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From the Executive Director

Dear friend,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Equipping, Encouraging, and Empowering those who have a clear sense of calling and conviction to transform our society through self-less service is the commitment of the TLA Educational Trust. We have been engaged in providing necessary trainings in the ministry skills as well as donating good books and other helpful tools. We desire to see the servants of God succeed in the transformative process.

In the recent days, the Lord has been leading us to start a residential school in Guwahati; a school where the youths of today are equipped to excel not only in academia but also, are being mentored with the Words of God to become godly leaders of tomorrow. We need more partners who would share such a vision.



Rev. Dr. A.K. Lama

I write this inviting you to join us in this endeavor to help us achieve this goal in our life time. Humanly speaking it is almost an impossible task but I would like to remember St Paul, who points our hope in Jesus, saying, "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!" Amen

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MINISTRY NEWS

PASTORS & LEADERS TRAINING AT SDC, RANCHI

With the collaboration of Good Books Educational Trust and All Churches Committee of Jharkhand, the managing trustee of TLA ET, Rev. Dr.A.K. Lama and his associates organized a Pastors and Leaders' training at Society Development Centre, Ranchi from Feb 20-24, 2017. Around sixty six pastors and leaders registered for the training program. Dr. Lama was assisted by two other resource persons, Mr. Manimaran from Kolkata, who is the Director of Finance & Projects Samaritans Helps of India, and Dr. Asangla Ao, Treasurer of TLA ET. While Dr. Lama focused on the teaching and workshop on Expository sermon, Mr. Maran dealt on how to study the Bible systematically, and Dr. Asangla dealt with the subject on developing the skill of Biblical Counselling.



The training program began with an inaugural service where leaders and pastors of different churches were invited. Chief guest of the program, Respected Father Deepak Tauro, Rector of St. Albert's Theological college, Ranchi, addressed and encouraged the participants to be a good steward of God's word. The main objective of the training program was to enrich and inspire the participants to accurately study, exegete, and apply the scripture.

On the last day, we opened a forum where all the participants were given a time to share and comment their view on how they felt about the program. We got a very positive feedback from all the participants. It seemed that they all had a fruitful week. They appreciated all the resource persons for their priceless and thought provoking teachings and challenges. For some, it was an eye opening in the sense that they got to learn on how to read, study, and exegete the scripture. Yet for some, it was the pattern on how to deliver God's message. Many people benefited from the biblical counseling methods. In all this, we praise our almighty God for enabling all the resource persons for imparting the knowledge and teachings in the lives of these pastors and leaders. The program ended with anticipation for more programs whenever possible.



TLA ET TRUSTEE MEETING

The TLA ET trustee meeting was held on March 18, 2017 at Asia Antioch Seminary, Guwahati. The meeting was held especially in view of the land purchased and to discuss about drafting a project and business plan for the proposed residential school. All the trustee, co-opted members and some special invitees attended the meeting.



Prior to the meeting, the group went to see the land, where they prayed and dedicated it to the Lord. It is TLA's vision to establish a residential school and discipleship cum training center for pastors and leaders of South Central Asia. We, therefore, entreat

you to stand and pray with us that God will supply all our needs.



MINISTRY NEWS OF ABC, GOLAGHAT

As the Assam Baptist Convention celebrated its Golden Jubilee on March 11 at Golaghat, Rev. Dr. A.K. Lama was invited as one of the speakers for the program. On this occasion, Dr. Lama reminded all of how the persistent and sacrificial works of the American Baptist Missionaries have brought forth the fruit and a time of celebration. "We are just a humble link in the lineage of the great legacy. Our call is to be faithful in our generation," asserted Dr. Lama.



MINISTRY TO EU & EGF, GUWAHATI



Dr. A.K. Lama was invited to minister in the combined fellowship of EU and EGF on 19th March 2017. In the meeting Dr. Lama encouraged the students to be consistent in walking with the Lord and to keep up their faith. He also challenged them to be fruitful in life and continue having fellowship with one another. The students were blessed by the message of God's servant.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Mr. Hutten Tekshera Anal alias Mosa is one of our new staff appointed as the Program Coordinator of Good Books Educational Trust on deputation with TLA ET w e f March 2017. He comes from Chandel district in Manipur and belongs to Anal, Naga community. He earned his Master of Divinity (M.Div) and Master of Theology (M.Th) from SAIACS, Bangalore. While in Bangalore, he also served two years as the pastor of Anal Christian Fellowship. He is newly married. He and his wife, Primrose Pashel, hail from the same district and belong to the same tribe.



Miss Toshangbi Saka joins TLA ET as the office secretary cum accountant from March 2017. She also hails from Manipur, but brought up in Guwahati, Assam. She has completed her B.Com(H) from Sri Ram College of Commerce, New Delhi. Toshangbi lives with her parents and two siblings in Guwahati.

DONATION OF TWO WHEELERS

We extend our deepest gratitude to the donors of TLA ET for your donations toward bike ministry. With your help we could provide a two-wheeler to UESI Arunachal. A lady staff is the recipient of your gift (pic on the left).



We could also a two-wheeler to one of our new staff, Mr. Mosa Hutten (pic on the right). Mr. Hutten is delighted of having received the vehicle as it will ease his mobility in and around the city for ministry purpose.



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Prayer Request

1. TLA ET Trustee members, Staff, and their respective families
2. Financial need for the development of TLA ET land