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Dear friends,

Merry Christmas!

As we enjoy this wonderful season of Christmas, please remember that many in south Asia are still unaware of the true message of Christmas. With the increased diminishing line between moral and immoral in almost all religious arena, the world is confused about true spirituality. On the one hand, we see some religious monks speak like politicians, on the other hand, we see some politicians leading our society in religious rituals. Last few weeks, we have also witnessed how individuals are lynched and beaten to death for violating the sanctity of the holy sanctuary.

Apparently, neither the teachings nor the teachers of most religions have enabled unconditional love and forgiveness in our society. Personal religious feelings have taken precedence over the feelings of God for a sinner. And so, violence and murder are still propagated in the name of God by most religious leaders. Amidst this hostility, many need to know why the King of kings was born in a manger and why he chose to be crucified silently as a naked criminal for the sinful world (Phil 2:6 – 8). While hanging in pain on the cross, why Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing” (Lk 23:34). I see humanity as a whole is in desperate need of knowledge and the power from God to co-exist. They need Jesus the Messiah who alone can enable them to live a life of unconditional love. Yes, the message of Christmas needs to be told 24/7 & 365.

I write this to thank you for being a witness to this love. Also thank you for enabling us in the South Asia to represent His love. May the good Lord bless you richly during this season and in the coming NEW YEAR 2022.

Rev. Dr. A. K. Lama

## Updates from TLA-ET

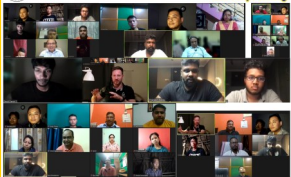
TLA-ET Calendar 2022 is published and released on Nov 22



**Devotional Book:** A devotional book “*Be Still and Know*” a reflection written by Dr. A. K. Lama is published. To order, please email to our office..



In partnership with **BULWARK** Workshop on Mobile Production and Script Writing



**Program:** Successfully completed the five days Webinar on Mobile Production and Script

Writing skills from Sept 27 to Oct 1. A total of 18 Staffs could benefit from the webinar. It was a new and interesting experience. One participant commented, “I really want to thank Dr. Lama, Ben and his entire team for the wonderful 5 days Educational webinar. We learned a lot in these five days. I hope that you could organize some more educational webinars in the future.”

## Updates from EBCG

**Youth Seminar:** EBCG successfully conducted a Youth Seminar under the theme “*Renew in Christ*” on Nov 27. Around 50 participants attended the program. The resource persons were Rev. Boipu Serto and Mr. Asato Chishi. The topics were: Dealing with Depression, Christian Perspective and Christian Purity, & Honoring God in your Youthful days.



**Church picnic:** Church Picnic was held at Chandubi on Oct 11. TLA & HFC staffs also joined the large get-together and had a relaxing time of fellowship. It was combined with a cookout, games and everyone enjoyed in scenic surroundings.



**Advent Christmas** was celebrated with pomp and gaiety, zeal and enthusiasm, also with traditional Bihu dance on Dec 19. People from different communities joined together to celebrate the birth of Jesus.





## Updates from HFC

### Guwahati:

**Tailoring Centre:** Eight Trainee graduated with diploma (Nov 23). Earlier, Ritu, our staff, initiated a dialogue on Nov 12 with Vocational Department under Don Bosco Provincial House. They signed an agreement of partnership. (Pic right)

**Land Development:** TLA Training Center and Director' Quarters construction has started from the month of September. Guard and Registration room is completed by November.

**Celebration of Advent Christmas (Dec 17):** TLA-ET and HFC staff visited "Destination" to celebrate Advent Christmas. The need of the organization was pondered upon and was helped with nutritious dry food items like rice, pulses, egg, fruits, etc. Destination is a charitable organization with adults and children with mental health conditions and intellectual disability who are rescued from the streets by different sources. Most staffs felt blessed to be amidst them and were emotionally touched.

### Jehanabad, Bihar:

**Inauguration of Alhaganj and Si-kanderpur Centres in Bihar (Oct 6):** The construction work of 2 centers completed and was inaugurated on October 6 by the Chief Guest Mr. Pravir James Simes. Other guests from Ranchi Neelam Sonali Tirkey, Sourav Vidyut Minz and Dr. Shailendra Joseph (Patna) were also present. (Pic right)

**Pastors and Leaders Training (Oct 4-5):** Ms. Neelam Sonali Tirkey and Mr. Sourav Vidyut Minz, Ranchi were two resource persons. 52 people participated. Dr. Lama facilitated the Online program. The theme of the training was, "Preach the word (II Timothy 4:2)". The topics selected were Inductive Bible Study and Personal Meditation & Prayer. (Pic right)



Construction work (Up)



Staffs visiting Destination (left)



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