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Esteemed Delegates and Distinguished Readers of the 23rd NBCC Triennial & 87th Annual Gathering 2024 Bulletin.

With today's edition signifying the culmination of our bulletin, the media team extends heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your avid interest in perusing both our print and digital bulletin. Throughout, we diligently adjusted the design and content to ensure that you remained well-informed, entertained, engaged, and connected with the diverse activities of this gathering.

Producing a bulletin within constrained timelines demanded rigorous contemplation, continuous refinement, diligent writing, and revisiting until a tangible and comprehensible outcome emerged—a challenge that was both demanding and rewarding. We sincerely hope that you found our efforts enjoyable and enlightening. May you all be blessed.

Jesse K. Yeptho
Convenor
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TAKE A TIPS!

My Take:

1. To Stay Fit and Healthy
2. To Explore New Habitats & Environments
3. To go to Heaven, Preparing from this earth.

Tips:

The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty

Rev. Y. Imti

Executive Secretary

United Sangtam Baptist Lithroti Ashimükhong

"We're called to the church but not sent to the church; we're sent to the world to be the church! Being salt and light is our mission."

Rev. Dr. C. Cho-o
Executive Secretary
Chakhesang Baptist Church Council

EXPERIENCING GOD TOGETHER IN OUTREACH



Rev. Dr. Zelhou Keyho
General Secretary
Nagaland Baptist Church Council

Rev. Dr. Zelhou Keyho stated that Good news is not to be kept confined to ourselves but it is to be shared. God's desire is that one should not perish without hearing the good news and that's how the church or the believers are commanded to get up and reach out to the people. Jesus wants us to leave our place and reach out to the lost souls. He wants us to announce the good news to everyone, that whoever believes and baptized will be saved but whoever refuses shall be condemned. Based on the theme Rev. Dr. Keyho expounded three main points:

Firstly, The Good News Not Shared Is No News:

In this context the speaker refers to the Good News as "Salvation." Rev. Dr. Keyho gave the illustration of a Samaritan Woman who hears the news about 'whoever drink of this water will never thirst again' that became a statement for her good news. She share it out to all the Samaritans about it that led many Samaritans to be saved through her sharing. It was pointed out that likewise outreach must take place among us. That we must become a contagious Church and go beyond the boundaries and allow people to be a part of us. Just as the early missionaries who sacrificed their lives, obeyed the LORD and came to Nagaland with the good news, we need to reach out faithfully. Today the good news has been implanted in us and it is not meant to be kept but to share it around with everybody.

Secondly, A Light That Does Shine Is No Light:

Our church is lit and shining in our fellowships but as we go out it becomes dim. We turn off our lights at night which means that in difficult times we often turn away. Rev. Dr. Keyho encouraged all the churches to light up one another whenever in need.

The life of Abraham was taken as an example where God called him to extend His territories to all His nations. He was obedient to God and today we are His beneficiaries. Likewise, God wants the Naga nation to spread out to others.

Last but not the least, God Is Not Willing That Any One Perish:

Rev. Dr. Keyho firmly points that this fact has been stated time and again that God's desire is to save everyone. It was pointed out that churches today have often become too self-centred; that we are too much concerned about our missions and too little of God's Mission and that is how our burdens are mounted up. But God doesn't want the Church to be confined only to the saved ones, He wants us to reach out to the people. A challenge is thus put forth to the churches, are the churches really into outreach ministry?

In conclusion our speaker boldly encourages that Outreach is not a hobby because a hobby is something which we enjoy doing in our leisure time but our outreach is a full time engagement. It is not an option nor an extra-curriculum activities but it is a full time activity that must be filled with Spirit and followed graciously.



REV. DR. MAR PONGENER
Executive Secretary, ABAM

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The 23rd Triennial conference and 87th Annual Gathering of NBCC has given me a time to reflect and reevaluate my calling and that is, to help and move people from where they are, to where God wants them to be.

Ms. Idolule Putlang
Children Director
New Tesen Baptist Church

One thing I'm taking back for certain is "I'm the message of the gospel, not just a messenger." It has challenged my understanding and to live like Christ everyday. God bless you all for we've experienced God together once again.

Mazhu Pfithu
Youth Secretary
P.B.C.C.

ONE THING I'M TAKING BACK FROM THE TRIENNIAL & ANNUAL CONFERENCE

With diverse people coming together under the umbrella of NBCC at Niuland Baptist Church, we have experienced God together through our visionary leaders, and, with visionary leaders we have godly goal. Therefore, let us all take back the keys of heaven and unlock the vision of our churches.

Mr. Mughalu Swu
Pastor
Sürümi Baptist Akukuhou

I will be leaving this gathering with wider perspective and understanding of Ministry that, As a Youth Pastor, "My ministry should be leading my youths to where God wants them to be! And not just a Youth Ministry."

Not forgetting the spirit of love, togetherness and a sense of belongingness among the member churches of NBCC and particularly the host church and Association (WSBAK). Leaving with Thankfulness to God for the blessed gathering. God Bless!

Mr. Ojenchuba Jamir
Assoc. Pastor Youth
Medziphema Town Ao Baptist Church

The LORD Supper being ministered and served by Women was not only inspiring but a milestone and a breakthrough in many sense.

Mrs. Zijongla L Sangtam
Assoc. Women Secretary

WHAT DO YOU LOOK FORWARD IN THE NEXT TRIENNIAL & ANNUAL GATHERING?

Mr. Maheigumlung
Youth Director
Samziuram Baptist Church

In the next annual gathering and triennial conference, I continue to look forward for **UNITY AMONG NAGAS DIVERSIFIED CULTURES** challenging more on missional aspects from within the Naga's context regardless with different ethnicity. Also, more opportunities and space could be given for the emerging young Naga leaders in the near future.

Many Naga churches till date neglect and stigmatize people living with HIV, the down trodden and the differently abled community. Therefore, even in the next Triennial & Annual gathering I am looking forward to have a worship/ fellowship together with the aforementioned communities, to create an inclusive Christian community and also sensitizing our Naga congregation that we are all created in God's image and we are one in Christ.

Mr. Nchiekam Pame
President
Zeme Baptist Association Nagaland, Youth Dept.

I am looking forward to the next gatherings as

1. Warm and meaningful fellowship with friends from different associations.
2. Incorporate Theme-based Presentation in worship services.
3. To hear and be challenged with relevant and powerful messages/sermons related to Naga Christianity and beyond.

Ms. Chunale Jemu
CED Secretary
CRBC



GRATITUDE

Today the big lesson that I have learned from the host Association is unity and faithful act of service. As the quotation says, "people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel"



Mrs.C Supou
Associate Pastor Women
Yimkhiung Baptist Church
Naga United Village Dimapur

Your hard work and dedication can be seen clearly. And the generosity, hospitality and honesty is remarkable.



Mr. JIENDAI GANGMEI,
Youth Director
Rongmei Baptist Church
Samziuram

Great Hospitability of WSBK and the Message received "Spirit Filled Christian cannot do less"



Mrs. Beena Thapa
Women Secretary
Association of Gorkha Baptist Church Nagaland

Your hospitality is such a blessing! God bless WSBK! Thank you for being such an amazing host!



Watinungla
Office Assistant
NBCC HQ



Mr. Joshua Chang
Christian Education Secretary
Chang Baptist Lashong Thangyen

What are Some Major Challenges in Children Ministry?

1. Failure to empower parents to guide their children in their spiritual growth.
2. General Pastors maintaining a limited role in the Children Ministry.
3. Neglecting to incorporate children in the practical application of our sermons.
4. Lacking a well-defined strategy to engage and connect with children.
5. Diminishing the faith of children through our actions and attitudes.
6. Exposing children excessively to the influence of the media world.
7. Insufficient participation from parents in the spiritual development of their children.
8. Senior church leaders assigning less significance to the needs of children.

What are some suggestions you would like to share in regard to the issues stated above?

1. Establish a robust church institution to educate both parents and children.
2. Reflecting on our viewpoint from a fresh angle.
3. Equipping dedicated leaders for the ministry of children.
4. The church must engage in a greater capacity.
5. The focus of children's ministry should be on spiritual development rather than showcasing talents.

The View

What a thrill to witness the NBCC constituent members coming together as one family from across Nagaland! The warm sense of welcome and cordial reception by the host (WSBAK) make us feel even closer. This bonding should not be confined to this august gathering alone, but it should ignite our passion to have that longing heart to thrive for the Lord in the ministry together as one family to fulfil his divine purpose. As NBCC has relavently coined its theme, "Experiencing God Together," may He give us wisdom and strength to dismantle all bearers and experience God together towards a genuine transformed community.

Rev. Haiwalo Apon
Executive Secretary
Council of Rengma Baptist Churches

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS SESSION

By the approval of the house, during the business session, the following resolution has been adopted.

1. **Appointment of New Secretary, NMM**
Upon the completion of tenure of Rev. Dr. Andrew Semp as secretary (NMM), the house approved the executive council's recommendation of Rev. Lipok Pongen as the new secretary of NMM for one tenure (five years).
2. **Proposal for Two New Post Creation**
Upon the recommendation of the President (NBCC), Two new post have been approved by the house.
 - a. The Managing Director of Christian Higher Secondary School.
 - b. Social Concern Department (NBCC).

3. **Document to be enclosed/inserted in the constitution**
 - a. Criteria for full-fledged membership.
 - b. Criteria for associate membership
 - c. Guidelines pertaining to Social conflict resolutions.
4. **New officials (NBCC) for 2024 - 2027**

Upon the approval of the house the following leaders have been appointed as the new NBCC officials.

- a. President - Rev. Dr. Mar Pongener (Executive Secretary, ABAM)
- b. Vice President - Rev. Achu Chang (Executive Secretary, CBLT)
- c. Vice President - Dr. Igumpeule Ndang (Women Secretary, NPBCA)



Dr. Joshua Lorin
Principal
Oriental Theological College



What is one of the crucial challenge for Nagas today?

One element that tops it all is nominalism. The crisis that we see in our society today is largely because of stagnant faith. Being born in Christian families, we become part of the church by birth and so, most of us are yet to experience transformation. We take our Christian identity by birth but it is only in name and we do not live out our faith earnestly in our day to day life.

Can you suggest some measures that can be taken up by the church to fight against it?

The health of the church largely depends on the leadership. The leaders must firstly experience the transforming power of God and then with wisdom and clarity address and resolve this issue with the Word of God. In this regard, most churches have been neglecting the faithful exposition of the Word of God with inspirational message and motivational talks. As Christian leaders, we need to refocus and do our job faithfully in terms of exposition of the Word of God.

What are the areas you focus on as an institution that trains future Christian leaders?

At OTS, in a humble way we do the best to equip our leaders by focusing on the contextual need of the church. The need has been narrowed down to three for the next 5 years: nominalism, brokenness and tribalism.

To prepare our leaders to tackle these issues, we have built a curriculum which is both implicit and explicit. Both inside and outside the classroom we try to integrate in our learning and teaching experience, principles and components that will actually address these three issues.

One message to all the churches and associations in Nagaland?

“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”

Micah 6:8 (NIV)

PRESENTING THE CONTINGENT FROM ...



SBAK - NITO MOUNT



ZBCC (ZEME)



CBCC (CHAKESANG)



CRBC (RENGMA)

Delegates from...



USBL (SANGTAM)



SABAK (SUMI)



FROM THE KITCHEN

KBBB (KONYAK)



CULTURAL TROOP FROM SBC, DIPHUPAR