

Ranchi, 16 June 1961

Dear Brother Lokies,

I am acknowledging receipt of your letter of April 25, 1961 and express my grateful thanks for it. You have, at least, once in a while remembered me, and I must thank you for this kind gesture.

You have rejoiced in my election as manager of the Technical Training Centre Phudi and had hoped that I would give my excellent cooperation to Mr. Thiel. It is, however, with extreme sense of sorrow at heart that I have decided to leave this job suddenly. From to-day I am no longer in the TTC or in the employ of the church, which I came to serve 8 years ago after resigning a prospective and pensionable government job. This day sees the end of my church service. This has been the fate of many of my predecessors and I also accept this as such.

It is really unfortunate that I have to leave the church after having had difference with a missionary who has lately arrogated himself to power. I must honestly tell you that I found it extremely difficult and degrading to work with your missionary expert Mr. W. Thiel. He works with mistrust and arrogance and even before I joined TTC he had exhibited this spirit causing much unpleasantness with me and Dr. Bage. I was not at all prepared to join the TTC but was coaxed by Dr. Bage and others to join it only to find myself to-day on the other side of the fence.

A word about the Terms of Reference of Missionaries. I hear that there is a proposal to revise it. It would be unwise to do so, but I must say that right type of missionaries who can adjust themselves to the Indian situation and who have no superior-complex should be sponsored and sent. Can you imagine that a missionary who does not care to attend Sunday services while at headquarters and does not take interests in the programmes of the church, but is keen on attending programmes of other churches, can be a good example to the local congregation? A Pastor of the Gossner church cannot spend one night under the roof of a missionary but Hindus can have free access and can spend many nights with him. Our people are observing things with critical eyes and are already talking. It is none of my business to criticise the missionaries and prescribe rules as I am now just another man in the street, but I must say that you cannot ignore these facts. I am interested in the Missionaries Terms of Reference as I was one of those who struggled hard amidst stiff opposition in shaping the existing terms of reference. I said it would be unwise to revise it. It can only happen when you try to placate the vociferous group. This policy of placating has already done much harm than good to the church. I have been always in support of the missionaries, but I feel I must now review my whole attitude after the recent experiences.

There is no sign of unity in the church. The constitution is being violated by the highest executive of the church and already there is a feeling of frustration. The K33 also is weak and ineffective and has failed to give the proper lead under the present situation. There is a clear sign of victimisation in respect of the previous officers of the church. Don't you think that all the assurances given in your commission and by the ecumenical commission were all farce? I for one had never believed this even then.

Before I close the letter I must thank you and the Kuratorium for all the help, fellowship and good things that I and my family enjoyed all these years.

With best regards,
W. B. Lokies

G. E. L. Church
Ranchi
12/6/61

My dear Brother Lajies,

I make haste to write
some lines in answer to your
kind letter of June 1, 1961,
before I give an official
report on the affairs in Ranchi,
which will follow soon.

It pained me and Mrs.
Lakra and all to whom we
spoke, that now you are
bed-ridden. Indeed it is
heart-rending to know of your
mental and bodily agony.
certainly those who unneces-
sarily disturbed the peace of your
heart do you great injustice.
They do not tell you the truth
and they cannot because
they do not know. They tell

you the half-truth. There-
fore, I say once more
please do not believe these
babblers, whether they are
missionaries or Indians. Also
constitutionally they have no
right to report to you. This
report amounts to backbiting
and lying.

I am in charge of one
Ranchi Headquarters congre-
gation according to the consti-
tution and some members
members of the former C.C.
like Johan, Horo, Rev. S. Keila
and S.P. Bakula (they are former
officers of the C.C. group) are
angry and would like to have
divided congregation - a C.C. group.
Similarly some members of the
former North Zone, are angry
and would like to have a group
of their own. I am the struggle head
between the two. Fige and Horo are
with C.C. group. But the congre-
gation is one, with one Pastor, one fund

one control
 Last Sunday (June 11) I held only
 one service, at which I led the whole
 congregation in prayer for you in
 the sick-bed. There was a great feeling
 as I prayed. We love you, we appreciate
 all what you have done for the Goswami Church.
 I say, you are the greatest Missionary and
 Mission Director of the Goswami Church. This
 I say because I love the Goswami Church
 and those who love the Goswami Church
 are my friends. All what you did during
 the last 34 years for this distressed bride
 of our Lord Jesus, make you our hero.
 you and I have always agreed on the
 principles of service to the Goswami Church
 and I believe that all the sufferings of the
 Goswami Church are for her good. God
 will keep her because He is Almighty.

Goswami Church has and will always
 have problems but there will still a good
 solution be found to all problems. This
 will be the spiritual struggle of the
 Goswami Church and I say again "By
 God's grace we dare face all problems in
 the Church with courage". God help us.

I wonder if you could not attend to my
 personal matters. I have dedicated myself to
 the Goswami Church and I expect God's
 people to help me. The devil has always
 persecuted me but the Lord Jesus
 triumphs. His Holy Name be praised.

Mrs. Lakshmi joins me in sending our
 best wishes to you in your sick-bed and to
 Mr. Lokies as she looks after you. May the
 Lord be near you.
 J. Lakshmi

BY AIR MAIL

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AEROGRAMME

NO ENCLOSURES
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Mission Director Hans Lokies

Berlin - Friedenau

Handjerystrasse 19/20

West Germany

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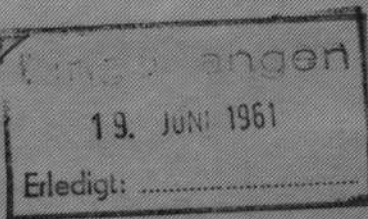
Rev. J. Lakshmi M.A., B.D., S.T.M.,

M.L.C. BIHAR,

G. E. L. CHURCH,

RANCHI.

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B r i e f t e l e g r a m m

Rev. Joel Lakra

G.E.L.Church Compound

R a n c h i / Bihar INDIA

We continue paying mission directors
salary stop spiriti of peace and
love for your meeting.

L o k i e s

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Rev. Kojan + Gemeinderäte bleiben getrennt-
eigene Kirche, eigene Verwaltung, eigene Mitarb.

Ungehinderte Laken

gefährlich u. verstoßen gegen die Neue Verfassung
Laken soll sich rechtfertigen

er gibt der verfassungswidrigen NZ 'new life',
strikte Annäherung an Laken, will an die
Neue Verfassung anhalten, oder Abweichungen

Wenn bis 13.6. keine Einigung
müssen wir die Schritte tun, die
sich aus der Situation als notwendig
ergeben.

S. Kula (?)

S.P.N. Baskhla

J. Horst

Ranchi, dated May, 31, 1961.

To,

- (1) The Rev. M. Hemrom,
Secretary Kandriya Salahkari Sabha
G.E.L. Church, Chotanagpur & Agam.
- (2) The Rt. Rev. Bishop R.B. Manikam, Ph.D.D.D. Chairman,
Continuation Committee of the G.E.L. Church.

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Eingegangen

- 7. JUNI 1961

Erledigt: *3/11*

Dear Sirs,

In continuation of our letter dated 8th May 1961, we beg to forward to you the following for your information and kind consideration at your earliest convenience.

- ✓ (1) Pramukh's letter to Rev. Kula of 7-5-61
- ✓ (2) Rev Kulas' programme dt. 10-5-61
- ✓ (3) Rev. J.A. Kujur's letter to Rev. Kula dt. 9-5-61
- ✓ (4) Rev. Kula's letter to Rev. Kujur dt. 10-5-61
- ✓ (5) Rev. Kula's report to the Pramukh dt. 10-5-61
- ✓ (6) *Thd. College L. L. L. to Rev. Kula*

All of these will reveal that (a) Rev. Kujur and his people are not ready to accept the Pramukh as the Pastor of the Hd. quarters Congregation as desired by the New Constitution (b) that they are determined to maintain their separateness, and (c) that they are not prepared to obey the Pramukh on matters in which they are not willing to follow the Pramukh.

Rev. Kujur and his Congregation maintain separate ministry, separate funds, separate administration and separate staff. The Pramukh has not been able to bring these under him. They make excuses and the Pramukh allows them. Excuses could have been made by the other section of the Church right at the time of the Mahasabha, when the old officers were asked to hand over and go on. Stronger pleas and excuses have been put forward - but in order to allow the New Constitution to come in, the other section gave up every thing, mostly without even understanding what the Ecumenical Commission was aiming at. We think that the policy of Rev. J. Lakra to allow Rev. Kujur and his party (the party to which Rev. Lakra belongs and which he himself led.) to retain their separateness is dangerous and directly against the spirit and letter of the New Constitution. We the undersigned, in continuation of our letter dated 8th May, 1961 strongly urge that the Pramukh Adhyaksh be called to explain why he has not yet applied the New Constitution in the Head quarters Congregation and why he is steadily approving this unconstitutional position and activities of Rev. Kujur and his group. We are very sorry to inform you that Rev. J. Lakra is giving new life to unconstitutional North-Zone. Please direct to the Pramukh Adhyaksh to abide strictly by the New Constitution or to vacate the office if he is not willing to apply the New Constitution.

The members of the former CC group and the officers of various Committees, Boards and other Organisations have blindfolded accepted the decision of the Mahasabha, the Continuation Committee and the KSS. It cannot be understood why the members of the North-Zone do not follow the New Constitution, specially Rev. J. Lakra and Rev. J.A. Kujur who were members of the Ecumenical Commission also. Should they be given indefinite time to understand the New Constitution? Since they have deliberately failed to follow the New Constitution, it can be easily inferred that a bad motive is ruling their minds and their activities and therefore the Pastor of the Head quarters Congregation, including Pramukh Adhyaksh Rev. J. Lakra the Pastor, should be ordered to vacate their offices and fresh Pastor and assistant Pastors be appointed for the Head quarters Congregation in order that there may be unification in Ranchi without any further delay and that the New Const. may be enforced for the unity and peace of the Church as it was intended by 1957 agreement.

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1 and a new administration

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We cannot wait beyond 13th June 1961, if we do not find unification of the two Congregations under one Pastor (Pramukh / Adhyaksh) by 13th June, we shall be compelled to take such steps which will be demanded by the situation.

Yours sincerely,

S. P. P. Arakha
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J. S. D. 31.5.61

S. K. D. 31/5/61.
Copy to: - Mr. A. Senik
Dr. Lokier.

Ranchi.

7-5-61

Dear Rev. Kula,

Please come to the office everyday this week beginning from Monday the 8th for a week. You will arrange for all the ministerial services within the Hd. Crs. Congregation within this week.

Yours sincerely,
sd/ J. Lakra
7/5/61.

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CHURCH SERVICE PROGRAMME FOR THE MONTH OF MAY
1961

11-5-1961
Ascension

Liturgy
Rev. S. Kula

Sermon
Rev. J. A. Kujur

sd/ Rev. S. Kula(Incharge)
f. Pramukh, & Pastor
Hd. Quarters
Congregation.

enl (3)

True Copy

Translation.

Ranchi.
9-5-1961.

To,
Rev. S. Kula,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

Subject:- ONE SERVICE AND ITS PROGRAMME.

Sir,

Let it be known to you that it is the recommendation of the Continuation Committee and decision of the KSS that for three months only for one Sunday each month there be one service in the Christ Church at Ranchi. According to this decision united service was successfully conducted on the 23rd April and 7th May and it is going to be held in June.

According to the decision mentioned above the question of a united service on the Festival of Ascension does not arise at all. The announcement made last Sunday in this connection is wrong. Our second service leaders (Committee members) refuse to have a united service on the Festival of Ascension.

Further you prepare your own programme for your own for the rest of the Sundays, I am myself responsible for my Church.

Yours faithfully,

sd/ J.A. Kujur
9/5/61

and (4)
True Copy

Ranchi.
10-5-1961.

To, Rev. J. A. Kujur,

Subject:- ONE SERVICE AND ITS PROGRAMME.

Sir,

Received your letter dated 9-5-61 on the subject under reference there was an announcement made by Pramukh (J. Lakra) that on the Festival of Ascension 11-5-1961 there will be a United service. So it is the duty of yours and mine that we both obey the Pramukh and that there be a United service and that the programme stand as it is. What was right has been written that it may serve in time.

Yours faithfully,

sd/ S. Kula
10/5/61

encl (5)
True Copy

To, The Pramukh etc.

Sir,

Rev. J. A. Kujur wrote to me on 9-5-61 and I replied to him on 10-5-61. I am sending you copies of both and request you to take suitable steps as early as possible so that peace may remain in the Congregation.

Yours faithfully,
sd/ S. Kula
10/5/61

True Copy ^{encl} (6)

THE LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE RANCHI.

Dated 12-5-61

Dear Rev. S. Kula,

I am sorry to inform you that I am quite unable to preach on Sunday the 14th May 1961 under such circumstances when some objection have been raised regarding your church service programme. When every thing will be clarified regarding the church service at Ranchi I am ready to preach and serve the Congregation freely in any church service. Being the Head of the Central Institution, I do not want to involve myself in such conflict.

Please excuse me for my inability.

Yours sincerely,

sd/ Rev. S. Surin 12/5/61

Forwarded to the Pramukh Adhyaksh
for information and needful action.

sd/ S. Kula

12/5/61.

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Office of the Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church Compound, Ranchi.

Ref. 132/61.

G.E.L. Church Compound,
Ranchi.
The 2nd June, 1961.

To,

Director Dr. Hans Lokies,
Berlin - Friedenau,
Handjerystr - 19/20,
W. Germany.

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Eingegangen

- 7. JUNI 1961

Erledigt:

My dear Brother Lokies,

We have not corresponded for sometime. I have been extremely busy unifying the Headquarters Congregation, Ranchi, establishing Brothers Junghans and Thiel in their undertakings and guiding the whole Church to settlement and peace. There are certain problems which need solution. There are certain minds which need enlightenment. We cannot expect every thing smooth all at once. We have to toil hard upward. Some people are fond of making complaints on flimsy grounds. These should not disturb us. I hope you will ignore such complaints.

1. I am herewith sending invitation to V.I.P's of the W.C.C. to visit the Gossner Church. You will please send them each on my behalf. I am also sending some signed invitations which you will please send to their ~~distructors~~, filling up the names.
2. Applications are pouring for the ten seats for different branches of learning as desired by you. The K.S.S. Executive is meeting from the 13th June, 1961. I hope selection will be made in the near future.
3. Selection for the substitute of Rev. & Mrs. Hanukh Minz, also will be made along with the ten students.
4. The Terms of Reference to the Missionaries, need revision according to the new Constitution. In this connection, I want to submit that there is a clause which provides that one German Missionary will sit in the C.C. Meeting according to the alphabetical order. Brother Kloss was sitting all these years after Brother Borutta, I believe. This arrangement has worked against the best interest of the Missionary and the Church. Both Bros Borutta and Kloss have involved themselves in the local Church politics which has defeated the very intention of the Terms of Reference. The Terms were meant to keep the Missionary above the Church politics and thus keep him safe from all party politics. Both Bros. Borutta and Kloss became one-sided in their thinking and attitude.

Therefore I would propose that this clause be deleted from the terms and, instead it should be provided that one official copy of the minutes of the K.S.S. be submitted to the Kuratorium through the Director, for information.

5. The Evangelistic grant of the Kuratorium. This grant was given during the troubled time and so I have no real knowledge of it. Rev. Santosh Surin got the whole amount, I believe, Rs. 200/- p.m. much beyond his scale, having been appointed as Director of the Evangelistic Work of the G.E.L. Church. This money is causing some difficulty. Bro. Kloss had informed me that this money was temporary and must be stopped when the new Evangelistic Board is formed. Now the Board is completed. We do not know the future of this grant. I must confess that almost nothing was done to organise the Evangelistic Work of the Church as a result of this grant. I feel in future we should have Anchal Directors who will be responsible to the Board. But some others feel that Rev. Santosh Surin should continue as Director. If the grant is stopped naturally we stop Rev. Surin and give some other work to him. Kindly let me know by the 14th of this month, your decision.

6. The American Theologian--Bro. Kloss spoke to me about the American Theologian who is very much interest in the Gossner Church. I can visualise a way how this gentleman could come over to us. Dr. Sovik has privately written to me of the possibility of Rev. Nirmal Minz being called to some American University to complete his Ph.D. When this is done we can call the gentleman to work in the Theological College. I have requested Dr. Sovik to make his suggestion an official one, so that I could ~~please~~ place the whole matter before the K. S. S.

7. I just returned last night from Khutitoly after visiting the new Farm. Grounds are ready for sowing. Sheds for poultry are being constructed. The cottage for the Junghans is getting ready. But any ~~xxxxxx~~ how they have moved into it, yesterday and I had my first tea and meal in this fine cottage.

8. We are inviting Bishop Meyer to visit Gossner Church as a member of the Ecumenical Commission, along with Dr. Bishop Manikam next October, before the W.C.C. meetings, in order to thrash out certain problems, a copy of the list of such problems is attached herewith, for information. This was prepared by the N.W. Anchel and submitted to Bishop Manikam, last April.

Seminar
Mrs. Lakra is away to Missouri for a fortnight's ~~summer~~ in connection with the Y.W.C.A. and I am visiting several stations on duty.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Lokies and greetings to Kuratorium.

Ever in the Lord,

Yours most Sincerely,

*n.B. Invitations are
being sent under
separate cover
J. Lakra*

*J. Lakra
2/1/61*

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Bishop R.B. Manikam,
Chairman, Continuation Committee,
G.E.L. Church.

Reverend and Dear Sir,

On behalf of the North-West Anchal of the G.E.L. Church we beg to place the following facts before you for consideration and the needful.

You will please meet neither the KSS nor the Continuation Committee, but the local ten Gossner Church members of the Ecumenical Commission for neither of these bodies can handle the present situation in the Church. The following situations are found in the Church.

1. The ten defiant Pastors of the old CC group now in the North West Anchal area have declared themselves to disobey the North-West Anchal.
2. The Rev. S. Kula group (old CC) of the Headquarters Congregation have declared to disobey the Pramukh Adhyaksh and refuse to recognise Rev. J. Lakra as the Pramukh Adhyaksh.
3. As a result of Paras 1 and 2 above The Congregation with Rev. J.A. Kujur of the Ranchi Headquarters Congregations have declared to join the North West Anchal.
4. A large section of the Oraons of the Orissa Synod want a Second Synod failing which they want to join the North West Anchal.
5. The Oraons of the Khutitoly Synod want to join the North West Anchal whereas the Kharias are preparing themselves for a Kharia Anchal.
6. The Kharias of the Kinkel Synod went out of the North West Anchal and are preparing for the Kharia Anchal.
7. A large section of the Oraons of Jamshedpur went to join the North West Anchal.
8. The Mundas of Dooars Synod are gone out of the North West Anchal.
9. The North West Anchal have their headquarters in the Ranchi Compound and the old group want to drive out the Anchal from the Ranchi Compound.
10. The old Property Board continues functioning and has become root of many evils, this must cease to function forthwith.
11. The old CC officers (CC Party) still function in certain spheres and interfere with the functioning of the new Constitution.
12. The continuation of the Continuation Committee amounts to retention of two parallel governments.
13. Anchal Officers' residence to be within the Anchal area, works against the North West Anchal and the resolution of the Continuation Committee on the subject should be rescinded forthwith. This is not provided in the Constitution.
14. In spite of the fact that there are four Anchals, practically and really speaking two-Anchal spirit is working in the Church.
15. The KSS interferes with the internal affairs and autonomy of the Anchals.
16. As a protest against high-handedness of the majority (Munda) party, particularly with regard to the distribution of Offices at the centre, the KSS members of the North West Anchal worked out of the KSS meeting on 5-3-1961.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- Jo Toppo,

(Rev. J. Toppo),

Adhyaksh, North-West Anchal, G.E.L. Church.

Ranchi.

10-4-61.

The Mahasabha of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chotanagpur and Assam receives with gratitude the declaration of the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society, dated 3.11.50 and the statement dated 3.11.50 which read as follows :-

"The Gossner Kuratorium is happy that the G.E.L.C. has become autonomous, that there is therefore no need for the missionaries to resume administrative responsibility, and that they will instruct their missionaries accordingly" the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society is convinced that in the present situation of the Autonomous Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, it is no longer necessary or desirable to take charge missionaries with responsible administrative posts, and to give them a vote."

The Mahasabha of the G.E.L. Church offers the following terms of reference to the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society :-

TERMS OF REFERENCE.

(1) The relationship between the G.E.L.C. and the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society shall be that of Mother and daughter.

(2) The Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society will send Missionaries to work in the G.E.L.C. on the request of the G.E.L.C.

(3) The Missionaries on the field will work as friends and helpers in the development of the G.E.L.C. for specific periods by personally accepting the terms of reference offered by the G.E.L.C. to the individual missionaries through the Kuratorium.

(4) The Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society in Christian love and charity shall undertake to support the missionaries on the Gossner field. The policy is to receive such help through the G.E.L. Church Treasury.

(5) All Missionaries shall be invited to attend the meetings of the Mahasabha. The men missionaries will be invited to attend the meetings of the Church Council, one by one, in rotation according to their alphabetical order. The missionaries will also be invited to attend the meetings of their respective synods. They shall be free to visit the congregations in any part of the Church and to attend the Church meetings as they find it possible with information of the synod President.

(6) All missionaries working in the G.E.L.C. shall be regular members of the Gossner Church.

(7) All ordained missionaries shall be members of the Gossner Church Ministerium.

(8) Each missionary will be given a specific work in the Church such as evangelistic work among non-Christians, teaching in the Theological Seminary, production of Christian literature, help running of charitable institutions etc.:

(9) The G.E.L.C. provides suitable accommodation for the missionaries working in the field.

(10) These Terms of Reference can be amended by the mutual consent of the bodies concerned.

Resolved that in view of the above mentioned offer of these Terms of Reference, any other Terms of Reference which may have been given to the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Society are thus superseded by these terms.

Sd/- Joel Lakra.
22/4/54.
President,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

Sd/- Z. Horo,
Treasurer,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

Sd/- N.E. Horo,
21/4/54.
Secretary,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

Rev.

Joel Lakra

Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.⁴. Church

Ranchi / Bihar - INDIA

Dear Brother Lakra,

I am writing this letter from my sick-bed. On Whitmonday I was taken by car to the Elisabeth-Hospital on account of a severe heart-attack. It turned out to be a gall-bladder affair affecting also the heart. The doctors are very grave about my condition and have forbidden me everything in the way of travelling and preaching for the next weeks and I have got to stay in bed.

I myself regard this as God's warning to me who wants to show me that my strength and my life is nearing its end. In these days my thoughts wander to you, your wife, all the other brothers and sisters in India and to the whole of my beloved Gossner Church. I have been granted to serve her for 34 years of my life, always travelling, always anxious about her, often rejoicing when I received good news from India, and often grieved to death about what was happening in Chotanagpur.

And this very moment I have again received sad news about new strife, new discord in the Gossner-Church, especially in Ranchi. And we had been so glad, that at last peace and unity had entered the head-quarters congregation. It seemed also that the wishes of the NW-Anchal had been satisfied concerning the residence etc.

I am most concerned to receive an official report on the affairs in Ranchi from you personally to the Kuratorium, and not only to be informed in private. I would be very grateful to you if you would write to me about it all as soon as possible.

I am still convinced that there is still a good solution to be found to all the quarrels that have arisen in the Gossner-Church. That would however mean that we all hearken to the Word of God and pray for His Holy Spirit, and show that love for each other that God showed to us in Jesus Christ. Should all this just be nothing but pious words? Cannot God give the Gossner-Church and her leaders the spirit of godliness?

Dear Brother Lakra, God has called you to the office of Pramukh Adhyaksh in this Church and thereby laid a great responsibility on your shoulders. Our Kuratorium trusts in your not thinking and acting partially, but really having the good of the whole church in mind. There are members of the Kuratorium who have served the Gossner-Mission a whole long lifetime, and who are so upset about the events in Ranchi that they have given up all hopes of repair. They have even advised us at last to leave the Gossner-Church alone; it was obvious she did not want our advice, our prayers, our love and help. She was only happy to live in discord and self-destruction.

Dear Brother Lakra, that is the way you are even talked of in the Ecumene. But I can give you the definite assurance that the majority of the Kuratorium members do not give up faith in God being willing to give HIS spirit into the congregations and especially the pastors and responsible men of the Gossner-Church and leading them on to the right path. That is also my conviction! I, too, cannot give up this hope, though the time of my office in the Gossner-Mission is coming to an end.

p.t.o.

And now I turn to you. dear ^Brother Lakra, imploring you to seek a good solution for the still unsolved problems of the Gossner-Church in communion with the other Indian brothers. God grant you strength and eagerness for this task and give you his blessing.

With cordial greetings also from my wife to your wife

I am

Yours sincerely

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1.6.61

Rev.
 Joe L a k r a
 Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L.Church
 R a n c h i / Bihar - INDIA

Lieber Bruder Lakra !

ich schreibe Ihnen vom Krankenbett aus. Am 2. Pfingstfeiertag wurde ich mit dem Auto ins Elisabeth-Krankenhaus gebracht, da ich einen schweren Herzanfall bekommen habe. Es stellte sich dann heraus, daß es diesmal sich um die Galle handelte und das Herz nur in Mitleidenschaft gezogen war. Die Ärzte nahmen meine Erkrankung sehr ernst und verboten jede Reise- und Predigt-tätigkeit für die nächste Zeit; ich mußte mich ins Bett legen.

Ich selbst sehe dies als eine Mahnung Gottes an, der mir sagen will, daß mein Leben und meine Kraft zuende gehen. In diesem Augenblick denke ich nun an Sie, Ihre liebe Frau, die anderen Brüder und Schwestern in Indien und die ganze, geliebte Goßner-Kirche. Ich habe Ihr 34 Jahre meines Lebens dienen dürfen: immer auf Reisen, immer in Sorge, oft auch hochofret über gute Nachrichten, die ich aus Indien erhielt; dann aber auch zu Tode betrübt über das, was da in Chotanagpur vor sich ging.

Und in diesem Augenblick bekomme ich nun, lieber Bruder Lakra, wieder traurige Nachrichten über neuen Streit, über neuen Unfrieden in der Goßner-Kirche, im besonderen in Ranchi. Und dabei haben wir uns hier so sehr darüber gefreut, daß es nun endlich auch zum Frieden und zur Eintracht in der Headquarter-Gemeinde gekommen war. Es schienen auch die Wünsche der NW-Anchal erfüllt zu sein, hinsichtlich der Residence u.a.m.

Es kommt mir nun sehr darauf an, daß ich über die Vorgänge in Ranchi nicht nur privat informiert werde, sondern von Ihnen selbst einen offiziellen Bericht an das Kuratorium erhalte. Ich wäre Ihnen dankbar, wenn Sie in dieser Angelegenheit bald an mich schreiben würden.

Ich bin dabei überzeugt, daß es noch immer irgend eine gute Lösung für alle Streitfragen gibt, die in der Goßner-Kirche aufgebrochen sind. Dazu ist allerdings notwendig, daß wir alle miteinander auf Gottes Wort hören und Seinen Hlg. Geist erbitten und dann auch untereinander die Liebe bezeigen, die Gott uns in Jesus Christus gezeigt hat. Sollen das alles nur einige Fromme Worte sein? Sollte Gott nicht der Goßner-Kirche und ihren Führern eine geistliche Besinnung schenken können?

Lieber Bruder Lakra, Gott hat Sie nun zum Pramukh Adhyaksh dieser Kirche berufen und damit eine große Verantwortung auf Sie gelegt. Unser Kuratorium

hat ~~hat~~ zu Ihnen das Vertrauen, daß Sie nicht parteiisch denken und handeln, sondern wirklich das Ganze der Goßner-Kirche im Auge behalten können. Es gibt im Kuratorium aber auch Brüder, die ihr ganzes Leben lang der Goßner-Mission in Indien gedient haben und die durch die Ereignisse in Ranchi so erschüttert sind, daß sie alle Hoffnung auf Besserung verloren haben. Sie haben uns schon den Rat erteilt, die Goßner-Kirche endlich sich selber zu überlassen. Sie wolle ja garnicht unseren Rat, unsere Fürbitte, unsere Liebe und Hilfe haben. Sie sei nur glücklich, wenn sie im Unfrieden leben und sich selbst zerstören könne.

Lieber Bruder Lakra, so wird von der Goßner-Kirche auch schon in der Oekumene geredet. Ich möchte Ihnen aber die feste Zusicherung geben, daß das Kuratorium in seiner überwiegenden Mehrheit den Glauben nicht aufgibt, daß Gott den Gemeinden der Goßner-Kirche, im besonderen auch ihren Pastoren und führenden Persönlichkeiten SEINEN Geist geben und auf einen guten Weg bringen kann; das ist auch meine Überzeugung - auch ich kann von dieser Hoffnung nicht lassen, auch wenn meine Amtszeit in der Goßner-Mission zuende geht.

Und nun wende ich mich an Sie, lieber Bruder Lakra, mit der herzlichen und dringenden Bitte; suchen Sie mit den indischen Brüdern eine gute Lösung für die noch ungelösten Probleme der Goßner-Kirche und möge Gott Ihnen dazu die Kraft und die Freudigkeit und SEINEN Segen schenken .

Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen, auch von meiner Frau an Ihre liebe Frau

Ihr

Goßnerschen Missionsgesellschaft

der

Kuratorium

Berlin-Friedenau, am

Stubenrauchstraße 12

Telefon :

Dear Brother Lakra,

I am writing this letter from my sick-bed. On Whitmonday I was taken ^{by car} to the Elisabeth-Hospital on account of a severe heart-attack. It turned out to be a gall-bladder affair affecting also the heart. The doctors are very grave about my condition and have forbidden me everything in the way of travelling and preaching for the next weeks, and I have got to stay in bed.

I myself regard this as God's warning to me, who wants to show me that my strength and my life is nearing its end. In these days my thoughts wander to you, your wife, all the other brothers and sisters in India and to the whole of my beloved Gossner Church. I have been granted to serve her for 34 years of my life, always travelling, always ~~in my~~ anxious about her, often rejoicing when I received good news from India, and often grieved to death about what was happening in Chotanagpur.

And this very moment I have again received sad news about new strife, new discord in the Gossner Church, especially in Ranchi. And we had been so glad that at last peace and unity had entered the head-quarters congregation. It seemed also that the ~~demands~~ ^{wishes} of the NW-Anchal had been satisfied concerning the residence etc.

I am most concerned to receive an official report on the affairs in Ranchi from you personally to the Kuratorium, and not only to be informed in private. I would be very grateful to you if you would write to me about it ~~all~~ ^{all} ~~then~~ as soon as possible.

I am still convinced that there is still a good solution to be found to all the quarrels that have arisen in the Gossner Church. That would however mean that we all hearken to the Word of God and pray for His holy Spirit, and show that love for each other that God showed to us in Jesus Christ. ~~Are these all empty words?~~ Should all this just be ~~empty words?~~

KONFIRMANDENANMELDUNG für die Kinder, die 1963 eingesegnet
werden sollen:

Anmeldetermine:

Bezirk Süd (Pfr. Jänicke - Jesus Christus-Kirche)

Bis Ende April jeden Dienstag von 10-13 Uhr und 17-18,30 Uhr
im Pfarrhaus Hittorfstr. 21

Bezirk West (Pfr. Bauer - St. Annenkirche)

Dienstag, 11.4., 12-13 Uhr; Mittwoch, 12.4., 12-13 und
18-20 Uhr; Freitag, 14.4., 11-13 und 18-19 Uhr;
oder nach telef. Vereinbarung in der Woche vom 10.-15.4.
im Pfarrhaus Im Gehege 16

Bezirk Ost (Prof. Dreß - St. Annenkirche)

Bis Ende April jeden Dienstag von 17,30 - 19 Uhr
im Pfarrhaus Pacelliallee 61

Wir bitten darum, daß zur Anmeldung die Kinder mit Vater oder Mutter
kommen und dabei den Taufschein und das letzte Religionszeugnis
mitbringen.

nothing but pious words? ~~Should God really not be able to~~ Cannot God give the Gossner Church and her leaders the spirit of godliness?

Dear Brother Lakra, God has called you to the office of Pramukh Adhyaksh in this Church and thereby laid a great responsibility on your shoulders. Our Kuratorium trusts in your ~~not thinking and acting impartially~~ not ~~you~~ thinking and acting partially, but really having the good of the whole church in mind. There are members of the Kuratorium who have served the Gossner ~~Church~~ Mission a whole long life-time, and who are so upset about the events in Ranchi that they have given up all hopes ~~of things getting better~~ of repair. They have even advised us ~~to~~ at last to leave the Gossner Church alone; ~~she~~ it was obvious she did not want our advice, our prayers, our love and help. She was only happy to live in discord and ~~destruction~~ self-destruction.

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Dear Brother Lakra, ~~that~~ is the way ~~people~~ you are ~~also~~ talked of in the Ecumene. But I can give you the definite assurance that the majority of the Kuratorium members do not give up faith in God being willing to give his Spirit into the congregations ~~of the~~ and especially the pastors and leading men of the Gossner ^{denomination} and leading them ~~on to~~ onto the right path. That is also my conviction. I, too, cannot give up this hope, though the time of my office in the Gossner Mission is coming to an end.

And now I turn to you, dear Brother Lakra, imploring you to seek a good solution for the still unsolved problems of the Gossner Church in communion with the other India ^{brothers}. God ^{give} you strength and eagerness for this task and give you his ~~best~~ blessing

With cordial greetings also from my wife to your wife

I am

yours sincerely,

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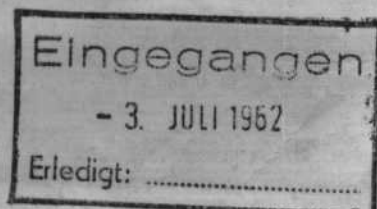
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Resolution of the K. S. S. formed by Pramukh Rev. J. Lakra and Up-Pramukh Dr. M. Bage as ordered on their Session on May 1, 1962, at Ranchi.

It is welcome news to learn that Dr. Berg is succeeding Dr. Hans Lokies as Director of the Gossner Missionary Society, Berlin. As Chairman of the Kuratorium, Dr. Berg is already known and loved in the Gossner Church in India. Moreover Dr. Berg was a guest of the Gossner Church during his visit to New Delhi for the ^{W.C.C.} meetings and endeared himself to the Gossner Church. We rejoice to welcome Dr. Berg as the new Director of the Gossner Missionary Society. He takes his place in the galaxy of the great men who were at the helm of affairs of the Gossner Missionary Society for more than one hundred years. The Gossner Church expects great things from Dr. Berg by the grace of God who has called him to his new post. We assure our hearty cooperation with Dr. Berg and wish him Godspeed and all success.

M Bage
23/6/62

J. Lakra
Dr. Bage
25/6/62



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Rev. J. Lakra

Resolution of the K.S.S. framed by Pramukh Adhyaksh, and Up-Pramukh Adhyaksh Dr.M.Bage as ordered in their Session on May 1, 1962 at Ranchi.

The K.S.S. of the G.E.L. Church notes with great satisfaction the election of Präses Dr. Scharf as the Chairman of the Kuratorium and Suptd. Dr. Rieger as the official representative. We deeply appreciate this wise action of the Kuraterium. Dr. Scharf honoured us by his presence with us as our guest during his visit to India for the W.C.C. Session last year. We offer our heartfelt felicitation to Präses Scharf and Suptd. Rieger and wish them both God-speed and all success.

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- 3. JULI 1962

Bl. d. d. g.:

M. Bage
25/6/62



J. Lakra
Dr. Rieger
25/6/62

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The Kendriye Salahkari Sabha, on behalf of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church of Chotanagpur and Assam, offer their grateful thanks to God Almighty for guiding and sustaining Director Dr. Hans Lokies upto this day of his retirement from active service as Director, a service so invaluable and full of rich blessings adorned with success both abroad and at home, even though going through fiery trials both in body and mind.

The directorate of Dr. Lokies brought the daughter church in India closer to the mother church in Germany more than ever before. The visits of the officers and the students from the Gossner Church in India to Germany initiated and encouraged by Director Lokies, has strengthened the bond of love between the two churches. Amidst all adversities the Gossner Church grew from strength to strength and Director Lokies had his hand in this progress. The establishment of the Joint Mission Field in Orissa was a direct Result of Director Lokies's labour of love. During the stormy period of the Gossner Church, Director and Mrs. Lokies both were suffering along with the Church and at last came out on the field like brave heroes. They forged out a plan which became the basis of the new constitution which has given the Anchal system to the Church. In all her weal and woe they have so identified themselves with the Gossner Church that they cannot separate themselves from the Church even if they retire from directorate. We record our deep sense of gratitude to Director and Mrs. Lokies, but we can never thank them enough for all what they have done for the Gossner Chh Church.

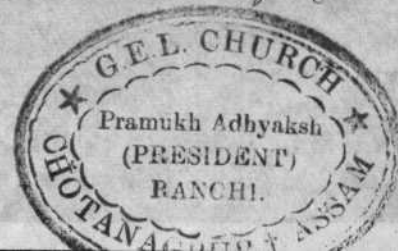
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CC Headquarter Congr.

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Treasure

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Lagerung für NZ + Laka
Inhalt austehend + niedlich

gem. Gd. Dienst: nur wenige NZ Teiln.
nicht Gd. Dienst einer Gd.
sondern gem. Gd. Dienst 2 ^{gütlichen} Gd.
kollektiv getrennt

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- To,
1. The Rev. M.Henrem, Secretary, Kendriye Salahkari Sabha , G.E.L.Church in Chetanagpur & Assam, Camp Ranchi .
 2. The Right Reverend R.B.Manikam Ph.D; D.D.,Chairman, Continuation Committee of the G.E.L.Church .

Dated Ranchi, the 8th. May, 1961

Sirs,

We the undersigned beg most respectfully to report that as per instruction of the Continuation Committee given to us through the KSS, Rt. Rev. Manikam ,and the Pramukh Adhyaksh and through a conference called by the Pramukh Adhyaksh , We three have handed over charge of our offices as Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer respectively to the Pramukh Adhyaksh on 18.4.1961 and we have withheld nothing with us.

We further beg to submit to you/~~the continuation committee~~ ~~statements~~ for your information, consideration and necessary action at your earliest convenience in order to avoid any possible undesirable activities on the part of any.

PRESENT SITUATION AT RANCHI .

I. Handing over charge : It took place on the 18th. April, 1961 at the Pramukh's place at 8 : 30 a.m. Rev. S.Kula ,messrs S.P.P.Bakhla and J.Here Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the C.C.Headquarters congregation respectively handed over charge of all that they had in their possession to the Rev. J.Lakra Pramukh Adhyaksh.

Rev. J.A.Kujur, Messrs. Naeman Teppe and Phulehand Panna Chairman ,Secretary and Treasurer respectively of the N.Z.Headquarter s congregation came empty handed and did not hand over anything. The Pr. Adh.however gave them also written statements saying that ~~xxx~~ he received all the registers, Account books etc. from them. When asked why he wrote that statement without getting charge from them he said , " I shall take charge of the articles from them in their own residence " it is reliably learnt that he has not yet got ~~charge~~ charge of any of the registers or account books from the N.Z.Headquarters congregation officers until now even though the merger officially took place on 23.4.1961 when a united service was held as instructed by the Continuation Committee through the KSS.

II. Song of praise to North Zone and Rev. J.Lakra : During the united service held on 23.4.61 the Mahendra Khess Choir sang praises to the North Zone and Rev. J.Lakra after the third hymn and before the general prayer. The significance of this song is destructive and detrimental to the unity of the Church . We have handed over charge of our respective offices to the Church of God so that the praises of the Church and the Lord Jesus Christ may be sung and not of the North Zone and Rev. J.Lakra. It is more hateful because it ~~is~~ was sung by mutual arrangement between the Choir party and the Pramukh Adhyaksh.

(Copy of the song in Hindi and a translation into English is attached herewith).

III. Attendance on 23.4.61 and 7.5.61 : The desired united service was held on 23.4.61 and 7.5. 61 .On both of these occasions it is to be reported that very few of the members of the North Zone congregation attended these two services. Many prominent members of the N.Z. congregation (both male and female) absented themselves . Considering all the activities of the members of the former N.Z.congregation ,it may be said that these two services were not united services but joint services of two separate congregations. This is borne out by some of the items given below,

IV. The future of the United Congregation at Ranchi : After the service held on 23.4.61 when the collection was being counted in the vestry room Shri Phulehand Panna made a statement telling Messrs S.Kula and J.Here to keep their accounts separately and to support their (meaning C.C.congregation) employees separately and that they (Revd. Kujur ,Mr.N.Teppe and Mr. PH.Panna) would do the same with their income and their (N.Z.Congregation) employees. He told that he and his group were not prepared to go along with The Pramukh. He also made the statement that they would maintain their separate identity. One can understand from this that the congregations are not united in the real sense of the term.

V. Shree Phulehand Panna's activities: Shree P. Panna has again leased out a portion of land belonging to the Church on the Club road and he has continued to fence the compound with bricks and barbed wire here and there obviously to prove possession and occupation. It appears that he has further plans to lease out other pieces of land to other parties. He claims that he does all this on behalf of the "North Zone", or "The Orans" or "The North West Anchal". Mrs. Ghanta Kujur, Mrs. Kiran Tirkey, Mrs. Bikash Lakra, Mr. Phikes Mins, Mr. C.D. Edka, Mr. C.T. Panna, Mr. Paul Mins and others (all active members of the former North Zone) are seen usually in association with Mr. P. Panna in his activities.

VI. The Continuation of the North Zone Mandli Panch at Ranchi: It is learnt from very reliable sources that Mr. Naamen Toppe has not stopped convening the meetings of the North Zone Mandli Panch. He circulated a notice for a meeting of the Mandli Panch of the N.Z. Hdqrs. Congregation to be held on the 25th. April in the Lal bungalow. The notice was taken round by Biraj, the peon of the North Zone Congregation who is supposed to be directly under the Pramukh Adhyaksh. He circulated the notice of the North Zone. It means that the Pramukh Adhyaksh sanctioned the meeting of the N.Z. Mandli Panch. It is reported that this Panch of Mr. N. Toppe, Mr. P. Panna and Rev. J.A. Kujur has been meeting several times after the unification and that Rev. J. Lakra is also reported to be attending these meetings.

VII. Collections and Payments: Collections of the C.C. Congregation of April of all the Sundays before the unification on 23.4.61 were duly deposited with the Pramukh and thereafter the collections of the 1st. service held on 30.4.61 were also duly deposited with the Pr. Adh. The collections of the N.Z. congregation of the Sundays in April before the unification were not deposited with the Pr. Adh. and the collection of the 2nd. service on 30.4.61 were also not deposited.

The collections of 23.4.61 and 7.5.61 were deposited but they were not complete. The Ghara Sirni was deliberately withheld by the 2nd. service.

The Pr. Adhyaksh paid the salary for April only to the former C.C. Congregation employees. It is learnt that the ~~former~~ former N.Z. employees of the Hdqrs. Congr. were paid by Shree Phulehand Panna. In other words the former N.Z. pastors and employees of the Hdqrs. Congr. are not yet under the Pr. Adh.

VIII. The Unification of the two separate congregations on the one hand and the continuity of the N.Z. Mandli Panch office, its officers and Mandli Panch on the other: The continuation of the North Zone Congregation office, its officers and the Mandli Panch clearly show that unification is not genuine, the north zone is still alive and that the N.Z. congregation is not truly under the Pramukh Adhyaksh as it is contemplated by the new Constitution of the G.E.L. Church.

In this connection a mention has to be made about a meeting which is reported to have been held in the house of Shree Cornelius Toppe of Hindpuri, a staunch member of the former North Zone. There on Sunday the 23rd. April, 1961 immediately after the first united service, a group of people met together and they told Rev. Amus Bara "Why do you become united when we all knew that after three years we shall remain divided, what is the good of uniting only for these few years?"

IX Pastoral ministry: On 30.4.61 when there ^{were} two separate services there was no exchange of pastors. Rev. Lugun and Rev. Bara officiated the 1st. and the 2nd. services respectively as it used to be during the time of separation. Pastors remain divided and the ministry of the divided congregations remains divided. There is no united ministry. Revs. Kujur and Amus Bara did not conduct the Prayer meetings for the former C.C. members in Lal Siron and New Garden Siron though it was announced in the Church by The Pr. Adh. and preparations

had been made for the prayer meetings although it was their turn assigned by the Pb. Adh. Revds. Kula and Lugum conducted the prayer meetings in the mahallas as directed by the Pr. Adh.

The headquarters congregation is often left without a shepherd. The pastor of the congregation (Pramukh Adhyaksh) leaves the congregation and goes out to Patna and other places on M.L.C. affairs. Revds. J.A.Kujur and Anus Bara on one side and Rev. S. Kula and Rev. J.Lugum on the other are themselves sharply divided and the Pramukh Adhyaksh often deserting the congregation makes the life of the congregation miserable and deplorable.

X. The future of the headquarters congregation : The following questions naturally arise : 1. Do Revds. J.A.Kujur, A.Bara, Messrs. M. Toppe and Ph. Parma want to hand over charge of their offices to the Pramukh Adhyaksh ? 2. Has the Pramukh Adhyaksh allowed these persons to retain their offices as before ?

3. How long will the North Zone Congregation at Ranchi ~~will~~ continue to be separate ?

4. How long will the Continuation Committee and the Kendriye Salahkari Sabha allow the Pramukh Adhyaksh to serve two masters (the Headquarters Congregation and the Legislative Council) ?

5. How long will the Continuation Committee and the Kendriye Salahkari Sabha allow the Pramukh Adhyaksh to keep the headquarters congregation divided ?

Yours Sincerely,

1. (S.Kula)

2. (S.P.F.Bakhla)

3. (J.Hero)

CC. 1. The Director, Department of World Mission, Lutheran World Federation, Geneva.

✓ 2. The Director, Gossner Mission Society, Berlin, West Germany.

Eingegangen

17. MAI 1961

Erledigt:

Appendix

(Song sung by Mahendra choir on the occasion of the first united service of the headquarters congregation at Ranchi under the leadership of Rev. J. Lakra - Mahendra choir is the former North Zone choir).

Hindi	English
1. Swarg ki ghanti baji ek sau barsa pahile Khrist ka bachan aya Nagpur mein Prithwi par ki ghanti suna bajti aji (yahan Bachan huwa jaywant hai /	1. Bell of heaven rang a hundred years ^{ago} The word of Christ came to Nagpur The bell of earth heard ringing today The word became victorious here.
Chorus : Baji baji ghanti lagatar Kare Khrist ke bachan ka prachar Stuti stuti gawe swargiye sath sath Hum yahan Khrist ka pura hath	Chorus : Ring ring continually the bell Preach the word of Christ with Sing praises/heavenly host , Here came Christ's full band .
2. Gussner sahab bheja char missionariyon ke Schatz, Bradt, Batish, Janke aur Janke bir kados mehan Chhappan sal mein hum Sipahi bieroh Sankat dhawan kiya apna bhesk sal	2. Gussner Sahab sent four missionaries Schatz, Bradt, Batish, Janke the great heroes In Fifty six happened Sepoy Rising Trouble appeared in its shape.
3. Chaudah/akhsen huwa bhisan Jagat dreh Sab missionary chale gaye desh Autonomy huwa ummish Iswi ko Mandli pari jab dipatti ma	3. In '14 there was great world enmity , All missionaries went away to their country The Church became autonomous in '19 When it fell in trouble.
4. North Zone khara huwa chhappan iswi mein Jab Mandli mein dwesh aur Jhagra tha Manikam aya yahan '57 June mein Bandha agreement se dewan ke	4. North Zone was established in '56 When there was bitterness and quarrel in the Church Manikam came here in June '57 And bound both parties by agreement
5. Lekies sahab aya ummish ishwi mein Mila naya jivan North Zone ke Lekies Commission baithi sath iswi mein Bana naya miyanwali ke	5. Lekies sahab came in '59 North Zone was given a new life Lekies commission met in sixty Framed the new Constitution .

P.T.O.

Appendix (Continued)

Hindi

English

6. Salahkari Sabha bani
eksaith ishar men)
Char anchal huwa nirman
Jhagra huwa ant

Anek Board bana khatit
niyamawali men
Shanti aghapan huwa
charen or kax huwa
sara saltant

7. November mahina aya
mile charen anchal
Chunaw huwa chithi dal karl
Mila hawa achharjmay
Framukh ban Lakra sahib
bathe gaddi men

6. Salahkari Sabha was formed in '61
The four anchals were constituted
and the quarrel came to an end.

Many Boards were formed according to
so-called constitution

Peace was established on all sides
and all became quiet .

7. The month of November came
and the four anchal's met
Election was made by casting lots
Came out with great wonder
Having become the Framukh, Lakra
sahab took possession of the
throne.

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Berlin-Friedenau, 27 th April, 1961

Lo/Su.

Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L.Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Dear Brother Lakra,

thank you very much for the letters I have received from you in the meantime. They are the three letters you wrote me this year: of Febr.27th, March 21st and March 30th 1961.

I am so grateful for the spirit of cordial fellowship in which all your letters are written. And I may assure you that not only I, but all the members of the Kuratorium have full confidence in you, and that we are all convinced that you are doing everything in your power to promote peace and unity in the Gossner Church. From thereports sent to us from our German brothers in India we have gained theimpression that you are earnestly resolved to regard the church as a whole in your considerations and actions.

Through Bishop Manikam @ know that you are troubled about letters which I receive from different parties in India. You fear I might be prejudiced against you by their news. To this I have to answer: I have only received few such letters, and most of them are written by your fellow-worker in the N.W.-Anchal, P.D.Panna. I have received only one other letter with a number of signatures, coming probably from some other group. This letter is of no importance to us whatever. And of all these letters I have only answered one single one from Brother Panna, and I sent a copy of my answer to the KSS. All the other letters have remained unanswered. It is also my opinion that we should respect the statues of the constitution according to which only the Pramukh Adhyaksh is entitled to lead the official correspondence with foreign boards. I would be grateful to you if you would draw the attention of our Indian friends to this provision very distinctly. But beyond that I can only repeat whatever letters I receive (and there may be private ones among them), they have no influence whatever on our opinion of you. You may be perfectly reassured about that.

In the meanwhile you will have received our telegramm in which we express our joy that the congregation in Ranchi is one again. May God preserve her in this renewed unity, HE has granted.

We are very glad to hear that you have elected Brother Thiel as Chairman of the Property Board. If the KSS itself decides to elect him, it also bears the responsibility. We, on our part can only give our consent which we do herewith.

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With most cordial greetings to you and Mrs. Lakra, also from my wife,
I remain

Yours sincerely

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Du. P. Kloss, Ranchi

p.t.o.

PS. 1./ In my letter of March 14th to the KSS I asked whether the Gossner-Church were willing, to call Pastor G a u s s of Philadelphia of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to the post of teacher of Theology at the College at Ranchi. He has long desired to serve in the Gossner Church.

The procedure would be such: The Gossner Church would issue an invitation for him and send this to Berlin. That at least is the suggestion of his own church. If the Gossner-Mission would negotiate for the Gossner-Church he would be given leave from his church for this work. The Gossner-Mission would also assure the financial responsibilities. I would be grateful if you would bring about a resolution to this intend in the KSS.

The Kuratorium of the Gossner-Mission is given a wholehearted recommendation for Pastor Gauss especially as teacher and lecturer for the Theol.College at Ranchi.

2./ I have not yet answered Pastor Kloss' question about recommending Sister Elas V a a s who quite unexpectedly and without our knowledge turned up in Govindpur as fellowworker to the Gossner-Church.

We have collected references about Sister Elas, whom we do not know personally, from several places and she is very highly recommended by everyone. We are therefore willing to suggest her for the service of the Gossner Church for working with orphaned and needy children or blind girls, i.g. in a new girl's or childrens home in Govindpur or any other place where the Gossner Church might need her. If the KSS is willing to engage her, please apply for an entry permit for her with the Indian Government.

I have already sent Brother Kloss a statement declaring that the Gossner-Mission consents to pay the travel expenses and the costs for board and lodgings.

28.4.61
Lo/Su.

7.
Berlin-Friedenau, 26. April 1961

Lo/Su.

Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar
INDIA

Lieber Bruder Lakra !

Haben Sie meinen herzlichsten Dank für die Briefe, die ich inzwischen von Ihnen erhalten habe. Es handelt sich in diesem Jahr um insgesamt 3 Briefe : 27. Februar, 21. und 30. März 1961.

Ich bin Ihnen dankbar, ~~daß~~ für die herzliche innere Verbundenheit, aus der heraus Sie alle Ihre Briefe geschrieben haben. Ich kann Ihnen nur mit der Zusicherung antworten, daß nicht nur ich persönlich, sondern das ganze Kuratorium volles Vertrauen zu Ihnen haben und wir alle davon überzeugt sind, daß Sie für die Goßnerkirche alles tun, was für ihren Frieden und ihre Einheit förderlich ist. Wir haben aus den Berichten aller unserer deutschen Brüder in Indien den Eindruck, daß Sie in der Tat entschlossen sind, gesamtkirchlich zu denken und zu handeln.

Durch Bischof Dr. Manikam weiß ich, daß Sie über Briefe beunruhigt sind, die ich von verschiedenen Seiten aus Indien erhalten habe. Sie befürchten, daß wir durch solche Nachrichten gegen Sie beeinflusst werden könnten. Darauf möchte ich Ihnen folgendes antworten: Ich habe nur wenige Briefe dieser Art erhalten, die meisten davon sind von Ihrem Mitarbeiter in der Anchal, Bruder P.D. Panna, geschrieben. Ein einziger Brief mit mehreren Unterschriften kommt wahrscheinlich von einer anderen Gruppe; er ist für uns durchaus bedeutungslos. Von allen diesen Briefen habe ich nur einen einzigen beantwortet und zwar einen von Bruder Panna; Durchschrift dieser meiner Antwort habe ich auch der KSS zugeschickt. Alle anderen Briefe habe ich unbeantwortet gelassen. Ich bin auch der Meinung, daß wir Ernst damit machen sollten, daß nach der Verfassung es nur dem Pramukh Adhyaksh zusteht, offiziell mit auswärtigen Stellen zu korrespondieren. Ich wäre dankbar, wenn Sie diese Bestimmung mit allem Nachdruck nochmals bekanntgeben wollten. Ich wiederhole aber: Welche Briefe ich auch erhalten sollte (es können darunter ja auch Privatbriefe sein), sie haben keinen Einfluß auf das Urteil, daß wir von Ihnen haben. In dieser Hinsicht können Sie völlig ohne Sorge sein.

Inzwischen haben Sie unser Telegramm erhalten, in dem wir unserer Freude darüber Ausdruck geben, daß die Gemeinde in Ranchi wieder eins ist. Möge Gott sie in dieser wiedergeschenkten Einheit erhalten.

Es ist für uns eine große Freude, zu hören, daß Sie Bruder Thiel zum Chairman des Property Board gemacht haben. Wenn die KSS von sich aus eine solche Wahl trifft, tut sie das in eigener Verantwortung. Wir können von hier aus Bruder Thiel nur die Erlaubnis geben, eine solche Wahl anzunehmen. Das tun wir hiermit.

Ich freue mich auch, daß Br.Tiga zum Direktor des Joint Mission Board und Bruder N.E-Horo zum Manager des Technical Centre berufen worden ist. Vor allem aber ist ein schwieriges Problem dadurch gelöst worden, daß die NW-Anchal eine Residence in Ranchi erhält; Sie wissen, daß wir dafür bereits eine Bauhilfe an Bruder Thiel überwiesen haben. Auf diese Weise ist es nun auch möglich, daß Br.Thiel Wohnung und Office auf dem Goßner Compound erhält und zwar im LAB-Bungalow. ~~Das~~ Dies scheint uns eine sehr glückliche Lösung zu sein, daß Sie es so beschlossen haben.

Sie haben mir in Ihren Briefen zugesichert, zu einigen Fragen, die noch unerledigt sind, die Entscheidung der KSS herbeizuführen:

Auswahl des Pastor, der nach Deutschland kommen soll und eine Entscheidung hinsichtlich der Studenten die zum Studium nach Deutschland kommen sollen. Es handelt sich dabei um zehn Studenten aus allen Fakultäten; der nach Wolfsburg eingeladene Student fällt nicht darunter.

Endlich haben Sie mir mitgeteilt, daß die Goßner-Kirche eine Anzahl führender Persönlichkeiten, die an der Weltkirchen-Konferenz in Neu-Delhi teilnehmen, eingeladen hat.

Für die deutschen Gäste hätte ich gern Einzel - Einladungen in Händen gehabt. Ich weiß, daß Sie viel zu tun haben und durch wichtige andere Arbeit in Anspruch genommen sind. Trotzdem wäre ich Ihnen dankbar, wenn Sie auch diese Mühe auf sich nehmen und mir diese Einladungen bald übersenden wollten.

Hier in Berlin sehen wir nun auch einem Besuch entgegen, auf den wir uns freuen: Bischof Dr. Manikam wird im Juni d.J. unser Gast sein. Er wird uns dann persönlich einen Bericht über die Lage der Goßner-Kirche geben und ich hoffe, daß auf diese Weise unser ganzes Kuratorium ein zutreffendes Bild von der gegenwärtigen Situation erhalten wird.

Ein Satz in einem Ihrer Briefe hat mich besonders gefreut, ich habe in rot unterstrichen : " By God's grace we dare face all problems in the Church with courage. " Ich meine, daß dies der rechte Geist ist, in dem wir hier in Deutschland und Sie dort in Indien an der Zukunft der Goßner-Kirche zusammenarbeiten sollten.

Für die allernächste Zeit wünsche ich Ihnen viel Freude an dem Besuch von Dr. Ohse. Das Programm, das Sie für ihn aufgestellt haben, scheint mir gut zu sein.

Von uns aus möchte ich Ihnen noch mitteilen, daß Schwester Ilse M a r t i n ihre Rückreise nach Indien angetreten hat und am 29. April in Bombay eintreffen wird. Sie wird sich unverzüglich nach Amgaon begeben.

Bei dieser Gelegenheit möchte ich Sie darüber informieren, daß wir schon seit 2 Jahren mit einem jüngeren deutschen Arzt in Verbindung stehen, Dr. Will R o h w e d d e r . Er bereitet sich mit unserer Hilfe gründlichst für den missionsärztlichen Dienst vor und wird Ende n.J. nach Indien ausreisen können. Er soll dann seinen älteren Kollegen Dr. Gründler ablösen. Es war schon immer unsere Absicht, daß Dr. Gründler nur solange in Amgaon bleiben sollte, bis Dr. Rohwedder an seine Stelle treten kann. Das braucht dann aber nicht von einem Tag zum andern zu geschehen. Wir sind der Meinung, daß Dr. Rohwedder auch noch in Indien selbst Zeit gelassen werden sollte, sich ~~in Indien~~ einzuarbeiten und vor allem auch Oriya zu lernen. Ich teile Ihnen dies alles schon jetzt mit, damit Sie auf unsere weiteren Vorschläge in dieser Angelegenheit vorbereitet sind.

Sie bitten uns immer wieder darum, daß wir für Sie beten sollen. Ich weiß, daß das für Sie ein sehr wichtiges Anliegen ist. Darum möchte ich Ihnen zusicher, daß wir Ihrer unablässig in Fürbitte gedenken,

Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen an Sie und Mrs. Lakra, auch von meiner Frau,

Ihr

An Lakra

Dear Brother Lakra,

Thank you very much for the letters I have received from you ~~in the~~
in the meantime. They ~~the letters of 27th Febr. 21st and 30th March~~
are the three letters ~~received~~ you wrote me this year: of Febr. 27th,
~~and~~ March 21st and March 30th 1961.

I am so grateful for the ~~cordial fellowship~~ spirit of cordial fellow-
ship in which ~~all~~ your letters are written. And I may assure you that
not only I, but all the members of the Kuratorium have full confidence
in you, and that we are all convinced that you are doing everything in
your power to promote peace and unity in the Gossner Church. From the
reports sent to us from our German brothers in India we have gained the
impression that you are earnestly resolved to regard the church as a
whole in your considerations and actions.

Through Bishop Manikam I know that you are troubled about letters
which I receive from **different** parties in India. You fear I might be
prejudiced against you by their news. To this I have to answer: I have
only received ~~very~~ few such letters, and most of them are written by
your fellow-worker in the ^{N.W.} Anchal, P.D. Panna. I have received only one
other letter with a number of signatures, coming probably from some ~~other~~
other group. ~~It~~ This letter is of no importance to us whatever. And
of all these letters I have only answered one single one from Brother
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have remained unanswered. It is also my opinion that we should respect
the statutes of the constitution according to which only the Pramukh
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to this provision very ^{distinctly} ~~insistently~~. But beyond that I can only repeat:
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Berlin-Friedenau, 25th April 1961

Lo/Su.

Rev. Jilo T i g a
G.E.L. Church Compound
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Dear Brother T i g a !

It was with great pleasure that I read your letter of April 13th. You may be sure that the whole Kuratorium is delighted to hear of your appointment as Director of the Joint Mission Board.

We pray God's blessing on this very important post that the Gossner-Church has entrusted you with.

I would be very glad if you would occasionally send us a working plan and a budget for one year worked out together with the Board and especially with Brother Kloss, so that we get a full idea of the whole section of work the Joint Mission Board is responsible for. We are willing to help you. Only in order to do so we must know what exactly will be demanded of us in the near future.

We remember you, your wife and whole family in our prayers and send you fraternal greetings.

Yours sincerely

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No 313-17/61-

Dated, April 24, 1961.

The undermentioned document is forwarded to:-(1) Dr. Arne Sovik, (2) Dr. Lokies (3) Eng. W. Thiel (4) Treasurer, GELC and (5) Head Accountant GELC for information, guidance and necessary action.

(Rev. J. Lokies)

J. Lokies
24/4/61

(Rev. M. Hennrom)

M. Hennrom
Secretary, 24/4/61
G. E. L. Church.

Document forwarded is
An extract from the minutes
of the KSS Samiti dated April
3-15, 1961.

Item VIII DR. SOVIK'S LETTER
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Dr. Sovik's Letter.

Eingegangen

-5. MAI 1961

Erledigt: *20/5*

The letter 22-3-61 from Dr Arne Sovik to the Treasurer was read and considered. The following actions have been taken:-

(1) The Anchals Contributions to the KSS Fund.

Dr. Sovik notes that the contribution given to the central fund from the Anchals is meagre. We have to submit that the amount mentioned in the budget is really the minimum we expect from the Anchals. After reconsidering this figure in the light of the census figure from the Anchals. It is found that the figure of Rs. 12900/- is the minimum expected figure from the Anchals. Therefore the KSS takes responsibility to realise this amount and retains this figure in the re-worked budget.

In the former budget the disturbed condition of the Church is reflected. The figures indicated as contributions to the centre were from a part of the Church and not from the whole Church. The 12 kinds of offerings as prevalent in the Church are still in force everywhere and the congregations are supported by this income now as in former years. But the contributions to the centre appear meagre due to the disturbed condition in the Church which is well known to all.

Now that the New Constitution has been inaugurated and efforts are being made for better conditions in the Church. The financial situation also expected to be much better. However the budget should be recast, as desired by the Commission on World Mission.

(2) Undue Advances.

That no undue advances will be made. Already advances in general have been stopped.

(3) Publication of the Budget.

The letter mentions regarding the publication of the budget which the KSS appreciates. From the office side some disadvantages are pointed out in publishing the full detail of the budget. Therefore it is resolved:-

That financial adviser and the Treasurer will make out the ~~xxxxxxxx~~ abbreviation of the whole budget which should be published in the interest of the public.

(4) Loss in the Provident Fund.

During the treasurer'ship of Mr. Z. Hore a loss of Rs. 13736. 89 NP. has been incurred. There is no way how this money could be realised, from Mr. Z. Hore.

It was therefore agreed to approach the Lutheran World Federation for help as it was felt that the money is Provident Fund and not for the use of running expenses. The wise counsel of Dr. Sovik is noted and the following actions are taken.

(a) An appeal be made to the individual Pastors and important members of the Church to contribute towards the re-imburs-

reimbursement of this loss. The Treasurer to issue this appeal immediately.

(b) Special efforts be made by the new Board of Property to be constituted now to increase the income out of the vast property throughout the whole Church a part of which shall be channeled towards the reimbursement of this provident fund.

(c) The Church was contributing towards the building ^{up} of reserve fund of its own through several years which was deposited in the Chetanagpur Bank which unfortunately went into liquidation and caused a loss of over 10000/- on account of the reserve fund, which should have gone towards the reimbursement of the loss in the provident fund. This effort of the Church will continue.

(d) Dependence on LWF for Evangelistic Work.

(i) Re-worked budget will indicate that the Evangelistic work is not wholly dependent on the LWF subsidy. The total expenditure on Evangelistic work falls within the LWF subsidy of Rs. 60000/- thousand and it is less than the usual amount which used to be spent on this account in previous years out of the subsidy.

(ii) It is respectfully stated that in the central budget we do not show the amount of money which is spent for Evangelistic work in different Anchals, in fact more money is spent in the Anchals through local congregations on Evangelistic work than what is spent in the centre on that account. Each Ilaka and Synod has its mission work in and around the Ilakas and Synods. The central budget shows only the amount which the Anchals spend outside the Gossner Church area.

(e) Increased Amount for Library

According to the advice given the re-worked budget will show that Rs. 300/- has been added to the Library fund of the Theological College and Rs. 100/- has been added to the Library fund of Pracharak Training School.

(f) Pramukh's Salary.

The new Constitution provides that the Anchal Adhyakshas be paid fully by the Anchals concerned but the Pramukh Adhyaksh is to be wholly maintained by the central fund. The Pramukh Adhyaksha's services are meant for the whole Church in general and not to any particular Anchal. When he was elected Pramukh another ^{Pastor} ~~Adhyaksh~~ has been elected to be the ~~Executive~~ Adhyaksh of his Anchal, and so there are four Adhyakshas and one Pramukh. And the Pramukh Adhyaksh belongs to no one Anchal. All the Anchals contribute to the central fund from where the Pramukh Adhyaksh is paid. ~~As~~

As a Pramukh Adhyaksh, he is also the Pastor ex-officio of the Head quarters congregation of Ranchi. And he is not paid directly by the Headquarters congregation but the Headquarters congregation also pays its allotment to the central fund.

The pay of the President of the old Church Council was fixed more than ten years ago, and the rapid changes of the economic condition of the people in India, particularly, at Ranchi has affected the economic condition of the people so badly that even the pay of the President would have been increased if the condition of the Church had been normal but now the new Constitution is stabilising the condition of the Church and we must consider the economic distress of our workers. In view of this fact we have already appointed a scale committee to revise the present scale and all the salaries in the Church are going to be reconsidered according to the present circumstances. The post of the Pramukh and Adhyakshas are new and we have made an ad-hoc arrangement to pay the salary of these officers.

It is a fact that Rs. 100/- is purely the salary of the Pramukh Adhyaksh and Rs. 100/- was purely meant for the expenses of his office. In the reworked budget altogether a new arrangement being made all the officers together, *for the contingency of these officers.*

(g) The Two Primary Schools.

In the new Constitution the two Primary Schools of Ranchi have been placed in charge of the KSS for the time being. As we settled down more and more some other arrangement is going to be made for the management of these schools.

Contribution to FELCI and over seas Mission-

By clerical mistake instead of Rs. 263/- in the deficit column Rs. 150/- is mentioned. Further it is respectfully submitted that the Lutheran N.M.S. is not yet absorbed in the FELCI but it has still its separate existence. In the reworked budget the whole amount is

raised from the field.

(n) AUDITOR'S FEES.

This item has been removed from the budget altogether.

Reworking of the budget.

Resolved: - That the officers of the KSS recast the budget in the light of the above actions and the same be forwarded to LWF along with the notes and explanations given above.

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An extract from the minutes of KSS officers' meeting dated ~~May~~ *April*
21-4-1961.

(1) (b) REVISED BUDGET OF THE KSS.

Resolved:- That the revised budget of the KSS for 1961 be passed.

J. E. L. Church
24/4/61

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Secretary,
G. E. L. Church.

The Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church

PRESIDENT:
THE RT. REV. R. B. MANIKAM, PH.D., D.D., S.T.D.,
BISHOP OF TRANQUEBAR.

TRANQUEBAR HOUSE,
TIRUCHIRAPPALLI, S.W.,
INDIA.

Erledigt: 19.5.16.76

- 2. MAI 1961

April 24, 1961.

Director H. Lokies,
Gossner Mission Society,
Berlin Friedenau, am
Handjerystrasse 19/20,
W. Germany.

Dear Director Lokies,

Confidential

Perhaps by now you have received information that I visited Ranchi again on April 10-13. I herewith enclose a copy of a report on my recent visit. I need not go over what I have said in that report. I do hope that matters relating to Messrs Tiga and Horo would be amicably settled. I am still afraid of two more bones of contention, viz., the cooption of Mr Tiga in the KSS and the residence of Mr P.D. Panna within the North West Anchal area. When I met with the KSS Samiti we had also Mr Theil and Mr Kloss with us. Their presence and advice were of very great help to us. They were of the opinion that the residence requirement relating to an officer of the Anchal be applied only to full-time paid officers of the Anchal and not honorary officers like a Secretary. There is something of value in this suggestion. Whether the other party will accept it, I do not know. Legal opinion consulted here indicates that the Continuation Committee went out of its province to lay down residence requirements. Such requirements, it was said, should be passed as amendments to the Constitution and not by way of clarification which the Continuation Committee ~~alone~~ could give. However, knowing personalities in the GEIC, I am not sure if this matter will be amicably settled. I am also worried about the proposal for coopting Mr Tiga on the KSS. It is already pointed out that the North-West-Anchal representatives are in a very great majority in the KSS. The representatives of the other Anchal join together to form one party and they have the majority votes. Unfortunately the appointments have gone to the majority community in the Church. Now if Mr Tiga is coopted into the KSS, there will be once again a split in the KSS, as he will doubtless join the other group. On the other hand, if the North West Anchal group will be magnanimous and take in a person like Mr Tiga with all his experience into the KSS, it may heal the wounds of the Church. Only the spirit of God must move the hearts of men in the GEIC to unite the Church.

In your letter to Mr Panna dated March 15th you have mentioned two points: 1. "In any case an Oraon should be elected either as Pramukh Adyaksh or as Up-Pramukh Adyaksh." 2. The four Adyaksh should divide the four posts in the Church and therefore Rev. Hemrom was appointed Secretary and Rev. Aind Treasurer.

On both these points you have been wrongly informed. It was never laid down in the Constitution or in the Continuation Committee meetings or in our conversations that Oraon should be the Pramukh Adyaksh or Up-Pramukh Adyaksh. I do not know where you got this information. The North West Anchal leaders think that somebody has been writing wrong things to you and misleading you. The other point that the Secretary and Treasurer had to be from the Adyaksh is also wrong. A Secretary and a Treasurer could have been elected outside the four Adyakshs. There is no constitutional requirements that only Adyakshs should be elected to this post. Your letter of March 15 to Mr P.D. Panna has given rise to a good deal of misgivings on the part of the North West Anchal leaders that all kinds of persons are corresponding with you on GEIC matters. The Constitution requires that only the Pramukh Adyaksh should correspond with you on GEIC matters. May I ask you to keep this matter in mind.

I am hoping to come to Berlin soon after June 16, 1961. The Migration Conference

near Geneva ends on the 16th. I have to be at Warsaw, Poland, on the 27th. I have been writing to you about this matter. Kindly let me know if you will make the necessary arrangements for my stay etc in West Berlin during the week following June 16th. Rev. A. Nietzold of Hildesheim was here recently and he will correspond with Rev. Mr Kellermann of Erlangen in setting up a programme for me in West Germany. Kindly contact Mr Kellerman without fail as to the dates of my coming to West Berlin. It is very important that I should meet you and perhaps the officers of the Gossner Board and acquaint you with the latest developments at Ranchi.

I had asked you to get in touch with Prof. Lehmann of Halle and find out and let me know if the East German Government has granted permission to the University of Halle to confer a doctor's degree on me on June the 25th at Halle. I also desired to know if I can get a visa at West Berlin to go to Warsaw, Poland, to attend the DWF Executive Committee meeting. I shall eagerly await a reply to these questions.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Rajan P. Manikam
(R.B. Manikam)
Bishop.

Enc. 1.

AP: 562/61-F/2A

Dear Director Bishop,
I have now received information that I visited Ranchi again on 10-12-13. I have enclosed a copy of a report on my recent visit. I need not say that I do hope that matters relating to Ranchi would be amicably settled. I am still afraid of two more points of contention, the cooption of Mr. P. D. Ianna and the residence of Mr. P. D. Ianna. When I met with the KSS Committee we had also Mr. P. D. Ianna and Mr. Kloss with us. Their presence and advice were of very great help to us. They were of the opinion that the residence requirement relating to the KSS should be applied only to full-time paid officers of the Church and not honorary officers like a Secretary. There is something of value in this suggestion. Whether the other party will accept it, I do not know. Legal opinion consulted here indicates that the Constitution Committee went out of its province to lay down residence requirements. Such requirements, it was said, should be passed as amendments to the Constitution and not by way of clarification which the Constitution Committee could do. However, knowing personally the KSS, I am not sure if this matter will be amicably settled. I am also worried about the proposal for cooption of Mr. P. D. Ianna. It is already pointed out that the North-West-Anchal representatives are in a very great majority in the KSS. The representatives of the other Anchals join together to form one party and they have the majority votes. Unfortunately the appointments have gone to the majority community in the Church. Now if Mr. P. D. Ianna is coopted into the KSS, there will be once again a split in the KSS, as he will doubtless join the other group. On the other hand, if the North-West-Anchal group will be maintained and taken in a person like Mr. P. D. Ianna with all his experience into the KSS, it may heal the wounds of the Church. Only the spirit of God must move the hearts of men in the KSS to unite the Church.

In your letter to Mr. Ianna dated March 15th you have mentioned two points: 1. "In any case an Orson should be elected either as Primum Advokash or as Up-Primum Advokash." 2. "The four Advokash should divide the four posts in the Church and therefore Rev. Hemmon was appointed Secretary and Rev. Aina Treasurer."

On both these points you have been wrongly informed. It was never laid down in the Constitution or in the Constitution Committee meetings or in our conversations that Orson should be the Primum Advokash or Up-Primum Advokash. I do not know where you got this information. The North-West-Anchal leaders think that somebody has been writing wrong things to you and misleading you. The other point that the Secretary and Treasurer had to be from the Advokash is also wrong. A Secretary and a Treasurer could have been elected outside the four Advokash. There is no constitutional requirement that only Advokash should be elected to this post. Your letter of March 15 to Mr. P. D. Ianna has given rise to a good deal of misgivings on the part of the North-West-Anchal leaders that all kinds of persons are corresponding with you on KSS matters. The Constitution requires that only the Primum Advokash should correspond with you on KSS matters. May I ask you to keep this matter in mind.

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**Report on the Visit of Bishop Manikam to Ranchi
on April 10 - 13, 1961.**

I received a number of telegrams and letters from Rev. H. Kloss and finally a two-paged telegram from Mr Werner Theil regarding the deterioration of the situation at Ranchi and requesting me to visit Ranchi immediately. With very great difficulty I was able to extricate myself from the work of my Church and I left Tiruchirappalli on April the 9th morning by air and reached Ranchi on the 10th morning. I had a number of meetings with (a) the North West Anchal leaders, (b) Non-North West Anchal members of the KSS (informally), (c) Anti-North West Anchal members of the head quarters congregation, (d) the Continuation Committee of the Mahasabha, (e) the officers of the two head-quarters congregation and (f) KSS samiti.

The following is the outcome of my visit to Ranchi:-

1. North West Anchal Head-Quarters: The Continuation Committee has recommended to the KSS that a site be allowed at one end of the Ranchi compound for the location of the head-quarters of the North West Anchal and that such a site be marked off from the rest of the Gossner Church compound. The needs of other Anchals were also to be considered by the KSS.

Later at a meeting of the KSS samiti Messrs Kloss, Theil and Jungshan were appointed as a Commission to investigate these matters and make recommendations to the KSS.

2. The Head-Quarters Congregations of the G.E.I.C.: The recommendations of the Continuation Committee were later accepted not only by the KSS samiti, but also by the officers of the two head-quarters congregations. A date in April was fixed when the officers will hand over charge to the Pramuah Adyakesh. On a specified Sunday in a month there will be only one service. On the remaining Sundays ^{there} different services at different hours ^{will} be open to all members of the ~~the~~ undivided head-quarters congregation. The offerings mandli paise etc were to be pooled into one fund out of which all workers serving till now the two congregations were to be maintained. I do hope these recommendations would be implemented so that there could be only one congregation at the head-quarters.

3. Chairman of the Board of Properties: The appointment of the Chairman has been a bone of contention between the two ~~boards~~ ^{parties} in the KSS and a stalemate had been reached. After thorough discussion it was unanimously decided by the KSS samiti to request Mr Werner Theil to become the Chairman of the Property Board. He being already a financial adviser of the Church could serve the Church in this capacity also. As Chairman he will not have heavy work ~~accepting~~ ^{excepting} to preside at the meetings. The Executive Officer of the Board will be the Manager, and he will be the one who will attend to court cases, and not missionary Theil.

4. Mr N.E. Horo: Much controversy had centred around his appointment as Superintendent of the Office and Manager of the Property Board and Supervisor of Schools. After a good deal of discussion, it was decided that he should be assigned ~~with~~ a full-time position in the new development training scheme to be worked under the direction of Mr Theil. It is envisaged that Mr Horo would live at one of the centres in the GEIC other than Ranchi. His duties will be worked out carefully.

5. The Rev. J.J.P. Tiga: It was felt and accepted that neither Mr N.E. Horo nor Mr J.J.P. Tiga should be victimised in any way. After consultation with Mr Tiga, it was decided by the KSS samiti that Mr Tiga be appointed as Director of the Joint Mission Board for Evangelism, of which Mr Kloss is the present Chairman. Details regarding the work and duties of Mr Tiga were carefully outlined by the KSS samiti.

6. Co-opting of Mr J.J.P. Tiga as a Member of the KSS: There was a very heated discussion in the KSS samiti meeting over the proposal by one group to co-opt Rev. J.J.P.

Tiga as a member of the KSS and this was stoutly opposed by the other group. At one time the proposal ~~of~~ of appointing Rev. J.J.P. Tiga as Director of the Joint Mission Board was acceptable to his friends in the KSS on condition that Mr Tiga was co-opted as a member of the KSS. After a good deal of discussion, it was decided not to permit the co-option of Mr Tiga at that meeting and to make the appointment of Mr Tiga as Director independent of the co-option. I am afraid this is going to be of further trouble in the Church. I have talked to the leaders of the Church on both sides to do their best to arrive at an amicable solution. Whether one can be found I do not know.

7. Residence of an Officer of an Anchal outside the area of the Anchal: In the Constitution approved by the Mahasabha it is specifically stated that an officer might be elected from anywhere in the whole of GEIC. Later when the Continuation Committee met after the first elections in the North West Anchal were questioned and set aside, the Committee passed certain resolutions regarding the residence requirement of an officer of an Anchal within the Anchal's area. In spite of this specific direction of the Continuation Committee, the North West Anchal Sabha elected Mr P.D. Panna of Jamshedpur as Secretary in his absence. One party is contending that he should either reside in the area or resign the secretaryship of his Anchal. Another party is contending that the Continuation Committee went beyond its province to pass resolutions as to the residence requirements of an officer of an Anchal, such resolutions can only be moved as amendment to the Constitution of the Church and not by way of clarification of the Constitution adopted by the Mahasabha. There is therefore a severe deadlock on this question. It was raised during the last few minutes of our final meeting of the KSS samiti at about 2 a.m. on the morning of the 13th April. We could not come to any definite conclusions on this matter. Much could be said on both sides. Before taking off at the Ranchi air-port, I appealed to the leaders of the Church that met me at the air-port to do their best to settle this controversy over the residence requirement of an officer in a friendly spirit.

I am afraid that the two matters of the co-option of Rev. J.J.P. Tiga in the KSS and the implementation of the resolution of the Continuation Committee which requires Mr Panna either resigning his secretaryship of his Anchal and thus his membership in the KSS or moving from Jamshedpur where he is employed into the North West Anchal area are going to be the bone of contention in the GEIC. One suggestion ~~was~~ made that the residence requirement could be applied only in the case of full-time paid workers of an Anchal and need not be required of honorary officers of an Anchal. This suggestion needs serious consideration. In the end only a court can pronounce upon the questions of the head-quarters of an Anchal and the residence of an officer of the Anchal. It is expecting too much of the Continuation Committee to solve these two issues. On the question of head-quarters the Continuation Committee has arrived at a happy compromise which seemed to be acceptable to both parties when I was there. Whether it will continue to be acceptable to both parties after my back is turned I do not know. I sincerely hope and pray that in a spirit of give and take and in an attempt to unite the Church as one body, these two or three controversial matters would be amicably settled.

In conclusion, though it was an exacting piece of work I had to do during my last trip, my contact with the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church which I had begun to love and serve was on the whole pleasant and useful. May good result from my visit through God's grace!

Tranquebar House,
Tiruchirappalli-1, S. India,
April 24, 1961.

AP.556/-F/2A.

Copy to ~~Rev. J.J.P. Tiga~~
~~Rev. J.J.P. Tiga~~
Director Lokias
Bishop Meyer
A. Sovik.

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(R.B. Vanikam)
Bishop of Tranquebar.

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24. April 1961

Rev. Jilo TIGA
G.E.L.Church Compound
R a n c h i / Bihar

Lieber Bruder Tiga !

Mit großer Freude habe ich Ihren Brief vom 13. April gelesen. Sie dürfen dessen gewiß sein, daß sich unser ganzes Kuratorium über Ihre Berufung zum Direktor des Joint Mission Board freut.

Wir erbitten Gottes reichen Segen für dieses wichtige Amt, das Ihnen die Goßner-Kirche anvertraut hat.

Ich wäre Ihnen dankbar, wenn Sie uns einmal in Zusammenarbeit mit dem Board, im besonderen auch mit Bruder Kloss einen Arbeitsplan und entsprechenden Etat zusenden wollten, damit wir einen vollen Einblick in den gesamten Aufgabenkreis des Joint Mission Board erhalten. Wir sind gern bereit, Ihnen von hier aus zu helfen; aber gerade deswegen müssen wir wissen, ^{mit} welchen Anforderungen wir in der nächsten Zukunft zu rechnen haben.

Wir gedenken Ihrer, Ihrer lieben Frau und Ihrer ganzen Familie in Fürbitte und grüßen Sie

in dankbarer Verbundenheit

Ihr

gez. Lokies

An Tiga

Dear Brother Tiga,

It was with great pleasure that I read your letter of April 13th. ~~xx~~
You may be sure that the whole Kuratorium ^{is} ~~was~~ delighted to hear of
your appointment as Director of the Joint Mission Board.

We pray God's blessing on this very important post that the Gossner
Church has entrusted you with.

I would be very glad if you would occasionally ~~sendxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~
~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ ^{plan} send us a working-~~xxxxxx~~ programme and budget ^{at}
~~in connection, we set~~ ^{for one year} ~~worked~~ out together with the Board and especially with
Brother Kloss, so that we get a full idea of the whole section of work
the Joint Mission Board is responsible for. We are willing to help you.
Only in order to do so we must know what exactly will be demanded of
us in the near future.

We remember you, your wife and whole family in our prayers and send
you fraternal greetings.

Yours sincerely,

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Berlin- Friedenau, April 25th, 1961
Lo/Su.

Mr.
N.E. H o r o
G.E.L. Church Compound
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Dear Brother Horo !

We hear from Brother Kloss that you have been elected Manager
of the Technical Training Centre in Phudi. We all of us in the
Kuratorium rejoice with you that you have received and accepted
this commission.

We are convinced that you will cooperate splendidly with our
Brother Thiel and be a great help to him in building
up the technical Centre through your expert knowledge of matter
and men and your experience in matters of administration.

Our best greetings to you and your family. May God bless your
cooperation in the new started work

Yours sincerely

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24. April 1961
Lo/Su.

Mr.
N.E. H o r o
G.E.L. Church Compound
R a n c h i / Bihar
INDIA

Lieber Bruder Horo !

Wir haben durch Bruder Kloss die Mitteilung erhalten, daß Sie zum Manager des Technical Training Centre an Phudi berufen worden sind. Unser ganzes Kuratorium freut sich mit Ihnen darüber, daß Sie diesen Auftrag erhalten und auch angenommen haben.

Wir sind davon überzeugt, daß Sie mit unserem Bruder Thiel gut zusammenarbeiten und ihm beim Aufbau des Technical Centre mit Ihrer Personal- und Sachkenntnis und Ihren Erfahrungen in E Verwaltungsfragen einen sehr guten dienst leisten werden.

Wir grüßen Sie und Ihre liebe Familie mit allen guten Wünschen und bitten zu Gott, daß ER Sie in Ihrer neuen Tätigkeit segnen möchte.

In brüderlicher Verbundenheit

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gez. Lokies

An Horo

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Our best greetings to you and your family. May God bless your new ~~occupation~~ *office cooperation in the new started work*
yours sincerely,

Brieftelegramm

Rev
~~Prasukh Adhyaksh~~ Joel L a k r a

G.E.L.Church Compound
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From,

The Secretary,
Joint Mission Board,
Camp Ranchi.

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To,

Rev. J. J. P. Tiga,
G. E. L. C. Compound, Ranchi.

Dated, the 15th April 1961.

Dear Rev. Tiga,

Herewith attached, I am forwarding to you an extract from the minutes of the last meeting of the Joint Mission Board for information, and thereby I also inform you that you have been appointed by the Joint Mission Board to be the director of the Joint Mission Board on a monthly pay of Rs 350/- with effect from the 1st May, 1961.

Yours sincerely,

M. B. Singh
Secretary, 15/4/61
Joint Mission Board.

Copy forwarded to :-

1. Rev. H. Kless, chairman, J. M. B., Ranchi.
- ✓ 2. Dr. Lekies, director, Gossner Mission, Berlin.

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MISSION BOARD MEETING HELD ON 14-4-1961 AT RANCHI.

The meeting which was held in the office of the GELC Property Board today at 2 P.M. started with a prayer led by the Chairman Rev Kless. Members present were: (1) Rev. H. Kless Chairman (2) Rev. Dr. H. Bage Secretary (3) Rev. J. Lakra member, (4) Mr. W. Thiel member
Subject:- Recommendation of the KSS for appointing a Director for the works of the JMB. The letter of the KSS in this connection was read and considered. The members of the JMB unanimously felt that there is an urgent need of a Director for the JMB works.

Resolved:- That the post of a Director in the JMB be created. The Director shall be the executive officer of the JMB and as such he will have the following duties:

- (1) to supervise the JMB field in every respect;
- (2) to communicate the actions and resolutions of the Board to all persons concerned;
- (3) to arrange for the Training etc for the workers of the field;
- (4) to recommend the appointment and dismissal of the workers of the field;
- (5) to recommend any new project or changes in the programmes of the Board;
- (6) to correspond with the KSS and also with the Gessner Mission Kuratorium, Berlin on the basis of the resolutions and recommendations of the Board;
- (7) to attend the meetings of the Board on request;
- (8) to pass the bills of the field and forward the same to the Treasurer, JMB for approval and payment.

It was further resolved:- that Rev. J. J. P. Tiga who is the most suitable and qualified person for the post of the Director of the works of the JMB be appointed to be the director according to the scale of the GELC plus the Mission field allowance amounting to Rs. 40/- which leads to a total amount of Rs. 350/- P.M. with effect from 1st May 1961.

The Chairman is requested to correspond with the Kuratorium regarding travel facilities.

It is agreed to arrange for a suitable accommodation in the GELC Compound Chakradharpur, taking in to account the establishment of a centre for refresher course etc for the workers of the JMB. Until this is done a temporary suitable arrangements be made in a rented house.

The meeting closed with a short prayer led by the Chairman.

H. Kless
15.4.61

J. Lakra
17/4/61

M. Bage
14-4-61
Secretary,

Copy forwarded to :-

1. Rev. H. Kless, Chairman, G. E. L. C. Compound, Ranchi.

2. Rev. J. Lakra, member (J. M. B.), Ranchi.

3. Mr. W. Thiel, member (J. M. B.), Ranchi.

✓ 4. Dr. Lekies, Director, Gessner Mission, Berlin.

5. Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, G. E. L. C. compound, Ranchi.

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22. APR. 1961

Erledigt: Zwa

for Dr. Dr. P. Lokies

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CHOTANAGUR AND ASSAM.
RANCHI.

No 260 /61

Ranchi, dated the 14th April '61

The undermentioned document is forwarded to (1) Mr. W. Thiel (2) Rev. H. Kloss (3) Dr. Junghans (4) Pramukh Adhyaksh, for information and needful.

J. C. Kloss
14/4/61

H. Kloss 14/4/61
Secretary,
G.E.L. Church.

Document forwarded is
An extract from the minutes of
the KSS Samiti meeting held
from April 8-13, 1961.

Item I.(a) Report of the Continuation Committee
HEAD QUARTERS OF THE N.W. ANCHAL.

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Resolved:- that a commission of 3(Three) members consisting of Mr. W. Thiel, Dr. Junghans and Rev. H. Kloss be appointed with Mr. Thiel as convener to demarcate an area for the Head Quarters office of the N.W. Anchal. Their findings be accepted in toto.

It is further resolved : that the same commission be requested to submit proposals regarding the offices, rest homes etc of the Anchals and the KSS Office.
The same impartial commission will bring the proposals and be accepted in toto and implemented.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE PROPERTY BOARD .

The Rt. Rev. Bishop R. B. Manikam ^{suggested} proposed the name of Eng. W. Thiel to be the Chairman of the Property Board for this transition period.

This matter was placed for discussion. Brother Thiel expressed his opinion as agreed under the circumstances now prevailing in the Church. He suggested that there should be certain regulations which will ^{keep him out of} ~~bound the~~ every court, ^{so that he} ~~as it~~ must not come to court.

Further he stated that his stay in Ranchi is inevitable in order to function his newly allotted office properly.

It was then proposed by Rev. Dr. M. Bage and seconded by Rev. J. Toppe, that Eng. W. Thiel be appointed Chairman of the Property Board for a year. It was unanimously agreed.

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J. C. Kloss
14/4/61

H. Kloss
Secretary
14/4/61

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Photocopic
Ranchi

Ranchi,
Bihar, India 13.4.61

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The Revd. Dr. Theobaldy Hans Lekies,
Director, Gossner Mission Society,
Berlin.

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21. APR. 1961

Erledigt:

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Dear Brother Lekies,

This is to thank you for the letter of invitation extended to Sari Deenarayan Jaiswal. Immediately I called him from Patna by a telegram and passed it on to him. He has submitted it to the Deputy Commissioner along with his application for the passport and we are hoping that he will get it in good time. It is his plan to fly to Berlin as soon as a passport is granted to him.

New I am more interested in informing you that the K.S.S. has at last passed a resolution asking the Joint Mission Board to appoint me Director of the Joint Mission Board. In the resolution many high sounding things have been said about me which I do not deserve and under different circumstances I would have forthwith refused to accept the praise contained in the resolution but because of my enemies I allow it to stand without accepting it and without being influenced by it in any way. I am sure this resolution asking me to be the Director of the JMB comes under the wise counsel of the German friends and I am very heartily thankful to all for the opportunity I am going to be given to serve the Lord in His vineyard through the JMB. I assure you that I shall try my very best to perform the duties assigned to me and I am confident that your co-operation and support will be always available in the interest of God's Kingdom.

When I had an opportunity to talk with some leading members of the K.S.S. I told them wholeheartedly that I would support the idea of Mr. Thiel's becoming the Chairman of the Board of Property. As a matter of fact in the presence of Bp. Meyer, in the meetings of the Ecumenical Commission I clearly stated that nothing will solve the problems of the Gossner Church unless some strong person/persons are located at Ranchi and are given ~~at least~~ authority and privilege to direct the affairs of the Gossner Church. I feel now that God has heard our prayers and has made arrangements for solving the difficulties of the Gossner Church. Praise the Lord.

My wife and I send you hearty Greetings.

Yours Very Sincerely,

J. Thiel
13.4.61

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The Revd Dr. Thel H. Lokies
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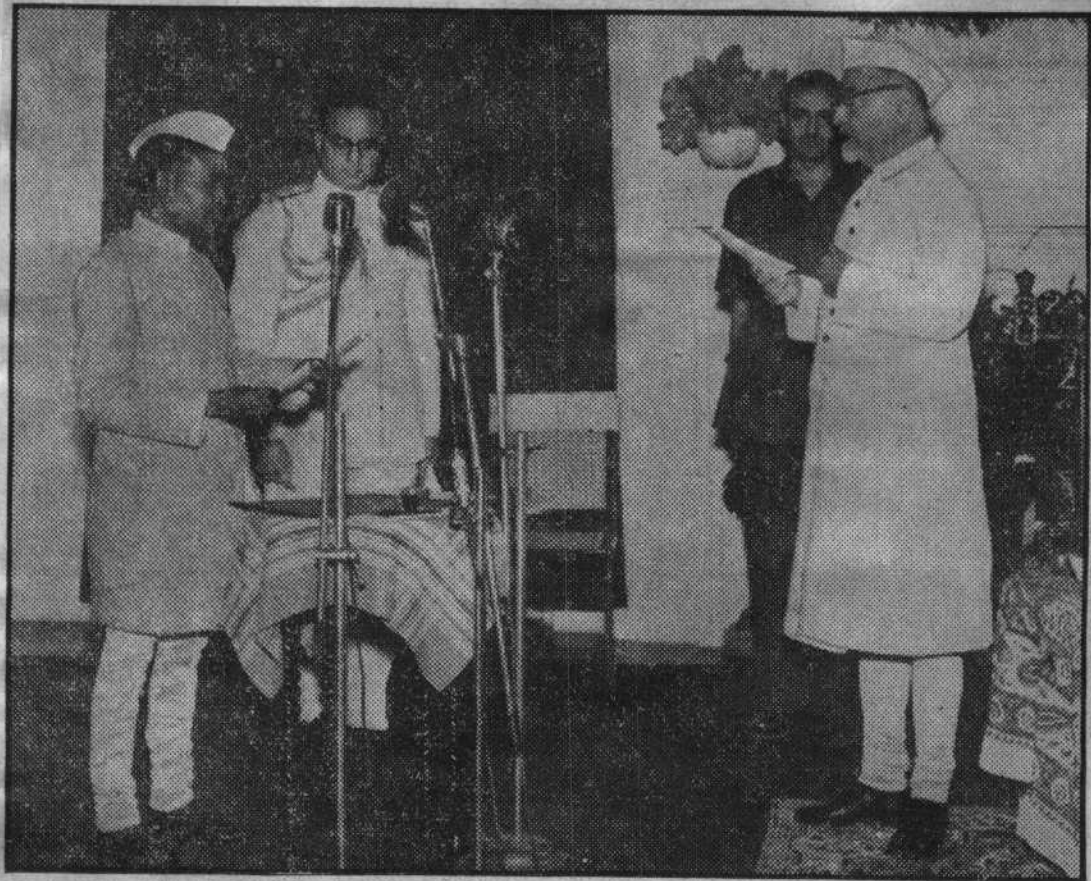
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Sender's name and address:-

Revd L. J. P. Tiga
G. E. L. Church,
RANCHI,
India

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Mr Shamucharan Tubid, the first Adivasi to be taken into the Bihar Government, being sworn in by the Governor as a Deputy Minister on Tuesday in Patna.

SEPARATE JHARKHAND STATE DEMANDED

From Our Staff Correspondent

PATNA, April 7.—The Bihar Assembly today inconclusively debated a non-official resolution by Mr Dhan Singh Munda (Jharkhand) for a Jharkhand State within the Indian Union made up of the Chotanagpur division and Santhal Parganas along with other adjacent areas which could be conveniently included.

The resolution was supported by prominent Adivasi members, like Mr Saran Balmooch, Mr Chunka Hembrom and Mr Hari-chara Soy of the Jharkhand Party. It was opposed with equal force by Mr Bhagwat Murmu an Adivasi Congress member. Supporters of the resolution argued that constitutional provisions for the progress of Adivasis in Chotanagpur had been ignored by the ruling party and only a separate Jharkhand State could solve their problems.

The Speaker today constituted a new Privileges Committee and all pending cases were formally referred to the new committee.

(See also Page 4.)

As from
G. E. L. Church
From - Rev. J. Lakra Ranchi
30/3/61

My dear Brother Lokies

Many thanks
for your letter of March 20, 1961.
I am delighted to learn that
you had a talk with Bishop
Meyer on the Gossoner Church
affairs. Both of you are perso-
nally acquainted with the pe-
culiar problems of the Church
and therefore I expect personal
sympathy with me in handling
them. I have never been hasty
in tackling problems. I have
given enough time for all con-
cerned to consider matters. Parti-
cularly, we must give time to the
Holy Ghost to work out His plan.
I feel encouraged and strength-
ened because you are all praying

for me. In our prayer let us
seek the will of God. He has
led her^(Church) thus far and I feel
sure He will lead her even now
and in future.

At present I am giving
my time for Holy Week Services,
at a Swedish Mission Station
about 120 miles north of the
city of Nagpur in Madhya
Pradesh (C.P.)

Soon, I hope, I shall be
able to issue individual
invitations to all our V.D.Ps
at New Delhi, through you.
If you could find out from
the L.M.F. office in Geneva,
which of our friends are
coming to New Delhi from
America Scandinavian coun-
tries and Japan and Australia,
so that I can also invite

them all, for country's sake
at least. I am sure Mr. Franklin
X Fry of America (President
U.E.C. America) will be glad
to visit us if he is coming
to New Delhi.

Many thanks for Dr.
Ohse's letter of Feb. 13th 1961. The
governing Body of the three
Development Projects was to
sit at Ranchi on the 26th
February, but due to some diffi-
culties in Calcutta we had to
cancel it. But we made a tenta-
tive programme for Dr. Ohse at
Ranchi.

May 7. Arrival at Ranchi & Phendi
Halt at Ranchi
May 8. Visit to Phendi & back on
to Ranchi Rourkela
May 9. Visit to Angam & back
to Rourkela
May 9. Leave Rourkela at 2.22 hr
for Calcutta

I would entreat for more and more prayer, as
you have been doing. My affectionate greetings
to Mrs. Lokies & self and Dr. Berg & Knechtel.
Even in the Lord

Yours most sincerely
H. Lokies

BY AIR MAIL

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Ranchi Bihar
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10. APR. 1961
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PS Dr. Ohse receives my
letter at Colombo

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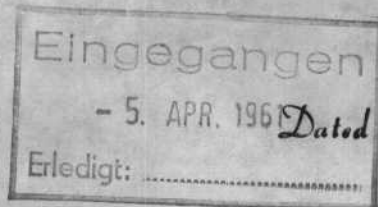
GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH.

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Rev. J. Lakra
G. E. L. Church
RANCHI, BIHAR.

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Rev. Dr. M. Bage
G. E. L. Church
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SECRETARY
Rev. M. Hemrom
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Certified to be true copy of the KSS minute.

H. Hemrom
26/3/61
Secretary,
G. E. L. CHURCH,
Chotanagpur & Assam.

Abraham von P. Hoffmann, Wolfsburg
5.4.61 *h*

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pramukh Adhyaksh	Up-Pramukh Adhyaksh	Secretary	Treasurer
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Secretary

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Chotanagpur and Assam

GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.
RANCHI. Dated the 26th March 1961.
No 252/61-Kss-78.

To,
Dr. Hans Lokies,
Director Gossner Mission Society
Berlin Friednau
Handjerstrasse- 19/20 Germany.



Dear Brother Lokies,

I am acknowledging receipt of your letters of 14th & 18th March 1961, addressed to the KSS and another letter of 11th March 1961, addressed to Rev. J. Lakra Pramukh Adhyaksh (Copy). I may remind you that copy of Mr. P. D. Panna's letter was not enclosed along with yours of 18th March, although you make mention of it. kindly, therefore, send me this letter so that it could be considered in the ensuing KSS samiti in early April. Thanks. The subject indicated in your letters to the KSS will be placed before the ensuing KSS Samiti scheduled to be held from April 6th - 13th, 1961, so also the matters of ~~selecting~~ selecting a Pastor in place of Rev. Hanukh Minz and that of selecting students for training in Germany will be taken up in the same meeting. These two matters were also considered by the previous Church Council and the present KSS has to pursue them in the light of your suggestions and previous actions already done. I believe that we will be able to send our official actions on these matters only after the KSS Samiti has met.

The KSS has in its recent meeting in the first week of March 1961 resolved to request the Kuratorium to send two Technicians in order to assist Mr. Werner Thiel in his Project of starting a Technical Training Centre at village Phudi 16 miles away from Ranchi. I am therefore officially making this request to the Kuratorium that two suitable Technical assistant for the Technical Project may kindly be sent as early as possible. I am separately sending certified copy of the KSS resolutions in this respect.

It was really unfortunate that delegates from the N.W. Anchal in the KSS should walk out from the KSS. You have already received information about it. The KSS had ~~tried~~ to bring them in the following day but they say that they would only do so

after they had consulted their Anchal Sabha. I hear that N.W. Anchal Samiti met at Ranchi last week in which Rev. J. Lakra Pramukh Adhyaksh is said to have been present but we have not received any official reaction so far. It is however removed that that they would boycott the KSS. If that happens there would be really some trouble. But we have to wait and see their next ~~move~~ ^{ment}. It is with a view to bringing them in and to get their co-operation that we have called the KSS Samiti meeting so soon in April.

The KSS has also decided to invite certain distinguished guests to visit the Gossner Church before or after the WCC meeting scheduled to be held at New Delhi in November-December, 1961. They are the following:- Dr. Berg, Dr. Jacob, Pastor Gustsch, Dr. Franklin Fry, Bishop Debelius, Bishop Lilje, Dr. Schlotz and Dr. Kishi. Official invitations shall be sent to them in due course of time. In the meantime may I request you to kindly pass on this invitation to the persons concerned who are in Germany.

Through your letter it seems that Bishop Meyer and Bishop Manikam also intend to visit us before the WCC Third Assembly. They are also invited most cordially. According to you they are coming to hold a meeting of the Ecumenical Commission. It is not clear to me what this commission has to here now when it completed its work last year after the mahasabha passed the church constitution. The Continuation Committee appointed by the mahasabha is still there. Recently we referred certain constitutional matters to it for its advice. This committee does not seem to be of much help to us now. I request you therefore to kindly clarify about the meeting of the Ecumenical Commission. I believe on the other hand that the visit of our foreign guests may be of some help to us in order to come out from the present deplorable situation in which we find ourselves. This is, of course, my own personal view.

Hoping to write you soon after the meeting of the KSS Samiti in April.

With best wishes and greetings of the Easter time,
Yours in the Lord,

27/Easter 26/3/61

March 24th, 1961

Lo/Su.

Mr.
Sri Deenarayan JAISWAL
Ranchi / Bihar

Dear Mr. Jaiswal,

herewith we invite you to come to Germany for technical or/chemical study.

You have stated that you would bear all the expenses for journey, boarding and study yourself. Under this condition we will give you every kind of help and advice to find a suitable quarter, if possible in our boarding house for Indian students, and to undergo a course of instruction in the German language under our supervision to be admitted in the University for study.

We are sending this letter of invitation to you on recommendation of Rev. Jilo Tiga - Ranchi, well known to us since many years.

Hoping that you will be given the permit to go abroad we welcome you here in Germany

Sincerely Yours

per. Dr. Hans Lokies

(Mission director)

through Rev. Tiga, Ranchi

Dear Mr.

I learned through Rev. J. J. P. Tiga, Ranchi, about your intention to come for your study to Germany.

He wrote you would bear all the expenses on your own (journey, boarding, up-keep, study)

Mr. J. J. P. Tiga has recommended you and we are ready to help you here in Berlin to find a suitable quarter. Perhaps we can take you up in our Home for Indian Students which will be opened for the Winter-Semester.

So we invite you to come to us. In any case we shall help you ^{to} get accustomed to our life and customs a. s. o. here.

Yours
sincerely

B. Evangelisches Gymnasium:

- 15 (bisher 16) Klassen und 3 (ab Herbst 1955 wahrscheinlich 4)*)
altsprachliche Klassen für Ostschüler
- 1 beamteter Oberstudiendirektor
(B.Gr. A 1b)
- 1 beamteter Oberstudienrat als stellv. Direktor
(B.Gr. A 2b)
- 1 beamteter Fach-Oberstudienrat für Alte Sprachen
(B.Gr. A 2 c 1)
- 14 (bisher 12) beamtete Studienräte +)
(B.Gr. A 2 c 2)
- 3 Stud. Assessoren als Beamte a.W.
(B.Gr. A 2 c 2)
- 8 angestellte Lehrkräfte (bisher 12)
(A.S.V.Gr. III)
- je 1/2 Fachkraft für Französisch und Hebräisch
(je 7.200 DM Pauschale)

*) Tatsächlich ist durch die 3 Ostklassen der vorgesehene Rahmen des Gymnasiums von 18 Klassen bisher nicht überschritten. Erst mit der 4. Ostklasse würde eine "Ausweitung" erfolgen, falls Ostern 1955 wieder 2 Sexten eröffnet werden.

+) 1 StRat ist z.Zt. ins Ausland beurlaubt,
er wird durch einen Assessor im Angestelltenverhältnis vertreten.

Berlin-Friedenau, March 24th 1961

The Rev. J.J. T i g a , M.A., B.D., S.T.M.

G.E.L. Church

R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Dear Brother Tiga ,

I wholeheartedly thank you for your letter dated 7.III.61. You are right to presume that your first letter regarding Mr. Sri Deenarayan Jaiswal and his study in Germany got lost. I never got that letter. Therefore I want to hasten to answer your last letter.

You ask for our help for a young Hindu-student who wishes to study here in Berlin. You wrote that he himself will pay all expenses (regarding journey to Europe, boarding and up-keep, and his study).

Yes, we are ready to help him. I hope, we can take him up in our Home for Indian Students along with all the other students coming from our Gossner-Church. If this could not be possible, we shall help him to find any other good quarter. In any case - on your recommendation - we shall look after him. We enclose in this letter to you an invitation to Shri Jaiswal.

Now the situation concerning the Gossner-Church. We are very anxious about the internal situation of the G.E.L. Church. I request you with my whole heart, please, do undertake everything to help in a brotherly spirit that real and permanent peace and unity will come to the Gossner-Church.

Nowadays one can read in foreign Mission-Papers and Mission-Magazines of foreign countries the opinion, that the Young Churches are too much concerned with themselves, with their organisation, their institution as a church with financial questions a.s.o. That there is no energy and no efficacy left for the main task: for Mission-Work and Evangelisation. And now according to those magazines the old Mission-Home-boards get the advice not to engage too much with the Young Churches in order that the mission-home-boards may be free for the main task of real mission-work

You know that the Gossner-Home-Board has decided not to disengage from the Gossner-Church but to remain faithful and loyal to the Gossner-Evangelical-Lutheran Church and to help her in gaining real autonomy. Our Gossner-Mission will remain on your side because we believe that the Young Churches have to shoulder themselves the great responsibility for mission-work and Evangelisation in your own country. But the first condition - I think - is, that the G.E.L. Church overcomes her troubles, quarrels and difficulties as soon as possible. Six years of struggle are just enough !

I learned that the representatives of the NW-Anchal walked out of the Kendriye-Salahkari-Sabha because they were dissatisfied about the election of the new chairman for the Property Board. Please, dear Brother Tiga, do on your part what you can and help to solve this question in a just way.

p.t.o.

At last I want to let you know, that the Curatorium is very much interested in your own position after the reorganisation of the Church. You should know that we are always thinking of you with real sympathy and the hope that you should be given an appointment according your qualification in the Gossner Church.

With kind regards to your dear wife, to your dear daughter and to your whole family in which my wife is joining

Yours sincerely

encl.

Berlin, den 22.3.1961
Lo/Vo

The Rev. J.J. T i g a

G.E.L. Church, R a n c h i , Bihar, India

Lieber Bruder Tiga!

Herzlichen Dank für Ihren Brief vom 7.3.1961. Sie vermuten mit Recht, daß ein erster Brief, den Sie mir betreffend Studium des Shree Deenarayan Jaiswal in Deutschland geschrieben haben, überhaupt nicht erreicht hat.

Ich beeile mich nun, Ihren Brief zu beantworten. Wir wollen Ihren Wunsch gern erfüllen und dem jungen Hindu-Studenten helfen, damit er hier in Berlin sein Studium durchführen kann. Sie schreiben, daß er alle Kosten selbst trägt, sowohl für die Reise wie auch für Unterhalt und Studium. Ich hoffe, daß wir ihn mit den Studenten der Gossner-Kirche hier im Hause aufnehmen können. Wenn es nicht möglich sein sollte, werden wir ihm eine andere Unterkunftsmöglichkeit verschaffen. In jedem Fall wollen wir uns seiner auf Ihre Empfehlung annehmen. Ich füge für Sie eine Einladung an Shree Jaiswal bei.

Große Sorgen macht uns hier immer noch der innere Zustand der Gossner-Kirche. Ich bitte Sie von Herzen das Ihrige zu tun, damit wirklich ~~und~~ Friede und Einheit in der Kirche in echter Weise und für die Dauer einkehrt.

Man kann in den Missionszeitschriften des Auslandes schon das Urteil hören, daß die Jungen Kirchen zu sehr mit sich selbst, mit ihrer Organisation, ihrer Institution, ihren Finanzfragen usw. beschäftigt sind, so daß sie für die eine Aufgabe, die die wichtigste in der Kirche ist, keine Kraft mehr haben: Für Mission und Evangelisation, und die alten Missionsgesellschaften bekommen den Rat, sich nicht allzu sehr oder gar vollständig mit diesen Jungen Kirchen zu engagieren, damit sie wenigstens für die eigentliche Missionsaufgabe frei werden.

Sie wissen, daß die Gossner-Mission sich entschlossen hat, der Gossner-Kirche die Treue zu halten und sie auf dem Wege zur vollen Selbständigkeit zu begleiten. Sie tut es deswegen, weil sie glaubt, daß die Jungen Kirchen es sind, die zu Trägern der Missionsarbeit in ihrem eigenen Land werden müssen. Aber die Voraussetzung dafür ist natürlich, daß die Gossner-Kirche endlich alle selbstverschuldeten inneren Schwierigkeiten überwindet. Man kann dabei geduldig sein und längere Zeit warten bis sich diese Voraussetzung erfüllt. Aber 6 Jahre Kirchenstreit sollten wirklich genug sein.

Ich habe gehört, daß die Vertreter der N.S.-Anschal aus der K. SS ausgezogen sind, weil man sich nicht über die Frage des chairmans für das property-board einigen konnte. Bitte, lieber Bruder Tiga, helfen Sie, daß diese Frage in gerechter Weise gelöst wird.

Im übrigen möchte ich Ihnen sagen, daß das Kuratorium ein großes Interesse daran hat, daß weder Sie noch der secretary N.E. Horo infolge der Neuordnung in der Kirche in Ihrer Existenz geschädigt werden. Sie sollen wissen, daß wir immer an Sie denken und dafür eintreten werden, daß Sie eine angemessene Beschäftigung in der Kirche erhalten.

Bitte, grüßen Sie Ihre liebe Frau, Ihre liebe Tochter und Ihre ganze Familie herzlich auch von meiner Frau

Ihr



Mr. Breckh, Hauptstr. 736567
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~~Charl B.
per Alice 6~~

Dear Brother Figa!

I wholeheartedly thank you for your letter dated 17. III 61. ~~You are right to~~ ^{perhaps} you presume that your ^{first} letter regarding Mr. Sri Teenuarayan Jaiswal and his study in Germany got lost. ~~He~~ ^{never} I got that letter. ~~and now~~ ^{therefore} ~~you~~ ^{you} please accept my apologies for having ~~missed to answer your letter earlier.~~ ~~I have been terribly busy~~ ^{of late.} But ~~now~~ ^I hasten to answer your ^{last} letter.

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zum Haushaltsplan
für die Provinzialkirchlichen Schulen
für das Rechnungsjahr 1960.

Betreffend: Schulkindergarten
der Evangelischen Schule
im Evangelischen Johannesstift in Spandau.

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Einnahmen:

1. Schulgeld.....	912,50	DM
2. Verpflegung.....	912,50	DM
zusammen.....	1.825,--	DM

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Sächliche Ausgaben:

1. Geschäftsbedarf und kleine Schulbedürfnisse (Bürobedarf, Wäsche, Schwämme, Seife, Kreide)...	130,--	DM
2. Freie Lernmittel.....	150,--	DM
3. Lehrmittel (Spiele, Bausteine usw.).....	75,--	DM
4. Bücherei.....	150,--	DM
5. Ausflüge.....	50,--	DM
6. Inventar und Geräte, Instandhaltungen.....	175,--	DM
7. Inventar und Geräte, Neuanschaffungen.....	175,--	DM
8. Ausgaben für Verpflegung der Kinder.....	920,--	DM
zusammen.....	1.825,--	DM

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Zusammenstellung:

Summe der Einnahmen.....	1.825,--	DM
Summe der Sächlichen Ausgaben.....	1.825,--	DM

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At last

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Anlage zum Haushaltsplan 1960
für die Provinzialkirchlichen Schulen
Zu: Ausgaben, Kapitel II, Titel 1b)

S t e l l e n p l a n
A r b e i t e r

(Bezahlung erfolgt nach Arbeitssatzung)

1. Grund- und Oberschulen:

Arbeitsstunden
je Tag

Charlottenburg	1 Hausmeister 3 Reinemachefrauen	18
Frohnau	1 Hausmeister 4 Reinemachefrauen	26
Neukölln	1 Hausmeister 4 Reinemachefrauen	32
Spandau	1 Hausmeister 4 Reinemachefrauen	25
Steglitz	1 Hausmeisterhilfe für Mittelstr. 1 Reinemachehilfe 1 Hausmeisterhilfe für Schloßstr.	

2. <u>Gymnasium</u>	1 Hausmeister 6 Reinemachefrauen 1 Reinemachehilfe	30 1 1/2
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after the reorganisation of the church;

N.E. HORO ^{should} ~~suffer~~ in your existence by the new ^{order in} ~~organisations~~ of the church.

You should know that we ^{are} always thinking of you with both and that we stand up for you that you both should get again a suitable job in the church.

Real sympathy and the hope that your job should be given an appointment according to your qualification. With kindest regards to your dear wife, your dear daughter in and to your whole family in which my wife is joining the

Yours
sincerely

Gossner
Mission

Anlage zum Haushaltsplan 1960
für die Provinzialkirchlichen Schulen

Zu: Ausgaben, Kapitel II, Titel 2a)

S t e l l e n p l a n

Büropersonal

(Bezahlung erfolgt nach Vergütungsgruppe VIII
Arbeitssatzung)

1. Grund- und Oberschulen:

Charlottenburg	1 Schreibhilfe
Frohnau	1 Schreibhilfe
Neukölln	1 Schreibhilfe
Spandau	1 Schreibhilfe
Steglitz	1 Schreibhilfe

2. Gymnasium: 1 Büroangestellte

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March 22, 1961

The Rev. C.G. Aind, Treasurer
Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church
G.E.L. Church Raj Gangpur
Dt. Sundargarh, Orissa, India

Dear Pastor Aind:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 15th of March and attaching budget estimates in three sections for the GELC headquarters. In the same mail I received the auditor's report on the 1960 accounts for which I wish to express thanks. We look forward now in coming months and years to increasing regularity in receipt of such reports which are, as I am sure you recognize, necessary for our work. I think I need not emphasize the point that I hope you as treasurer will exercise, i.e., that you avoid undue advances to members of the church. I would hope also that the headquarters' budget and accounts of the church might be made public to pastors and people of the church in order that they may know how the church operates.

With reference to the special request attached to the auditor's statement, namely that the LWF and/or the Gossner Kuratorium make good the loss in the provident fund accounts which were due to Mr. Z. Horo's misappropriations, I have this to say: I am prepared to bring this matter to the Commission on World Mission, as I am in duty bound to bring before it every request which comes to the Department. I should not, however, be candid, if I did not confess that I shall not be able to recommend this grant with much enthusiasm. The losses through the dishonesty of the church treasurer are losses which should have been easily preventable, and it would seem to me that a more proper approach in trying to make up the deficit in the provident funds would be to institute a collection within the Gossner Church, beginning with the pastors and officers and turning especially to such members of the Gossner Church as may be in relatively good financial positions. The cause for the loss was a general carelessness about finances in the church, and it would seem to me that therefore the church should assume responsibility for making good on these losses. I do not wish to pretend that this would be an easy matter, but it is not an easy matter anywhere to find the funds for this kind of appropriation. I would appreciate hearing your reaction to this suggestion.

I have examined with some care the budget which has been prepared and find that I must immediately propose that your Church Council, at its next meeting, revise it. I give two reasons for this proposal: One is that in your own letter of March 6th you state that you do not expect to receive the income from the Mandli Paisa which you have listed in the budget statement. If this is true, it would seem to me that your budget is invalid. Must you not list the amount which you do expect to receive?

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60,000
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In the second place, your budget request from the LWF for 1961 is nearly Rs. 20,000.- more than I have stated would be available. I wrote some time ago saying that our Commission had tentatively allocated Rs. 60,000.- for 1961. That is a larger amount than was voted for 1960 and was allowed at the request of ex-President Tiga, because he said that there would be especially heavy requirements as the church begins its reorganized life this year. It will not, however, be possible for us to increase this grant. On the other hand, Section III in your budget may be eliminated. Any students which you send will be charged against our scholarship budget rather than the regular grant-in-aid to your church. On the other hand again it is necessary that your church make some provision, even if it be only Rs. 200.- or Rs. 300.- per person for the students whom you wish to send abroad. In this connection may I say that if you do wish to send any students abroad to begin work in the US in September, 1961, the applications must be filed with us at the earliest possible moment. As you know it takes time to process such applications.

May I ask you therefore to rework the 1961 Gossner church budget in the light of a maximum grant of Rs. 60,000.- from the LWF and of a realistic estimated income from the anchals and from the property board. I must say that I am concerned at the very low income from Gossner Church people to the church headquarters. It seems to me it has declined very considerably in the past years and it seems to me that immediate steps must be taken to improve it. Your reports for 1960 indicate an average income from the churches to the headquarters' budget of less than 10 rupees per confirmed member. For a church with your long tradition of generous giving, this seems to me to be a very serious matter indeed. Must not immediate steps be taken to remedy this before the good habits of giving that were developed in the beginning forty years ago and more be lost to the new generation?

Then I should like to raise a number of questions for information concerning certain items on the budget. I shall not go into part I Evangelistic Work, since I do not have sufficient background. It is clear, however, that this program is too heavily dependent upon a LWF subsidy.

With reference to part II, I wonder if you must not calculate on more money for the library of the Theological College and perhaps less for entertainment expenses. If the Lutheran Theological College is to maintain itself as a creditable school, it must allow more for teaching expenses, particularly library, than it does. I should think that this would also apply to the other training schools. In item 4. I note that the Pramukh Adyaksh's salary is listed, although the other Adyaksh's salaries are not listed. Does this mean that the Pramukh Adyaksh is no longer supported by the anchal or has he no longer any duties in the anchal to which he was originally elected? I want to be candid enough, too, to question whether the Pramukh Adyaksh is not getting a higher salary than the President of the Gossner Church used to get. Does item 6. in contingency mean that in addition to a monthly salary of Rs. 400.- the Pramukh Adyaksh has available Rs. 100.- monthly for miscellaneous expenses?

Why is it that the primary schools in Ranchi obtain such substantial subsidies from the church, whereas no other primary schools do? I should also like to ask for an explanation of item 11. Audit Charges for 1960. I had understood that this audit was conducted by a member of the Gossner Mission staff.

Under items 13. Contributions Payable I note that you list an item of Rs. 263.- in dues to the FELCI and Overseas Mission but list only a deficit of Rs. 150.- in the left column, although no income is shown. How is the Lutheran NMS still listed on your budget? Is not this absorbed into the FELCI? If you are requested to provide a special grant for this work of the FELC should you not rather raise it through special offerings in your congregations where it has been raised in the past, rather than simply put it on the regular budget? My point is that your people should be asked to give specifically for missions, and unless they see that it goes to missions, they may lose their interest in giving.

I have these questions. I am sorry that it is so long now since I visited your church that I have gotten out of touch with some of the details of your work. Any information that you can offer when you send us your revised budget explaining that budget will be helpful. In the meantime we are sending you the first quarter remittance of Rs. 15,000.-. I trust that the payments on this remittance will be made according to a revised program which will assure you of ending up without a deficit at the end of the year.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Arne Sovik

CC: The Rev. Joel Lakra, Pramukh Adyaksh
Director Hans Lokies
Mr. C.M. Horo
Mr. Werner Thiel

AS/ew

P. D. Panna.

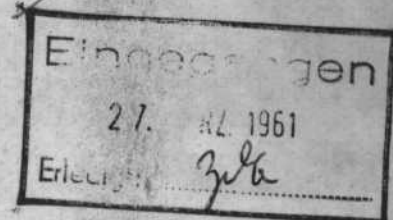
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WHO
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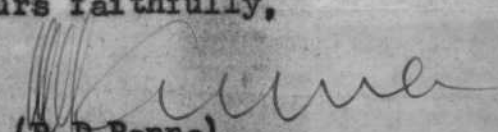
The Rt. Rev. Bishop R.B. Manikam,
Chairman, Gossner Church Continuation Committee,
Bishop Lodge, Tiruchirapalli,
South India.



Dear Sir,

Below I give the resolution of the North West Anchal Samity of the Gossner Church passed in its meeting of the 18th. & 19th. March 1961 at Ranchi, for your information and kind early action.

Yours faithfully,


(P.D. Panna)
Secretary,
North West Anchal.

SUBJECT:- WALK OUT OF NORTH WEST ANCHAL K.S.S. MEMBERS FROM THE K.S.S. MEETING OF THE 4TH. MARCH 1961.

The K.S.S. members of the North West Anchal reported to the North West Anchal Samity with facts and figures that in the K.S.S. meetings the majority community in K.S.S. who come from the other three Anchals and form a bulk majority are singling out the North West Anchal in all matters using nepotism and the situation has been created such that it has been very difficult for the K.S.S. members of the North West Anchal to participate in the K.S.S. meetings after the walk out of these members including a member from Orissa Anchal from the K.S.S. meeting on the 4th. March 1961.

Resolved that the Chairman of the Continuation Committee be invited to come to Ranchi at the earliest opportunity and the grievances be placed before him for finding out a solution to overcome the mele.

In the meantime these members are unable to take part in the meeting of the K.S.S. and its Samity.

Copy to Director, Hans Lokies,
Dr. Arne Sovik,
Bishop Meyer,
Rev. H. Kloss,
Pramukh Adhyaksha,
Up-Pramukh Adhyaksha,
Secretary, K.S.S.

for information.

From - Rev. J. Lokra

G. E. L. Church
Ranchi
Bihar
India
21/3/61

My dear Bro Lokier,

Your constant
prayers are most necessary
now, for God's guidance in the
affairs of the Gossner Church
and, for me personally that God
may sustain me at this diffi-
cult time of the Church. I have
to give you in detail the
present situation of the Church.
But now I must give a short
reply to your letter of March 11,
1961.

Ever since the first K.S.S.
meeting, we have in our mind
the thought of the substitute
couple for Brother Harukh Mima.
The K.S.S. thus far has not fina-

lised the name. We fully
realise its importance, for this
big step was taken at my
request in Berlin.

Similarly, ever since
you wrote to me about the
ten students, besides the
four already in Germany,
we have had it on our
agenda. At the last K.S.S.
meeting, I was asked to
advertise the matter
throughout the Church and
I am doing that. Appli-
cations have to reach
the K.S.S. office by the
end of April or before that
very time.

I am extremely glad
to know the splendid arrange-
ment you are making
for the Indian Students.

All these developments are the result of what we talked together when I was in Berlin. No other mission has taken this kind of step in India. I believe this is move in the right direction. I note the new Semester will start on the 1st Nov. 1961.

May I know early whether the Wolfsburg Technical student should be among the ten new students or he is the 11th student.

It is most comforting to me to learn that yourself and many brothers and sisters are praying for me personally and for the whole Church. I am sure the Lord will hear our cry.

I am not discouraged by problems, but by God's grace I want the right solution. I finished the Khuntola troubles. We start the Farm soon. Last Sunday Pathal Kendra had one service. I conducted it.

Please receive my best hand-writing. I must wait so, for the moment. I have no other news. My affectionate greeting to Mrs. Gossner and hope that in which Mrs. Gossner joins. Greetings to Khanduwar. At home.

BY AIR MAIL

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Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh-Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

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And now a request concerning indications to visit the Gossner-Church. Would you please invite the following v.i.p.'s who will attend the conference in New Delhi, and are also of importance for the Gossner-Church :

- 1/ Landesbischof Dr. Hanns L i l j e , D.D.,
Hannover-W., Calenberger Straße 34 ;
- 2/ Oberkirchenrat Dr. Fr. H ü b n e r ,
Hannover-Herrenhausen, Böttcherstraße 8 ;
- 3/ Dr. L ü p s e n , the head of the Evang. Pressedienst in Deutschland,
Bethel b/Bielefeld, Grenzweg.

I would be obliged if you would send a personal invitation for each one of these persons to me.

I cannot yet say which of these persons will actually come to Ranchi. But they must all be invited, for apart from being a sign of love and politeness it is also wise.

All visitors have the same request: Please do not arrange grand welcome-ceremonies, but give them the opportunity to preach the Word of God to the congregations, and to gain insight into the everyday-life of the Church.

Warm greetings to you and your wife.

Yours sincerely

Du. P.Kloss, Ranchi

18.März 1961 Lo/Su.

Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh-Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Lieber Bruder Lakra !

Herzlichen Dank für Ihren Brief an Bischof Dr. Meyer, der gerade zu einer Sitzung in Berlin war; ich habe den Brief an ihn weitergeleitet.

Wir haben die Lage in der Goßner-Kirche besprochen und bitten Sie alle noch einmal sehr herzlich und dringend, es nicht in diesem Augenblick in der Kirche zu einem neuen Bruch kommen zu lassen - vor den Augen der ganzen Ökumene, die sich im November in Neu-Delhi versammeln wird. Ich muß jetzt immer an den Kongo denken; auch dort diese Streitigkeiten zwischen den Stämmen. Aber schließlich haben sie sich doch jetzt in Madagaskar geeinigt. Wenn das in der Welt möglich ist, sollte es nicht auch in der Kirche möglich sein ? Unser Madagaskar, an dem wir uns jetzt alle zusammenfinden sollten, heißt Golgatha.

Und nun noch eines: Wir bitten Sie, auch noch Einladungen zum Besuch in der Goßner-Kirche an weitere prominente Persönlichkeiten auszusprechen, die an der Tagung in Neu-Delhi teilnehmen werden und für die Goßner-Kirche wichtig sind :

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- 3.) Dr. L ü p s e n , den Leiter des Evang. Pressedienstes in Deutschland

Ich wäre Ihnen dankbar, wenn Sie auch in diesem Falle für jede Person eine besondere Einladung an mich senden wollten.

Wer dann wirklich nach Ranchi kommt, kann ich heute noch nicht sagen; aber einladen müssen wir sie alle: aus Liebe, Höflichkeit und Klugheit.

Alle Besucher haben eine Bitte an Sie : keine großen Empfänge zu veranstalten, sondern Ihnen Gelegenheit zu geben, der Gemeinde Gottes Wort zu sagen und das Alltagsleben der Kirche zu sehen.

Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen an Sie und Ihre liebe Frau

Ihr

Berlin-Friedenau, March 18th, 1961

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Pramukh-Adhyaksh G.E.L.Church

R a n c h i / Bihar

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Bei der Aufstellung des Entwurfs für den Haushaltsplan 1961 der Evangelischen Schulen Berlins ist von folgenden Überlegungen ausgegangen worden:

- 1) Von einem Lehrer an einer Evangelischen Schule muss mehr gefordert werden als von einem Lehrer an einer öffentlichen Schule. Es muss von ihm erwartet werden, dass er sich in einer besonderen, aus seiner Glaubenshaltung kommenden Weise für jedes einzelne der ihm anvertrauten Kinder verantwortlich fühlt. Wenn die Welt von einer Evangelischen Schule sagt, dass hier ein stärkerer Kontakt zwischen Lehrern und Schülern bestünde als an jeder anderen öffentlichen Schule, so ist in dieser allgemeinen Aussage bereits ein sehr hochzuwertendes positives Urteil über die Evangelische Schule gesprochen.
- 2) Von einem Lehrer an einer Evangelischen Schule muss gefordert werden, dass er den durch den Lehrplan vorgeschriebenen Unterrichtsstoff in einer Weise durchdenkt und für sich verarbeitet und weitergibt, wie es sich aus dem Charakter einer Evangelischen Schule versteht. Daraus ergibt sich die Notwendigkeit, den Ausbau der Büchereien und der Lehrmittelsammlungen zu fördern und die Teilnahme der Lehrkräfte an Fortbildungskursen usw. finanziell zu unterstützen, und zwar in einer stärkeren Weise, als dies bisher geschehen konnte.
- 3) Es muss erreicht und in der Öffentlichkeit bekannt werden, dass kein geeigneter Schüler wegen des zu zahlenden Schulgeldes nicht in einer Evangelischen Schule angemeldet wird oder diese aus finanziellen Gründen verlassen muss. Deshalb ist es notwendig, die Mittel für Ermässigung oder Erlass des Schulgeldes zu vermehren.
- 4) Erfahrungen der letzten Zeit lassen darauf schliessen, dass auf die Dauer nur dann geeignete Lehrkräfte für die Evangelischen Schulen zu gewinnen und dort zu halten sind, wenn den Lehrern in etwa die gleichen wirtschaftlichen und rechtlichen Sicherungen geboten werden, wie an den öffentlichen Schulen. Die Eltern müssen damit rechnen können, dass in der Erteilung des Unterrichts eine grössere Stetigkeit eintritt, als dies bisher der Fall gewesen ist. Es besteht für mich kein Zweifel, dass bisher in zu grossem Masse mit Hilfskräften (Referendaren, Schulamtsanwärtern, Pensionären) gearbeitet worden ist. Es ist dringend erforderlich, dass die Zahl der Beamtenstellen vermehrt wird und dass für diese qualifizierte Lehrer gewonnen werden. Nur so können auf die Dauer schulische Leistungen erzielt werden, nur so können die evangelischen Eltern Vertrauen zu unseren Schulen haben.
- 5) Die Evangelischen Schulen Berlins müssen in jeder Weise eine Einheit bilden. Der Fortbildung der Lehrer und der Ausrichtung des Unterrichts in den verschiedenen Fächern sollte die Schaffung von Fachberaterstellen (Fachoberstudienräte) dienen. In den öffentlichen höheren Schulen Berlins sind 20% aller Studienräte zu Oberstudienräten als Fachberater ernannt worden. Den Evangelischen Schulen sollte eine ähnliche Möglichkeit geboten werden. Es ist zu wünschen, dass Fachberater für die Fächer
 - a) Deutsch, Geschichte, Politische Erziehung,
 - b) neuere Sprachen und
 - c) die Naturwissenschaften

ernannt werden. Eine Fachoberstudienratsstelle für die alten Sprachen ist

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Kendriye-Salahkari-Sabha
Gossner-Evangelical-Lutheran-Church
R a n c h i / Bihar - INDIA

Dear Brethren,

The Kuratorium thank you very much for informing them that you have founded a GOVERNING BODY for Development Work within the Gossner-Church and have elected the Pramukh Adhyaksh of the Gossner-Church, Rev. Joel Lakra, as chairman.

We appreciate that the KSS has accepted our suggestion to appoint Mr. Werner THIEL as treasurer to this body and decided to call Dr. Heinz JUNGHANS to the post of secretary, and we regard this a good sign of mutual confidence and future cooperation. God bless this work which is of such vital importance for the future of the Gossner Church.

God grant that these new tasks do not detain us from performing our old and ever new duty of preaching the eternal Gospel among the Non-Christians. Rather let us hope that this very enterprise which the development work in the Gossner-Church represents will give strength for the essential task: that of witnessing Christ in word and deed.

2./ We are very dismayed and concerned about the news from brother Kloss that during the last session of the KSS the delegates of the NW-Anchal walked out in protest because the election of the new chairman for the Property Board did not correspond to their expectations. We greatly regret this incident, because we think the times for "walk out" should be over once and for all. We were glad to hear that the Pramukh Adhyaksh of the Gossner Church, Rev. Joel Lakra, did not leave the meeting but remained in the Church administration. Mr. P. D. Panna, the secretary of the NW-Anchal also wrote me about it. I am enclosing a copy of his letter, at the same time entreating you to listen to the claims and complaints the NW-Anchal put forward, with a brotherly mind and to do everything to avoid injustice and unfairness, which would call up the minority problem again.

I especially beg Brother Lakra to persuade his fellow-workers in the NW-Anchal not to regard the deplorable step they have taken as final withdrawal from the KSS. I am absolutely convinced that all the unsolved personal and material matters can be solved in a peaceful way and to the satisfaction of everyone if all brothers could summon the necessary patience to listen to each other. Above all I hope that the advice and the cooperation of the two Bishops Dr. MANIKAM and Dr. MEYER will contribute to a good solution. They intend to come to Ranchi and hold a meeting of the Ecumenical Commission before they go on to the World Church Conference in New-Delhi.

My dear brothers, I implore you not to provoke a break and discord in the KSS, but to wait till the meeting has taken place. God guide your hearts towards conciliation and brotherly love.

As to the question of the residence of the NW-Anchal, we here in the Kuratorium are of the same opinion as Bishop Manikam. For the sake of peace we beg the members of the NW-Anchal to renounce the LAL-Bungalow in favour of Brother THIEL whom the Gossner Church of their own account have appointed "financial advisor". We are happy that the Church has put such confidence in Brother Thiel and appreciate the decision of the KSS. However we wish to stress that that is entirely the affair of

the church, and that the Kuratorium on their part can only give Brother Thiel their consent to accept this call.

Should the delegates of the NW-Anchal consent to erect a new residence and office close to Ranchi we would, in the name of the Kuratorium, express our willingness to give you financial help. We have already transferred a sum to this purpose to the account of Brother Thiel.

3./ Through Brother Thiel we heard that owing to the difficult financial situation of the Gossner-Church Central institutes in which we are strongly interested do not have the necessary means to be what they should be. Among these are the Theological College in Ranchi, further the Tabita-School and the Pracharaks Training School in Govindpur.

Of course we cannot give definite promises, on the other hand we are keen on helping these central training institutes of the Gossner Church. Therefore we would be grateful to you if you would let us know what regular monthly sum would be an effective help.

4./ Finally I want to inform the KSS officially that Sister Hedwig SCHMIDT has decided to serve in the home-work of the Gossner-Mission and lives here in our House. Besides being employed in lecturing in congregations, youth- and women's groups in Germany Sister Hedwig Schmidt has received the official commission to keep up contact between us and the Tabita School, of course always having the fact in mind that the Tabita-School is a Central Institute of the Gossner-Church under Indian administration. Beyond this the Kuratorium expect Sister Hedwig Schmidt to inform them regularly about the situation in the Women's Work of the Gossner-Church. We consider it desirable that we in Germany should know more about the life, the joys and cares of the women and their work in the parishes so that we can tell our Christian women and women's groups about them and ask them to pray for them. I therefore ask the KSS in the name of the Kuratorium of the Gossner-Mission to give their kind permission to us to allow Sister Hedwig to correspond with you, with the Tabita-School and with the Indian sisters who lead the women's work in the Gossner-Church, so that she can carry out her commission.

With best wishes and blessings for you and your work

Yours sincerely

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Rev. P. Klor

Berlin-Friedenau, March 13th, 1961
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An die
Kendriye-Salahkari-Sabha der
Goßner-Evangelical-Lutheran Church
~~Gen.~~ Secretary

R a n c h i / Bihar - INDIA

Liebe Brüder !

1./ Das Kuratorium der Goßner-Mission dankt Ihnen sehr herzlich für die Mitteilung, daß Sie für die Entwicklungsarbeit in der Goßner-Kirche einen GOVERNING BODY gebildet ~~haben~~ und den Pramukh Adhyaksh der Goßner-Kirche, Rev. Joel Lakra, zum chairman dieses body ~~berufen~~ haben.

Wir begrüßen es, daß die K.S.S. unseren Vorschlag, Mr. Werner Thiel zum treasurer ^{dieser} ~~ihrer~~ Körperschaft zu machen, angenommen und von sich aus Dr. Heinz Junghans zum secretary berufen hat. Wir betrachten das als ein gutes Zeichen gegenseitigen Vertrauens und der zukünftigen Zusammenarbeit. Möge Gott zu dieser neu aufgenommenen und für die Zukunft der Goßner-Kirche lebenswichtigen Arbeit SEINEN Segen geben. Und Möge Er es uns schenken, daß wir über diesen neuen Aufgaben, die die Goßner-Kirche anpackt, nicht die alte und doch immer neue Aufgabe vergessen: die Verkündigung des ewigen Evangeliums unter den Nichtchristen. Ja, möge das Werk, das mit der Entwicklungsarbeit in der Goßner-Kirche angefangen hat, sie gerade für ihren zentralen Auftrag stark machen: Das Christuszeugnis vor der Welt durch Wort und Tat.

2./ Wir sind tief bestürzt und sehr besorgt, von unserem Bruder Rev. Kloss zu erfahren, daß in der letzten Sitzung der K.S.S. die Vertreter der NW-Anchal unter Protest hinausgegangen sind, weil ihre Erwartung bei der Wahl des neuen chairman für das Property Board nicht erfüllt wurde. Wir bedauern diesen Schritt sehr, weil wir der Meinung sind, daß die Zeit der "walk out's" ein für allemal vorüber sein sollte. Wir haben uns darüber gefraut, daß der Pramukh Adhyaksh der Goßner-Kirche, Bruder Joel Lakra, die Sitzung nicht verlassen hat, sondern in der Kirchenleitung geblieben ist. Ich bin über dieses Ereignis auch durch den Sekretär der NW-Anchal, Mr. P. D. Panna, informiert worden. Eine Durchschrift meiner Antwort füge ich in der Anlage bei mit der Bitte, die Ansprüche und Beschwerden der NW-Anchal brüderlich anzuhören und alles zu unternehmen, um Ungerechtigkeiten und

Benachteiligungen, die wieder das Problem der Minderheit aufbrechen lassen, zu vermeiden.

Ich bitte um besonderen Bruder Lakra, seine Mitarbeiter und Brüder in der NW-Anchal dazu zu bewegen, daß sie den bedauernswerten Schritt, ~~die~~ den sie getan haben, nicht als ein endgültiges Ausscheiden aus der K.S.S. ansehen. Ich habe große Zuversicht, daß alle noch ungelösten Personal- und Sachfragen friedlich und zur Zufriedenheit aller gelöst werden können, wenn alle Brüder die notwendige Geduld aufbringen, um aufeinander zu hören. Vor allem aber hoffe ich, daß dazu der Rat und die Mitarbeit der beiden Bischöfe Dr.Manikam und Dr.Meyer beitragen werden, die die Absicht haben, noch vor der Weltkirchenkonferenz in Neu-Delhi nach Ranchi zu kommen, um dort noch eine Sitzung der Oekumenischen Kommission durchzuführen. Liebe Brüder, ich bitte Sie, es bis dahin nicht zu einem Bruch und Zwiespalt in der K.S.S. kommen zu lassen, sondern abzuwarten, bis die Sitzung stattgefunden hat. Möge Gott Ihrer aller Herzen zur Versöhnlichkeit und Brüderlichen ~~keit~~ Liebe lenken.

Was die Frage der Residenz der NW-Anchal betrifft, so sind wir hier im Kuratorium der gleichen Meinung wie Bischoff Dr.Manikam. Die Brüder von der NW-Anchal werden gebeten, um des lieben Friedens willen auf das Lal-Bungalow zu verzichten - und zwar zu Gunsten unseres ~~lieben~~ Bruders Thiel, den die Goßner-Kirche von sich aus zu ihrem "financial adviser" gemacht hat. Wir freuen uns, daß die Kirche unserem Bruder Thiel dieses Vertrauen entgegenbringt und begrüßen den Beschluß des K.S.S. Wir möchten aber ausdrücklich betonen, daß dies ihre eigene Angelegenheit ist. Wir können Br.Thiel vom Kuratorium aus nur die Erlaubnis geben, die durch die K.S.S. erfolgte Berufung anzunehmen.

Sollten die Vertreter der NW-Anchal beistimmen, ~~und~~ ^{ganz} in nächster Nähe von Ranchi eine neue Residenz und Office zu errichten, so sagen wir dafür im Namen unseres Kuratoriums gern eine entsprechende finanzielle Hilfe zu. Wir haben zu diesem Zwecke auf das Konto von Bruder Thiel einen entsprechenden Betrag überwiesen.

3./ Wir haben durch Bruder Werner Thiel erfahren, daß infolge der schwierigen finanziellen Situation in der Goßner-Kirche zentrale Institute, an denen wir ein starkes Interesse haben, nicht über die nötigen Mittel verfügen, um das zu sein, was sie sein sollen.

Dazu gehören vor allem das Theologische College in Ranchi, ferner die Tabita-Schule und die Pracharaks Training School in Govindpur.

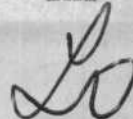
Natürlich können wir Ihnen keine festen Zusicherungen machen; andererseits aber haben wir den Wunsch, gerade diesen zentralen Ausbildungsstätten der Goßner-Kirche zu helfen. Darum wäre ich der K.S.S. für eine Mitteilung dankbar, mit welcher einer regelmäßigen monatlichen Zuwendung diesen Instituten wirksam geholfen werden kann.

4./ Endlich möchte ich der K.S.S. offiziell mitteilen, daß Schwester Anny Diller gebeten hat, in den Ruhestand treten zu dürfen; sie nimmt dann Wohnung im Altersheim der Morgenländischen Frauen-Mission (Berlin-Lichterfelde, Finckenstein-Allee 24). Schwester Hedwig Schmidt hat sich zu unserer Freude entschlossen, ganz in den Heimatdienst der Goßner-Mission einzutreten. Sie wohnt hier im Goßnerhause.

Das Kuratorium hat Schwester Hedwig Schmidt neben dem Vortragsdienst in den Gemeinden, Jugend- und Frauengruppen offiziell den Auftrag erteilt, die Verbindung zwischen uns und der Tabitaschule aufrecht zu erhalten, natürlich immer unter Berücksichtigung der Tatsache, daß die Tabitaschule ein zentrales Institut der Goßner-Kirche ist und unter indischer Leitung steht. Darüber hinaus erwartet das Kuratorium von Schwester Hedwig Schmidt eine laufende Information über den Stand der Frauenarbeit in der Goßner-Kirche. Es erscheint uns wünschenswert, daß wir hier in Deutschland mehr vom Leben, den Freuden und Sorgen und dem Dienst der Frauen in den indischen Gemeinden hören und dann auch die christlichen Frauen und Frauengruppen in Deutschland darüber unterrichten, und sie zur Fürbitte aufrufen ~~zu~~ können. Ich bitte darum die K.S.S. im Namen des Kuratoriums der Goßner-Mission um ihr freundliches Einverständnis dafür, daß Schwester Hedwig Schmidt in Erfüllung dieses Ihres Auftrages mit Ihnen, mit der Tabitaschule und mit indischen Schwestern, die führenden in der Frauenarbeit der Goßner-Kirche stehen, korrespondiert.

Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen und Segenswünschen für Ihre Arbeit

Ihr



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God grant that these new tasks do not detain us from ^{duty} ~~keeping~~ our old and ever new ~~obligation~~ of preaching the eternal Gospel among the Non-Christians. Rather let us hope that this very ~~development work~~ enterprise which the development work in the Gossner Church ~~represents~~ ^{gives} strength for the essential task: that of witnessing Christ in word and deed.

2. We are ~~most~~ very dismayed and concerned about the news from Brother Kloss that during the last session of the KSS the delegates of the NW-Anchal walked out ⁱⁿ ~~under~~ protest because ~~be-~~ ^{cause} the election of the new chairman for the Property Board did not correspond to their expectations. We greatly regret this incident, because we think the times for "walk out" should ~~belong~~ ~~to the past~~ be over once and for all.. We were glad to hear that the Pramukh Adhyaksh of the Gossner Church, Rev. Joel Lakra, did not leave the meeting but remained in the Church administration. Mr. D. Panna, the secretary of the NW-Anchal also wrote me about it. I am enclosing a copy of his letter, at the same time ~~reg~~ ^{en-} treating you to listen to the claims and complaints the NW-Anchal put forward, ~~in~~ with a brotherly mind, and to do everything to avoid injustice and unfairness, which would ~~make the minority~~ ~~grieve~~ ~~and~~ ~~call up the minority problem again.~~

I especially beg Brother Lakra to persuade his fellow-workers in the NW-Anchal not to regard ~~this~~ deplorable step they have taken as final withdrawal from the KSS. I am absolutely convinced that all the unsolved personal and material matters can be solved in a peaceful way and to the satisfaction of everyone if all brothers could summon the necessary patience to listen to each other. ^{above} ~~above~~ all I hope that the ^{advice} ~~two~~ Bishops Dr. Manikam and Dr. Meyer will contribute to a good solution. They intend to come to Ranchi and

3. Evangelische Schule Neukölln

1 beamteter Rektor
(B.Gr. A 3b)

a) Grundschule: 12 Klassen

1 beamtete Lehrkraft
als stellv. Schulleiterin
(B.Gr. A 4 c 2 + 800.-- DM
ruhegehaltsfähige Zulage)

3 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(B.Gr. A 4 c 2)

7 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. V)

(davon 1 Lehrer mit einer Zulage von 800.--DM)

b) Oberschule PZ.: 3 Klassen

1 beamtete Lehrkraft
(B.Gr. A 4 c 2)

3 (bisher 4) angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. IV)

c) Oberschule TZ.: 4 (bisher 3) Klassen

2 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(B.Gr. A 3 c 3)

3 (bisher 4) angest. Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. IV)

Die Schule ist damit voll aufgebaut

and hold a meeting of the Ecumenical Commission before they go on to the World Church Conference ^{on} New-Delhi.

My dear brothers, I implore you not to provoke ^{a break} ~~faction~~ and discord in the KSS, but to wait till the meeting has taken place. God guide your hearts towards conciliation and brotherly love.

As to the question of the residence of the NW-Anchal, we here in the Kuratorium are of the same opinion as Bishop Manikam. For the sake of peace we beg the members of the NW-Anchal to renounce the Lal-Bungalow in favour of Brother Thiel whom the Gossner Church of their own account have appointed "financial advisor". We are happy that the church has ~~shown~~ ~~Brother~~ put such confidence in Brother Thiel and appreciate the decision of the KSS. However we wish to stress that that is entirely the affair of the church, and that the Kuratorium on their part can only give Br. Thiel their consent to accept this call.

Should the delegates of the NW-Anchal consent to erect a new residence and office close to Ranchi we would, in the name of the Kuratorium, express our willingness to give you financial help. We have already transferred a sum to this purpose to the account of Brother Thiel.

3. Through Brother Thiel we heard that owing to the difficult financial situation of the Gossner Church ^{Central} ~~main~~ institutes ~~in~~ in which we are strongly interested do not have the necessary means to be what they should be. Among these are the Theological College in Ranchi, further the Tabita-School and the Pracharaks Training School in Govindpur.

Of course we cannot give definite promises, on the other hand we are keen on helping these ^{Central} ~~essential~~ training institutes of the Gossner Church. Therefore we would be grateful to you if you would let us know what regular monthly sum would be an effective help.

4. Finally I ~~want~~ inform the KSS officially that ~~Sister Anny Diller~~ ^{Central} has asked to be allowed to retire from work. ~~However she asks you not to make it public for the time being. She intends to take up her abode in the old-age home of the "Morgenländische Frauenmission Bln-Lichterfelde, Finckensteinallee 24.~~ Sister Hedwig Schmidt has decided to serve in the home-work of the Gossner Mission and lives here in our Gossner House.

Besides

~~Beside~~ being employed in lecturing in congregations, youth-and women's groups ^{in Germany} ~~Schwester~~ ^{Sister} Hedwig Schmidt has received the official commission to keep up contact between us and the Tabita School, of course al-

Anlage zum Haushaltsplan 1957

zu Kap. II Tit. 1a und b

S t e l l e n p l a n

A. Grund- und Oberschulen

1. Evangelische Schule Charlottenburg

1 beamteter Rektor

(B.Gr. A 3b)

a) Grundschule: 6 Klassen

2 beamtete Lehrkräfte

(B.Gr. A 4 c 2)

3 angestellte Lehrkräfte

(A.S.V. Gr. V)

(davon 1 Lehrkraft eine Zulage von 800.--DM)

b) Oberschule TZ:

4 (bisher 3) Klassen

1 beamtete Lehrkraft

(B.Gr. A 3 c 3)

4 (bisher 3) angest. Lehrkräfte

(A.S.V.Gr. IV)

Die Schule ist damit voll aufgebaut

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ways with ~~a view~~ to the fact ^{that} the Tabita School is a Central Institute of the Gossner Church under Indian administration. Beyond this the Kuratorium expects ~~expects~~ Sister Hedwig to inform them regularly about the ~~state of~~ situation in the Women's Work of the Gossner Church. We consider it desirable ~~here~~ that we in Germany should know more about the life, the ~~work and joys~~ joys and cares of the women and their ^{work} ~~service~~ in the parishes so that we can tell our Christian women and women's groups about ~~it~~ them and ask them to pray for them. I therefore ask the KSS in the name of the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission to give their kind permission to us ~~to~~ ^{to} allowing Sister Hedwig to correspond with you, with the Tabita School and with the Indian sisters who lead the women's work in the Gossner church, so that she can ^{carry out} ~~fulfill~~ her commission.

With best wishes and blessings for ^{you and} your work

yours sincerely,

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Eingegangen

17. MRZ. 1961

Erledigt:

An die Eltern der Lernanfänger!

An unseren Ev. Grundschulen wird keine Schulgeld erhoben. Um aber bei der schwierigen Finanzlage die Schulen zu unterstützen, haben die Elternausschüsse eine Ev. Schulgemeinde zur Förderung unserer Ev. Schulen gegründet.

Die Ev. Schulgemeinde gliedert sich in örtliche Schulgemeinschaften, denen alle Eltern angehören. Nach diesem Organisationsplan leisten die Eltern einen monatlichen Beitrag, dessen Höhe sie selbst festsetzen. Als Richtzahl werden ungefähr 2% des Nettoeinkommens angegeben.

Von den eingehenden Geldern bleiben 20% zur Verfügung der örtlichen Schulgemeinschaft; 80% werden an den Gesamtausschuss der Ev. Schulgemeinde abgeführt, die im Interesse der gesamten Ev. Grundschulen verwendet werden. Die Kassenführung über die letzteren Beträge liegt bei der Kirchlichen Erziehungskammer, die aber darüber nur im Einverständnis mit dem Gesamtausschuss der Ev. Schulgemeinde verfügen kann.

Wir bitten nun die Eltern der aufgenommenen Lernanfänger, sich dieser Schulgemeinschaft anzuschliessen und hierunter anzugeben, welche monatliche Spende sie leisten wollen. Die Rückgabe der Erklärung wird bei der demnächst stattfindenden Elternversammlung erbeten, auf der Sie auch über die Art der Einziehung der Beträge unterrichtet werden.

.....
Vorsitzender der Ev. Schulgemeinschaft

hier abtrennen

Ich bin bereit, für die Ev. Schulgemeinde eine monatliche Spende in der Höhe vonDM(West) zu zahlen.

Berlin- , den
Datum

..... Kl.
(Name des Kindes) (Name und Anschrift des Erziehungsberechtigten)

1) The Curatorium of the Gossner-Mission wholeheartedly thanks you for the information, that you have constituted a Governing Body for the development work in the Gossner-Church and that you appointed the Praunbach Edjakah of the G. E. L. CHURCH, Rev. Joel Sabra, as chairman of this body.

(H.) We welcome ~~that~~, that the K. S. S. accepted our proposal to appoint Mr. Werner Thiel as treasurer of that body and that you, from your side, appointed Dr. Heinrich Jungbauer as ~~the~~ secretary.

This is in our view a very good sign of mutual trust and of good co-operation in times to come.

May our Lord give His blessings for this new work which is vital for the future of the people of the Gossner-Church. But much more vital is the proclamation of the eternal gospel to all - to Christians and Non-Christians. May we never forget that this is our main task, - the old, - but always new task. All the new development works should not divert our thoughts and efforts from the main task the Lord has entrusted to His Church: to give witness for Christ ~~before~~^{to} the world through word and deed. These development works may be a way and help to go into the world and proclaim Jesus Christ in word and deed by working and living side by side with Non-Christians.

27. September 1958.

Abgeänderter

A u s s a g e
H a u s h a l t 1958 / 1959.

Altes Soll
Neues Soll
DM
1958
1958

E i n n a h m e n:			
1. Zuführung aus dem öffentlichen Haushalt	1958/1959.	160.000	112.500
2. Für Bau Schule Frohnau:			
Aus Rechnungsjahr 1956	20.000		
Aus Rechnungsjahr 1957	30.000	50.000	60.000
Kredite:			
a) Hypothek	85.000		
b) Garlos	195.000		
c) Senat	195.000		
d) Kirche Berlin-Brandenburg	150.000	575.000	625.000
3. Übertragung aus dem außerordentlichen Haushalt 1957/1958 (Schule Spandau)	20.200	20.200	20.200
Summe der Einnahmen		805.200	817.700

A u s g a b e n:			
1. Bau Schule Frohnau; I. Bauabschnitt		635.000	710.000
a) Baukosten			
b) Zinsen und Tilgung:			
Garlos-Kredit			
Senats-Kredit			
Kredit der Kirche Berlin-Brandenburg			
Andere Kredite			
c) Minderungen		68.000	28.000
2. Schule Charlottenburg; Sportplatz		10.000	10.000
3. Bau Schule Spandau; II. Bauabschnitt			
a) Minderungen		18.000	18.000
b) Zinsdienst		2.200	2.200
4. Betriebsmittel für im Rechnungsjahr 1958/1959 fertiggestellte Bauten		10.000	10.000
5. Physikalisch-Chemische Sammlung, Ev. Gymnasium		5.200	5.200
6. Unvorhergesehenes		6.225	9.300
Summe der Ausgaben		775.700	817.700

Ausgaben bis 30. September 1958.....

31.670,12 DM.

(2.) We are deeply shocked and very anxious about the events in the last meeting of the K. S. S. We learned from Brother Bless that the representatives of the N. W. - Indhal walked out under protest, because they were dissatisfied about the election of the new chairman for the Property - Board. We are very sorry about this step because we thought that the times of "walk out's" have passed and never would return.

We are glad, that the Prannichh Idyalekh of the G. E. I. CHURCH Brother Joel Sabra, did not leave that meeting, but remained in the chair.

Mr. P. D. Panna also informed me about this event. I enclose herewith a copy of my answer to him and request you to listen in brotherly spirit to the claims and grievances of the N. W. - Indhal and to undertake everything to avoid injustice and injury by which the problems of minority may flare up again.

I specially request Brother Sabra, to induce his co-workers and brethren of the N. W. - Indhal not to approve this walk out and ~~doing~~ ^{by approving} separate themselves finally from the K. S. S.

I am confident, that all personal and other - still mixed - questions can be solved in peace and to the satisfaction of all concerned. This is only

Anlage zum Haushaltsplan 1958
für die Provinzialkirchlichen Schulen.

Zu: Ausgaben, Kapitel II, Titel 1 b)

S t e l l e n p l a n

Arbeiter (Bezahlung nach Arbeitssatzung)

1. Grund- und Oberschulen:

<u>Charlottenburg:</u>	1 Hausmeister 2 Reinemachefrauen
<u>Frohnau:</u>	1 Hausmeister 2 Reinemachefrauen
<u>Neukölln:</u>	1 Hausmeister 5 Reinemachefrauen
<u>Spandau:</u>	1/2 Schulkindergärtnerin
<u>Steglitz:</u>	1 Hausmeisterhilfe für Mittel-Straße <u>Pauschalvergütung</u> 1 Hausmeisterhilfe für Schloß-Straße <u>Pauschalvergütung</u>
<u>2. Gymnasium:</u>	1 Hausmeister 5 Reinemachefrauen 1 Reinemachehilfe

possible if all Brethren listen to each other patiently.

In this direction the visit of Bishop Dr. Maubkam and Dr. Meyer could help you. They intend to come to Ranchi before the World - Conference of Churches in New-Delhi starts. I hope that their co-operation and advice may help you to convene one more meeting of the ecumenical & commission.

Dear Brethren, I earnestly request you, please, wait till this commission will take place and do not allow discord and disunity to prevail in the K. S. S.

I pray to God that He may move your hearts to reconciliation and brotherly love.

Regarding the question of the residence of the A. W. - Archal

we are of the same opinion as Bishop Dr. Maubkam:

We request the Brethren of the A. W. - Archal to show good will and ~~abandon~~ abandon the Lal-Bungalow in favour of Brother Thiel, whom the Gossner Church on its own decision has chosen as their financial adviser.

(3.) We are glad, ^{that} the Church has confidence in Brother Thiel and therefore we welcome this resolution of the K. S. S.

Anlage zum Haushaltsplan 1958
für die Provinzialkirchlichen Schulen.

Zu: Ausgaben, Kapitel II, Titel 2 a)

S t e l l e n p l a n

Büropersonal

1. Grund- und Oberschulen: (Pauschalbeträge pro Jahr)

<u>Charlottenburg:</u>	1	Schreibhilfe:....	3:200	DM
<u>Frohnau:</u>	1	Schreibhilfe:....	4:200	DM
<u>Neukölln:</u>	1	Schreibhilfe:....	6:200	DM
<u>Spandau:</u>	1	Schreibhilfe:....	3:600	DM
<u>Steglitz:</u>	1	Schreibhilfe:....	3.200	DM
zusammen.....			20.400	DM

2. Gymnasium: 1 Büroangestellte
 Vergütungsgruppe VII

We wish to point out that this resolution is your own decision and we from the Curatorium can only give our consent to Brother Thiel to accept this call by the K. S. S.

Should the representatives of the K. W. - Anstalt agree to the plan to build a new residence and office near Randi, ~~and~~ I may tell you in the name of the Curatorium that they will get financial help for this project.

We already sent for this purpose a financial contribution to the Conto of Brother Thiel.

(4.) We learn by Brother Thiel that through the financial difficulties of the Church all the Central - Institutions are suffering mostly. They do not get the finances they need to keep up good standard.

We are specially concerned about the Theological College in Randi, the Tabita-School and the Pracharak-Training-School at Govindpur. Their progress and standard should not suffer by all the difficulties through which the Church is passing.

Certainly we cannot give sure promises. ~~but we wish to help specially these Central Institutions of the G. E. L. CHURCH in which we are much interested. But~~ on the other hand it is our wish to help specially these Central - Institutions of the G. E. L. CHURCH in which we are very much interested.

Anlage zum Haushaltsplan 1958
für die Provinzialkatholischen Schulen.

Zu: Ausgaben, Kapitel I, Titel 1 a)

S t e l l e n p l a n
S c h u l v o r w a l t u n g
(Schulkanzlei)

- 1 Leiter
Gehalt Vergütungsgruppe II
mit Stellenzulage von 1.200,-- DM pro Jahr
- 1 Sachbearbeiter
Gehalt Vergütungsgruppe VI
- 1 Sekretärin
Gehalt Vergütungsgruppe VII
- 1 Büroangestellte
Gehalt Vergütungsgruppe VIII
(jetzige Stelleninhaberin
nach Vergütungsgruppe VII)

Therefore we request the K.S.S., please, let us know, how much money you need monthly for these Institutions, so that the regular allowances may be a real help for the maintenance and up-lift of these Institutions.

(5.) We are glad, that Sister Hedwig Schmidt came to the decision to stay here in our Gossner-House and join our work here.

Her special mission is now to report and give lectures in our congregations ^{and} in women- and youth societies. Besides this she is officially commissioned by the Curatorium to keep in touch with the Tabita-School and the Women's Work ⁱⁿ of the G. E. V. CHURCH. She will always keep in mind, that the Tabita-School is a Central Institution of the Church and that the Women's Work is under Indian Leadership.

It is expected that she will keep the Curatorium up to date about standard and progress of the Women's Work ⁱⁿ of the G. E. V. CHURCH.

We wish to hear and learn more ^{of} ~~about~~ the life and work of our sisters in Chota Nagpur, ^{(about} their joys and troubles and about their service in the congregations.

We want to tell about to our women folk here in Germany so that they can pray and remember their sister in India in a better way.

B. Evangelisches Gymnasium

16 Klassen und 2 (ab Herbst 1958 wahrscheinlich 3)
altsprachliche Klassen für Ostschüler

1 beamteter Oberstudiendirektor
(B.Gr. A 1b)

1 beamteter Oberstudienrat als stellv. Direktor
(B.Gr. A 2b)

1 beamteter Oberstudienrat
(B.Gr. A 2 c 1)

12 beamtete Studienräte
(B.Gr. A 2 c 2)

12 angestellte Lehrkräfte (bisher 10 1/2)
(A.S.V.-Gr. III)

je 1/2 Fachkraft für Französisch und Hebräisch

Therefore I request the K.S.S. in the name of the Curatorium to kindly sanction our decision, so that sister Hedwig Schmidt will be able to ~~full fill~~ fulfill her mission to keep in touch and correspondence with the Tabita-School and the leaders of the Women's Work in the G. E. L. CHURCH.

With kindest regards and
God's blessings for your work

Yours Truly

5. Evangelische Schule Steglitz

1 beamteter Rektor
(B.Gr. A 3b)

a) Grundschule: 8 Klassen (2 Klassen noch zweizügig)

3 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(B.Gr. A 4 c 2)

4 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(2 Stellen k.w.)
(A.S.V.-Gr. V)

b) Oberschule TZ.: 4 Klassen

1 beamtete Lehrkraft
(B.Gr. A 3 c 3)

4 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.-Gr. IV)

1/2 Fachkraft für Mädchenturnen
(A.S.V.-Gr. VI)

Die Schule ist voll aufgebaut

1 Grundschulklasse wird 1960, die andere 1962 einzügig,
jedesmal fällt dann eine Grundschullehrerstelle fort.

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Report and Recommendations regarding the Division of the Orissa Anchal into Synods presented at the request and on behalf of the Continuation Committee of the Ecumenical Commission and the Mahasabha of the GELC.

The Mahasabha 1960 which accepted the new constitution of the GELC decided also (see Appendix to the Constitution page 34 second para) "that in place of one synod there should be two synods" in Orissa. It was further ordered "that the formation of two synods in Orissa should not be done immediately" but should be attempted after July 1, 1960 only.

The Continuation Committee of the Ecumenical Commission and the Mahasabha meeting at Ranchi from the 28th of October till the 5th of November 1960 passed the following decision regarding the subdivision of Orissa Anchal:

"In order to bring about peace in the Orissa Anchal reorganisation and increase of the number of subdivisions, already envisaged in the Appendix of the Constitution", have to be implemented as soon as possible. After long deliberation it was deemed best to entrust this task to a one-man-commission consisting of Bishop Dr. H. Meyer. The following principles for his work were laid down:

1. Geographical contiguity should be maintained.
2. The communal factor within the Anchal should be given due consideration.
3. Historical associations of the Christian communities in the past are to be taken into account as far as possible.
4. The communal factor with regard ~~to~~ the Non-Christian communities has to be thought of.
5. The question is open whether only two or even four synods (ilakas) should be formed.
6. The rearrangement of Ilaka- and Parish boundaries and perhaps even of Pracharakpan boundaries is open for decision.
7. If a rearrangement takes place then definite proposals must be worked out.
8. The missionary task in any area (Synod, Ilaka, Parish, Pracharakpan) is the task of the whole church irrespective of communities.
9. It is expected that after the demarcation there will be no divided services. The authorities will see to it.
10. Administrative convenience should ~~be~~ also be considered."

"...The continuation Committee considers the decision of Bishop Dr. Meyer to be its own. The KSS will be asked for approval."

According to this decision I went to Orissa from the 11th to the 15th of December 1961, meeting at Rajgangpur first with the office-bearers of the Anchal, with the Director of the Joint Mission Board, with representatives of the three communities and finally with the office-bearers and pastors of the Anchal.

It became evident very soon that the first two principles laid down by the Continuation Committee (geographical contiguity and consideration for the communal factor) could not be followed in a practicable way, if there were to be ^{but} two synods. Either one would have to

form two synods of extremely different size (about 9000 members in the synod with an Oraon majority and 37000 members in the synod with a Munda majority) or one would have to form two synods of almost equal size in area and numbers in both of which the Oraons would be in a minority, not to speak at all of the Kharia community. In the latter case the two synods would be unwieldy units also as far as administration is concerned both from a geographical as well as from the numerical point of view.

Hence I propose the formation of four synods according to the schedule set forth below:

1. N o r t h w e s t e r n S y n o d, comprising the parishes of Nimdih, Runga (northern and western part of the old Runga parish and two congregations of Ghoghor parish), Rajgangpur North (i.e. the northwestern, northern, north-eastern, eastern and southeastern part of the old Rajgangpur parish and 6 congregations of Ghoghor parish) and Rajgangpur Headquarters. The number of Christians will be approximately 9500.
2. Southwestern synod, comprising the parishes of Jharsuguda, Bamra, Rengalbazar (under the JMB), Rajgangpur South (i.e. the southernmost and western part of the old Rajgangpur parish) and a new parish to be formed around Bargaon and consisting of the southern part of the old Runga parish with added area to the southwest. The number of Christians will be approximately 10500.
3. Northeastern synod, comprising the parishes of Ghoghor (minus eight congregations east and west of the river Sankh which are transferred to Rajgangpur North and Runga respectively, Birmitrapur, Karimati and Loarom. Whether Ghoghor and Birmitrapur on the one hand and Karimati and Loarom on the other should - for the sake of administrative convenience - form Ilakas should be considered and decided by the synod itself. The same holds good for the question whether there should be a rearrangement of boundaries between Ghoghor and Birmitrapur since eight congregations have been taken from Ghoghor. The number of Christians is approximately 16000.
4. S o u t h e a s t e r n S y n o d, comprising the parishes of Rourkela, Jarakudar, Joraband and a new parish planned already in the very south of that synod (for details see Appendix 2). The number of Christians is approximately 10500.

For the implementation of this subdivision of the Orissa Anchal I make the following additional detailed proposals:

1. The relationship between the Orissa Anchal and the Joint Mission Board should be governed by the attached agreement (see Appendix 3) after it has been approved by the KSS and accepted by the Anchal and the JMB.

2. Rourkela. - Rourkela parish should comprise the whole area in which Christians working at Rourkela have their residence, including Rourkela town and the villages of Jhirpani, Jolda, Purnapani, Mohulpali, Pradhanpali, Kariabahal and Bandamunda. The responsibility for acquiring property, constructing a church, chapels, workers' houses and congregational centres, for visiting and gathering the uprooted people in the industrial community, both Christian and Non-Christian, and for evangelism lies for the time being with the JMB until the congregations have been established firmly. The Director of the JMB will initiate whatever steps may be necessary

after consultation with the pastor and the Padripanpanch of Rourkela. In all other respects the agreement (see proposal 1) shall be adhered to.

3. The congregation at Rajgangpur Headquarters shall be a separate parish within the Northwestern Synod. The Adhyaksh of the Orissa Anchal shall be the pastor of the congregation and the Upadhyaksh shall be the assistant pastor.

4. All parishes in the four synods shall also have the rights and duties of ilakas outlined in the constitution.

5. There shall be no separate services along communal lines at any place.

6. The pastors shall remain in their positions with the ~~with~~ following exceptions:

- (a) The Upadhyaksh, the Rev.C.B.Ekka, shall be the pastor of Rajgangpur North.
- (b) The Rev.E.Beck shall be put at the disposal of the JMB and be posted temporarily at Rourkela.
- (c) The Rev.C.C.Minz or the Rev.S.Soy shall be transferred by the Synod authorities to the newly created parish in the south of that synod.

7. Elections

- (a) New elections must be held in all synods and the Anchal Sabha, Anchal Samiti and representation of the Anchal in the KSS and the Central Boards must be reconstituted by elections also.
- (b) The electoral convener of the Southeastern Synod should take special care that there is proper representation of the comparatively strong Oraon minority in the synod as well as amongst the synod representatives in the Anchal Sabha and the Anchal Samiti.
- (c) The provision of the Constitution Art.xvi regarding the formation of nomination committees (p.17 Footnote 2(c)) should be interpreted in such a way that out of the six members given to the Munda community one should be elected from amongst the Kharias. This interpretation should be given binding strength.

8. The Anchal authorities shall immediately after the elections constitute the necessary committees, particularly a committee for the management of property and an educational committee and appoint an Anchal manager under the Board of Property of the GELC.

9. The compound at Rajgangpur, being property of the GELC, shall be under the management of the Committee for management of property. One portion should be allotted to the Northwestern Synod ~~for their~~ for their headquarters, another portion to the Southwestern Synod, if that synod desires to have its headquarters at Rajgangpur. The pastor of the parish Rajgangpur South shall have the right of residence on headquarters' compound and the use of the church for marriages, baptisms etc. after consultation with the pastor of headquarters' congregation.- The Rev.C.B.Ekka, Shri O.Nag and Shri M.Hemrom who have at present church-furniture in their use should prepare a list of such furniture and hand it over to the committee for the management of property. This committee shall allot the furniture to the Adhyaksh, the Upadhyaksh and the school resp.

10. More than anywhere else the need for missionary work amongst Non-christians Adivasis (mainly Oraons, Kisans and Kharias) and Hindus is evident in Orissa. It is therefore proposed that as a first

step the area north of the river Koel and east of the river Sankh extending up to the southern boundary of the Northeastern Synod should at the request of the Orissa Anchal be made a mission-field under the JMB. It is further recommended that the parishes of Nim-dih, Runga and Bargaon (previously Runga South) be given a grant out of the fund for evangelistic work for missionary work within a specified area to be stated by the said parishes and approved by the Anchal authorities.

To help understanding of the above proposals I beg to point out the following:

1. Under the proposed arrangement four synods have been formed which have geographical contiguity.
2. There is one synod, viz. the Northwestern Synod where the Orasians have the deciding majority.
3. There is at least one parish in which the Kharias are in the majority, viz. the Runga parish which has been constituted in such a way that as many Kharia congregations as possible have been included and that the southern part where there is a solid majority of nearly 1800 Munda Christians is formed into a new parish around Bargaon which was joined to the Southwestern Synod.
4. All pastors hitherto serving under the two parties have been provided with a congregation and the necessary support.
5. The financial burden on the Anchal has been increased as little as possible because each of the future Synod Sanchalaks and even the Adhyaksh will have a parish of their own and the synods will have to raise the additional allowances only.
6. Due consideration has been given to the missionary work amongst Non-Christians which, if fruitful, will create a better balanced proportion of communities in the future.
7. The proposals have been discussed at length and in every detail with the Anchal-Officers and the pastors and have been approved by them in their present form.

I recommend therefore that the KSS

1. change the provision of the appendix to the constitution to the effect that four synods should be formed in the Orissa Anchal, obtaining the consent of the Anchals;
2. approve the formation of the four synods as outlined above and as shown in more detail in the map and list attached hereto; (see Appendix 1)
3. approve the detailed proposals stated above under 1-9;
4. order that new elections be held, fix the date for elections on the level of the synods and that the Anchal Sabha and Anchal Samiti be reconstituted accordingly and thereafter elect the Anchal representatives for the KSS and the Central Boards;
5. appoint conveners for the elections in the four synods;
6. approve the agreement between the Orissa Anchal and the JMB.
7. The Orissa Anchal is in very bad need of a central office. The headquarters of the Anchal must be located at Rajgangpur which is central to the whole Anchal and can be reached easily from most parts of the Anchal.

On the GELC compound at Rajgangpur there is at present for that purpose the old bungalow only which has 6 large and 8 small rooms and which is in a rather dilapidated state.

I recommend that either the old bungalow be repaired or a new building be constructed whatever may be the most economical way of procedure. The building should contain the Anchal's Headquarter's office, the office of the Northwestern and Southwestern Synod, possibly one room each for the other two synods, one larger room for meetings and two guest-rooms.- It will be necessary also to construct a new house for the Synod-Sanchalak of the Northwestern Synod because Rev. Ekka is at present accomodated in the old bungalow.

sd/ H. Meyer
15/XII/1961

Appendix 1

Number of Christians in the four synods of the Orissa Anchal

	Munda	Oraon	Kharia	Others	Total
Northwestern Synod	1890	5957	1626	13	9486
Southwestern Synod	9480	569	523	-	10572
Northeastern Synod	14905	683	311	43	15942
Southeastern Synod	6465	3785	391	16	10657
Total	32740	10994	2851	72	46657

H. Meyer 15.XII.1961

Appendix 2

Congregations to be joined to the new parish in the south of the Southeastern Synod

from Jarakudar parish:

Phatatangar, Binghikhoh, Katamunda, Kunjor, Kela, Burda, Labrakhaman, Sulgura, Taparkela, Bargaon, Sikrikhol, Kondedih, Bandhabhuin

from Jorabandh parish:

Burhabhuin, Nawagaon, Babaghuin, Barsua, Tansa, Takra, Jora, Kundraburu, Chordhara, Taldih, Paromdih, Bandukdara.

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Appendix 3

Agreement governing the relationship between the Joint Mission Board and the Orissa Anchal of the GELC.

Wherever the Joint Mission Board of the GELC and the Gossner Kuratorium maintains or starts missionary work within the limits of Sundargarh and Sambalpur districts of Orissa the following rules shall apply:

1. The workers of the J.M.B. shall be appointed by the JMB, but shall be workers of the Orissa Anchal and shall be paid through the Anchal.

2. The congregational work done by the workers of the JMB, viz. conducting services, administering the sacraments, solemnizing marriages, exercising church-discipline and all administrative work shall be carried out in strict adherence to the provisions of the constitution and shall be subject to supervision of the authorities of the Orissa Anchal.

3. All income from the congregations served by workers of the JMB shall go to the Anchal and shall be administered in the regular way prescribed by the constitution.

4. The evangelistic work of the workers of the JMB shall be directed and supervised by the Director of the JMB. The congregations shall help the workers in their evangelistic efforts.

5. Wherever new work is started the Director of the JMB shall be responsible for the acquisition of property, construction of buildings, their maintenance and administration until congregations

have been established finally and the work can be handed over formally to the Anchal. Any property acquired or held by the JMB is property of the GELC and shall be duly registered in the name of the GELC.

6. Special care shall be taken by both the JMB and the Orissa Anchal that all missionaries work is carried out in the closest possible co-operation because the mission of the church is an obligation of the whole church.

sd/ H. Meyer 15.XII.1961

Berlin-Friedenau, March 15th, 1961 Lo/Su.

Mr. P.D. Panna
Secretary North-West Anchal
23, Bandi Road East
Jamshedpur
Dist. Singhbhum / Bihar - INDIA

Dear Brother Panna !

Today I received your letter of March 7th concerning the appointment to offices in the Gossner-Church.

As concerns the question of Pramukh Adhyaksh the ruling was, that in any case an Uraon should be elected either as Pramukh Adhyaksh or as Up-Pramukh Adhyaksh.

The differences between the 4 adhyaksh appointed as electors referred only to the question as to which post the representative of the Uraons was to hold. In any case he was to have one of the two posts. In so far in my opinion the four adhyaksh behaved correctly, and then the matter was decided through casting the lot. Brother Lakra became Pramukh Adhyaksh and that was absolutely in accordance with the constitution, and the whole church, as I am informed, accepted this decision as from God.

I am glad to hear that Brother Lakra is taking the greatest pains to restore unity and peace in the church. As you yourself write Brother Lakra is also chairman of the Ev. Work, and he has also been elected chairman to the GOVERNING BODY for development work within the Gossner Church (Angaon Hospital, technical and agriculture centres). This is a project which at the moment is receiving the largest sums from Germany and can turn out to be of greatest economic importance for the whole Gossner Church in the future. In this way the most prominent representative of the NW-anchal is holding one of the most important posts of the Church to-day.

There is one last point which in your list of posts appointed by the K.S.S. which seems to me not quite correct on your part: The only reason that Rev. HEMROM has been appointed Secretary, and Rev. AIND treasurer to the Gossner-Church, is, that the 4 adhyaksh have divided up these chief posts among themselves. Brothers N.E. Horo and M. Horo are now only employees of the office and are appointed in view of their qualification as expert and reliable men, which they certainly both are.

As to the other posts it is a different matter. I quite understand your wish that the NW-anchal should also participate. On the other hand I cannot understand why you immediately walk out of the KSS because of difference of opinion. I am glad that at least Brother Joel Lakra remained.

Dear Brother Panna, so much depends on you, your attitude and cooperation in the Gossner-Church if she is to regain unity and peace. Therefore I should say the times for "walking out" should belong to the past. If you believe that the NW-anchal has been treated unjustly you ought to put the matter before the Ecumenical Commission for decision.

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I thank you very much for the trust you put in me, by writing to me, and I want you to know that we pray to God for you in brotherly love.

Please remember me to your wife,

Yours sincerely

Lio.

Copy to: Bishop Dr.Manikam
" Dr.Meyer
K.S.S. Ranchi
Rev.Kloss

zur Übersetzung

Mr. P.D. Panna
Secretary North-West Anchal
23, Bandi Road East
Jamshedpur
Dist. Singhbhum / Bihar - INDIA

13. März 1961 Lo/Su.

Du. Rev. Kloss
Bischof Dr. Manikam
Bischof D. Meyer
KSS

Lieber Bruder Panna !

Heute erhielt ich Ihren Brief vom 7. März betreffend Stellenbesetzungen in der Goßner-Kirche.

Was die Frage des Pramukh Adhyaksh betrifft, so lagen die Dinge doch so, daß bestimmt ein Uraon für den Posten als Pramukh Adhyaksh oder als Up-Pramukh-Adhyaksh vorgesehen war.

Die Meinungsverschiedenheiten ^{between} unter den 4 Adhyaksh, die die Wahl zu ^{selected appointed as} vollziehen hatten, bestanden lediglich darin, daß man sich nicht darüber einig war, ob der Vertreter der Uraons die eine oder die andere Stelle einnehmen sollte. In jedem Falle sollte er eine von den beiden Stellen erhalten. ^{As far as this goes the 4 behaved correctly in my opinion.} Soweit haben m.E. die 4 Adhyaksh korrekt gehandelt, und dann hat das Los entschieden. Bruder Lakra ist der Pramukh Adhyaksh geworden, auch das entspricht ganz der Verfassung, und - wie ich höre - nimmt die ganze Kirche diese Entscheidung aus Gottes Hand.

Ich freue mich auch, zu hören, daß Bruder Lakra sich alle erdenkliche Mühe gibt, die Einheit und den Frieden in der Kirche wieder herzustellen.

Wie Sie selbst schreiben, ist Rev. Lakra ja auch der Chairman des Ev. Work. Außerdem hat man ihn zum chairman des Governing Body für die Entwicklungsarbeit der Goßner-Kirche gemacht (Hospital Amgaon, technisches und landwirtschaftliches Zentrum.) Hierbei handelt es sich um ein Unternehmen, das gegenwärtig aus Deutschland ungewöhnlich hohe finanzielle Unterstützung erhält und in Zukunft für die ganze Goßner-Kirche von größter wirtschaftlicher Bedeutung werden kann.

Und noch ein letzter Punkt, der mir doch in Ihrer Aufstellung der durch die Kirchenleitung besetzten Posten nicht ganz korrekt zu sein scheint.

Daß zum Secretary der Goßner-Kirche ~~Rev.~~ Rev. HEMROM und zum Treasurer Rev. Aind berufen worden sind, hat seinen Grund doch lediglich darin, daß sie ⁱⁿ die 4 Adhyaksh in die Hauptämter der Kirche geteilt haben.

Die Brüder N.E. H o r o und M. H o r o sind ja jetzt lediglich angestellte Beamte des Office. Bei ihnen kommt es nur darauf an, ob sie in ihren fachlichen Arbeiten geeignete und zuverlässige ^{friend} Freunde sind - und das sind sie ja doch beide.

Anders steht es in der Tat mit der Besetzung aller anderen Stellen.

Ich kann da Ihre Wünsche auf Beteiligung der NW-Anchal sehr wohl verstehen.

Andererseits habe ich kein Verständnis dafür, daß Sie wegen einer Meinungsverschiedenheit gleich aus dem KSS ausgetreten sind.

Ich freue mich sehr darüber, daß wenigstens Bruder Joel Lakra seinen Posten nicht niedergelegt hat, sondern als Adhyaksh der NW-Anchal Pramukh-Adhyaksh geblieben ist.

Lieber Bruder Panna, es kommt jetzt so unendlich viel gerade auch auf Ihre Mitarbeit und Haltung in der Goßner-Kirche an, wenn diese zum Frieden und zur Einheit gelangen soll. Darum würde ich meinen, daß die Zeit der "walk out's" endgültig vorbei ist.

Wenn Sie glauben, daß der NW-Anchal Unrecht geschehen ist, sollten Sie dies der Oekumenischen Kommission zur Entscheidung vorlegen.

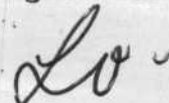
Wie ich höre, haben sowohl Bischof Dr. Manikam wie auch Bischof Dr. Meyer die Absicht, noch vor der Weltkirchen-Konferenz in Neu-Delhi zu einer Sitzung der Oekumenischen Kommission in Ranchi einzuladen. Ich möchte Ihnen raten, sich bis dahin zugehalten und mit allen anderen Mitgliedern des KSS, die der NW-Anchal angehören, in der KSS zu verbleiben, damit nicht die ganze Arbeit der Kirche - wenn auch nur vorübergehend - lahmgelegt wird. Ich verspreche Ihnen, daß ich den Brüdern, die einer anderen Gruppe angehören, in gleicher Weise ein brüderliches Wort der Mahnung schreiben werde.

Es steht für die Goßner-Kirche heute soviel auf dem Spiel - andererseits ist ihr ja eine neue Chance gegeben worden, um zur Ordnung, zur Zusammenarbeit, zum Frieden und zur brüderlichen Gemeinschaft zu kommen, daß es eine Sünde vor Gott wäre, wenn nicht alle die nötige Geduld aufbrächten, um das große Kleinod, das der Kirche Jesu Christi geschenkt ist, nicht zu verlieren, sondern festzuhalten: die ihr in Christus geschenkte Einheit !

Ich danke Ihnen für das Vertrauen, aus dem heraus Sie an mich geschrieben haben. Sie sollen stets wissen, daß wir gerade auch Ihrer vor Gott in brüderlicher Liebe gedenken,

Bitte, grüßen Sie Ihre liebe Frau

Ihr getreuer



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Treasurer : Rev. C. B. AIND
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DT. SUNDARGARH (ORISSA)

Head Accountant : MR. C. M. HORO
G. E. L. CHURCH
RANCHI (BIHAR)

Ref. 30/61

Dated 15th March 1961

To
Dr. Arne Sovik,
Director, Lutheran World Federation,
Department of World Mission,
17, Route de Malagnou,
Geneva, Switzerland.

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20. MRZ. 1961

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Dear Dr. Sovik,

Please find enclosed the Budget of our Church alongwith covering letter. The above could not be sent earlier as it was not signed by the Pramuk Adhyaksha and Secretary who left Ranchi just after our K.S.S. meeting. Due to the above difficulties Secretary's signature could not be obtained which I hope will not hamper the purpose.

Yours faithfully,

C.B. Aind
(Rev. C. B. Aind)

Encs:

(1) Budget Estimate for 1961 in three parts ^{and} with a covering letter

c. e.

Dr. H. Lokies
Mr. W. Thiel.

KENDRIYE SALAHKARI SABHA OF THE G.E.L. CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR
AND ASSAM, RANCHI.

No. 22/61

G. E. L. Church Compound,
Ranchi, March 6, 1961.

Dr. Arne Sovik,
Director, Lutheran World Federation,
Department of World Mission,
17 Route de Malagnou,
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND.

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20. MRZ. 1961
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Dear Dr. Sovik,

We are submitting herewith the detailed Budget Estimate for 1961 of the Kendriye Salahkari Sabha (K.S.S.) of the Gossner Church. The budget has been considered and passed by the K.S.S. at its meeting of March 1-4. Copies of the relevant resolutions on the budget are also enclosed herewith.

In submitting the budget we request that it be noted that the old church council ceased from the 1st November, 1960 from which date the New Constitution of the church is in force and the Kendriye Salahkari Sabha has taken over charge of the management of the church.

With the coming of the New Constitution, new problems also have come in, in connection with the finance, which ~~exax~~ we have to face in the year and a few years in the future. Our expenditure has increased than the last year which we cannot avoid without overlooking certain expenditures. We have not granted increments to our workers in the past few years. Now we find that in the face of the rapidly growing industrial and economic developments in all departments of the country and particularly in the main area of the church.

Our income of the Mandli Paisa has completely gone to the Anchals. Since July last, ~~as~~ from which date the New Constitution was to come to force, the Anchals (synods) ceased to send it to the centre. Now it has disappeared from the budget. In its place we have levied contributions on the Anchals amounting to Rs. 12,900.00. But we do not expect to receive this amount in full as the Anchals will have to stabilise their own finances in the year and the next few years.

As in the previous years, this years also, we have demanded Rs. 10,000.00 from the Property Board. But this also, as is clear from the audit report of Mr. W. Thiel, seems quite doubtful. Mr. Thiel is of opinion that the Property Board cannot pay this amount. The printing press on which Rs. 2,000.00 has been levied, is al so doubtful. We have no other source of income to meet the budgeted expenditures.

Since 1959 we have been submitting separate budget request for the Evangelistic Work. For 1960 we had requested a subsidy of Rs. 23,592.00. The Lutheran World Federation was very kind to sanction a sum of \$ 2,500.00 out of it. For 1961 we ~~haxax~~ request that a subsidy of Rs. 24,872.00 be kindly granted.

We intend to send two students ^{to} the U.S.A. to study Theology in the Luther Seminary this year if suitable candidates are available. We have provided Rs. 6,000.00 for their journey expenses to the U.S.A. We request that this subsidy also be kindly reserved for our church.

A gist of the budget estimate is given below.

	Expenditure	Income	Deficit
Budget Part I - Evangelistic Work	Rs. 34,992.00	Rs. 10,320.00	Rs. 24,672.00
Budget Part II - Regular Budget	96,965.00	41,870.00	55,095.00
Budget Part III - Special Budget	1,31,957.00	52,190.00	79,767.00
	Rs. 6,000.00	-	6,000.00
	Rs. 1,37,957.00	52,190.00	85,767.00

Mr. Thiel has audited the accounts of the K.S.S. for 1959 and 1960 recently and also of the Property Board. He will send his reports to the Lutheran World Federation separately. As our request for the year 1960 has already been referred to the Lutheran World Federation by the Federation of Lutheran Churches in India in 1960, we send the budget direct to the Lutheran World Federation.

Yours sincerely,

J. C. K.
12/3/61
Pramukh Adhyaksh
Secretary

C. M. S.
12/3/61
Treasurer,
G.E.L. Church, Ranchi.

Encl:

- (1) Budget Estimate for 1961 in three parts.
- (2) Copies of of Resolutions of the K.S.S.

C.c. ~~Mrs.~~ W. Thiel.

Dr. H. Lohse

An Extract from the K.S.S. Meeting
March, 1-4, 1961.

Item 10: Budget of 1961.

- Resolved:- (a) that the budget be passed
(b) that the amount of Rs.79767/- which is the deficit in the budget be requested from L.W.F. to be granted as subsidy to the G.E.L.Church for 1961.
(c) that the amount of Rs.6000/- under special budget for 2(two) students in America for Theological studies be sanctioned to the G.E.L.Church for 1961.

J. Clark
12/3/61

H. E. E. E.
7/3/61
Secretary,
G.E.L. CHURCH,
Chennai & Assam.

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AM EXTRACT FROM THE K.S.S. MEETING
MARCH, 1-4, 1961.

Eingegangen

20. MRZ. 1961

Erledigt:

"RECOMMENDATION IN THE AUDIT REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PROPERTY."

- (1) This recommendation has been accepted.
- (2) This recommendation on principle be accepted.
- (3) Secretary-Treasurer:-
 - (a) The recommendation is accepted. The Manager and Secretary, Treasurer with joint signatures will be authorised to do business up to the value of Rs. 1000/- (one thousand rupees) only except the item mentioned in (c) below.
 - (b) The recommendation is accepted.
Business of the value of more than Rs. 1000/- except the item in (c) below shall be signed by three persons i.e., by the Manager, Secretary-Treasurer and the controller Adviser.
 - (c) The recommendation is accepted.
The three persons named in (b) above shall be authorised to transact all business, in connection with the land and property. Unless the directions mentioned above are strictly followed the business will have no liability to the G.E.L. Church or its Board of Management.
- (4) The above regulations be duly published through the Church papers through out the Church and all institutions of business with which G.E.L. Church is concerned.
- (5) The fund of Property Board at present is kept in different places which should be discontinued at once and centralised in Ranchi. The Head Office of the Board of Property being at Ranchi there shall be an accountant of the Board who will maintain the books from day to day under the direct supervision and direction of the Head Accountant of the K.S.S.. The Board shall make detail rules for the realisation and deposit of the Money on different accounts through out the Church.
- (6) This item has been included in No. 5 above.
- (7) All business, selling, hiring or renting of Properties should be suspended, until the completion of new Schedule of Properties as ordered by the K.S.S. except urgent cases which have to be approved by the K.S.S..
- (8) The Budget will be prepared by the new Board of Management in consultation with the financial controller-Adviser as soon as they meet and they will take care of the implementation of the rest of the recommendations of under (a) and (b) of this item.

The K.S.S. records its heartfelt thanks to the Auditor Mr. Warner Thiel.

- (1) In connection with the above action of the K.S.S. it is resolved: That Mr. Warner Thiel be offered the position of Financial Controller and Adviser to the G.E.L. Church. And the L.W.F. be requested for its approval.
- (ii) In view of the above resolution Director Lokies be requested to send 2 (two) new Technicians to assist Mr. Warner Thiel in his Technical work.

9. FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF 1960.

Heard recommendations from Messrs Warner Thiel, Auditor and C.M. Hero, Head Accountant, that certain adjustment be made in the Gross Trial Balance of 1960, and to make a net Trial Balance of 1960 accordingly, and close the accounts as on 31-12-1960. Resolved:- that the recommendations be accepted.

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Secretary,

G. E. L. CHURCH,
Chotnagpur & Assam.

Budget Estimate of the K.S.S. of the Gossner Church for the Year 1961.

Part I - Evangelistic Work.

Consolidated Budget Estimate for 1961.

Eingegangen
20. MARZ 1961
Erledigt:

Centre	Worker	Monthly	Annual Exp.	Income Synod (Add)	Deficit
1. N/W Anchal :-					
Northern Synod	6 6	195/-	2340.00	948.00	1392.00
Western "	1 1	33.00	420.00	120.00	300.00
Kinkel "	2 2	44.00	528.00	132.00	396.00
Madhyapradesh	2 -	416.00	4992.00	- -	4992.00
Hazaribagh "	4 6	240.00	2880.00	780.00	2100.00
	15 15	930.00	11160.00	1980.00	9180.00
2. S/E Anchal :-					
Burju Synod	17 17	401.00	4812.00	2256.00	2556.00
Singbhum "	19 19	589.00	7068.00	624.00	6444.00
Govindpur "	3 3	80.00	960.00	624.00	336.00
Koronjo "	1 1	16.00	192.00	96.00	96.00
Takarma "	1 1	25.00	300.00	204.00	96.00
Manbhum "	14 1	30.00	360.00	144.00	216.00
	42 42	1141.00	13692.00	3948.00	9744.00
3. Orissa Anchal :-					
	18 19	420.00	5040.00	912.00	4128.00
4. Assam Anchal :-					
	4 4	150.00	1800.00	720.00	1080.00
5. Khutitoli Synod :-					
	3 3	75.00	900.00	360.00	540.00
6. Director of E/W.					
	1	200.00	2400.00	2400.00	- -
	82 83	29167.00	34992.00	10320.00	24672.00

Part I - Consolidated Budget for 1961

	Expenditure	Income in Anchal	Deficit
1. North-Westren Anchal	11160.00	1980.00	9180.00
2. South-Eastern Anchal	13692.00	3948.00	9744.00
3. Orissa Anchal	5040.00	912.00	4128.00
4. Assam Anchal	1800.00	720.00	1080.00
5. Khutitoli Synod	900.00	360.00	540.00
6. Director of E/W.	2400.00	2400.00	- -
	34992.00	10320.00	24672.00
7. Subsidy requested from L.W.F.		24672.00	
	34992.00	34992.00	- -

Pramukh Athyakh,
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Secretary,
K.S.S., G.E.L. Church.

Treasurer,
K.S.S., G.E.L. Church

**Budget Estimate of the K.S.S. of the G.E.L.Church for the
Year 1961**

Part II- Regular Budget.

1. Lutheran Theological College, Ranchi.

	Monthly	Annual	Income	Deficit
1. Principal, Rev. S. Surin, M. Th.	245.00	2940.00	- -	2940.00
Salary Rs. 135/-				
Foreign Allow. 60/-				
Principal's All. 50/-				
245/-				
2. Rev. Prof. N. Minz, M. A., B.D.S.T.M.	190.00	2280.00	- -	2280.00
Salary Rs. 130/-				
Foreign Allowance 60/-				
190/-				
3. Rev. Prof. S. A. B. Lakra, B.D.	100.00	1200.00	- -	1200.00
Salary Rs. 100/-				
4. Asst. Cand. Saltiel Burh,	46.00	552.00	- -	552.00
Salary Rs. 41/-				
Allowance 5/-				
5. Pt. L. Pathak part time	20.00	240.00	- -	240.00
6. Library	15.00	180.00	- -	180.00
7. Contingency	10.00	120.00	- -	120.00
8. Stipendia for 17 students	595.00	7140.00	- -	7140.00
@ Rs. 35/- each.				
9. Students' own Contribution				
for 17 students @ 10/- each p.m.	170.00	- -	2040.00	- -
10. Book Grant for 17 students				
@ Rs. 15/- each annual -	255.00	255.00	- -	255.00
11. Other expenditure:-	- -	950.00	- -	950.00
I. Affiliation Fee to Serampore				
University Rs. 450/-		15857.00	2040.00	15857.00
II. Miscellaneous and Unforeseen				
Rs. 500/- (travel of Principal to				
attend conference and visits and				
inspection etc. by University				
Officers, expenditure on official				
guests) Rs. 950/-				
Income of SN 9 deducted from total deficit				2040.00
				13817.00

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2. Pracherak Training School Govindpur.

	Monthly	Annual	Income	Deficit
1. Headmaster, Rev. M. Tete, B.D. Salary Rs. 83/- Foreign All. 40/- Hd. Master's All. 30/- 153/-	153.00	1836.00	- -	1836.00
2. Assistant teacher, Rev. C. U. Dang, Salary Rs. 70/-	70.00	840.00	- -	840.00
3. Asst. Teacher, Rev. H. Minz Salary Rs. 80/- Foreign Allowance 20/- 100/-	100.00	1200.00	- -	1200.00
4. Cand. S. Surin Salary Rs. 40/-	40.00	480.00	- -	480.00
5. Stipend for 18 students @ Rs. 20/- each p.m.	360.00	4320.00	Anchal 2160.00	2160.00
6. Book grant for 18 students @ Rs. 10/- each	- -	180.00		
7. Book grant for 18 students Anchal contribution	- -	- -	90.00	90.00
8. Contingency	5.00	60.00	- -	60.00
9. Library	5.00	60.00	- -	60.00
10. Miscellaneous		100.00	- -	100.00
	733.00	9076.00	2250.00	6826.00

3. Tabitha Bible Training School, Govindpur.

1. Miss Daisy Hemrom Salary Rs. 41/- Foreign All. 20/-	61.00	732.00	- -	732.00
2. Miss Bahalen Bage Salary Rs. 40/- Foreign All. 20/-	60.00	720.00	- -	720.00
3. Miss Seteng Hapadgara Salary Rs. 40/- Foreign ... 20/-	60.00	720.00	- -	720.00
4. Miss Santoshi Horo Salary Rs. 40/- Foreign ... 20/-	55.00	660.00	- -	660.00
5. Allowance to Hd. Mistress	30.00	360.00	- -	360.00
6. Contingency	10.00	120.00	- -	120.00
7. Stipend for 30 students @ Rs. 20/- each.	600.00	7200.00	Kuratorium 7200.00	- -
	875.00	10512.00	7200.00	3312.00

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4 - Establishment (K.S.S. Office)

	Monthly	Annual	Income	Deficit
1. Pramukh Adhyaksh	400.00	4800.00	- -	4800.00
2. Office Superintendent	200.00	2400.00	- -	2400.00
3. Head Accountant	200.00	2400.00	- -	2400.00
4. Clerk two @ Rs. 75/- each p.m.	150.00	1800.00	- -	1800.00
5. Peon	40.00	480.00	- -	480.00
6. Contingency :-	250.00	3000.00	- -	3000.00
Pramukh -- 100/-	1240.00	14880.00	- -	14880.00
Secretary- 100/-				
Treasurer- 50/-				
7. Unforeseen Treasurer's		1200.00	- -	1200.00
	1240.00	16080.00	- -	16080.00
5 - <u>Primary Schools</u> (Boys and Girls at Ranchi)				
1) I-Bethesda Girls' L.P.				
8 teachers @ Rs. 30/- each	240.00	2880.00	- -	
II-Contingency ...	3.00	36.00	- -	
Income from Municipal Grant				
and subscription			1080.00	1836.00
(2) I-Gossner Boys L.P.				
7 teachers @ 30/- each	210.00	2520.00	- -	
II- Contingency ...	3.00	36.00	- -	
Income from Municipal Grant				
and subscription			1380.00	1176.00
	456.00	5472.00	2460.00	3012.00

6 - Meetings and Conventions

1. Two K.S.S. Meetings	1200.00	2400.00	- -	2400.00
2. Six K.S.S. sanity meetings				
@ Rs. 600/- each	600.00	3600.00	- -	3600.00
	1800.00	6000.00	- -	6000.00

7 - Central Boards1. Evangelistic Board:

Director with R/W

Two meetings @ 500/-each ... 1000.00 - - 1000.00

2. Board of Education :

Salary of Ed. Officer 225.00 2700.00 - - 2700.00

One meeting Exp. 500.00 - - 500.00

3. Contingency for Boards ... 40.00 480.00 - - 480.00

(1) Ev. Bd. .. 20/-p.m.

(2) Ed. Bd .. 20/-

4. Travelling Exp. of Officers:

(1) Ev. Director's } 50.00 600.00 - - 600.00

(2) Ed. Officer's } 100.00 - - 100.00

(3) Unforeseen

5. Theological Bd. meeting 500.00 - - 500.00

Contingency

15.00 180.00 - - 180.00

330.00 6000.00 - - 6060.00

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	Monthly	Annual	Income	Deficit
1. Elizabeth Hospital :				
Doctor	100.00	1200.00		1200.00
Compounder	40.00	480.00	- -	480.00
Sweeper	25.00	300.00	- -	300.00
Medicines	- -	1500.00	- -	1500.00
Income: subscription from patients			1500.00	- -
2. Takma Dispensary :				
Subsidy	30.00	360.00	- -	360.00
3. Govindpur Dispensary :				
Subsidy	30.00	360.00	- -	360.00
	225.00	4200.00	1500.00	2700.00

9 - Travel and Transfer.

1. K.S.S. Officers, K.S.S. members,				
Commission members T.A.	- -	1500.00	- -	1500.00
Transfer of pastors	- -	1000.00	- -	1000.00
	- -	2500.00	- -	2500.00

10 - Pension

1. Rev. I. Ekka, Ranchi	15.00	180.00	- -	180.00
2. Rev. S. Sarkar	15.00	180.00	- -	180.00
3. Rev. Johan Maraiya	15.00	180.00	- -	180.00
4. Rev. M. Purti, Indipiri	15.00	180.00	- -	180.00
Rev. J. Minz, Kurumgerh	15.00	180.00	- -	180.00
	75.00	900.00	- -	900.00

11 - Audit Charges.

Audit fee for the accounts of 1960	- -	800.00	- -	800.00
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12 - Affiliation Fees

1. L.W.F.	- -	1230.00	- -	1230.00
2. W.C.C.	- -	246.00	- -	246.00
3. F.E.L.C.I.	- -	789.00	- -	789.00
4. Bihar C.C. (5 delegates)	- -	150.00	- -	150.00
5. U.C.C. (6 delegates @ 40/-each)	- -	240.00	- -	240.00
6. Assam C.C. (1 delegate)	- -	60.00	- -	60.00
7. Bengal C.C. (1 delegate)	- -	70.00	- -	70.00
8. Madhya Pradesh C.C. (1 delegate)	- -	40.00	- -	40.00
9. N.C.C.	- -	300.00	- -	300.00
	- -	3145.00	- -	3145.00
	- -	3125.00	- -	3125.00

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13- Contribution Payable

	Monthly	Annual	Income	Deficit
1. To F.E.L.C. for W.C.C. & L.W.F.	- -	365.00	- -	365.00
2. To F.E.L.C. for overseas Mission	- -	263.00	- -	150.00
3. To F.E.L.C. Board of Publication	- -	150.00	- -	150.00
4. To Lutheran N.M.S.	- -	1000.00	- -	1000.00
5. To Gurukul Lutheran Theol. College	- -	1100.00	- -	1100.00
6. For two students at Gurukul Theol. College 720x2 -1440 and students' travel etc 435.00	- -	1875.00	1440.00	435.00
7. Token grant to Serampore College	- -	100.00	- -	100.00
8. To Indian S.S.U.	- -	100.00	- -	100.00
9. To N.I.C.T. society	- -	25.00	- -	25.00
10. To Audio Visual	- -	25.00	- -	25.00
11. To Joint Mission Board	- -	2000.00	- -	2000.00
	- -	7003.00	1440.00	5563.00

14- Contribution to P.Fund

K.S.S. Contribution to P.Fund	- -	1500.00	- -	1500.00
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15- Motor

1. Repair and Taxes	- -	1275.00	- -	1275.00
2. Driver's Salary 60/- & All. 10/-	70.00	840.00	- -	840.00
3. Petrol and Mobil etc	- -	1200.00	- -	1200.00
Driver's Uniform etc	- -	30.00	- -	30.00
Unforeseen	- -	1755.00	- -	1755.00
	70.00	5000.00	- -	5000.00

16- Special Training

Two saturday School workers' special Training	- -	160.00	80.00	80.00
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17- Printing and Publications

Printing and Publication etc	- -	700.00	- -	700.00
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18- Miscellaneous & Unforeseen

Miscellaneous and Unforeseen	- -	2000.00	- -	2000.00
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19- Contribution from Anchals

© -/2/- per confirmed members

1. Assam Anchal	- -	2000.00	- -	
2. South-Eastern Anchal	- -	5500.00	- -	
3. North-Western Anchal	- -	2500.00	- -	
4. Orissa Anchal	- -	2500.00	- -	
5. Khutitoli Synod	- -	200.00	- -	
6. Head Quarters Congregation	- -	200.00	- -	
	- -	12900.00	- -	

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 K.S.S., G.E.L. Church
 Ranchi.

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

CPM's 12/2/61
 Treasurer,
 K.S.S., G.E.L. Church in
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PART III- Special Budget for 1961.

	Monthly	Annual	Income	Deficit
Subsidy requested from L.W.F. for two students to Luther Seminary				
U.S.A. Travells Rs. 3000.00 each -		6000.00	- -	6000.00
- -		6000.00	- -	6000.00

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Secretary,
 K.S.S., G.E.L. Church.

C.P.A. 12/8/61
 Treasurer,
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PART II - Consolidated Budget for 1961.

	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
1. Theological College	15857/-	2040/-	13817/-
2. Pracharaks Training School Govindpur	9076/-	2250/-	6826/-
3. Tabitha Bible Training School ..	10512/-	7200/-	3312/-
4. Establishment (K.S.S. Office)	16080/-	- -	16080/-
5. Primary Schools for Boys & Girls at Ranchi.	5472/-	2460/-	3012/-
6. Meetings & Conventions	6000/-	- -	6000/-
7. Central Boards	6060/-	- -	6060/-
8. Medical Work	4200/-	1500/-	2700/-
9. Travel & Transfer	2500/-	- -	2500/-
10. Pension	900/-	- -	900/-
11. Audit Fees	800/-	- -	800/-
12. Affiliation Fees	3125/-	- -	3125/-
13. Contribution Payable	7003/-	1440/-	5563/-
14. Contribution to P. Fund ...	1500/-	- -	1500/-
15. Motor	5000/-	- -	5000/-
16. Special Training	160/-	80/-	80/-
17. Printing and Publications ..	700/-	- -	700/-
18. Miscellaneous & Unforeseen ...	2000/-	- -	2000/-
	<u>96965/-</u>	<u>16970/-</u>	<u>79995/-</u>
19. Contribution from Anchals	- -	12900/-	67095/-
20. Property Board	- -	10000/-	57095/-
21. Press	- -	2000/-	55095/-
	<u>96965/-</u>	<u>41870/-</u>	<u>55095/-</u>
22. Subsidy requested from L.W.F.	- -	55095/-	- -
	<u>96965/-</u>	<u>96965/-</u>	<u>- -</u>

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 Pramukh Adhyaksh,
 K.S.S. of the G.E.L.
 Church.

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Summary of Budget Request for 1961

Heads	Expenditure	Income	Subsidy requested from L.W.F.
PART I -Evangelistic Work	34,992.00	16,320.00	24,672.00
" II-Regular Budget ...	96,965.00	41,870.00	55,095.00
	<u>1,31,957.00</u>	<u>52,190.00</u>	<u>79,767.00</u>
PART III-Special Budget ...	6,000.00	- -	6,000.00
	<u>1,37,957.00</u>	<u>52,190.00</u>	<u>85,767.00</u>

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Berlin-Friedenau, March 11th, 1961

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Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L.Church
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Dear Brother Lakra,

herewith I may remind you that two important questions were put aside till the new Church-leadership would be chosen and could take up this work :

- 1./ The Kuratorium and also many congregations who are praying and sacrificing money for the Gossner-Evangelical-Church are asking for an other Indian Brother in place of Brother Hanukh Minz, who could come to Germany to serve the Lord here and give witness for HIM.

We may suggest, that it should be - if possible - a couple without children, because we think about the difficulties for the children themselves which they will find in learning in our schools. The education-system of our German schools differs very much from the English-System, which is still the kind of the Indian education-system too.

But if you choose a couple with children, we would be ready to give them financial help for their children, so that they may put them into a good Indian school with boarding. In any case, we certainly will consider this question again if you choose a couple with children.

I know it is difficult to choose the right man for this service. But we from our side will not and cannot make any proposal because the Kuratorium does not like to interfere with matters which are the only concern of the Gossner-Evangelical-Lutheran Church.

We would be very grateful if the Kendriye-Salahkari-Sabha would consider this question and take decision as quickly as possible.

- 2./ You know, that the Gossner-House in Berlin will be converted into a boarding-house for Indian students. Instead of the old Seminary in which missionaries for India were trained, now students of the G.E.L.Church who will study in Germany, will get their home. These students should be not only Theologians, but also such students who wish to be trained as technicians, doctors and agriculturists or who want some other training. Naturally we expect, that all these students somehow will serve their home-Church, the Gossner-Evangelical-Lutheran Church later on.

For us it is important that the Gossner-Church, in the times to come, will have such persons, who are able to guide and who are ready to take responsibility for their Church and countrymen.

Except those four students who are already here, we are expecting ten more students from the G.E.L.Church. We urgently request, that the selections of these ten students should not be delayed.

They should have also a health-certificate from Dr.Gründler, which should be send along with the papers from the K.S.S. -

The new semester will start on the 1st of November 1961.

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Furthermore I want to draw your attention to an other important point: The students whom you will select should get some knowledge of the German language. Our Brother Kloss was specially sent for this purpose to teach the language German. You should give the students at least so much time to be able to get the elementary instructions of the German language through Rev. Kloss. This should be done at least with those students, whom we are expecting till the 1st of November. In future we must take care that the selected young brethren should start much earlier with the study of the German language in India.

And now to the last point: The Gossner-Church has many friends in the so-called "Volkswagenwerk" at Wolfsburg, where Brother Thiel had worked for several years. There at Wolfsburg some circles have combined to give financial help to one student of the Gossner-Church. It should be a student for technical training. More details you can learn from Brother Thiel. Also those friends at Wolfsburg anticipate an early decision by the K.S.S. -

Such brotherly co-operation between German friends and the Gossner-Church has as ever before the supposition that the G.E.L. Church will settle her own affairs so that the true unity and real peace in the Church is secured. This is not only a question of faith and love, but simply also of common sense and intelligence. Dear Brother Lakra, not one day is passing where I do not pray for you and the Church. And with me many brethren and sisters who love the G.E.L. Church are praying incessantly. Please, tell the Brethren, specially Brother Panna in Jamshedpur, that it would be unwise, yes, it would be a guilt before God and men if you all would not do your utmost to secure the unity in the Church.

May God give you HIS good spirit that you with all vigour will follow this aim and by HIS help will reach this goal.

With kindest regards also from my wife to dear Mrs. Lakra

Yours truly



Copies to: Secretary Rev. M. HEMROM
Rev. Kloss

zur Übersetzung

Rev. Joel L a k r a
 Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L. church
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Lieber Bruder Lakra !

Hiermit möchte ich Sie daran erinnern, daß zwei wichtige Fragen solange zurückgestellt wurden, bis die neue Kirchenleitung berufen ist und ihre Arbeit aufnehmen konnte :

1./ das Kuratorium und auch alle die Gemeinden, die für die Goßner-Kirche beten und opfern, ^{fragen} wann endlich ein anderer indischer Bruder als Nachfolger für Bruder Hanukh Minz nach Deutschland kommen wird.

Ich weiß, wie schwierig die Frage der Auswahl ist, und von uns aus können und wollen wir keinen Vorschlag machen, damit nicht der Eindruck entsteht, daß sich das Kuratorium in die inneren Angelegenheiten der Goßner-Kirche einmischet. Wir wären aber sehr dankbar, wenn das KSS diese Frage bald klären und entscheiden könnte.

2./ Sie wissen, daß das Goßnerhaus in Berlin in ein indisches Studenten-heim verwandelt werden soll. Statt des alten Seminars, in dem früher Missionare für Indien ausgebildet wurden, sollen jetzt Studenten aus der Goßner-Kirche Aufnahme finden, die ihr Studium in Deutschland durchführen. Das sollen nicht nur Theologene sein, sondern auch Studenten, die ein technisches, landwirtschaftliches, medizinisches oder irgendein sonstiges Studium wählen. Natürlich erwarten wir, daß alle diese Studenten später ihrer Heimatkirche in irgendeiner Weise dienen sollen. Es kommt uns dabei vor allem aber auch darauf an, daß die Goßner-Kirche angesichts der neuen Zeit, die auf sie zukommt, über Männer verfügt, die auch an führender Stelle stehen können und sich für ihre Kirche und ihr Volk verantwortlich fühlen- wissen.

Außer den 4 Studenten, die bereits hier sind, erwarten wir noch etwa zehn Studenten aus Indien.

Auch in dieser Frage bitte ich die KSS, mit der Auswahl der Studenten, die nach Deutschland gehen wollen, nicht zu lange zu warten. Das neue Semester beginnt am 1. November d.J. —

Vor allem aber möchte ich darauf aufmerksam machen, daß alle Studenten, die hierher kommen, wenigstens etwas von der deutschen Sprache verstehen sollten. Unser Bruder Kloss ist ja extra dazu ausgesandt worden, um auch deutschen Sprachunterricht zu geben. Man sollte darum den Studenten wenigstens soviel Zeit lassen, daß sie die Anfangsgründe der dt.

der Sprache bei Pastor Kloss erlernen können. Das gilt vor allem für die Studenten, die wir jetzt erwarten. In Zukunft müssten wir Vorsorge treffen, daß die in Aussicht genommenen jungen Brüder schon sehr viel früher mit dem Erlernen der deutschen Sprache in Indien beginnen.

Und nun noch ein Letztes. Die Goßner-Kirche hat viele Freunde in dem sogenannten " Volkswagenwerk " in Wolfsburg, wo^r Bruder Thiel einige Jahre tätig war. Hier haben sich verschiedene Kreise zusammen-
getan, um für einen Studenten aus der Goßner-Kirche das Studium in Deutschland finanziell zu ermöglichen. Das müßte schon ein Student sein, der das technische Studium ergreift; Näheres können Sie bei Bruder Thiel erfragen. Auch dieser Freundeskreis in Wolfsburg erwartet von der KSS eine baldige Entscheidung.

Eine solche brüderliche Zusammenarbeit zwischen den deutschen Freunden und der Goßner-Kirche hat aber nach wie vor zur Voraussetzung, daß letztere ihre eigenen inneren Angelegenheiten so ordnet, daß die Einheit und der Frieden in der Kirche sichergestellt sind- Es ist nicht nur eine Frage der Liebe und des Glaubens, sondern einfach auch der Vernunft und der Klugheit, daß die Goßner-Kirche, zu einer echten inneren Einheit gelangt.

Lieber Bruder Lakra, es vergeht kein Tag, an dem ich nicht dafür bete, und viele Brüder und Schwestern, die die Goßner-Kirche liebhaben, tun das auch unablässig. Bitte, sagen Sie allen Brüdern~~und~~, im besonderen auch Bruder Panna in Jamshedpur, daß es töricht wäre, ja eine Schuld vor Gott und den Menschen, wenn Sie nicht alle miteinander das Äußerste tun, um die Einheit der Goßner-Kirche sicherzustellen. Gott möge Ihnen SEINEN guten Geist geben, daß Sie diesem Ziel mit allem Eifer nachgehen und es mit SEINER Hilfe erreichen.

Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen, auch von meiner Frau an Ihre liebe Frau,

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We may suggest, that it should be - if possible - a couple without children, because we think about the difficulties for the children themselves which they will find in learning in our schools.

The education-system of our German Schools differs very much from the ~~English~~ ^{and Indian} System, which is still the kind of the Indian Education-system too.

But if you choose a couple with children, we would be ready to give them financial help for their children, so that they may put them into ~~in~~ a good Indian School with boarding. In any case, we certainly will consider this question again if you choose a couple with children.

Dear Brother Sakra,

herewith I may remind you that two important questions were put aside till the new Church- leadership would be chosen and could take up this work: -

I. The Curatorium and also many congregations - who are praying and sacrificing money for the G.E.L. CHURCH - are asking for an other Indian Brother in place of Brother Kanuck Minz, who could come to Germany to serve the Lord here and give witness for Him.

~~We may suggest, that it should be a couple without children or a couple who could be able to leave their children in India for their Indian education.~~

I know, it is difficult to choose the right man for this service. But we from our side will not and cannot make any proposal because the Curatorium does not like to interfere with matters which are the only concern of the G.E.L. CHURCH.

We would be very grateful if the K.S.S. would consider this question and take decision as quickly as possible.

II. You know, that the Gossner- House in Berlin will be converted into a boarding- house for Indian students Instead of the old Seminary, in which missionaries for India were trained, now students of the G.E.L. CHURCH who will study in Germany, will get their

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II. Zins- und Schuldendienst

a) Grund- und Oberschulen

1. Charlottenburg			
Garica-Mittel....	1.720	1.720	--
Gemeindekirchenrat			
Luisengemeinde ..	30.000	--	--
2. Frohnau			
Vorsorge	1.350	1.350	--
3. Neukölln			
1. Bauabschnitt			
Pfandbriefbank			
7,5%	8.750		
Senat 3% + 5% ...	3.780		
Garicamittel 1%			
+ 5%	14.845	27.375	27.375
2. Bauabschnitt			
Berl. Stadtsynodal-			
verband 5%	8.250		
10%	16.500		
Senat	4.950		
Garicamittel	12.000	41.700	41.700
3. Bauabschnitt ..		18.000	18.000

b) Gymnasium

Berufsgenossensch.	17.875		
Stadtsynode			
(Zinsen)	7.000		--
Stadtsynode			
(Tilgung).....	40.000	64.875	64.875
Hilfswerkkredit f. Aula/Turnhalle			
	36.000	36.000	--
Senatskredit f. Aula u. Turnhalle	2.250	2.250	--

Titel 7

Kleine Schulbedürfnisse

1. Grund- und Oberschulen	1.890	1.890	440,11
2. Gymnasium	1.000	1.000	342,31

Titel 8

Lehrmittel

1. Grund- und Oberschulen	7.000	7.000	3.642,19
2. Gymnasium	2.500	2.500	838,45

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home. These students should be not only Theologians, but also such students who wish to be trained as technicians, doctors and agriculturists or who want some other training. Naturally we expect, that all these students somehow will serve their home-Church, the G. E. L. CHURCH, later on.

for us it is important that the Gossner-Church, in the times to come, will have such persons, who are able to guide and who are ready to take responsibility for their Church and countrymen.

Except those four students who are already here, we are expecting ten more students from the G. E. L. CHURCH.

We urgently request, that ^{the} selection of these ten students should not be delayed.

They should have also a health-certificate from Dr. Grynoller, ~~which~~ which should be send along with the paper from the K. S. S.

The new semester will start on the 1st of Nov. 1961.

Furthermore I want to draw your attention to an other important point: the students whom you will select should get some knowledge of the German language.

Our Brother Kloss was specially sent for this purpose to teach the German language. You should give the students at least so much time to be able to get the elementary instructions of the German language through Rev. Kloss. This should be done at least with those students, whom we are expecting till the 1st of November.

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<u>Sächliche Ausgaben - Titel 3 -</u>			
<u>Geschäftsbedürfnisse</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen	5.700	5.700	2.506,11
2. Gymnasium	3.200	3.200	1.013,27
<u>Titel 4</u>			
<u>Inventar und Geräte</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen	8.000	5.000	2.336,36
2. Gymnasium	5.000	4.000	2.463,44
<u>Titel 5</u>			
<u>Unterhaltung der Schulgebäude</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen	8.000	8.000	2.804,43
2. Gymnasium	3.000	3.000	299,78
<u>Titel 6</u>			
<u>Bewirtschaftung der Schulgebäude</u>			
<u>I. Allgemeine Betriebskosten</u>			
a) Heizung und Licht			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen	37.000	37.000	8.940,95
2. Gymnasium	18.000	18.000	2.515,95
b) Betriebsmittel für Wasserverbrauch, Reinigungsmittel, Grundsteuern usw.	16.000	16.000	9.299,03
c) Mieten an Dritte			
* Spandau, Ev. Johannesstift	29.000	29.000	1.250,--
Steglitz, Mittelstrasse	3.000	3.000	1.210,--
Steglitz, Schlosstrasse	1.920	1.920	218,--
Gebühren für ermietete Räume ...	2.000	2.000	3.500,--
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* Hierin sind ausser Miete für das Melanchthonhaus und Zinsen für den Neubau die Gesamtkosten für Licht, Heizung, Wasserverbrauch und Reinigung, einschl. Reinigungspersonal, enthalten.

In future we must take care that the selected young brethren should start much earlier with the study of the German language in India.

And now to the last point: the Gossner Church has many friends in the so-called "Volkswagenwerk" at Wolfsburg, where Brother Thiel had worked for several years. There at Wolfsburg some circles have combined to give financial help to one student of the Gossner Church. It should be a student for technical training. More details you can learn from Brother Thiel. Also those friends at Wolfsburg anticipate an early decision by the K.S.S.

Such brotherly co-operation between German friends and the Gossner Church has as ever before the supposition that the G. E. L. Church will settle her own affairs so that the true unity and real peace in the Church is secured. This is not only a question of faith and love, but simply also of common sense and intelligence.

Dear Brother Sakra, not one day is passing when I do not pray for you and the Church. And with me many brethren and sisters who love the G. E. L. CHURCH are praying incessantly. Please, tell the Brethren, specially Brother Pama in Jaushedpur, that it would be unwise, ~~yes~~ yes, it would be a guilt before God and men if you all would not do your utmost to secure

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Kapitel II
Provinzialkirchliche Schulen
Persönliche Ausgaben
Titel 1

a) <u>Beamtete Lehrkräfte</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen (lt. Stellenplan 29)	284.620	284.620	143.082.97
2. Gymnasium (lt. Stellenplan 15)	238.470	238.470	122.261.68
b) <u>Lehrkräfte im Angestelltenverhältnis</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen (lt. Stellenplan 48)	476.420	476.420	240.047.33
2. Gymnasium (lt. Stellenplan 13)	168.260	168.260	77.577.78
c) <u>Pensionen</u>	15.400	15.400	7.692.72
d) <u>Vertretungskosten</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen	7.000	7.000	4.091.65
2. Gymnasium	4.000	4.000	--
e) <u>Verstärkungsmittel</u>	--	--	--

Titel 2

a) <u>Büropersonal</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen (lt. Stellenplan)	20.400	20.400	9.998.42
2. Gymnasium (lt. Stellenplan)	6.500	6.500	3.144.99
3. Verstärkungsmittel	--	--	--
b) <u>Arbeiter</u>			
1. Grund- und Oberschulen (lt. Stellenplan)	50.000	47.200	23.753.79
2. Gymnasium	24.100	24.100	13.979.31
3. Verstärkungsmittel	--	--	--
c) <u>Sonstiges</u> (Kindergärtnerin Spandau)	2.400	2.400	888.47
Übertrag	1.297.570	1.294.770	646.519.11

the unity in the Church.

May God give you His good spirit that you
with all vigour will follow this aim and by His
help will reach this goal.

With kindest regards also from my wife to
dear Mr. Sabra

Yours truly

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A u s g a b e nKapitel ISchulverwaltung
(Schulkanzlei)Titel 1

a) <u>Persönliche Ausgaben</u> (lt. Stellenplan)	42.600	42.600	20.539.30
b) <u>Notstandsbeihilfen</u>	500	500	12.50
c) <u>Verstärkungsmittel</u>	--	--	--
	43.100	43.100	20.551.80

Titel 2Sächliche Ausgaben

a) <u>Miete</u>	1.200	1.200	--
b) <u>Heizung, Licht</u>	1.000	1.000	--
c) <u>Inventar</u>	600 +)	600 +)	677.05
d) <u>Büromittel</u>	1.400	1.400	249.65
e) <u>Porto, Fernsprecher, Fahrkosten</u>	2.200	2.200	344.19
f) <u>Bücher, Zeitschriften</u>	500	500	106.75
g) <u>Fortbildung der Lehrer</u>	1.200	1.200	1.864.35
h) <u>Beiträge an Verbände usw.</u>	600	600	518.80
i) <u>Insgesamt</u>	800	800	358.59
zusammen	9.500	9.500	4.119.41

Zusammenstellung:

Summe Titel 1	43.100	43.100	20.551.80
Summe Titel 2	9.500	9.500	4.119.41
Summe Kapitel I	52.600	52.600	24.671.21

+) Der Betrag wird einmalig von DM 300 auf DM 600 erhöht
wegen der notwendigen Anschaffung einer Schreibmaschine.

P. D. Panna.
Secretary,
North West Anchal.

EVERY BODY OUGHT TO KNOW
WHO
JESUS
IS

23, Bandi Road East
JAMSHEDPUR
Dist. Singhbhum

Date 7/3/61

Dr. Hans Lokies,
Director, Gossner Mission Society,
Berlin; West Germany.



Dear Sir,

With deep sorrow I would like to inform you that the Kendriya Salahkari Sabha which was in session at Ranchi from 1st. to 4th. March splitted up on the 4th. evening when the members of the minority community walked out from the meeting. The following facts will throw some light as to what led the minority to recourse to this unhappy action.

1) Election of the Pramukh Adhyaksh:-

The Pramukh Adhyaksh was to be elected from the 4 Adhyakshas from the 4 Anchals. Here, there were 3 Adhyakshas coming from Majority (Munda) community and one from the minority (Uraon) community.

So that a better atmosphere should prevail all over the Gossner field, the Uraon Adhyaksh suggested that they should adopt the policy of give and take. In order to balance the situation, he suggested that Pramukh & Up-Pramukh Adhyakshas be taken from two different communities. He further requested the other three Adhyakshas of one community to choose one person for one of the posts and for the another post one person coming from another community. The Adhyakshas had taken three clear days and they had three sittings on three different days but unfortunately, they could not come to unanimity for, they wanted that both the posts must be held by the majority community. Failing their coming to a unanimity, the other method, viz. by casting lot was resorted to as per provision in the constitution and here the post of Pramukh Adhyaksh fell to the lot of an Uraon.

The above incident speaks something about the attitude of the majority community. Let us go further and see what the other actions of the majority community say.

2) Posts in the Church and appointments:-

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|--------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Pramukh Adhyaksh | - | Rev. J. Lakra | - | (Uraon) by casting lot
(a member of old N.Z.) |
| 2. Up-Pramukh Adhyaksh | - | Dr. M. Bage | - | Munda & old C.C. group |
| 3. Secretary | - | Rev. M. Hemrom | - | Munda -do- |
| 4. Treasurer | - | Rev. B. Aind | - | Munda -do- |
| 5. Office Superintendent | - | Sri N.E.Horo (Ag.) | - | Munda -do- |
| 6. Head Accountant | - | Sri M-ukut Horo | - | Munda -do- |
| 7. Manager of Properties | - | Sri N.E.Horo | - | Munda -do- |
| 8. Chairman Ev. Board | - | Rev. J. Lakra | - | Uraon (by virtue of his
being Pr. Adhyaksh.) |
| 9. Chairman Theol. Board | - | Rev. J.J.P. Tiga | - | Uraon - Old C.C. group |
| 10. Chairman Ed. Board | - | Rev. M. Bage | - | Munda -do- |
| 11. " Property Board | - | No new chairman could be appointed though
attempt was made in two K.S.S. and one
K.S.S. S. meetings. The post is being held
by Rev. J.J.P. Tiga - (old C.C. group.) | | |

Old appointments still continuing:-

1. Director Ev. Work - Rev. S. Surin - Munda & old C.C.group
2. Secy. Property Board Mr. P. D.Kandulna - Munda -do-
3. Treasurer -do- Mr. P.D.Kandulna - Munda -do-

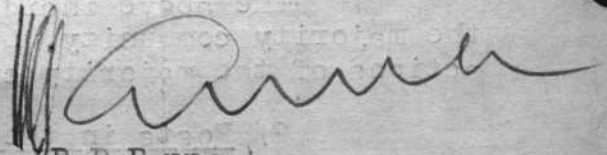
To have unanimity in election or appointments of above persons the ~~members~~ K.S.S. members from the minority community withdrew the names of the Uraon candidates they had proposed and supported & voted & named the candidates of the Munda community. (This can be seen from the above list.)

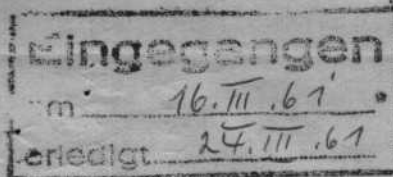
For the chairmanship of Property Board the members of the Minority community suggested a name of an Uraon of old N.Z. group. The Old C.C. group objected to it tooth and nail. They wanted that this post also must be held by their own man. The minority group (Uraon) tried its level best to persuade the majority group to agree to their proposal just to have some thing to show to the public that there is co-operation in the K.S.S., but the Mundas would not shirk an inch. The result was that the minority group found that it was all useless for them to sit in the K.S.S. when the Munda mentality is to sweep all the posts from top to bottom and kick out the minority, they had no other alternative than to peacefully walk out.

The K.S.S. met twice and the K.S.S.S. met once so far but up till now none of the Mundas in the K.S.S. has ever named any Uraon of the N.W.Anchal for any of the posts in the Church whereas the Uraons in the K.S.S. have named, supported, voted and approved so many Mundas & non-Mundas (formerly belonging to C.C.group) which can be seen in the list given above.

It is a matter of deep sorrow that the poor Gossner Church has again plunged into a deep darkn-ess. Please help.

With sincere greetings,


(P.D.Panna.)



From, The Rev. J.J.P.Tiga,
G.E.L.Church, Ranchi, Bihar, India

To, The Rev. D.Theol. Hans Lekies, Director,
Gessner Mission Society, Berlin, West Germany.

Ranchi, the 7th. March, 1961

Dear Brother Lekies,

Since I have not heard anything from you in reply to my last letter which I wrote reg. one Hindu young man Shree Deenanayan Jaiswal I guess my letter has gone astray. This young man has long been wanting to go to Germany for Chemical or Mechanical Engineering. He has passed his B.Sc. Exam. and he is now studying for his M.Sc in Patna. As I have written to you in my previous correspondence, this young man is the kind of young men who will benefit by going to Germany for foreign studies. He is ready to live with any class of people and he is fully able to manage financially. He is ready to spend as long as it is necessary to study the German language before he is actually admitted for the course of Engineering. His application for a Passport is lying with the Deputy Commissioner, Ranchi in the absence of a letter of admission or a letter of invitation. As it may be quite difficult to get admission into a College without the language qualifications it may be necessary for him to get into Germany and spend some time for the language study and this he is prepared to do at any cost. If you send a letter of invitation with the statement that he will meet his own cost and that he will undergo a course of instruction in the German language under your supervision and that he will be admitted in due course in the University, I believe he will be recommended by the Deputy Commissioner of Ranchi for the Passport. This young man comes of a respectable family of this place and I assure you that there will be perfect arrangement about his expenses, both travel and stay in Germany.

May I request you to kindly treat it urgent.

With best wishes,

Yours Sincerely,

P.S. This young man is not to take the place of any of these who are being invited from the Gessner Church. An extra and private arrangement is sought for him

J.J.P.Tiga 7.3.61
(J.J.P.Tiga)

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THE REV. D. THEOL. HANS LOKIES

DIRECTOR, GOSSNER MISSION SOCIETY

BERLIN - FRIEDENAU, HANDELSSTR. 19/20

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Sender's name and address :-

T. P. YICA

RANCHI, BIHAR, INDIA.

Miss. Dir. M. Lokies
Berlin-Friedenau
Handjerystraße 19/20

Berlin-Friedenau, 28. Februar 1961
Lo/Su.

Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar
INDIA

Dear Brother Lakra !

/ Herewith we may forward a letter from Dr. Bernhard O h s e to you with his intention to visit the Gossner-Church. He is the chief of propaganda for the action " BREAD FOR THE WORLD ". By this institution the agricultural and technical Centres - which the brethren Dr. JUNGHANS and Eng. THIEL are building up for the Gossner-Church - are financed.

Therefore it is very important that Dr. Ohse will be properly informed. He is already on his way. But he would be grateful, if he would get an official invitation from you sent to one of his given addresses. I request you, please, confer with the brethren Dr. Peusch, Rev. Kloss, Eng. Thiel and Dr. Junghans - per chance also with Dr. Gründler - how the short time which Dr. Ohse can spend for this purpose, can best be utilised.

Furthermore I request you to send also official invitations^{x/} to following participants of the World-Churches's Conference in New Delhi, who are true friends of the Gossner-Church.

All invitations should be sent to me here in Berlin, so that I can forward them. Following guests are under consideration, who would come to Ranchi after the meeting in New-Delhi :

Kirchenrat Dr. Christian B e r g , Berlin-Dahlem, Reichensteiner Weg 24
Generalsuperintendent D. Dr. Günter J a c o b , Cottbus, Seminarstr. 26
Bischof D. Dr. Friedrich-Wilhelm K r u m m a c h e r , Greifswald,
Stalinstr. 35/36,

Professor Erich H o f f m a n n Halle/Saale, Hoher Weg 2.
(Lehrer von Br. Junghans)

Beyond these the following persons should receive invitations although they will most properly not come. But for the sake of the contact with the Landeskirchen in question it is very important that their delegates to New-Delhi should be invited :

Oberkirchenrat Dr. THIMME, Bielefeld, Breiligrathstraße 16 of the
Westphalian Landeskirche and

Landesbischof D. Hermann DIETZFELBINGER, München, Arcisstraße 13 of the
Bavarian Landeskirche. -

Regarding the financial question of this brotherly visit you should not be anxious. Either the visitors are paying for themselves, or the Gossner-Mission will take care for the time as long as the visitors are in the field of the Gossner-Church.

And now a last word regarding this visit, dear Brother Lakra: You will understand that we here in Germany urgently request that the visitors from Germany may find the Gossner-Church in unity and peace and not more in quarrel and discord. Y o u are responsible for it that our guests who are the representatives of whole churches, will not return to Germany disappointed from their visit to the Gossner-Church. That does not mean that you have to care for a "show" of peace and unity by which the guests will be deceived about the true internal situation of the G.E.L. Church.

I mean: You and the other leaders of the G.E.L.Church got the task from God to lead your Church - which is also o u r or rather HIS Church - to the real unity in Christ and to the perfect peace in HIM. To reach this goal you have to end all personal discord and quarrels.

We earnestly pray to God, that He Himself may give you strength and joy to work together for this aim.

With heartiest brotherly regards

Yours truly

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Du. Rev.Kloss, Ranchi

28. Februar 1961

Lo/Su.

Rev. Joel Lakra
Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
Ranchi / Bihar

INDIA

Lieber Bruder Lakra !

Wir leiten Ihnen hiermit einen Brief von Dr. OHSE zu, der die Absicht hat, die Goßner-Kirche zu besuchen. Es handelt sich bei ihm um den Propaganda-Chef der Sammlung " Brot für die Welt", die die Mittel für die landwirtschaftlichen und technischen Centres hergibt, die die Brüder Dr. Junghans und Ing. Thiel für die Goßner-Kirche aufbauen sollen.

Es ist sehr wichtig, daß Fr. Ohse gut informiert wird. Er ist bereits unterwegs, wäre aber doch dafür dankbar, wenn er von Ihnen noch eine Einladung an die eine der von ihm genannten Adressen erhalten könnte.

Ich bitte Sie, ^{mit} ~~von~~ den Brüdern Dr. Peusch, Rev. Kloss, Ing. Thiel und Dr. Junghans, evtl. auch Dr. Gründler, zu besprechen, wie die kurze Zeit, die Dr. Ohse zur Verfügung steht, am besten ausgenützt werden könnte.

Ferner bitte ich Sie, an folgende deutsche Teilnehmer der Weltkirchen-Konferenz in Neu-Delhi, ^{die} ~~und~~ treuen Freunde der Goßner-Kirche sind, eine Einladung zu richten; alle Einladungen an mich hier nach Berlin, damit ich sie weiterleiten kann. Es handelt sich um folgende Gäste, die nach der Tagung in Neu-Delhi nach Ranchi kommen wollen :

Was die finanzielle Seite dieses brüderlichen Besuches betrifft, so brauchen Sie deswegen nicht in Sorge zu sein. Entweder tragen die Besucher die Kosten selbst oder wir als Goßner-Mission, soweit es sich um die Zeit handelt, während der sie sich als Gäste in der Goßner-Kirche aufhalten.

Und nun zu diesem Besuch noch ein letztes Wort, lieber Bruder Lakra: Sie werden verstehen, daß wir hier in der Heimat den dringenden Wunsch haben, daß die Besucher aus Deutschland die Goßner-Kirche in Einheit und Frieden vorfinden und nicht immer noch in Zank und Streit. Sie tragen die Verantwortung dafür, daß unsere Gäste, die ja Vertreter von ganzen

Kirchen sind, nicht enttäuscht von ihrem Besuch in der Goßner-Kirche nach Deutschland zurückkehren. Ich meine damit nicht, daß Sie nur für die Zeit ihres Besuches einen Scheinfrieden aufrichten, um unsere Gäste über die eigentliche innere Lage der Goßner-Kirche zu täuschen. Ich meine damit, daß Sie und die Leitung der Goßner-Kirche von Gott die Aufgabe bekommen haben, Ihre Kirche ~~in~~, die ja auch unsere Kirche ist, in einer echten Weise immer vollkommener zur Einheit und zum Frieden hinführen und allem persönlichen Zwietracht ein Ende zu bereiten.

Wir flehen zu Gott, daß ER vor allem auch Sie stark und freudig machen wolle, auf dieses Ziel hinzuarbeiten.

Mit den herzlichsten brüderlichen Grüßen

Ihr

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furthermore I request you to send also official invitations to following participants of the World-Churches' Conference in New-Delhi, who are true friends of the Gossner-Church.

All invitations should be sent to me here in Berlin, so that I can forward them following

Kirchliche Erziehungskammer
für Berlin
-- Schulkanzlei --

Berlin-Friedenau,
Handjery - Straße 19/20
Fernsprecher: 83 01 61

Bei der Durchsicht der Schulgeldhebeliste stellen wir fest,
daß für Ihren Sohn - Ihre Tochter

Schüler -- Schülerin der Klasse
der Evangelischen Schule
für d Monat

das Schulgeld bei unserer Kasse bisher nicht eingegangen ist.
Wir bitten Sie, den ausstehenden Betrag von

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an die Kasse der Kirchlichen Erziehungskammer für Berlin,
Berlin - Friedenau, Handjery - Straße 19/20, zu überweisen.
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guests are under consideration, who would come to Randi after the meeting in New-Telbi -

Regarding the financial question of this brotherly visit you should not be anxious. Either the visitors are paying for themselves, or the Gosner-Mission will take care for the time as long as the visitors are in the field of the Gosner-Church.

And now a last word regarding this visit, dear Brother Sakra: you will understand, that we here in Germany urgently request, that the visitors from Germany may find the Gosner Church in unity and peace and not ^{more} ~~always~~ in quarrel and discord.

You are responsible for it that our guests who are the representatives of whole Churches, will ^{not} return to Germany disappointed from their visit to the Gosner-Church. That does not mean that you have to care for a "show" of peace and unity by which the guests will be deceived about the true ^{internal} situation of the G. E. S. Church.

I mean: ~~that~~ You and the other leaders of the G. E. S. Church - ~~which is also our Church~~ - got the task from God to lead your Church - ^{or rather this} which is also our Church - to the real unity in

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Christ and to the perfect peace in Him.

To reach this goal you have to end all personal discord and quarrels.

We earnestly pray to God, that He Himself may give you strength and joy to work ~~together~~ together for this aim.

With heartiest brotherly regards

Yours truly

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Berlin-Friedenau, 28. Februar 1961 Lo/Su.

Liebe Brüder !

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1./ Ich bin eben von einer Vortragsreise durch den Kirchenkreis Herford zurückgekehrt und finde auf einen von mir gestellten Antrag von Prälat D. K u n z t - Bonn folgende Antwort vor :

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In Bonn ist alles eingeleitet und ich hoffe, daß diese Transaktion klappen wird. Jedenfalls haben wir hier die DM 30.000.- schon an Bonn überwiesen.

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Unser Vorsitzender Kirchenrat Dr. Christian B e r g .

Generalsuperintendent D. Dr. Günter J a c o b , Lottbus, Seminarstr. 26

Bischof D. Dr. Friedrich-Wilhelm KRUHMACHER, Greifswald, Stalinstr. 35/36

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(Lehrer von Bruder Junghans).

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Landesbischof D. Hermann DIETZFELBINGER, München, Arcisstraße 13 für die Bayerische Landeskirche.

Ob die Beiden kommen ist fraglich, aber es ist für unseren Heimatkontakt mit den beiden genannten Landeskirchen wichtig, daß eine Einladung an ihre nach Neu-Delhi entsandten Vertreter ergeht.

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Das für heute - später mehr !

Herzlichste Grüße

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From - Rev. J. Lakra G. E. L. Church
Ranchi

My dear Brother Lokies, 27/2/61

A reply to your letter
of 13th January, had escaped my
notice which you will please
excuse.

I have been so busy about
settling down Brothers Jungmans
and Thiel. This time Brother
Thiel had to interview the Govern-
ment officers with me at Patna.
They all deeply appreciate our
efforts. I had gone to Khutitoli
twice, once with Jungmans to
make a survey of Khutitoli
and again to end up the dirty
court case at Simdega. Partly
I have succeeded. I am going
there again after the R.S.S. meeting.
To-day I am expecting Brothers
Jungmans and Thiel from Cal-
cutta. We proceed to Nitarhat
for several pieces of business. Per-
haps we may visit Khutitola

too before we come back.

The Chief Minister of Bihar
died and a new Ministry is
being formed. This will not affect
our plans.

About the 3 development
projects I shall write to you more
definitely after the R.S.S. meeting.
I have invited Brothers Jung-
mans, Thiel and Greenoller for
this meeting. Then we shall orga-
nise these projects and unify them
as you have been informed by
Brother Jungmans.

We shall be eagerly looking
forward to welcome Brother Bernhard
Ohse to the Gossner Church. We shall
make the best use of his 3 days stay
with us. Please extend a hearty invi-
tation to him on my behalf to
the Gossner Church. If you could supply
me his tour programme, I shall
write also direct to him. Any way
he is very cordially invited.

I just returned from Chai basa
where the Ministerium of the South-
East Ranchel has been meeting. I
had to deliver four or five addresses

to the Ministerium. I put up with
the Shiels and enjoyed my visit
and work immensely.

We had a meeting in Calcutta
with Dr. Manikam and thrashed
out some problems. Other problems
will come up before the H.S.S. By
God's grace we dare face all pro-
blems in the Church with courage.
I need your sympathy and prayer.
I need all the encouragement
which you, Dr. South, Bishop's
Meyer and Manikam could give.
I need God's special grace to
perform the task before me.

With affectionate greetings
of fisherschap to the Presidium,
Mrs. Lokies and self from Mrs.
Lokies myself.

Yours very sincerely
J. Lokies

BY AIR MAIL

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Director Hans Lokies

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Sender's name and address:-

Mrs. J. Lokies
G.E.K. Church
Ranchi, Bihar
India

27.4.61

for H. Div. Tokyo

The undermentioned document is forwarded to: (1) Mr. Werner Theil (G) E.L. Church, Chaibassa (2) Treasurer G.E.L. Church (3) Manager Board of Management G.E.L. Church Properties and (4) Dr. Arne Sovik Director DWM/LWF Geneva for information and needful.

Document forwarded is
an extract from the minutes
of the K.S.S. Samiti dated
23/1/1961.

M/Enam 23/1/61
Secretary, K.S.S.
G.E.L. Church, Chaibassa.

H. Theil
Pranab K. Bhattacharya
23/1/61

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AUDIT REPORT OF THE G.E.L. CHURCH PROPERTIES
BY MR. WERNER THEIL.

Resolved:

- " (1) That the Audit report submitted by Mr. Werner Theil on his Audit of the G.E.L.C. Properties A/Cs on 23-1-61 be accepted with thanks.
- (2) It is further resolved that the KSS accepted his recommendations for future guidance with thanks for consideration and assures all concerned that they will be considered in the next full K.S.S. meeting and definite action will be taken accordingly. "

G. E. L. Church Compound, Ranchi.
January 23, 1961.

From:

Mr. S.P.P. Bakhla,
Secretary,
Head Quarters Congregation, Ranchi.

To :

Rt. Rev. R. E. Manikam,
Chairman,
Continuation Committee of
the G. E. L. Church.

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Eingegangen

28. JAN. 1961

Eredigt:

Subject: Unification of Head Quarters Congregation,
on, Ranchi.

Sir,

In enclosing herewith resolutions of the Head Quarters Congregation, Ranchi, dated the 21 st and 22 nd. January 1961, on the above mentioned subject we beg to state that although the new Constitution was enforced in the G. E. L. Church from 1 st November, 1961, no sincere efforts have so far been made by the authorities concerned to unify the congregations of the Head Quarters of the G. E. L. Church. Divided church services here have been allowed to continue to the detriment of the spiritual life of the congregations. The North Western Anchal has decided to locate its headquarters at Ranchi which fact has seriously interfered with the affairs of this congregation. We very sincerely feel that until the said Anchal rescinds its decision and does not strictly observe the constitution in the matter of establishing its headquarters, no unification of the Headquarters Congregation is possible.

In our opinion, we feel that first of all the North Western Anchal should remove its headquarters from the G. E. L. Church Compound, Ranchi before any attempt to unify the congregations of the G. E. L. Church headquarters is taken up. We therefore request the Continuation Committee to kindly take this situation in to its serious consideration and advice. We have already approached the KSS Samiti on this matter and it is reliably learnt that this body is also referring this matter to the Continuation Committee for advice. This matter is a serious one and must be taken up before the situation goes beyond control. More than two months and a half have passed and nothing has been done, and so we strongly feel that this matter should not be left in the hands of one person only.

Requesting you for your serious and early consideration,

Enclosure I & II

5/23/1961
Chairman, Hd., Qrts., Congr.,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

We remain,
Yours sincerely,

S. P. P. Bakhla 28/1/61.
Secretary, Hd. Qrts., Congr.,
G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

CC to : Dr. Hans Lokies, Berlin-Friedenau.
Dr. Arne Sovik, Director DWM/DMF.
Rev. J. Stosch, Wanssee, Berlin.

ENCLOSURES : 1.

An extract from the minutes of the Head Quarters Congregation, Ranchi held on January 21 st, 1961:

"RESOLVED the following:-

- (1) Unification in holding services vide Art.25, SecV-B-Pp 29; Art.13, Sec V-Pp 15 and Art.18, Sec 8-Pp-21 and the location of the Headquarters of the North Western Anchal outside the area of the Ranchi Head Quarters Congregation and its immediate removal from the area of the Ranchi Head Quarters Congregation.
- (2) Because ~~the~~ without the removal of the North Western Anchal headquarters from the area of the Ranchi Head Quarters unification of the Ranchi Head Quarters Congregation is impossible and is contrary to the Constitution, as one of the two groups is a part and parcel of the North Western Anchal.
- (3) The above mentioned points should strictly be followed and announced in accordance with the Constitution and one and at the same time in both the services of the groups."

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Enclosure - 2.

An extract from the minutes of the Head Quarters Congregation, Ranchi held on January 22 nd, 1961:

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- (1) Resolved that the Ranchi Head Quarters Congregation Mandli Panch stands on its resolution dated the 17 th. January, 1961 and 21 st January 1961 on this subject.
 - (2) Resolved to re-iterate that the North Western Anchal should remove its headquarters from the area of the Ranchi Head Quarters Congregation immediately, as until it is done no unification of the two groups of the Ranchi Head Quarters Congregation can be possible.
 - (3) Resolved further that the Kendriya Salahkari Sabha Samiti and the Continuation Committee be requested to do the above points themselves and do not leave it entirely in the hands of only one person."

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Sitzung des Nord-West-Andal-CouncilsReport.(a.) Patsalkindwa (Gemeinde dicht bei Randi)

Am 1. Nov. 1960 trat die neue Constitution in Kraft und es wurde alles daran gesetzt, daß wir noch eine Kirche (d. h. ein gemeinsamer Gottesdienst stattfindet).

Diesem entgegen aber haben am 20. XI. 60 Glieder der früheren Nord-Zone den Schlüssel zur Kirche gestohlen. Prämicks Idjaks Rev. Joel Sakra wurde gebeten, daß er veranlasse, daß der Schlüssel zurückgegeben werde. Aber anstatt den Schlüssel zurückzugeben zu lassen, sagte er: „Geht doch zum Gericht!“ (court) Tasselle sagte Rev. J. Toppo am 27. XI. 60 zur ganzen Gemeinde.

Am 8. I. 61 (in Abwesenheit von Pastor C. J. Firkey) haben Patras Mize, Bbawan Sakra und Preuchand Kijür, in der Absicht, den Gottesdienst in unserer Kirche zu verhindern, ein 2. Schloß an der Kirchentür angebracht.

Das Schloß und der Schlüssel der Kirche waren in den vergangenen Jahren und auch nachdem die neue Constitution in Kraft trat, stets in Händen von Pastor Jivan Firkey.

2 Mitglieder des Gemeinderates, Immanuel Mize und Prabendoyal Firkey erbaten von den oben genannten Brüdern den Schlüssel, um die Kirche zum Gottesdienst öffnen zu können. Aber sie gaben den Schlüssel nicht heraus. Noch 2-3 mal baten sie, den Schlüssel doch herauszugeben. Aber weder gaben sie den Schlüssel heraus, noch öffneten sie die Tür.

Schließlich, als sich die ganze Gemeinde zum Gottesdienst versammelt hatte, beschloß der Panch, sich Hilfe von der Polizei zu holen. Der Sub-Inspector kam mit Polizei-Leuten. Als er das

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Toppelschloß vor der Tür saß, drohte er dem Patras Mine und Bkawa Sakra. Die Polizei veranlaßte nun, daß das Schloß geöffnet würde. Sie veranlaßten auch, daß der Schlüssel an Immanuel Mine übergeben würde. Daraufhin gaben sie den Schlüssel heraus. So wurde die Tür geöffnet und der Gottesdienst fand statt.

Vor dem Sub. Inspector der Polizei wurde im Court eine schriftliche Verständigung getroffen, daß fernerhin keinerlei Hindernisse und Schwierigkeiten, betreffs der Arbeit in der Gemeinde gemacht werden sollen.

(b.) Patna - Gemäß einem Schreiben vom Praunicks Hdzaleb an den Sekretär der Union Church in Patna. Gardanibagh Sri Suleman Sakra (der ein Mitglied unserer Gemeinde ist) hat er an den Pfarrer von Singhami, Pastor N. Bkuringa, geschrieben, daß Pf. N. Bkuringa nicht mehr in der Union Church Gardanibagh Gottesdienst halten darf.

(c.) Kün - Nach der neuen Constitution sollen die Worte „Church Council“ und „Nord-Zone“ nicht mehr gebraucht werden. Jedoch geschah in Kün folgendes: In Kün wurde ein Heiratsabkommen getroffen; der junge Mann wollte ein Mädchen aus Baidal heiraten. Da dieser junge Mann aber das frühere Church Council anerkannt hatte, wurde sein Antrag zur Verlobung (3 x lige Abkündigung) nicht angenommen.

Es wurde gesagt, solange die Angehörigen des jg. Mannes sich nicht als Mitglieder der Nord-Zone eintragen, solange wird die Verlobung nicht abgekündigt werden. In der Gemeinde von Kün hat man allen denen, die das frühere C.C. anerkannt hatten, mitgeteilt, daß, solange ihr zur Gemeinde des früheren C.C. gehört und nicht Mitglieder der Nord-Zone werdet, solange wird auch

keine Abkündigung zur Verlohnung und keine Trainings- Urkunde gegeben werden. Unter diesem Tücke ist die ganze Gemeinde zur Nord- Zone übergegangen.

(d.) Sobardaga - Die Nord-, West- Zonen- Flaka hat dem Managing Committee der Süßbran- proposed- High- English- School von Sobardaga den Beschuß mitgeteilt, sich auflösen (was völlig illegal ist).

Der Brannicks- Sahib hat ein freies Managing- Committee gebildet, mit einem neuen Sekretär und einem neuen Headmaster, ohne sich dazu einen Rat oder Beschuß des bestehenden Managing- Committees der Süßbran- proposed- High- English- School von Sobardaga zu holen.

Den Report darüber haben sie an den Polizei- officer von Sobardaga gegeben und außerdem ein Telegramm an das Post- office von Sobardaga gesandt, daß Niemand etwas vom School- Savings- Account abheben kann.

Es kam auch der Report, daß Mannasib Sakra (der sich als der Sekretär der Nord- West- Zone, Sobardaga- Flaka ausieht), fast allen jenen Pracharakas (die mit dem früheren C.C. gearbeitet haben) ein Schreiben zusandte, wodurch diese Kalkülisten ihre Fortsetzung oder Entlassung erhielten. Dies ist völlig illegal.

(e.) Tüars - Fürs Pastor Christodhan Khizir erhielten wir einen Report (siehe Brief vom 6. I: 61) daß in den Tüars Pastor J. Bara und Pastor T. Sakra die Wahl, die in Anwesenheit von Election- Superintendent Rev. M. Tele geschah, als illegal erklären. Sie machen Propaganda gegen einen vereinten Gottesdienst. Sie haben von sich aus eine Neiwahl in der Synode gehalten, in dem sie alle, die mit dem früheren C.C. gearbeitet haben, ausschließen. Die letztere Wahl ist völlig illegal.

(f.) Die Nord-West-Indial-Sabba, am 20. X: 60, hat, entgegen Artikel 5, Seite 15 zum Hauptquartier des Nord-West-Indial den Randoi-Compound bestimmt.

Diesem Beschlufs widersprachen einige Pastoren.

Der Sekretär des Indials hat am 12. X: eine Bekanntmachung herausgegeben, daß Rev. K. Bhringra, (Kazaribagh-Synode), Rev. Jacob Lakra, Rev. C. R. Topono, Rev. C. H. Turkey, (Northern Synod) Rev. S. Topono, Rev. Mansidd Topono, Rev. C. Jivan Turkey, Rev. Suleman Bage (Western-Synod), Rev. K. M. Surin, (Tiaro) Rev. C. D. Ruzir ihren Widerspruch zurückziehen sollten und den Beschlufs des Indial-Sabba annehmen sollten, andererseits sollten sie im Frieden wo anders hingehen.

Überall wird dieses propagiert, daß für die obengenannten Pastoren keinerlei Arbeit in diesem Indial mehr sei.

Nun sind sie ohne Haus und Hof. Wohin diese zu dieser Zone gehörigen Pastoren auch gehen, da werden die Gemeinden dahin informiert, daß die Gemeinden diese Pastoren nicht mehr als Pastoren anerkennen sollen.

(g.) P. D. Panna, der Sekretär der Nord-Western-Indial-Sabba hat 10 Pastoren, die mit dem letzten C.C. gearbeitet haben, angekündigt, daß sie entlassen werden. Er hat ihnen ein Schreiben zugesandt, daß sie vom Pastoren-Dienst entlassen seien. Aus seinem Briefe geht hervor, daß er sein office 23 Bandi Road, in Jamsbedpur hat. Jedoch ist das nicht gemäß der Verfassung, wenn er sein office außerhalb des Indials hat und von dort über etwas über Pastoren bestimmt.

(h.) Aus zuverlässigen Aussagen geht klar hervor, daß das Nord-West-Indial-Samiti beschloß, mehrere Beschlüsse des Continuation Committee

und der K. S. S. (Kendrija Salabkari - Sabha) nicht zu befolgen; sie haben beschlossen, kräftig dagegen zu arbeiten.

Wie kann bei dieser Art von Disziplinlosigkeit Einheit und Frieden in unsere Kirche einkommen.

Hierbei ihr Benehmen und ihre Taten offenbaren sie, daß sie weder unter der alten Constitution, noch unter der neuen Constitution, noch unter den Anordnungen des Continuation Committee oder der K. S. S. sich stellen wollen.

Beschluß - Es ist beschlossen worden, daß die Sache mit dem Headquarter des Nord-West. Indials und die illegale Wahl, d. h. alles, was nach dem 1. Nov. an rechtswidrigen Dingen geschehen ist, (was durch den vorhergehenden Report klar wurde), das soll das K. S. S. so schnell als möglich bearbeiten und richtig stellen und das Richtige veranlassen.

IV. Treasury - Es ist beschlossen worden, daß, um die Arbeiten des Councils des Nord-West. Indials durchführen zu können, von allen Synoden und ihren Gliedern eine freiwillige Gabe gesammelt werden solle.

Eine Copy dieses Schreibens erhalten:

1., Sekretär des K. S. S.

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3., Treasurer des K. S. S.

4., Rev. prämicks Idjaksch

5., Bischof R. B. Manikam

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नॉर्थ वेस्टर्न अंचल काउंसिल की बैठकी।

आज ता. २०.१.२६६२ को रांची में North Western Anchal Council की बैठकी हुई। Rev. N. Bhunya प्रेसिडेंट के द्वारा धार्यता हुई हुआ।

I हाजिरी —

1. Rev. N. Bhunya
2. " C. H. Turkey
3. " Immanuel Bage
4. " Yakob Lakra
5. " Santosh Topono
6. " C. J. Turkey
7. " M. Topono
8. Sri Daniel Ekka - Visitor
9. " Markas Ekka "
10. " Timon Ekka "
11. " Hardugan Kula "
12. " C. M. Tiga "

Eingegangen

21. JAN. 1961

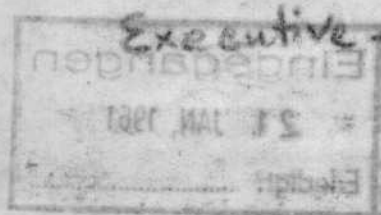
Erledigt:

Rev. C. D. Kujar, Rev. N. M. Surin, और Rev. S. M. Bage से चिद्दी मिली कि वे विशेष काररों से नहीं आ सकने की माफ़ी मांगते हैं।

II North Western Anchal Council का संघटन —

1. President - Rev. N. Bhunya
2. Secretary - Rev. C. H. Turkey
3. Treasurer - Rev. S. M. Bage
- Members 4. — Rev. C. D. Kujar Doars
5. — Rev. C. J. Turkey N. Syd.
6. " N. M. Surin Doars
7. " Y. Lakra Hazaribagh Syd.
8. " Halan Kullu Kinkal Syd.
9. Sri Sulaman Tim Doars
10. " Samuel Sanga N. Syd.
11. " Edwin Durgdung DO
12. " C. M. Tiga DO
13. " J. Minz DO
14. " Daniel Ekka DO
15. " Nicodem Tiga Hazaribagh Syd.
16. " Premchand Baa Kinkal Syd.
17. " Ishwari Kumar Khalkho DO

18. Sri Alfred Kujur Western Syd.
 19. " Elisha Kullu Kinkel Syd.
 20. " Shantiprakash Lakra Northern Syd.



1. Rev. N. Bhumiya
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 4. " C.M. Tiga
 5. " N. Tiga
 6. " J. Minz
 7. " D. Ekka

जैसना हुआ कि Rev. S.M. Bose के बदले में श्री Immanuel Minz खजांची चुने गये।

III रिपोर्ट - प्रबल के प्रचार का रिपोर्ट -

(a) प्रबल कुदवा - १०वीं नोवेंबर से नया नियमावली लागू हुआ और एक गिरजा होने के लिए प्रयत्न किया गया। इस के प्रतिकूल अतएव Northern Zone वालों ने 20-११-६० को गिरजा घर का चोरी लूटा। प्रमुख अध्यक्ष Rev. J. Lakra से अर्जों की अभी कि चाओ दिला है परन्तु प्रमुख साहब ने चाओ दिलाने के बदले कोई जाने को कहा। वैसाही अध्यक्ष Rev. J. Joppo ने भी 26-११-६० को सारी मंडलों के समाने कोई जाने को कहा।

तो २-१-६१ को पाद्री C.J. Turkey के अंतर्हजरी में गिरजा के दरवाजे में श्री Patras Minz, Bhawan Lakra और प्रेमचन्द कुजूर ने हमारे गिरजा आराधना बन्द करने के निमत से गिरजा के दरवाजे पर दूसरा लोका लगाया। गिरजा का तोरन और चोरी बीने सब बर्तों से और नया नियमावली के बनने और जारी होने के समय भी गिरजा की चोरी पाद्री Jivan Turkey के जिम्मे में रहा है। मंडली पंच श्री. इमानुएल मिंज और प्रभुचन्द तिकी ने उक्त भाइयों से गिरजा का दरवाजा खोलने के लिए चाओ मांगा पर नहीं दिया। दोतीन बार तक अर्जों किया गया परन्तु चोरी नहीं मिला और दरवाजा नहीं खोला गया। अंतर्हजरी में जब सारी

मंडली उपासना के लिये उपस्थित थी, पंची ने बिचार किया पुलिस की सहायता ली जाय। S.J. पुलिस सिपाहियों साथ जाया और डबल लाल लजा हुआ देव कर Patras Minar और Bhausaan Laksh को डांटा। उन्हों ने ताला खुलवाया और Immanuel Minar के हाथ में चाभी देने को कहा और दे दे दिये। दरवाजा खोला गया और बिरजा किया गया। S.J. पुलिस के सामने कीतवाली में समझौता (Compromise) कागज बनाया गया कि भव्य हाजे को गिरजा के कामों में प्रइजन न होवे।

(b) पटना — प्रमुख प्रचारक के आदेश अनुसार पटना गरदनी-बाग प्रतिष्ठान चर्च के सेक्रेटरी श्री सुलेमान लकड़ा ने जो हमारी मंडली के प्रभु हैं Singhania के प्राप्ती N. Bhumya को लिखा कि गरदनीबाग प्रतिष्ठान चर्च में गिरजा नहीं कर सकता है।

(c) कुड़ु — नया नियमावली में चर्च कौंसिल और नोर्थ जोन कह कर कोई स्थान नहीं है परन्तु कुड़ु मंडली के भूत-पूर्व Church Council के साथ रहने वाले एक लड़के की शादी का बन्दोबस्त बेशाल की लड़की से हुआ इनका बचनदत्त देना प्रस्वीका किया। यह शर्त रखा कि जब तक लड़का तरफ के लोग North Zone के मेम्बर होने का मुचलका नहीं लिखेंगे तब तक बचनदत्त नहीं होगा।

कुड़ु मंडली में शादी विषयक बात में पुराने चर्च कौंसिल तरफ के लोगों को यह कह कर कि जब तक तुम लोग जो पुराने चर्च कौंसिल के मंडली में हो नोर्थ जोन में आके नहीं मिलोगे बचनदत्त पुकार नहीं होगा और शादी विचारविश भी नहीं दी जायगी। उनके जुल्म के कारण सारी मंडली North Zone हो गयी।

(d) लोहरदगा — North Western Zone Shaka ने लूथरान Proposed H.E. School Lohardaga के Managing Committee को dissolve करने का फैसला किया जो बिलकुल न्यायजन है। प्रमुख साहब ने

Lutheran proposed H.E. Schol Lohardaga की Managing Committee से किसी प्रकार का सलाह संमत किये बिना एक स्वतंत्र managing Committee बनाया, तथा नया सेक्रेटरी और नया हेडमास्टर नियुक्त किया। इसका रिपोर्ट उन्होंने Lohardaga के पुलिस उपप्रभार को दिया और स्कूल सेविंग्स बैंक एकादश Withdraw करने से बन्द करने को Lohardaga Post Office में टेलीग्राम दिया। यह भी रिपोर्ट मिला कि श्री Manmash Lakera North Western Zone के लोहरदगा इलाका का सेक्रेटरी बनने को मान कहां के प्रायः उन सब प्रचारियों को जो मृतपूरक Church Council के साथ में थे उन्हें बदली या छोड़ी का नोटिश दे दिया। यह करवाई बिलकुल नज्वायज है।

(e) दुवर्ग - पद श्री Christodham Kumar हे रिपोर्ट मिला (दौरवर्ग उसकी जिद्दी तारीख २. ६. ६१) कि दुवर्ग में पद श्री G. Barua और पद श्री D. X. Barua, Election Superintendent Rev. M. Teka के सम्मुख हुए Election को नज्वायज समझते हैं और एक एक जिरजा नहीं करने का प्रोपगन्डा करते हैं। उन्होंने उपर्युक्त ही से लिस्ट का नया चुनाव किया जिसमें मृतपूरक Church Council वालों की बिलकुल छोड़ दिया। यह पीछला चुनाव बिलकुल नज्वायज है।

(f) N.W. मंचल समाने तारीख 20-10-60 को Article 13 para 5, page 15 के विरुद्ध North Western Ancestral का हेडक्वार्टर रांची Compound को बनाया। इस का विरोध करने के कारण - मंचल के सेक्रेटरी ने तारीख 12-12-60 को नोटिश दिया कि श्री पद श्री मध्यात Rev. N. Bhunia

Hazaribagh Synd., Rev. Yakub Lakra, Rev. C. R. Topono, Rev. C. H. Turkey
 Northern Synod, Rev. S. Topono, Rev. Mansidh Topono, Rev. C. Jisan Turkey
 Rev. Sulaman Dage Western Synd. Rev. N. M. Surin Dangs, Rev. C. D.
 Kujar- अपना declaration Withdraw करें और ग्रंथल सभा के
 फैसला को मानें ग्रंथल के शांतिपूर्वक दूसरी ओर चले जाय।
 हर कहीं परी प्रोपगन्डा करते हैं कि इन उपरीक्त पाद्वियों का
 इस ग्रंथल में कोई काम नहीं रहा। ग्रंथ के न धर न छाट
 के रहे। जहां जहां वे जोन वाले पाद्वी जाते हैं वहां 2
 जा कब परी हिक्मत देते हैं कि मंडोलिया इन पाद्वियों
 को पाद्वी न मानें।

(g) Mr. P. D. Panna Secretary G. E. L. Church
 North Western Anchal ने 20 पाद्वियों को जो
 सतपूर्व Church Council के साथ में थे उन्हें
 छोड़ देने की दायगी दी है और पुरोहितों सेवकाई
 से बंचित करने का निर्देश दिया है। वह अपना
 प्रोपिस् बड़ Baudi Road Jamshedpur में बनाया
 है, जैसे उसकी विद्वो से मालुम होता है। ग्रंथल
 के बाहर अपना प्रोपिस् खाना और पाद्वियों पर
 कर्वाइ करना अनुचित और नजायज काम है।

(h) विश्वासनीये सुत्रों से मालुम हुआ है North Western
 Anchal समिति Continuation Committee
 और K. S. S. के फैसलाओं के अनेक नियमित
 और उपयुक्त बातों को भी नहीं मानने का निर्णय
 किया है और उनका धोर विरोध करती है। इस
 प्रकार के अनुशासन हीनता से कलेशों में रोकता
 और शांति क्योंकर कायम हो सकता है। उनके
 ऐसे व्यवहार और कर्तव्यों के परी छजट करते हैं
 कि वे न पुराने और न नये नियमान्तो, न Conti-
 nation Committee और न K. S. S. के अधीन
 रहने चाहते हैं।

संकल्प — संकल्प किया जाता है कि नार्थ
वेस्टर्न ग्रंथल के हेडक्वार्टर की बात और
North Western Anchal के चुनाव
में जो नजामज काम हुए हैं तथा
१ली नोवेंबर के बाद जो नजामज
काम उपरोक्त रिपोर्ट से उजाड़ है
उनकी दुरुस्त करने का फैसला
और करवाई K. S. S. तथा शोध
करें।

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खोजा ना — फैसला किया गया
कि North Western Anchal
Council के काम के लिये
सब सिन्दों से और जनता से
स्पेच्छा चन्दा जमा किया जाय।

इस की प्रति लिपि निम्न
महशुओं के पास विचार और
करवाई के निमित्त भेज दिया
जाय।

1. Secretary K. S. S.
2. Pramukh Adhyaksh

3. Treasurer K. S. S.
4. Up-Pranukh Adhyaksh
5. Bishop R. B. Manikam
- ✓ 6. Director H. Lokies
7. Bishop Meyer
8. Rev. Lic. J. Stotch
9. Dr. A. Savik

Rev. M. Topono के धारणा के द्वारा सभा
मंजूर किया गया।

Sd. Rev. N. Bhunia 10.1.61
President
N. W. A. C.

Sd. Rev. C. H. Turkey
Secretary
N. W. A. Council
10/1/61

Sd. Rev. M. Topono
10.1.61

Sd. Rev. S. Topono
10/1/61

Sd. Rev. Immanuel Bage

Sd. Rev. C. J. Turkey
10.1.61

Copy to Dr. H. Lokies,
Director Gossner Mission Society, Berlin

Rev. C. H. Turkey
Secretary
N. W. A. Council
10/1/61

Ranchi, dated the 19th January 1961.

To,

Rt. Rev. R. B. Manikam,
Chairman Continuation Committee
of the G. E. L. Church.

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Eingegangen
25. JAN. 1961
Erledigt:

Sir,

We beg to bring to your kind notice the situation prevailing in the Head Quarters Congregation, Ranchi after the New Constitution was enforced in the Gossner Church with effect from 1st November 1960. The New Constitution has not yet been implemented in the case of the Hd. Qrts. Congregation, Ranchi although a Pramukh Adhyaksh has taken over charge of the Church from 1st November 1960. Divided Church Services are being continued here and no one administrative set up has been provided so far. The Pramukh Adhyaksh has been requested several times but he has hitherto far not cared to implement the Constitution, instead he is by his several acts of omission and Commission encouraged the situation to continue as before.

The North-Western Anchal has decided in its meeting held on October 1960 to establish its Hd. Qrs at GEL Church Compound, Ranchi against the provisions of the New Constitution. This action has the fullest support of the Pramukh Adhyaksh. This situation has created further disturbance in the Church.

We are enclosing an extract of the meeting of the Hd. Qrs Congregation, Ranchi held on 17-1-1961 consisting of six resolutions which will speak themselves. These have also been submitted to the KSS the Pramukh Adhyaksh and others.

We request you to kindly give your fullest consideration to the situation mentioned above and advise the KSS and the Pramukh Adhyaksh to rectify the situation so that the purpose of the New Constitution i.e. the restoration of peace, unity and one Church Service are fully served. Requesting you for your earnest consideration.

We remain

sincerely yours,

S. P. P. Bakhla, Secretary
110 av. enq.
(S. P. P. Bakhla) P. T. O

(Rev. S. Kula)
Chairman, Hd. Qrs. Congt.

Copies sent for information and the needful.

- (1) Dr. Hans Lokies
Director Gossner Mission Society,
Berlin-Friedenau
Handjerystrass 19/20 GERMANY
- (2) J. Stosch,
Wanssee, West GERMANY
- (3) Dr. Arne Sovik
Director Department of World Mission
Route de Malagnou 17 SWITZERLAND.

TRANSLATION FROM HINDI

"AN EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES
OF THE HEAD QUARTERS CONGREGATION
MANDLI PANCH HELD ON 17-1-1961. "

G.E.L. CHURCH? HD. QRTS,
CONGREGATION, RANCHI.

Dated, Ranchi the 19th Jan '61.

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A full meeting of the Original Head Quarters Congregation Ranchi met on 17-1-1961 and unanimously passed the following resolutions Nos.

(1) to (16) noted below :-

- (1) The Head Quarters Congregation Ranchi reports that the K.S.S. has not given any kind of information according to the New Constitution to either the original Head - Quarters Congregation Mandli Panch Ranchi or others.
- (2) It (Head Quarters Congregation Mandli Panch) requests the K.S.S. to the effect that Church Service Programmes and other Congregational programmes fixed for the Hd. Qrts. Congregation, Ranchi by the Revds. S. Kula and J. Lugun the authorities of this Congregation be allowed to continue until such time the K.S.S. does not unify the divided Church Services as per the New Constitution.
- (3) It also requests that until peace, unity and one Church Service are not restored in the whole G.E.L. Church, the K.S.S. should make arrangements for one Church Service at in the Head Quarters Congregation/Ranchi.
- (4) (The K.S.S) orders the North-Western Anchal to observe the New Constitution fully in establishing its Head Quarters and does not establish it in the area of the Head Quarters Congregation Ranchi i.e., the G.E.L. Church Compound Ranchi because in doing so there will be disorder in the Head Quarters Congregation and the whole Church will remain as before and the Congregations will remain divided.
- (5) The Hd. Qrts. Congregation requests the KSS to give an opportunity to some of its selected representatives for a discussion on the above mentioned and other subjects.
- (6) The Mandli Panch is convinced that until one Church Service and one administration in the Hd. Qrts Congregation is not established constitutionally, the preparation of

of Sunday Church Service Programmes by the Pramukh Adhyaksh
is not justified and the Mandli Panch is unable to accept
them therefore Revds J. Lakra and M. Bage should not conduct
Church Service on 22-1-1961.

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GOSSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM.

No. 50-54/61

RANCHI.

Dated the 18th Jan. 1961.

The undermentione document is forwarded to (1) Dr. Junghans
(2) Mr. Theil (3) Director Lokies (4) Pramukh Adhyaksh (5) Dr.
Grundler and the four Adhyakshas of the four Anchals for information

M/Sumam 18/2/61
Secretary, K.S.S

Document forwarded is
an extract from the minute
of the KSS. Samiti held on
January 20-31, 1961.

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

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LETTER FROM THE COUNSUL GENERAL OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
WEST GERMANY DATED DECEMBER 12, 1960.

Read the letter in which the Counsul General on behalf of the
Federal Republic of Germany agrees to pay to the Gossner Church
a sum of Rs. 5000/- (five thousand only)

Resolved:- That the kind offer of Rs. 5000/- to the Gossner Church
be accepted with grateful thanks. The Church appreciates
this offer as an expression of the appreciation of the
work of Dr. Junghans and Mr. Theil.

It is further resolved:-

That the Church authorise Dr. Junghans to receive this
amount from the Counsul General.

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Eingegangen

23. FEB. 1961

Erledigt:

The undermentioned document is forwarded to:

- (1) Dr. Junghans, GEL Church, Chaibassa. (2) Mr. Theil GEL Church, Chaibassa
(3) Director Lokies (4) Pramukh Adhyaksh (5) Dr. Grundler Amgaon
Hospital, Barkot, Sambhalpur, Orissa and the four Adhyakshas of the
four Anchals for information and needful.

Document forwarded is

an extract from the minutes of
the K. S. S. Samiti held on January
20-31, 1961.

H. K. S. S. 18/2/61
Secretary, K. S. S.

G. E. L. Church, Ranchi.

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THE NEW DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTIONS IN THE GOSSNER CHURCH.

As per instruction of the KSS Samiti dated 28th January 1961 the
four Adhyakshas and Dr. Junghans, Assistant Manager along with the
Pramukh Adhyaksh visited Khutitoli and made a survey of the site
of the proposed Farm.

Resolved: That the whole real estate property of the G. E. L. Church
at Khutitoli be set apart for the Agricultural Training
and Development Centre of the G. E. L. Church. The land be
handed over to the proper authority^{ieo} constituted below.
The local High school be included in the scheme as a
Multipurpose Higher Secondary school with Agriculture
The Girl's Middle will have its own Compound and manage-
ment. The Congregation will have also its own Compound.
Under Article XXI part II section (S) the K. S. S. consti-
tutes the Governing body of the Institution with the
four Adhyakshas and the Dir. Dr. Junghans as members and xx
the Pramukh Adhyaksh as Chairman of this body.

Along with the Agriculture Training and Development
Centre, the Technical Training for Craft-works and Eng.
ineering school to be opened at Phudi and the Amgaon
Hospital also are considered. These Institutions will be
separate from one another but the governing body could
be one and the same.

Therefore it is further resolved that Mr. W. Theil, Director of the Technical School and Dr. Grundler, the Superintendent of the Hospital at Amgaon shall be included in the Governing Body of the three new big Institutions of the Church i.e. the Agriculture Training and Development Centre Khutitoli, the Technical Training for Craft-work and Engineering and the Hospital at Amgaon. The Treasurer will be named by the Kuratorium and ~~Rxxxxxxxykxk~~ the Secretary of this body will be named by the K.S.S. and the Pramukh Adhyaksh will be the Chairman of the body. The Kuratorium has already named Mr. Theil to be the Treasurer and the K.S.S. Names Dr. Junghans as Secretary of this body. Each Institution shall be independent from each other with its own budget and Bank Account. Each, Director and the Superintendent of the Amgaon Hospital will operate on the Bank Account. Mr. Theil, as Treasurer of the Governing Body shall correspond with the Kuratorium and Board for the World Action, regarding all financial matters of the Governing Body, and Dr. Junghans, as Secretary will correspond with the said Bodies with regards to all matters other than financial.

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G. E. L. Church Compound,
Ranchi.

January 12, 1961.

Dear Brother Lokies,

Very many thanks for your letter of the 4th Jan.

I want to point out to you that since 1st November, 1960

I am not the Treasurer of the G. E. L. Church and as such I

have forwarded your letter to Rev. C. B. Aind, Treasurer, G. E. L. Church, Rajgangpur, Orissa. I have requested him to send you the necessary informations.

I am in the office at Ranchi as an accountant and I am helping Br. Aind in maintaining the accounts. I request you please not to write official letters to me as it may cause misunderstanding here. I do not want that my being in the KSS office should prejudice anybody in any way.

I will always welcome your blessings for me by your private letters, which I believe you will favour me with, at occasions.

One of cousin brother (Bhusan) of Mr. N. E. Horo died of Bus accident in the night of 27th December, 1960 at Simdega hospital. Everyone of us here is keeping well.

With best wishes to Mrs. Lokies and yourself.

Yours Sincerely,

B. M. Horo.

BY AIR MAIL

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Dr. Hans Lokies.

Director, Gossnersche Missions-
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Head, accountant,

G. P. L. Church, Ranchi,

(Bihar) INDIA.

GOSNER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Ranchi,
The 16th. Jan, 1961

My dear Brother Stesch,

Mrs. Tiga and I thank you very much for your kind letter of the 10th. Dec. I wanted to write to you immediately but then I decided to wait until the very possible time given by you namely the end of this month in order that my reply may be up-to-date about the time when you have the meeting of the Kuratorium. I do hope that you will please excuse me for the delay.

Several of us are quite aware of the fact that the new Constitution of the Gossner Church adopted early in the morning of May 1, 1960 is by no means an ideal Constitution for any Church although in the beginning it was intended by the well wishers of the Church to draw up a Constitution which would serve the best interests of the one undivided Gossner Church. After the 1st. of November 1960 when it was actually applied it was seen that it is not an undivided Gossner Church which the new Constitution is seeking to serve but in fact and in deed it is trying to serve a divided Gossner Church. However much it was attempted to present before the innocent members of the Church that the Church is not divided by the Gossner Church's new Constitution it is seen and found that the Church has been divided. In the Decans the elections held under the leadership of Rev. Tete has been set aside. On 11.12.1960 a special meeting of the North Western Anchal Bengal Synod was held which was attended by the representatives of the North Zone congregations of the Decans. They elected a completely new set of officers and members of their Synod Sabha altogether a violence of the arrangements made under the new Constitution by Rev. Martin Tete a duly elected election officer for Decans. In Khatitely the North Zone people have remained as before and a case in the court at Simdega between the two groups is continuing. In Lehardaga the congregations which were divided remain divided and under the leadership of Rev. J. Lakra, the Pramukh Adhyaksh a second second lock was put to the doors of the Lutheran High School on the top of the blocks usually put by the authorities who have been in charge of the school for the last several years without any consultation with them. The matter was referred to the Lehardaga police and the Lehardaga Post Office (in connection with the School Pass Book) by Rev. J. Lakra and the school now remains closed when new admissions should have taken place. In Pathalkhuda the division is sharp and hostile against one another. In Ranchi proper there is not the least sign of any new Constitution having come. The two separate congregations work under the sets of pastors and two separate Mandli Panches with their own Chairman, separate funds, separate management etc. In Jamshedpur these North Zone members who declared not to accept the decisions of the last Mahasabha are outside the South Eastern Anchal to which they properly belong and they hold separate services, have separate management. They invited Rev. Khamkhani to conduct their Christmas service. Several who went there and they remained by themselves as a divided group and they are still separate. The Jatately Parish has remained aloof from the Kinkal Synod. Now this is towards the close of the third month since the new Constitution was brought into force and peace and unity desired by the sincere members of the Church and its well wishers have not been attained, rather they seem to be fleeing from them. Disappointment is great and no one knows what is to follow.

It is quite clear that the new Constitution is not the one which satisfies the cravings of the heart nor does it get the welcome from even those who wanted a change of the Constitution. It meant to help a truce among two fighting groups but even that has not been achieved. These are bare facts and we all have to think anew what is best for the Church.

In reply to your question about myself I have to say that I have not yet been given any post. Rev. J. Lekra and his people who are in the Kendriye Salahkari Sabha have taken a revengeful attitude and they have made clear statements in the meetings of the K. S. S. that they are against giving any post to Mr. C. M. Here, Mr. H. E. Here and me. What has happened and what is happening is completely different from what Dr. Lekies told us in the beginning (1959) namely that no one should be turned out of the jobs. Yes, but I don't blame Dr. Lekies as I knew that he was sincere in what he said. We all the three officers surrendered our offices for the peace and unity of the Church under the leadership of Bishops Manikam and Meyer and we do not repent for it but certainly we wish that the purpose for which a new Constitution was drawn up which required us to surrender our offices should be achieved. That will be our consolation.

With Christian love and hearty greetings,
Very Sincerely Yours,
for J. J. Figa
has not yet been fully organized as required by the new Constitution and the Central Boards which share a good part of the responsibilities of the central administration have not been formed and therefore there is much confusion and uncertainty.

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Berlin-Friedenau, January 13th, 1961

Lo/Su.

Rev.
Santosh Surin
Director Evangelistic Work
G.E.L. Church
Ranchi / Bihar
INDIA

Dear Brother Surin ,

herewith I wholeheartedly thank you for the detailed report regarding the Evangelistic Work of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church in 1960.

I read it with great interest. I shall put it in our next meeting before the Kuratorium on the 6th February . Your report will also be published in our Mission-paper (" Die Biene auf dem Missionsfelde").

To-day I want to acknowledge receipt of your letter; but I intend to enter into details on your report later on.

May God bless your work that it may bring much fruit for His Name's glory.

With our best regards and

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Yours



zur Übersetzung

Berlin, 13. Januar 1961

Lo/Su.

Rev.
Santosh S u r i n
Director Evangelistic Work
G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar
INDIA

Lieber Bruder Surin !

Hiermit möchte ich Ihnen von ganzem Herzen für den ausführlichen Bericht über die evangelistische Arbeit der Goßner-Kirche im Jahre 1960 danken.

Ich habe ihn mit großem Interesse gelesen und werde ihn auf der nächsten Sitzung unseres Kuratoriums am 6. Februar vorlegen. Gleichzeitig erscheint er in unserem Goßner Missionsblatt (die "Biene auf dem Missionsfelde"), Ich habe die Absicht, später auch auf Einzelheiten des Berichts einzugehen. Heute aber möchte ich Ihnen nur den Empfang Ihres Briefes bestätigen, Sie von uns grüßen und Ihnen für Ihre Arbeit auch in diesem Jahre viel Frucht und Gottes Segen wünschen.

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5. Steglitz:

1 beamteter Rektor
(B.Gr. A 12)

a) Grundschule: 7 Klassen (1 Klasse noch zweizügig)

3 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(B.Gr. A 10 a)

4 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. V)

b) Oberschule TZ: 4 Klassen

2 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(B.Gr. A 10a + 40.--)

2 1/2 (bisher 3) angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. IV, davon 1 nach A.S.V.Gr. III)

1/2 Fachkraft für Mädchenturnen

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Berlin-Friedenau, 13th of January, 1961

Lo/Su.

Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Dear Brother Lakra !

I learned by a letter from Brother JUNGHANS that the K.S.S. is considering a plan how all 3 development projects :

- 1/ School for Agriculture of Dr. Junghans
- 2/ School for handicrafts of Architect Thiel
- 3/ The Hospital at Amgaon

should be united under one organisation or board and how to administrate and centralize all the funds from Germany for these projects.

As our next meeting of the Kuratorium will be on the 6th of February I would be very thankful, if you would kindly write as soon as possible what your plans are regarding the 3 development projects.

It is very important that we may find the right form for this new action.

Furthermore I want to let you know that Mr. Bernhard Ohse who is responsible for the action " Bread for the world " will leave Berlin on the 12th of February for a journey round the world.

He will visit all the countries and districts where such development projects are taking place which are financed by the action " Bread for the World ". He will also visit the Gossner-Church but he has only three days for this visit. He wants to meet and see all the Indian Brethren of the Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church who are responsible for the development-projects. He also wants to see Khutitoli, the site chosen for the School for Handicrafts, and the Hospital at Amgaon. On the way to Amgaon he wishes to meet Pastor Dr. Peusch in Rourkela. In my opinion a visit of 3 days only is too short, but he has no time to stay longer. The best place for a meeting would be Ranchi.

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Therefore I would be very grateful if you would send as quickly as possible an invitation to Mr. Ohse through my address here in Berlin.

Please do write, along with this invitation-letter, your proposals regarding the agenda for the three days of his visit, how you think best to spend the time with him, so that he gets the best possible informations.

A copy of this my letter is also sent to Pastor Kloss, Dr. Gründler, Eng. Thiel, Dr. Junghans and Dr. Peusch.

With kind regards to all the Brethren in Ranchi and with kind regards also to your family

sincerely Yours

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Rev. Joel L a k r a
Prampkh Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

Bln.-Friedenau, 13. Januar 61

Lo/Su.

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Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen an die Brüder in Ranchi und
an Ihre Familie

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Dear Brother Sakra,

I learned by a letter from Brother Jungbaun that the C.C. is considering a plan how all 4 development projects

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- (2.) School for Handicrafts of Architect Thiel
- (3.) The Hospital at Ingaon
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4. Spandau:

(10-Jahres-Schule besonderer pädagogischer Prägung
nach Jena-Plan)

1 beamteter Rektor
(B.Gr. A 12)

a) Schulkindergarten:

1 Schulkindergärtnerin
(A.S.V.Gr. VIII)

b) Grundschule nach Jena-Plan: (6 Gruppen)

3 beamtete Lehrer
(B.Gr. A 10 a)

4 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. V)

c) Oberschule: 2 Gruppen nach Jena-Plan
2 Jahresklassen OTZ

2 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(1 nach B.Gr. A 10a, 1 nach A 10a + DM 40.--)

4 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. IV)

1/2 Fachkraft für Mädcheturnen

1 Hilfskraft für Schwimmen

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Yours,

3. Neukölln:

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(B.Gr. A 12)

a) Grundschule: 12 Klassen

1 beamtete Lehrkraft als Stellvertreterin
(B.Gr. A 10 a)

5 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(B.Gr. A 10a)

6 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(4 A.S.V.Gr. V u. 2 A.S.V.Gr. IV,
davon 1 Lehrkraft + 800 DM Zulage)

b) Oberschule PZ.: 3 Klassen

2 beamtete Lehrkräfte
(B.Gr. A 10 a)

2 angestellte Lehrkräfte
(A.S.V.Gr. IV)

c) Oberschule TZ: 4 Klassen

4 (bisher 3) beamtete Lehrkräfte
(2 nach A 10 a, 2 nach A 10a + 40.-- DM)

1 angestellte Lehrkraft
(A.S.V.Gr. III)

1 Fachkraft für Hauswirtschaft, Stenographie
und Schreibmaschine
(A.S.V.Gr. V)

zur Übersetzung

Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh Adhyaksh G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar
INDIA

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Lo/Su.

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Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen an die Brüder in Ranchi und
an Ihre Familie

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Du. Dr.Gründler
Dr.Junghans
Pastor Kloss
Pastor Dr.Peusch
Ing.Thiel

Mit der Bitte um Kenntnissnahme und ebenfalls um
Ratschläge für eine nutzbringende Ausschöpfung des
kurzfristigen Besuchs von Herrn Ohse, am besten in
Form eines kurzen Schreibens an ihn selbst, in
dem Sie ihn willkommen heißen (alles an meine Anschrift).

Mit herzlichsten Grüßen
H. J. Peusch

Berlin-Friedenau, 4. January 1961
Lo/Su.

Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh-Adhyaksh G.E.L.Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Dear Brother Lakra,

we thank you for your good wishes for Christmas and the New Year.
We thank you especially for your invitation to our German brothers who are coming to the Ecumenic Conference in New-Delhi, to visit the Gossner-Church. You can reckon with certainty with the following persons:

1. The chairman of our Kuratorium Kirchenrat Dr. Christian B e r g
2. Generalsuperintendent Dr. Günter JACOB, whose seat is in the Russian occupied territory, and who supports the work of the Gossner-Mission there most willingly;
3. our young home-missionary Wolf-Dieter G u t s c h , who has been delegated by the Youth-Chamber of the Evangelical Church in Germany.

I shall let you know later on , whether you are to expect further guests.

We are greatly concerned about the successor for Brother Hanukh MINZ who served us most faithfully here in Germany for 5 years. All parishes in which he served came to love him, and highly appreciated his work.

Further there are still students to be selected which the Gossner Church intends to send to Germany for study. These need not only be theologians, but also belong to other faculties: technicians, agriculturists, physicians, architects etc. We repeat our invitation for 10 students in all, besides the four students who are already in Germany: the brothers SINGH, KERKETTA, LAKRA and HORO. They all were for Christmas our guests here in the Gossner-House, and we are happy to inform you that they are all reliable and diligent students.

And now one last matter: This year for the first time after years we shall be able to send the Gossner Church money for its own use. Up till now we were only able to send money for the payment of our German co-workers, for the work of the Joint Mission Board, and recently for the new development work, and beyond that occasional subsidies for the Tabita-school and single sums for certain special activities (e.g. the Pracharak's Training-School in Govindpur). This time - within this month - you will receive about 20.000.- Rupies for the Gossner-Church which are mainly meant for church buildings and theological training in the College.

Besides, the Koronjo-Synod let us know that they are shortly celebrating their 75th anniversary. We would like to honour the occasion by sending them a gift of 1.000.- Rs. However, this sum will be handed over to them by brother KLOSS (out of his funds). I only wanted to let you know about this, hoping that you will appreciate this action in view of a jubilee celebration .

Cordial greetings and God's blessing on the work of this year.

Yours sincerely

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Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh-Adhyaksh G.E.L.Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

Lieber Bruder Lakra !

Wir danken Ihnen sehr für Ihre Grüße zum Christfest und Neuen Jahr. Im besonderen sind wir dafür dankbar, daß Sie unsere deutschen Brüder, die zu der oekumenischen Tagung nach Neu-Delhi gehen, zum Besuch in die Goßner-Kirche eingeladen haben. Sie dürfen zunächst mit Bestimmtheit mit dem Besuch folgender Brüder rechnen :

- 1./ des Vorsitzenden unseres Kuratoriums, Kirchenrat Dr.Christian B e r g.
- 2./ des Generalsuperintendenten Dr.Günter J a c o b , der im russisch besetzten Gebiet sein Amt hat und die Arbeit der Goßner-Mission dort aufs freundlichste unterstützt, endlich
- 3./ unser junger Volksmissionar Wolf-Dieter G u t s c h , der von der Jugendkammer der Evangelischen Kirche in Deutschland delegiert ist.

Ob noch weitere Gäste zu erwarten sind, werde ich Ihnen später schreiben.

Sehr am Herzen liegt mir nun die Frage eines Nachfolgers für Bruder Hanukh Minz, der uns 5 Jahre lang hier in Deutschland mit großer Treue gedient hat. Alle Gemeinden, in die er gekommen ist, haben ihn lieb gewonnen und seinen Dienst sehr hoch geschätzt.

Ferner ist auch noch eine Auswahl von Studenten zu treffen, die von der Goßner-Kirche zum Studium nach Deutschland entsandt werden sollen. Es handelt sich dabei nicht nur um Theologen, sondern auch um Studenten anderer Fakultäten: Techniker, Landwirte, Ärzte, Architekten usw. Wir sprechen erneut die Einladung für insgesamt z e h n Studenten aus. - Zu Weihnachten haben wir alle Studenten, die schon nach Deutschland gekommen sind, bei uns zu Gaste gehabt ; die Brüder SINGH, KERKETTA, LAKRA und HORO. Wir dürfen Ihnen berichten, daß sie alle treu und fleissig bei der Arbeit sind.

Und nun noch ein Letztes : Wir werden in diesem Jahre zum ersten Male nach langer Zeit der Goßner-Kirche direkt Geld überweisen können - zu ihrer eigenen Verfügung. Bisher konnten wir nur die Gehälter für unsere deutschen Geschwister, für die Arbeiten des Joint Missions Board, jetzt für die neuen Entwicklungsarbeiten und darüber hinaus nur gelegentlich

Ausschüsse für die Tabitaschule und einzelne Spenden für ganz bestimmte Sonderzwecke schicken (z.B. auch für die Pracharak's Training-School in Govindpur). Diesmal sollen Sie, noch in diesem Monat, ungefähr 20.000.-Rs. für die Goßner-Kirche erhalten und zwar im besonderen für ~~Männerhäuser~~ kirchliche Bauten und die theologische Ausbildung im College. [Außerdem hat uns die Koronjo-Synode die Mitteilung gemacht, daß sie Ihr 75-jähriges Jubiläum feiern. Wir möchten bei dieser Gelegenheit auch ihr eine Freude machen und als Jubiläumsgabe 1.000.- Rs. überreichen. Dieser Betrag wird aber der Synode durch Bruder Kloss überbracht werden (aus seiner Kasse.) Ich wollte Ihnen davon nur Kenntnis geben in der Hoffnung, daß Sie für diese Handlungsweise anlässlich eines Jubiläums volles Verständnis haben.

Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen und Segenswünschen für die Arbeit dieses Jahres

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W. Kloss

Other Lakra,

Thank you for your good wishes for Xmas and the New Year. We thank you especially for your invitation to our German brothers who are coming to the Ecumenic Conference in New-Delhi, to visit the Gossner Church.

You can reckon with certainty with the following persons:

1. The chairman of our ~~Koratorium~~: Kirchenrat Dr. Christian BERG
2. Generalsuperintendent Dr. Günther JACOB, whose seat is in the Russian occupied territory, and who supports the work of the Gossner-Mission there most willingly, finally:
3. our young home-missionary Wolf-Dieter GUTSCH, who has been delegated by the Youth-Chamber of the Evangelical Church in Germany.

I shall let you know later on, whether you are to expect further guests.

We are

~~I am~~ greatly concerned about the successor for Brother Hanukh Minz who served us most faithfully here in Germany for 5 years. All parishes in which he served ~~into which he came~~ came to love him, and highly appreciated his work.

Further there are still students to be selected which the Gossner Church intends to send to Germany for study. These need not ~~be~~ only be ~~at~~ theo-

SEINE Barmherzigkeit erweisen und uns in diesen Festtagen mit
Freudigkeit erfüllen, um in der Gemeinde und in der Welt zu dienen.
möge dieses Jubiläum in der Synode Koronjo dazu segnen, daß das Land
reichlich ausgesät werde, Wurzel fasse und Frucht bringe, - hundertfaches Erntegeld.
Das ist unser Gebet für Koronjo zu seinem Jubiläum.

Wir grüßen alle Brüder und Schwestern, die zu diesem Festtage versammelt
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Es grüßt Sie im Namen des Kuratoriums der Goßner-Mission

Unterschriften

Setzung des Briefes an Lakra

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They were for Christmas our guests here in the Gossner-house,
and*
logians, but also belong to other faculties: Technicians, ~~physicians~~
agriculturists, physicians, architects etc. We repeat our invitation
for 10 students in all, ^{besides the your} For Christmas all students who are already
in Germany ~~were our guests~~ Brothers SINGH, KERKETTA, LAKRA and HORO.
We are happy to inform you that they are all reliable and diligent
~~workers~~ students.

And now one last matter: This year for the first time after years
we shall be able to send the Gossner Church money for its own use.
Up till now we were only able to send money for the payment of our
German co-workers, for the work of the Joint Mission Board, and ~~recently~~
recently for the new development work, and beyond that occasional
subsidies for the Tabita-school and single sums for certain special
activities/(e.g. the Pracharak's Training-School in Govindpur/).
This time - within this month - you will receive about 20.000 rs
for the Gossner Church which are mainly meant for church buildings
and theological training in the College.

Besides, the Koronjo-Synod let us know that they are shortly celebrat-
ing their 75th anniversary. We would like to honour the occasion
by sending them a gift of 10000 rs. However, this sum will be handed
over to them by Brother Kloss (out of his funds). I only wanted to
let you know about this, hoping that you will ~~understand~~ appreciate
this action in view of a jubilee celebration.

Cordial greetings and God's blessing on the work of this year

yours sincerely,

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an
Koronto-
Synode

C.M. H o r o
Treasurer G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar
INDIA

Lieber Bruder Horo !

Die Goßner-Mission wird in diesem Jahr zum ersten Mal nach langer Zeit in der Lage sein, der Goßner-Kirche direkt zu ihrer eigenen eigenen-Verfügung einen Betrag von rund 20.000.- Rs. zu schicken. Diese Spende ist als Hilfe von Kirche zu Kirche gedacht. Es handelt sich dabei um eine Erntedankfest-Kollekte der Berliner Kirche. Am liebsten würden wir es sehen, wenn diese Sondergabe nicht innerhalb des Etats verbraucht, sondern für besondere Zwecke verausgabt wird, z.B. für kirchliche Bauten und für die theologische Ausbildung im besonderen im College. Wir müssen in einem Vierteljahr über die Verwendung dieses Betrages an das sogenannte Hilfswerk in Berlin Bericht erstatten und darum wären wir Ihnen dankbar, wenn Sie uns einmal schreiben wollten, wofür Sie diese Spende verwandt haben.

Ich hoffe, daß wir in Zukunft ähnliche außerordentliche Überweisungen für die Goßner-Kirche werden durchführen können. Wir bitten Sie darum sehr herzlich, uns sobald wie möglich das Bankkonto der Goßner-Kirche in Ranchi mitzuteilen.

Mit den herzlichsten Grüßen, auch an Bruder N.E.Horo und mit allen guten Wünschen für dieses neubegonnene Jahr

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Gossnersche Missionsgesellschaft
Berlin-Friedenau
Handjergstraße 19/20

Berlin-Friedenau, January 4th, 1960

Lo/Su.

Mr.
C.M. H o r o
Treasurer G.E.L. Church
R a n c h i / Bihar

INDIA

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I hope we shall in future be able to transfer similar grants of this kind to the Gossner-Church, we therefore beg you to give us the number of your bank account in Ranchi as soon as possible.

With cordial greetings also to Brother N.E.Horo and with all good wishes for this newly begun year

I am Yours sincerely

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Berlin-Feiedenau, 2. Januar 1961

Lo/Su.

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R a n c h i / Bihar
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I am yours sincerely,

January 3rd, 1961

Koronjo Synod
G.E.L. Church
c/o Rev. M.TOPNO, Synod Sanchalak
Koronjo / Ranchi

Bihar - INDIA

Dear Brethren in Christ ,

on behalf of the Koronjo Synod and the Christus-Kirche you informed us that you will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Synod and the 50th anniversary of Christ's Church on January 13th in Koronjo.

In the name of the Kuratorium of the Gossner-Mission we send you our best greetings and wish you God's blessing for the festival. We thank God for the blessing he has bestowed on the neighbouring villages and parishes through Koronjo. We praise the Lord that He has made Christ's Church in Koronjo a light on a stand and a city on a hill.

With you we pray God's forgiveness for all the sins of the past, especially for all lack of faith and of love and hope in our preaching of the Gospel. May God grant you and us His loving kindness in these days and fill us with new joy in our service for the church and the world. May He bless this jubilee-day in the Synod of Koronjo so that the Word of God be sown in abundance and take root and bear fruits - hundredfold. That is our prayer for Koronjo for its Jubilee.

We send our greetings to all brothers and sisters which are assembled for this festival out of the love in Christ which never ends even when times and things change. " JESUS CHRIST THE SAME YESTERDAY AND TO-DAY AND FOR EVER ".

In the name of the Kuratorium of the Gossner-Mission

Rev. Kloss

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Berlin-Friedenau, 2. Januar 1960

Lo/Su.

Koronjo Synod
G.E.L. Church
c/o M. TOPNO, Synod Sanchalak
Koroncha /Ranchi

Bihar - INDIA

Liebe Brüder in Christus!

Sie haben uns im Namen der Koronjo Synode und der Christus-Kirche in Koronjo mitgeteilt, daß Sie am 13. Januar d.J. die 75 - Jahr - Feier der Synode und die 50-Jahr-Feier der Christus-Kirche in Koronjo begehen.

Im Namen des Kuratoriums der Goßner-Mission senden wir Ihnen zu diesem Festtage die herzlichsten Grüße und Segenswünsche. Wir danken Gott für den Segen, der von Koronjo aus in die benachbarten Dörfer und Gemeinden ausgegangen ist. Wir loben und preisen Gott dafür, daß er die Christus-Kirche in Koronjo zu einem Licht auf dem Leuchter und zu einer Stadt auf dem Bege gemacht hat.

Wir bitten mit Ihnen Gott um Vergebung für alle Schuld in der Vergangenheit, im besonderen für allen Kleinglauben und den Mangel an Liebe und Hoffnung bei der Ausbreitung des Evangeliums. Gott möge Ihnen und uns SEINE Barmherzigkeit erweisen und uns in diesen Festtagen mit einer neuen Freudigkeit erfüllen, um in der Gemeinde und in der Welt zu dienen. ER möge dieses Jubiläum in der Synode Koronjo dazu segnen, daß das Wort Gottes reichlich ausgesät werde, Wurzel fasse und Frucht bringe. - hundertfältig. Das ist unser Gebet für Koronjo zu seinem Jubiläum.

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Unterschriften



Pastor Heinz Wagner
im Evang. Hilfswerk / Bln-Zehlendorf
Teltower Damm 93 / Tel. 84.72.53

Koronjo

Wir wollen Sie wieder einladen und besuchen und bitten
daher um Ihre g e n a u e Anschrift.

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Jesus Christ today and yesterday and the same in all eternity

In the name of the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission

*→ the same yesterday and to-day, ~~you~~ and
for ever*

Wir wollen Sie wieder einladen und besuchen und bitten daher um Ihre g e n a u e Anschrift.

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An das Kuratorium! 2.2.61
H. Kloss

MEETING OF THE NEW JOINT MISSION BOARD OF THE G.E.L.CHURCH AT AMBAON

26.11.60

by Prof. Kloss

Members present: Pramukh Adhyaksh Rev. J. Lakra (convener)
Adhyaksh Rev. Dr. M. Bage
Rev. H. Kloss (Recording Secretary)

Mr. W. Thiel was absent due to work for the agricultural fair at Calcutta.

Honorable visitors: Adhyaksh Rev. C. B. Aind
Adhyaksh Rev. M. Hemrom
Dr. med. Ch. Grindler
Dr. K. H. Junghans

The meeting was opened with prayer by the convener, Rev. J. Lakra.

1) Reorganisation of the Board according to the new Appointments.

It was reported that the K.E.S. of the Gossner Church Ranchi and the Kuratorium of the Gossner Mission Berlin have nominated new members for the board. The K.E.S. appointed:

Rev. J. Lakra Rev. Dr. M. Bage

The Kuratorium appointed:

Mr. W. Thiel Rev. H. Kloss

2) Appointment of the Officers.

The board appointed Rev. Dr. M. Bage to be secretary and Rev. H. Kloss to be treasurer. According to § 2 of the J.M.B. constitution ("alternating the first two positions", i.e. chairman and treasurer, "between the G.E.L.C. members and the Gossner Home Board members...") the chairmanship was given to a member appointed by the Kuratorium, Rev. H. Kloss. - It was regretted that Mr. W. Thiel had to be absent. Therefore the treasurer and the chairman was appointed as "acting" in order to leave the way open for another decision. The decision will be made definite in the next meeting.

3) New arrangement for the Hospital Ambaon.

Due to the present development and growth of the Hospital at Ambaon it is considered that the hospital should be in its medical and evangelistic activities a self governing institution directly and intimately connected with the G.E.L.C. through the Pramukh Adhyaksh. Dr. Grindler requested to supply the Hospital with an Uriya speaking catechist, as soon as the quarter for this catechist is completed on the hospital ground which is going to be done together with other building work for the hospital staff. Rev. C. B. Aind promised to try his best in finding such a catechist. The task of the present catechist, Amus Aind, be considered in this connection.

4) Members of other Denominations wanting to join the G.E.L.C. in Midnapore (West Bengal).

Letters of a group of people belonging to different denominations of the Church were handed over to Rev. Dr. M. Bage by Rev. H. Kloss. The new secretary was requested to inquire into the matter (rules for changing the denominations in the Bihar Christian Council, personal motives of the applicants etc.) and to report.

5) Preparation of new Work in Keonjhar (Orissa).

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The Church (or the J.M.B. respectively) has already occupied several centres within the district of Keonjhar (such as Borbil). For further development of Evangelistic work within the district the board will wait for the result of the investigation made by the committee formed by the Utkal Christian Council of (Orissa).

6) Parish Centres at Rangamatia (Mayurbhanj) and Kulpal (Bamra).

Registration of new land at Kulpal and building work at Kulpal and Rangamatia could not be completed by the J.M.B. pastors stationed in these places up to now. The new secretary is requested to think of these projects preparing his touring programme.

The meeting ended with prayer and benediction.

sd/ J. Lakra 18.1.61 *sd/ M. Bage 18.1.61*

H. Kloss 18.1.61

APPENDIX FOR THE INFORMATION OF BOARD MEMBERS

List of Workers in the Joint Mission Field

Singbhum (Bihar)

Gua - Rev. Silas Kujur. Parudih - ~~Singbhum~~ Cat. Gladson Surin. Bumirta - Cat. J.K. Hemrom. Bongajanga - Cat. J. Melgandi. Baibera - Cat. I. Topno. Sisibaha - Cat. Johan Surin. Jaganathpur - Cat. N. Marki. Kururikocha - Cat. Manohar Bara. Nakti - Cat. Simon Bodra.

Midnapore (West-Bengal)

Pitulia - Cand. Mukut Topno. Chuinisol - Cat. Prabhushay Topno.

Mayurbhanj (Orissa)

Rangamatia - Rev. Christhardugan Tuti. Simlipahar - Cat. Yussuf Kandulna.

Sambalpur (Orissa)

Kulpal - Rev. Halan Samad. Angaon - Cat. Amos Aind. Sargidih - Cat. Ratras Barla. Kulpal - Cat. Simon Dang. Gorabahal - Cat. Israel Lugun. Durgadih - ^{Cat.} Mansid Dang. Kalchiporhadih - Cat. Stefan Lakra. Bodrama - Cat. Josua Samad.

Rourkela Township-area

Sundargarh (Orissa)

Rourkela (Township) - Rev. Prabhucharan Minz.

Rev. Junas Soy, stationed at Chakradharpur is touring assistant to the J.M.B.- Secretary and accountant to the treasurer of the J.M.B.

A list on the figures of the converts made within the last years will be attached to the minutes of the next meeting.

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G. E. F. Church
Ranchi
Bihar
India
15/11/60

Director Gossner Mission
Friedenauer Berlin

My dear Brother Lokies,
I hope you have
received my letter of the
last week. I am writing
this letter after hearing
from Brothers Khimkeit and
Hess.

All my colleagues are
out of Ranchi and I feel I
must make haste to write
to you on behalf of the Gossner
Church of India. My col-
leagues, I feel sure, will in
no way differ from me.
Your previous letter in-
formed me that our very
good friend and Brother Dr.

Berg along with other
Gossner friends are coming
to New Delhi for W. C. C.
meeting and that they
could make time to
visit their daughter
Church. Nothing will
give us greater pleasure.

Now I extend the
heartly invitation of the
Gossner Church to Dr.
Berg and all his colleagues,
to visit the daughter
Church which will eagerly
look forward for a de-
lightful company and
Christian fellowship.

At this time I would
also like to let you know
that an earlier invi-
tation to Dr. Hess and

and Rev. Gohlke, few years ago, also stands. The Gossner Church will receive these brethren with greatest joy. We invite them along with Dr. Berg and other Gossner friends who are coming to New-Delhi.

Yes, I should not forget my very good friend Sister Mrs. Martin. My visit to Amgaon revived all the good old memories and I missed her there. India is her home Amgaon is her village. Hospital is her life. India wants her soon, Amgaon is calling her. Sister Martin, come back soon.

With much love from all of us.

P.S. K.S.S. also will confirm the invitation to Dr. Berg and all other friends.

Yours very sincerely
J. K. Berg
Pranmukh.

BY AIR MAIL

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Dr. Hans Lokier, Director
Gossner Missionary Society
Friedenau - Berlin
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New Delhi
G.S.S. Church
Pranmukh, Bikaner
India

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Berlin-Friedenau, 23.11.1960
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Rev. Joel L a k r a
Pramukh-Adhyaksh G.E.L.Church

R a n c h i / Bihar
India

Dear Brother Lakra,

Thank you for your telegram. The chairman of our Kuratorium, Dr. Berg, and the whole Kuratorium thank you for your greetings.

My first telegram was sent on the grounds of the information I had received from Ranchi that the North-West-Anchal had demanded in a meeting that the Ranchi synod and parish should come under the North-West-Anchal. A demand of this kind would have been against the constitution and consequently illegal. I was relieved when you assured me my telegram was based on false information. But you will surely understand why I incessantly point out the importance of legality. Whatever the Gossner-Church does and desires in the future, one must always attempt to reach one's aims by legal methods. That is the main lesson for all of us out of the past years.

I was informed by Brother Kloss that the Pramukh-Adhyaksh acts for the Gossner-Church in abroad affairs. Therefore I officially submit some questions to you which at the moment are important.

1. Here in Berlin we had not expected that the development-work which we had suggested and are sponsoring in the Gossner-Church would progress so quickly. I am thinking of the farm Dr. Junghans is to develop in Khutitoli and the training-school for craftsmen to be built by Brother Thiel. For these reasons the Kuratorium wants to modify its suggestions for the restaffing of the JMB, at least for the moment.

Although it is our opinion, that Mr. Thiel is the right expert for the administration we beg the K.S.S. to keep Rev. Kloss for the time being as treasurer of the JMB. That is advisable also in view of the fact that the treasurer must be well acquainted with the circumstances in the Gossner-Church. Brother Thiel, however, has only just arrived in India and therefore needs some time to become familiar with the country and its people. Then there is the Agriculture Exhibition in Calcutta which will keep both Dr. Junghans and Engineer Thiel away from their proper work in the Gossner-Church for 3 months. And above all it is essential that both Dr. Junghans and Mr. Thiel put all their energy in the work for which they were sent out from Germany. Only if we begin this development-work very soon and very energetically can we hope to receive the necessary funds from Germany.

Next to the farm it is the school for craftsmen in which people in Germany are chiefly interested. For both projects we should have plans and estimates by February next year. I have been told that we could file in a finance-plan up to 200.000 Mark for the school for craftsmen alone. It must include the statement how much own capital the Gossner-Church intends to invest in this project. This pertains chiefly to the ground-property the Gossner-Church intends to contribute to this project. All this preparatory work is very urgent.

That is why we ask you to keep Brother Kloss as treasurer to the JMB for the time being. As second member on the part of the Kuratorium for JMB we suggest - as it were as successor of Dr. Bischoff - Dr. Gründler, Amgön. Later, when conditions have changed this arrangement should be changed too.

As concerns the commission Brother Thiel received to audit the Property Board of the Gossner-Church, the Kuratorium of the Gossner-Mission is not concerned. It is a commission Brother Thiel received from LWF in Geneva directly.

2. I would like to draw your attention to two matters which have not yet been solved: The sending out of an Indian Pastor to Germany to replace Brother Hanukh Minz and the selection of qualified students of the Gossner-Church whom we could invite to Germany. Beyond the four who are already here, we could easily take 6 further students of various faculties, not only theologians.

3. Finally I want to let you know that many delegates and guests from Germany will be coming to the World Church Conference in New-Delhi, among them delegates of the Gossner-Mission. Thus it is most probable that the following persons would want to visit the Gossner-Church:

Dr. B e r g , the chairman of the Gossner-Mission,
Rev. S c h o t t s t e d t and Youth Secretary G u t s c h
of the Gossner-Mission in East-Germany,
Generalsuperintendent Dr. J a k o b , also from East-Germany
and great sponsor of our work.

Those are the visitors of whom I already know that they are coming to New-Delhi and want to visit the Gossner-Church, but there may be more who have this wish. I would like to encourage you to invite these people. As to the expenses entailed within the area of the Gossner-Church, we are willing to help you meet them.

You can gather from all I have written how great is the love we have not only for the Gossner-Church, but for your whole country, and how willing we are to help.

To you especially I am most grateful for your caring in such a friendly manner for our Brother Junghans, contacting him

with the representatives of the Government which are important for the development-work.

Through the Secretary of the Gossner-Church, Brother Hemrom, we received the official statement on the formation of the new church-government, and we pray God to bless you with wisdom and strength for your responsible office.

In the fellowship of the Lord

yours sincerely,

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