



Transforming Leaders in Asia

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Dear friend in Christ,

Greetings from Shillong (northeast India).

We trust you and your families are doing fine. We want you to know that we have had a very fruitful ministry in last couple of months. We are grateful to God for your prayers and partnership in the ministry. Here are some updates.

Family Update:

Neema and Joshua have been with us for last two months enjoying their summer vacation. This fall they will be moving to another school (Kodaikanal School) in southern India. On July 15, we will travel three days by train (one way) to put them in the new school. The new school is financially affordable and Neema will be able to take the advance level classes. Our oldest daughter, Sonam, is in Iowa waiting to begin her sophomore classes in August. On July 3, AK celebrated his 49th birthday.



Ministry News

We have been blessed with many opportunities for ministries. Asangla is keeping very busy with her new assignment as the Zonal secretary of the students' ministry in the eight states of northeast India. She conducted a staff retreat in the month of February, which has rejuvenated the moral of all the staffs. In May, she led a regional training camp and a regional general council meeting to boost the campus ministries in the northeast India. She covets your prayer.



In the month of February, we were blessed to train 54 pastors and evangelists from northeast India and Bangladesh. Mr. Jim Thomason, Chairman of TLA, and his wife Mrs. Eleanor Thomason also ministered in the program. Most participants admitted that they had never been to a training that emphasized on biblical preaching, biblical counseling, and godly virtues. Women workers also enjoyed their separate track of training. To see pictures please visit my web album:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/TLAministries>



AK preaches at the Shillong Baptist Church (SBC) on most Sundays. His preaching ministry has been greatly appreciated. (Watch: <http://youtube.com/watch?v=ttYAPihamRA>) In last 8 months of his ministry several persons have made commitment to Christ. Pray for Roshani, Joyti, Kenjum, Hage, Mijing, and few others who accepted Christ from other faiths. They may face persecution because of their decision to follow Christ. He also teaches at the John Roberts Theological Seminary 3 days in a week.



We are grateful to God for the **Upton family** in Birmingham, who enabled us to donate six motorbikes to the needy pastors and evangelists in June. Earlier, they also enabled us to donate 15 motorbikes.

We are also grateful to God for many of you whose consistent supports have enabled us to carry out God's work in this part of the world effectively. Your partnership in the ministry will surely be commended by the Lord.

Please pray for the forth coming ministries of AK and Asangla this year:

1. Three days Revival Conference of Shillong Baptist Church from Aug 8-11.
2. AK's visit to Birmingham Aug 12-21.
3. Three days leaders retreat with Tura Town Baptist Church from Sept 12-14.
4. Training of 40 women social workers in Biblical Counseling from Sept 20-23.
5. EGF Conference in Kohima October 4-7.
6. Revival Conference in Dhaka, Bangladesh from Oct 9-12.
7. Counseling Workshop for 60 leaders of the Achik Churches Association from Oct 16-19
8. Training of 60 pastors and Christian workers in Nov 3-8. We expect Rev. Eclov Lee, Pastor of Village Church of Lincolnshire other resource persons to join.
9. EGF conference of Arunachal from Nov 14-16.
10. Evangelistic Camp in Patkai from Dec 16-20.

We pray that God will continue to accomplish his ministry through your lives as he has been doing through ours. St Paul rightly appeals to us, *“And he [Christ] died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.”* (2 Cor 5:15)

Thank you for your partnership.

AK and Asangla

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