of the Council shall comprise the region of North East India.

III. AFFILIATION.

The Council shall be affiliated to the National Christian Council of India.

IV. BASIS.

1. The Council is established on the principle that the Church is central in the Christian enterprise, that the local congregation is basic to its life and witness, and that evangelism is its primary task.

2. Churches and Missions which are associated with the Council shall undertake to observe the principles of comity as interpreted by the Council.

3. The Council is established for mutual consultation and assistance in all matters affecting the Christian enterprise. It shall have no mandatory authority over its member organisations but may act on behalf of any of them if authorised by them to do so.

4. <sup>The Assembly of</sup> Declarations made by the Council, its Executive Committee or its Officers shall in no case be binding on member organisations.

5. The Council is a constituent member of the National Christian Council of India.

V. OBJECTS AND FUNCTIONS.

1. To encourage Christian fellowship, co-operation and Comity by common counsel among the various bodies in North East India.

2. To promote co-operation and united action in matters of common interest such as preaching the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, teaching the ministry of healing and the production and distribution of Christian literature.

3. To help in creating, formulating and maintaining Christian public opinion and to take such actions as may be deemed necessary on the social, moral and other questions of the day.

4. To consult, advise, assist and act with or on behalf of any of the constituent bodies, if required by them to do so.

5. To co-operate with the National Christian Council of India and other regional Christian Councils, as necessity arises, in matters affecting the Christian enterprise as a whole for the purpose of furthering the growth of the Church ecumenical.

6. To take all possible steps to give effect to the principle that in the Christian enterprise the Church is central and permanent.

7. To act as a liaison with the State Government/Governments on behalf of the Constituent bodies and take such actions as may be necessary in the interest of Christian enterprise in the area of the Council.

VI. MEMBERSHIP

1. The Council shall consist of representatives appointed by the various Christian bodies in North East India as follows:-

- (a) Churches
- (b) Missionary Societies
- (c) Inter-denominational and Non-denominational bodies.

2. Membership in the Council is open to such Christian bodies on the following conditions:-

- (a) Acceptance of the Objects and Functions of the Council;
- (b) Acceptance of the rules of the Comity as determined by the National Christian Council of India;
- (c) Payment of the Affiliation fee annually.

3. All Members of Standing Committees shall be ex-officio members.

VII. REPRESENTATION.

1. That the basis of representation for Churches be two delegates for the first 10,000 (then thousand) communicant members or fraction thereof and one for each additional 10,000 (ten thousand) or fraction thereof; for Missionary Societies one delegate for each 10 (ten) non-Indian Missionaries or fraction thereof; for Inter-denominational and Non-denominational bodies one delegate for each unit.

2. Co-opted Members: That the Executive Committee shall have power to co-opt up to three members to the Executive Committee and seven members to the Council.

3. The National Christian Council shall be represented by the Secretary/Secretaries attending the Council session.

VIII. MEETING

A meeting of the Council shall be held at least once a year to transact its business and to elect office-bearers and Committees at a time and a place agreed upon the Council or the Executive Committee.

IX. QUORUM

One-third of the delegates to the Council shall form a quorum.

X. OFFICERS.

1. The Officers of the Council shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer all of whom shall hold office until the close of the next ordinary session.

2. Where ~~is~~ a full-time Secretary is to be appointed, the appointment shall be made by the Council which shall ~~fix~~ fix the period and terms of service.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

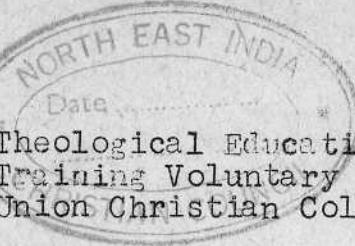
The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers and six members of the Council. It shall have the power to co-opt ~~three~~ three more members.

The Quorum shall be five members.

COMMITTEES

1. The Council shall appoint its Executive Committee and also its Standing Committees which shall deal with the following subjects:

(a) Adult Education	(h) Literature
(b) Audio-Visual Aids	(i) Medical
(c) Christian Home	(j) Relief
(d) Church and Evangelism	(k) Schools
(e) Church Union	(l) Sunday School & Youth Work



- (f) Civic Rights and Public Questions
- (g) Economic Life

- (m) Theological Education and Training Voluntary Workers.
- (n) Union Christian College.

2. The Council shall appoint an ad hoc Committee to deal with such matters as are assigned to them.

3. All Standing Committees shall have ordinarily six members and shall have the power to co-opt corresponding members not exceeding one-half of their own original members and to fill up vacancies that may occur. In each Standing Committee there should be one person at least who is a member of the Executive Committee.

4. All the Committees shall report at each meeting of the Council.

#### FINANCE

1. Each constituent body represented in the Council shall pay such annual affiliation fees as may be from time to time decided by the Council.

2. The Council may also raise funds for its work by donations, grants and special collections.

#### AMENDMENTS

The Constitution of the Council may be amended in the following way:

1. Notice of the proposed amendment shall have been sent by the Secretary to each member not less than 60 days before the date of the meeting and brought up for general discussion at the annual session.

2. Final vote on the proposed amendment will take place at the next General Meeting of the Council.

#### BYELAWS

##### I. FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The functions of the Executive Committee shall be to carry out the instructions of the Council in all matters referred to it.

2. It shall act on behalf of the Council on any urgent matter that may arise between the meetings of the Council.

3. The Minutes of the Executive Committee shall be circulated to all the members of the Council; if no objection is raised within two months of circulation they shall stand approved.

4. It shall ordinarily meet at least twice a year to transact business.

##### II. FINANCE

1. The annual affiliation fee shall be Rs. 60/00 (Rupees sixty) for each of the following:-

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- (b) Missionary Societies - for every 10 (ten) non-Indian Missionaries or fraction thereof;
- (c) For each Inter-denominational or Non-denominational body.

2. Travelling expenses of the delegates shall be paid by the affiliated bodies.

3. Travelling expenses shall be paid to all speakers at Council meetings who are not delegated to the Council.

4. Travelling expenses shall also be paid at not more than Second Class rate for rail & bus, to all members of the Executive and other Committees attending meetings in all cases where the expenses are not due to be paid under clause 2.

NORTH EAST INDIA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL,  
DINAM HALL, SHILLONG.



To

The Treasurer,  
Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church,  
P.O. RANCHI.  
Bihar.

