CHRIST MISSION ASHRAM INDEPENDENCE DAY NEWSLETTER APRIL-AUGUST, 2018

We thank God for His guidance and protection this past April to August. We have experienced many ups and downs in our Mission. We praise God for all of the new souls that have been added to our Mission. We miss, the late, Mrs. Gita Dutta who was with us since 2009. She went to the Father's house on 11th May, 2018 as well as our ordained deacon, the late, Mr. Asis Kumar Sarkar's(31st Aug.1947-26th Aug.2018). We held his burial at Bhowanipore Cemetery on 27th August, 2018.

We thank God that He has given us the mysteries of His truth and that He had chosen us, before the creation of the world, (Ephesians 1:4) to be holy and live with Him eternally in heaven. He called us and justified us through faith in Him and gave us a hope to be glorified with Him at His second coming (Romans 8:30). I am happy to give you a brief report from April to August 2018 of our mission's activities.

First, we would like to give our hearty thanks to all those who have faithfully prayed, offered advice, support & mentoring to us these past 31 years or more to build up us and Christ Mission Ashram

KOLKATA LOVE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

By the blessings of God, on Easter Sunday, April 2, five brothers and sisters (Arohi Roy, Nishan Biswas, Amiyo Baidya, Tumpa Baidya, and Putul Mahato) were baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost in the presence of many. In the afternoon, an Easter Love Feast, Quiz and United Easter Rally were joyfully held at the St. James School ground in Kolkata.

From 2nd -6th April, the 53rd Bengali Evangelism Explosion Clinic was held at KLPC where 120 people were contacted, 90 people heard the gospel and 62 people accepted the Lord. We are ever grateful to the founder of EEIII Rev.Dr. D. James Kennedy for the wonderful Clinic.

On Sunday, 1st July, Rev. Dr. Lee Bass, from the USA, spoke a sermon on the topic "Elisha was a Hero" from I King 5:13-15 and, from 2nd -5th July, he conducted a seminar on the topic "Christian counseling".

The United Christian Forum Easter Rally procession was held from the four corners of Kolkata and gathered at St. James Church ground where our children, youth and adult believers participated.

Asha Jyoti Niloy: The day care centers are taken care of by Mrs. Jhuma Das, Mrs. Manju Gomes and Soma Das each day from Monday to Friday from 9:30 AM to 5 PM at Kolkata Love Church & Khudirabad home. We are thankful to them for sometimes giving meat or milk to the kids.

INDIA REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY(IRPTS): By the grace of God the 3rd term of the 2017-2018 academic year was closed after the examination from 16th -20th April. On 21st April the 22nd Graduation ceremony was held at IRPTS seminary at 11 AM. The Seminary re-opens on 11th June with a day of fasting. This term Rev. Dr. Sukrit Roy is teaching - Church Doctrine, OT Historical Books and The Living Church (John Stott). Rev. Souren Bag - Hebrews and the Synoptic Gospels; Rev. Suvash Sardar - Early Church History; Dr.Lee Bass-Christian Counseling, and Rev. Kim Y Sup-OT Survey and Science of Work.

THE SUMMER OUTREACH TEAM left on 23rd April with seminarian students & believers (12 people) with a good driver Ashim Biswas and they worked in Islampur, Domkol, Kandi, Baharampur (Murshidabad), Bulbulchandi (Maldah), Parul, Nishindra (Uttardinajpur), Shiliguri (Dargeeling), Dhupguri, Rabaha Basti (Jalpaiguri), Gaiser, Dharan, Hille (Nepal), Shillong (Meghalaya), Gauhati,Bijni (Assam), Mathurapur (Assam). We drove all most 3000 kms and returned on 22 May, 2018. While visiting Nepal, the newly built Gaiser Logos Presbyterian Church building was dedicated on 5th May, 2018. Pray that God may bring His harvest to His harvest house.

A THANKSGIVING SERVICE for Samuel & Christina: was held in our house on 2nd June and a reception was held in our house with friends and relatives and, finally, to the Church believers on 3rd June ,2018. Also, a reception was given for them in Seoul, Korea on 16th June with our friends and relatives over there. By the grace of God we were able to have a family excursion to Sikkim from 2nd- 5th June. We were blessed.

Baptism & Communion Service: On 10th June at 7am, at Birajnagar Presbyterian Church (Island), a baptism/communion service was held. Andul PC also conducted a communion service where a believer's family, (Mr. Sourav Banerjee) who had two kidney problems and was dying, was healed by the Lord. We thank God that he is alive.

We praise God that He also healed Mr. Sourav Das who broke a wrist bone and was bedridden with no hope but now he can work. Pray for total healing. We rejoice in the Lord that coming soon a church is going to be established over there. Please pray also for Mrs. Kaberi Rakhit that she might be totally healed from brain cancer and for family salvation (Acts 16:31)

Independence Day Celebration: By the grace of God this year the day was celebrated by hoisting the national flag at our Ideal Mission School by the teachers, students and campus people with sweets distributed to all.

Visitors with Us:

- 1. We are thankful to the THAI LAMPANG TEAM which was led by Rev. Banzamin. They visited more than 10 CMA churches during 19th-29th April and donated a PA system to us.
- 2. Rev. Kim Yoon Seop visited us in August and taught our seminary and played football with our Seminary students and Ideal School students at the Canning football ground.
- 3. Shinbanpo Pres. Church Youth team were with us from 4th-11th August and visited and reached many.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- 1. Pray for all the Board members, pastors, Elders, Evangelists, co-workers & believers that they may grow in the Lord and that the Kingdom of God will be extended even through persecution.
- 2. Upcoming four days of fasting prayer on 16th-19th October at Canning and our Day with Jesus on 6th November.
- 3. Remaining fund (US \$15,000) for two elevators at Kolkata Mission Center & equipment of the Good Samaritan Hospital.
- 4. Upcoming Seminar at KLPC on 24th -27th September and 28th September at Moipit PC & for the speaker.
- 5. God's guidance & blessings for our upcoming 20 Shilong KHASHI pastors visiting from Korea for education on Church Growth on 23rd October -5th November, 2018.

Thank you for your continuous prayer and support for the past 31 years. It gives us great encouragement to know we have a strong body of Christians who continuously pray for us and support us so we can march forward. Pray that Christians unity in diversity may be seen everywhere and that we would be holy and acceptable in His eyes.

> Yours faithfully, Rev. Dr. Sukrit Roy & Mrs. Sang Yee Roy Samuel, Christina, Esther, Ranjit, Jemimah and Barnabas And All Board members, pastors, teachers, staff & Co-workers Christ Mission Ashram, 144 Santoshpur Avenue, Kolkata-700075 Tel: 9073511847, 9830889716, Email: sukritroy@hotmail.com ; sukritroy529@gmail.com

Ministry Pictures



Thai Lampang Team at Haldia P.C.



A Thanksgiving Service for Samuel & Christina



Children with Thai Team at Kandi P.C.



Family Excursion in Sikkim



Family in Korea



Self Support Project in Islampur P.C.



Late Asis Kumar Sarkar's Memorial Service



Late Asis Kumar Sarkar's Burial Service



Mrs. Mina Mitter in Burial



Summer Outreach team at Assam Lutheran Church



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Gaiser Logos P Church dedication



Gaiser Logos church construction



Korea Shinbanpo Church Youth



Baptism & Communion Service of Sourav Banerjee



Sang Yee singing at Manditala C PC



Dr. Lee Bass Teaching Counselling



Dr. Lee Bass Dedicating house of Anjana Das



Kolkata Mission Center under construction



Shin Banpo Church team planting a tree at Nishintapur PC



S B P C team at Birajnagar PC



Monthly East Kolkata Prayer Circle at KLPC



Summer Team at AG Church Tea Garden



Lampang Team at Kandi P C



Burial of Late Gita Dutta



SBPC team at Satjelia PC



Independence day at Ideal School



Graduation ceremony of IRPTS