

A Brief Report On TW2020 TRANSFORM NORTH EAST INDIA LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The picturesque and serene setting of Bethel Prayer Center in Shillong, Meghalaya State overlooking Barapani Lake was ideally suited to host the gathering of close to a hundred people during the TW2020 TRANSFORM NORTH EAST INDIA LEADERSHIP SUMMIT from April 17-19, 2018 on the theme "Transform North East India & Beyond." Representing different denominations from the Northeast Indian states of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura, and also the hill station of Darjeeling, the participants listened, deliberated and prayed for the transformation of the Church and society in North East India and beyond.

The summit commenced in the evening of April 17 with Dr. Luis Bush video message which inspired and prepare the hearts of the leaders followed by Dr. Solomon Rongpi, General Secretary of the Council of Baptist Churches in North East India delivering the keynote address touched on the importance of transformation in various spheres of life and called on the participants to retrospect and revitalize in order to play a prophetic role in the transformation of the Church and society through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Ms. T. Hawiphah spoke on the need to engage in prayer and mobilize people of prayer to seek God for spiritual and social transformation and delegates were so challenged and blessed through the short message. Rev. T. Kampu delivered a message on the topic "Where Does the Transformation Power Come From?"

Rev. Matthew Ling was the resource person on the topic "Christian Family." He stressed on the importance of a strong and healthy family for the well-being and growth of a healthy church and society. The three sessions led Rev. Matthew Ling was hugely successful and greatly challenged the participants.

Elder John Hur's three sessions on three different topics - 4/14 Window, Korean Transformation Model and Education as Mission - was full of challenges and deeply insightful. His precise presentation truly blessed the people and a number of participants learnt a beautiful lesson from him and Korea as role model of transformation deeply touched the people. The Dr. Mansang Songate led the session on Missional Challenge and Rev. Dr. J.M. Paupu spoke on the "Church as the Agent of Spiritual and Social Transformation." Rev. Phidolis Dkhar presented a brief note on the "Advent of Christianity in Meghalaya," while Dr. Leaderwell, former Principal of Union Biblical Seminary (UBS) delivered a profound message and deeply touched during the evening service of April 18.

Dr. Hynniewta delivered a devotional and challenging message on 19 morning. Mr. Sailo Aimol Bongte's session on the topic Business as Mission (BAM) was lively and entertaining. The participants also took part in the Lord's Supper which was conducted by Rev. T. Kampu. The Rev. Taku Longkumer delivered the closing message and urged all participants to be the agent of change wherever they are.

What made the **TW2020 TRANSFORM NORTH EAST INDIA LEADERSHIP SUMMIT** truly uplifting was the praise and worship time led by Brother Kamson and the KABC team. The precious minute spent together in worship filled the hearts of all participants with joy and adoration. The Umsakhwan Presbyterian Church Choir and the Kuki Worship Service Choir, Shillong also presented special items.

One thing is sure that the message of the TW2020-TNEI will spread and delegates went home with a great desire for the Transformation of North East India and beyond. Looking forward for another significant gathering of His people in 2019.

One important highlight of the Leadership Summit was the adoption of the Shillong Affirmation on April 19, 2018.

TRANSFORM NORTH EAST INDIA 2020
Leadership Summit, Bethel Prayer Centre, Barapani – Shillong
17th – 19th April 2018



SHILLONG AFFIRMATION
April 19, 2018



Recognizing the urgency of the need to address issues confronting Northeast Christians and the need for transformation within and without the body of Christ, Christian leaders representing different denominations from Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura and Darjeeling gathered together at Shillong, Meghalaya from April 17-19, 2018.

After two days of fruitful deliberation, discussion and exchange of ideas on a whole gamut of issues, including, but not limiting to church, 4/14, family, education, missions, business, media, social trends and other aspects of life, the Shillong TW2020 TNEI LEADERSHIP SUMMIT affirms that:

1. We believe in God as the prime mover and transformer of all things.
2. We believe that transforming our church and society is not possible without transforming ourselves first. With this, we want to encourage all concerned to further reflect, discuss and to take it forward as a burden.
3. We affirmed, between now and the next TNEI, to work selflessly and in a Christ-glorifying manner, to promote and proclaim the message of transformation for the extension of God's kingdom here on earth.
4. We affirmed to take up family issues as an immediate and urgent need for our Church and society.
5. We also affirmed to strengthen and enhance our efforts in reaching out to the unreached peoples.
6. We also affirmed that for a true transformation and revival of His Church, intentional prayer efforts would be undertaken by all participants

As we embark on this great and challenging journey in obedience to Christ's call in fulfillment of the Great Commission, we will proactively endeavor to create a climate for transformation of all concerned in our respective workplace.

Declaration affirmed by all delegates.

Rev. T Kampu
Chairman 098640-24524

Rev. Dr. Mansang Songate
Vice Chairman 094351-02143

Pastor Aowabang Ozukum
Secretary 078964-85956

Rev. Phidolis Dkhar
Vice Chairman 094361-15748