

all over the World.

- iii. God may provide all the medical equipment for our Good Samaritan Hospital.
- iv. God may send many students to our seminary and Ideal mission School after covid goes.
- v. Pray for peaceful coming Corporation election in West Bengal & other states. Also, to secure Economic growth & vaccination of all citizen including Children.
- vi. Pray for persecuted Christians in India and other part of the world & church may grow in midst of persecution by His grace & providence.

Thank you for your continuous love, prayer & support for CMA. Lord we pray that all our worker and partners be filled with the Holy Spirit and reach the unreached (I Chronicles 4: 10). May the Birth of Jesus Christ, Immanuel, The New Born King, The Lord of lords, fill your Heart with Everlasting Joy, Peace, Happiness and Justice.



CMA Board Meeting at President's House



Wish you a Merry Spirit filled Christmas & a Happy & Prosperous New Year 2022

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.

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CHRISTMAS LETTER 2021 CHRIST MISSION ASHRAM KOLKATA, INDIA, DECEMBER 2021



'Jesus is the Light of the World'
- John 8:12

*“The Lord will RESCUE me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to His heavenly Kingdom.
To Him be Glory for ever and ever. Amen.”
II Timothy 4:18*

Dear Partners in the Gospel,

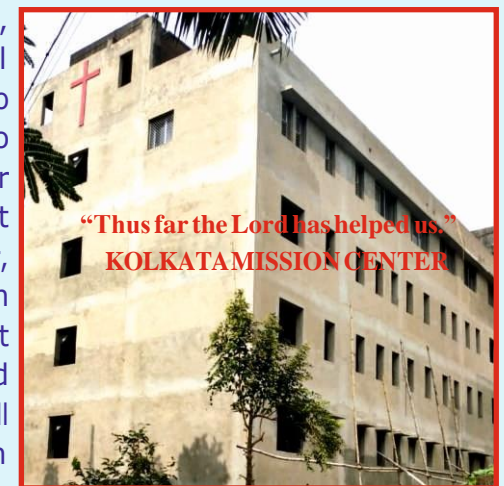
I am happy to convey my hearty Christmas Greetings to all OUR advisors, mentors, sponsors, teachers, doctors, pastors, evangelists and co-workers in the midst of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Amphan and Yass Cyclone in West Bengal, India.

We are THANKFUL to God that by His CONTINUOUS protection and grace not a single believer in OUR congregation died from Covid-19. God has SURROUNDED US UNDER His wings (Psalm 91:4) and we believe He will carry US SAFELY to His heavenly Kingdom (Ex. 19:5, Isaiah 64:4, II Timothy 4:18).

We are GRATEFUL & THANKFUL to OUR dear Lord JESUS for His FAITHFULNESS to US as we COULD complete OUR 34 years of ministry in India and RUNNING 35 years. We are delighted to inform YOU of OUR ministries and what the Lord has done THROUGHOUT the year.

• KOLKATA LOVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Due to the pandemic and lockdown, last year from 22nd March till 8th November, 2020 we could not do our Sunday Church Services (Two Bengali, Hmar, English, Hindi) in our church premises and had to do it online. However, from 15th November, 2020 we could resume again till 9th May, 2021 when the second wave hit and we were in lockdown again. And resumed again from 18th July, 2021 till today by the grace of God. The 34th



Anniversary of our Church was held on 1st March to 3rd March, 2020 at our Kolkata Mission Centre by the presence of 100 participants from different daughter churches. By the providence of God Christmas 2020 and Easter 2021 we could celebrate by keeping Covid-19 protocol in our church. We also celebrate our Palm Sunday, Good Friday & Easter, Pentecost, Ascension Sundays, and 'Day With Jesus' in our church premises and also did it by audio & virtual for aged believers who are unable to attend church.

By God's grace Rev. Sukrit Roy, Biswajit Halder, Samuel Mondal, Elder Supriyo Roy and ordained deacon Ashis Saha went to Hille Logos Presbyterian Church in Nepal for the dedication service on dated 1st February, 2021 to one of our planting church in Nepal. Thank God by the help of many and the Mayor of Hille's donation for building the church and dedication.

• INDIA REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

This seminary was started in a rented house in 1988 and by God's grace 277 students has graduated and have been serving with CMA and different denominations in West Bengal, other states and Nepal. By God's grace on 2nd March, 2021 the 26th Graduation ceremony and Elder, Deacon ordination was held. Now the classes are going on together with Grace Bible Academy via Zoom & conference call. Rev. Sukrit Roy taught the subject – Church Administration, Shepherds Leadership, Homiletics' I+II, Church Planting and Biblical Theology, and Rev. Souren Bag taught 'Four Gospel' and 'Paul's Epistle'. We are grateful to Netherland Reformed Church, EVTA, CMAI and Asian Mission for their prayers & partnership.



Stephen Rai at GBA-IRPTS

• DAUGHTER CHURCHES

1. SITAPUR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Uttar Pradesh)

This church was planted by Chandra Sekher Purohit who was introduced to us by Shymal Nasker our graduate student who was working for Leprosy Mission in UP and presently working with 'Save the Child'. Chandra Sekher did his seminary classes by coming to Kolkata for past 10 years and at last this church was planted by him. Mr. Ram Adhar who is a believer donated a piece of land where a small church building has been built by the help of many and the roof was made concrete by the help of Mr. Suranjan Baidya. Still today we could not dedicate the church due to second wave of Covid-19.

2. PARUL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Uttar Dinajpur)

This church was started on 22nd December, 2009 by a young man Noren Tudu who was graduated from our seminary in 2004. Now total believers strength is of 150, he has gone to the Lord suddenly by heart attack but afterwards his brother Rev. Nagen Tudu took the responsibility of the church. The church construction is going on, please pray for completion. Thank God through this church two more branch churches has been started at Tilon & Amalia in Uttar Dinajpur and two more in Andhakwola Presbyterian Church & Simalbari Presbyterian Church in Bihar state. In both these places two believer gave 3 Katha and 4 Katha land and construction work is in process. Please pray for completion and dedication. We are grateful to Idea Mission for their donation.



Parul Presbyterian Church Construction



Shimolbari Presbyterian Church



Manesh Hansda with believers at Andowakhola Church

3. GOBORDANGA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (North 24 pgs)

This church was established in a believer's house later purchased land and builds a beautiful church not so far from Bangadesh border. But the boundary wall brick has been stolen and door window shutter has been stolen therefore

need to repair which may cost us about Rs.70,000/- (US\$1000), please pray. Presently Dibendu Biswas is our seminary graduate doing the ministry, pray for him too.

4. KANDI PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Murshidabad)

This church was started by Kamaluddin Sarkar, our seminary graduate in 23rd September 1989 with late Mr. A. Gony. Later on Rev. Sushanta Mondal took the responsibility and till now is serving. God helped us to build and dedicate the church by the help of Sung Eun Presbyterian Church and in the presence of Rev. Hong Chang Woo & elder Mr. & Mrs. Lee Hee Young in 2012. The front side of the boundary wall, about 20 feet has been broken by some mischief mongers of the locality and thank God that He helped us to rebuild the side boundary wall but front side little part is still remaining. Pray that the Lord may help us to complete.

5. DHAWALA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Jalpaiguri)

By the grace of God the Church started by Rev. Jonah Basumata among the Dhawala Tea Garden's labourer's house. They were alcoholics but after knowing Christ they gave up drinking and 4 families turned to the Lord and one believer provided land to build the church. From Kolkata Presbytery and Kolkata Love Church support, the church was built and God willing will be dedicated this coming Christmas.



Dhawala Presbyterian Church

6. JOTISPUR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Sunderban Island)

Thank God by His providence a believer of Pokse Presbyterian Church in Shillong donated to repair the church and newly paint the church before Christmas.

May God bless the believer's family and the church.

7. ASSAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Thank God one of our graduates from IRPTS name Mr. Sanjay Narzary has started a Church in Assam beside Rev. Pabitra Ray in Bijni. Pray for Sanjay's family and church to be constructed near future and pray that for Bijni Church the



Family of Sanjay Narzary

Lord may allow us to purchase a piece of land.

8. MAHISADAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Praying hard for a piece of Land for Mahisadal P C which cost us about US\$2500/- .God may grant us the fund in His time.



Mahisadal Presbyterian Church

IDEAL MISSION SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN SCHOOLS:

Since last year from 23rd March till now we could not bring students or hold classes in our seven non-formal Kindergarten schools and one Primary School (Ideal Mission School) due to government restrictions for the pandemic. But our teachers routinely called parents and gave them home works to do on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. This year we will not be not allowed to perform the Christmas Program due to governmental restriction for children. We are thankful to IDEA Mission & Shinil Church for their kind contribution so that we are able to distribute food package aid two times to the children's families this year.



Ideal Mission School Yass Relief

COVID-19 AND AMPHAN RELIEF:

In Kolkata the first Lockdown was from 22nd M till 14th November 2020 and this year the second lockdown from 9th May till 17th July, 2021.

This caused a huge crisis as thousands of migrant daily wage workers from villages were suddenly out of work and had to return to their home town from their work place of different states, and were starving to death. Although our Central and State



Covid-19 2nd Wave Relief

Government distributed ration, there was still a great need so we will we distributed rice, dal, oil, potatoes, onion, soyabean, soap, mask and sanitizer to about 1200 families in 2020 and to 700 families in 2021 at Canning Ideal Mission School, Hoogly Pahalampur, Kolkata Love Church, West Medinipur, Joytishpur Sunderban Island, Birajnagar, Kuiemuri, Moipit, Nischintapur (24pgs S), Dhawala Tea Garden, Anwowakhole, Simlabari, Kamalpur, Pahalampur, Shiliguri, Parul, etc. We are also grateful to Vision-50

for their contribution and friends from Netherland, Korean and USA Churches.

• **AMPHAN – YASS CYCLONE- FLOOD RELIEF**

Last year on 20th May 2020, Amphan Super Cyclone fell on Bay of Bengal and came with 185 km speed to Sunder Ban Islands and in Kolkata 165 Km speed. Electricity was gone, lampposts, trees fall, and houses damaged. I have not seen a storm like this in my whole life. It damaged lot of our believer's house in our Sunderban Islands, as well as Canning Seminary, Prayer house roof, Ideal Mission School boundary wall, Kamalpur Presbyterian Church's roof totally taken, boundary wall fallen some few daughter churches



Yass Relief

roof asbestos were taken. This year also again the Yass Cyclone and flood damaged a lot our cultivation and houses. We are thankful to the donors who extended their hand from Korea, Netherland, USA and even Ireland, Hong Kong. May God bless them & their country. By God's grace our evangelist Rabindra Nayban's roof construction was done in Sunderban Island Kueimuri

• **MULTI –ACTIVITIES:**

(i) ASHA-JOYTI NILOY

The Day Care Centre take care by Mrs. Jhuma Das, Mrs. Manju Gomes and Sarawasati Das each Day from Monday to Friday from 9:30AM to 5 P.M. at Kolkata Love Church & Khudirabad home. This year from 23rd March it is closed due to COVID restrictions, but the dear Lord helped us to give Covid-19 & Amphan relief four times to 40 kids family with a package of Rice-5kg, Dal-1 Kg, Oil-1 Kg, Potato-3Kgs, Onion 1 Kg, Soap-1, Mask 1, Soyabean 500, etc.

(ii) BENGAL PASTOR'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:

We thank God that by His providence West Bengal Leadership Development Seminar was held on 3rd to 6th November 2021 at Fortune Hotel with 100 pastors from almost all denominations in West Bengal. Dr. Robert Cunville and other speakers from BGEAI delivered messages. Our Kolkata Love Church Choir conducted praise and worship and on the last day at graduation service Rev. Sukrit Roy delivered a short message and Dr. Cunville and Bishop



KLPC Choir at WBLDS



Canning presented the certificate and gifts to each participants. Bengali churches are thankful to BGEAI for this blessed conference.

(iii) KOLKATA PRESBYTERY:

A Special meeting was held at Grace Community Center as 7th March from the United Bible Society and in our presbytery pastors & Evangelist colloquial Bengalis Holy Bible was distributed & a special lecture was delivered by Rev. Aldrin Bogi.



11th Kolkata Presbytery Meeting

(iv) REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN FELLOWSHIP:

Next year RPF will be held at ROCK CENTRE, Muttom, Tamil Nadu where seven pastors and Elders from our Presbytery will participate from 1st - 4th February, 2022. Pray for covid safe and secure conference with blessings.

(v) INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION:

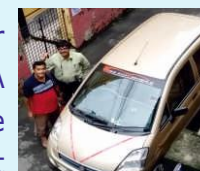
This year on 15th August, Independence day was celebrated by hosting our national flag at our Ideal Mission School by the Head Teacher Kirishna Mondal and student's in dormitory and campus people and at the end sweet was distributed to all.



Independence Day IMS Flag

(vi) A ZEN SECOND HAND CAR:

A Zen Car was purchased by Rev. Ranjan Robidas for Shiliguri Philadelphia Presbyterian Church where CMA donated certain amount. We are thankful to God that He meets the need of our pastor. God may bless them who assist him.



Ranjan's Car Zen

(viii) A FOUR DAYS FASTING PRAYER:

This year the 33rd Four Days Fasting Prayer was held on 12th to 15th October 2021 at Canning Prayer house and the fasting ended with a communion service conducted by Rev. Santu Mondal. This year's theme was from II Corinthians 4:4 "God open Blindness! Reveal The Truth!". There was attendance of 97 people in total during the four days by following the covid-



Four Days Fasting Prayer

19 rules. By God's help we could renovate the Prayer house floor with white marble.

(x) A DAY WITH JESUS:

Kolkata Love Church celebrate the "DAY WITH JESUS" on the 4th November, 2021 from 9 AM to 3 PM and the speaker was Rev. Mongal Tudu, Rev. Suvash Sardar, Rev. Dr. Sukrit Roy and Dr. Shymal Gupta with the presence of 85 people.



A Day with Jesus

(xi) VISITORS IN OUR MISSION:

VISITING PROFESSOR: Rev. Dr. John Thomas, Rev. Ashis Sarkar, Rev. Vivekananda Mukhopadhyaya, Rev. Park. KD, Rev. Hak Wan Ho; Dr. Shymal Gupta, Dr. Arup Korali was special guests in our Mission.



Welcome By Rev. James Narzinary at WBLDS

POKSE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: Rev. Griffeth Umoi came to help us to build Sonarpur Radhanagar Presbyterian Church in July, 2021.

HOME COMING: Mrs. Sang Yee (Lydia) Roy's mother (Mrs. Lee Kyung Hee) was sick for several months in hospital and has gone to father's house on 13th November and burial was held on 15th November. We are grateful Sang Yee was able to go to Korea and be with her mother before her passing. Please pray for peace and condolence for beavered family and that Sang Yeemay return safely before Christmas.



• **MEDICAL MINISTRIES:**

(I) KOLKATA LOVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

A regular free medical clinic is held on the first and third Friday of each month with Dr. Pritpal Singh (General Physician) and Mrs. Namita Majumder and a volunteers Debobroto Roy Chudhury, and treat and give free medicine to average 15 patients per day, yearly 400 patients are taken care of.



(ii) NISCHINTAPUR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

A free mobile clinic run by Dr. Ajoy Mistry and Dr. Rabindra Nath Mondal and two paramedical staff and one nurse by the



supervision of Rev. Biswajit Halder & Mitrani Halder, yearly 396 patients took care.

(iii) GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL (GSH):

Once in a month Dr. Pritpal Singh goes to treat the patients in Canning GSH, however that has been paused during this pandemic. We need some equipment to run the hospital like Dental Chair, beds etc. We are ever grateful to HEKO for extending their hand to carry on the task. We need your continuous prayer and help to run this Hospital.



Baptism at Andul Presbyterian Church with Mr. & Mrs. Chatterjee



Deboroto's Wife Pinky Ghorui's Burial

• **CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER:**

Last year we had our Christmas Get together at Sheer Wood Community Hall on 18th December 2020 where honourable Bishop Brozen Malakar delivered a very good Christmas Message.

We are thankful to our Lord for this event. This year we will have it in Dhyana Ashram and lunch will be taken at KHARIBERIA APNAR KITCHEN on 18th December at 10:30 AM where retired Bishops/pastors/Educators/Evangelist/Authors/Writers are welcome.

• **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

- i. Pray for all CMA co-workers and their families that God may keep them safe from COVID-19 and meet their needs. That all our daughter churches may be self-support, self-propagation and self-government.
- ii. Thank God that our Kolkata Mission Centre all side plaster work is completed. Pray that we might be put an elevator before 35th Anniversary which will be held on 1st to 3rd March, 2022 at our Kolkata Mission Centre and for all the remaining construction work & get fit certificate from Kolkata Corporation. Partners may be able to come and participate the 35th CMA Anniversary from