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From the Executive Director

Dear friend,

It has been my privilege to connect with you through this "Words of Transformation." Last three years I have been supervising a team of faithful workers in North India through the ministry "Good Books Educational Trust." The Lord has blessed our effort among 11 language groups enormously from Jammu & Kashmir to the country of Bhutan. You are welcomed to visit our web page, www.gbetministries.org, and get some update and pray for us.

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At the same time, we are also committed to serve the Churches in the Northeast region through TLA Educational Trust. The Lord is gradually helping us to build a team. We are looking for a like minded visionary team members. With the limited resources, we are dreaming to establish a residential school to mentor future leaders as well as a training center where Pastors and Christian workers can retreat for spiritual rejuvenation. Pray for the staff and members of the Board of TLA so we can together actualize this dream.



By the way, if you are in Guwahati, you are welcomed to join International Evangelical Church in Six Mile and worship with us. St Paul wrote, ". . . His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two. . ." (Eph 2:15-16) The motto of our Church is into the new humanity in Christ. Let us pray for such a transformation among the believers.

Rev. Dr. A. K. Lama

MINISTRY NEWS

A NEW CHURCH IN GUWAHATI

On 28 May 2017, TLA Educational Trust pioneered a church, *International Evangelical Church, Guwahati*. Twenty five members attended the dedication service. The church is located at Rupkonwar Path, Six Mile, Guwahati. The church location can be traced on google map by typing the church's name.

As there are not many English speaking churches across Guwahati, TLA ET felt the need of starting a church that conducts its worship service in English. It will also enable cross-cultural married couples and their families, employees or government officials posted in the city, students living in nearby locality, and people who do not have their community

church in the city to have a place to worship on Sunday. As a Church, we seek to embrace people from any background, denomination, and culture.

Office bearers of the church are:-

Rev. Dr. A. K. Lama is the senior pastor; Mr. Mosa Hutten as the Worship leader; Mr. Siamliana Khiangte as the audio and visual manager; Mrs. Lumthiana Longmei as the communication and liaison in-charge; Mrs. Primrose Pashel as the Treasurer; and Miss Toshangbi Saka as the accountant.

We, therefore, entreat your sincere and fervent prayer for the church. Pray that the Lord will manifest the power of the Holy Spirit and that the church may grow. May the Lord help us carry forward the good work that we have begun in his name.



"Do not pray for easy lives. Pray to be a strong person. Do not pray for tasks equal to your power, but pray for powers equal to your tasks." - Philips Brooks

TLA ET LAND UPDATE

We would like to update you with the progression of TLA ET land. The process is still underway. However, we have been able to get the demarcation and mutation done in the month of May. Most paper works and documentations are also completed. God willing, we would like to commence construction works gradually. We would like our well wishers to continually pray for us that the Lord will provide all the essentials to begin the construction of school and training centre. Pray also for us in meeting with the local authorities to get their approval and cooperation.



We have recently appointed Sumesh Rabha as the care-taker of TLA ET site (*pic on the left*). Sumesh lives with his family in the village (Belguri) where the land is located.



A BRIEF TESTIMONY OF MOSA HUTEN

Being born and brought up in a Christian family did not make me a true believer until I received Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour. Right after being born again, I committed my life to serve the Lord for the rest of my life. I shared my passion and willingness to serve the Lord and go for theological studies to my parents. After much prayer and fasting, they approved my request. I obtained my Master degrees (both M.Div. and M.Th.) from SAIACS, Bangalore.

I dedicated my life to Christ in the year 2005 when I was a Sunday school teacher in a church. The longingness and desire to serve the Lord began when the Holy Spirit touched my life and revived my soul. I was then instrumental in reviving the youths and the Sunday school children of the church I was a part of. I faced oppositions and obstructions, but the Spirit of the Lord gave me the strength to stand firm. I became stronger with time. Since then I have never turned back. The grace of God has been enough for me.



My passion, therefore, is to serve the Lord through teaching and preaching the Word of God. I did not go to Bible College merely to procure knowledge or to obtain certificates, but to equip myself with the Word of God so that I can accurately teach and train people. I have a desire to win lost souls and see Christians hold sound doctrine.

HOW SUCCESSFUL YOU ARE? A brief contemplation by Mosa Hutten

We all have goals and purposes in life. Everything we do, we do it to get a good result. Eventually, we all want to be known as a successful person. Now, what does success mean? Is it becoming a powerful, influential, wealthy, or well known person? On the contrary, I believe success has nothing to do with all these titles. Success is finding contentment in whatever we do. A poor man can feel successful if he enjoys his day's labor and goes to bed with filled stomach. For instance, Jim Elliot, a missionary who was killed in the year 1956 by the Huaorani people of Ecuador shortly after his missionary journey along with his four friends would not be considered successful person if we equate success with name, fame, and wealth. He could not even accomplish what he and his friends were determined to do. Yet we acknowledge him as a successful missionary.

From the viewpoint of spirituality, being successful means to do the will of God. It is doing the will of God and not even bothering about the outcome. Therefore, let us eradicate this stereotype perception of success and rather see it from God's point of view. Strive not to become successful; strive but to be called a good and faithful servant.

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Upcoming Events

1. June 30-July 3: Women Seminars GBC
2. July 13-16: Mini Pastors Program Level 1
3. Aug 23: AGM Meeting 2017
4. Sept 8-10: Women Seminar ABCC
5. Nov 6-11: Pastors Training Program Level 2
6. 10-13 Jan, 2018: Family Enrichment Seminar

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