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Dear friends,

The year 2020 was a year of an opportunity of turning the sour grapes into sweet wine. All children of God put their faith and hope in the ever-loving God and they continued to serve Him with vigor and strength even in adversity. Neither the income nor the attendance of the Church that I served as a Pastor dropped, we simply dis-

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covered new ways to do the same old things. Our ministries in other parts of India reported similar increase in follow up, reaching out through the social media and the number of people who took baptism is the highest. Indeed, there was some fear and discomfort but there was also an assurance that the Lord was with us. Out of the 60 plus, only two of our staffs suffered with

Covid-19 but within a week they came out healthy. I consider that, as the evidence of God's hands upon us as we continue to serve Him and the community around us with His Love. Please pray that we remain similarly committed in 2021. Vaccine or no vaccine, we need the flame of passion burning in our hearts. May the Lord finds us all faithfully making His love known to the world that are still groping in the darkness.

Happy New Year to you.

– Rev. Dr. A. K. Lama

Programs organized from October-December 2020

October 1: Himalayan For Christ (HFC) responded to the flood affected area named Dumpara, Chandrapur near Guwahati as heavy rainfall and flood created havoc in Assam during monsoon. We are grateful to our donor Harvest

Community Church, Jaigaon, West Bengal for contributing towards this cause. It was a tiny step to reach out 15 families with bundles of CGI sheet for roof. One of the Board members



of HFC and the Asst. Manager (IT) helped in distributing the tins to the flood affected families. There are several poor families in the regions who are living in damaged thatch houses. Please pray for the enormous needs.

October 1: 11 Community Development Workers (CDWs) and a Project Manager were installed under HFC in the



district of Jehanabad, Bihar. They are working for the fulfillment of the goals and objectives of HFC and GBET in the field of moral development and education of the children of the lower classes in their city / town / village. Along with this, they will also work on other projects as per instructions. November 7: New project to provide free tuitions to the poor and marginalized children in 9 places (Sikhanderpur, Mathoda, Pinjour, North Daulatpur, Sadasi Chowk, Allahalganj, Sumera, Sahbara and Telipara) of Jehanabad District, Bihar was inaugurated.

November 28: HFC distributed BioSand Filters to ensure quality water for the communities in some of the remote villages of Assam a few years ago. A follow-up survey was done in 3 villages (Gova, Azuri and Amlighat) of Morigaon District Assam. The team experienced immense joy to witness the villagers, schools and SHG members still utilizing these filters to meet the daily requirement of clean water and has also protected



them from water-related diarrheal diseases.

December 11: TLA-ET & HFC staff took the opportunity to visit the Old Age Home "Amar Ghor" on December 11 as a celebration of Advent Christmas and a time to be with the aged people staying there. To break in their regular

routine, the team (even though most of the members be-

long to different states) presented a song in Assamese "Count your blessings" and the Board member could share a short exhortation.



Cake was cut and distributed, and a small token of love was presented to them. It was not the gift that they wanted but it was the time of togetherness, the warmth of smile, and a message filled with hope that they desired.

December 14: Evangelical Baptist Church Guwahati (EBCG) offered a small help to Mairapur Baptist Church (pic below left) to build toilet for the church.





December 24: EBCG took the opportunity to distribute blankets to the people living on the roadside and under the flyovers in Guwahati city. They could distribute 16 blankets (pic up right).

Tailoring Classes What we offer Basic Tailoring classes (Theory & Practical) Embroidery Duration: 3 Months Admission open from January 2021 Registration Fees: Rs 501- only Time 10:30am-12:30pm 02:00pm-04:30pm 3 Days in a week Himalayan For Christ 4F Purbasa Apartment, Seaha Path, St. Mile, Guwahati Calle: 491.0607, 163771-991 86:330.02441 TEC Obtain pages and purpose and pages and pages pages and pages pages and pages pages and pages pages

ANNOUNCEMENT

HFC is starting
a new project wherein
free
skill training in tailoring
will be provided to
the marginalized
and
destitute girls/women
in and around
Six Mile, Guwahati.
Contact office for more
information.

CONGRATUALTIONS AND BEST WISHES ON YOUR WEDDING

"May the One who brought you together bless your marriage, enrich your lives and deepen your love throughout the years."

K Chuichalung (Public Promotional Officer of TLA & Associate Pastor of EBCG) and Alotoli wedded on November 10.



Sonam Tsering (TLA Managing Trustee's daughter) and Abraham Chong joined in wedlock on December 12.



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