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Editorial

In this fast pacing world, times are strenuous and life, unsatisfactory. There are days when zeal and motivation drives us ahead, another time we hit rock bottom and questions the journey, notwithstanding the fact that it is this journey of trails and opportunities that encompass the greater aspect known as Life. Every person's life is parallel to the other; headed to the same fate but differs in the mode of journey. In this parallel journey, accomplishments are achieved sooner by some but contentment, by few. Though the world we live in acknowledge existence based on superficiality and measure success based on gain but it should neither hinder the growth nor the goal and the distinctiveness one is, that which will lead to true contentment. Let this line from one of Alfred Lord Tennyson's poems be the inspiration to carry through all paces of life: "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield."

The Editorial team would like to acknowledge all the contributors for sharing their stories, unique perspectives, exceptional ingenuity and heartening messages. We are also grateful to the staff and students of the College for willingly assisting us whenever necessary. We appreciate all the guidance and support rendered to us that led to the successful publication of the College annual Magazine.

As Bapco Focus recounts stories of accomplishments and celebrates talents and knowledge, may it serve as a platform to inspire and nurture dreams and creative skills.

In Excelsis!

THE LITERARY COMMITTEE



MESSAGE

I am happy and encouraged that Baptist College is publishing its annual magazine. Magazines and journals of such literary publication of educational institutions are very important because in many ways they provide a suitable and effective platform for the students to express themselves creatively and this, to a good extent, depict the level and extent of learning being imparted in the Institution. Personally, I look forward to these kinds of reading material because they are both informative and entertaining.

I congratulate the team engaging in this important activity and all the contributors for another successful literary venture.

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MR. KEVIYACHÜ LIEGISE
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



It gives me immense joy and satisfaction to note that the first issue of College magazine for the academic year 2022-2023 is ready for publication for which I convey my heartiest congratulations to the Literary Committee as well as the Editorial

Team, both students and staff for putting extra effort to come out with the publication. As per the record the College first newsletter appeared in the year 1999 by the name “Punchline.” In the year 2004, the College came up with its first magazine, “In Excelsis.” Thereafter, in the year 2005, a biannual bulletin with two issues of publication in a year called “Bapco Focus” was introduced. Bapco Focus contains ten pages including the cover pages and the contents of the bulletin mainly include articles, short stories, poems, photos and reports of important events and programs of the college which gives a glimpse of the activities carried out in the college. The bulletin is like a mirror or a reflection of the institution. The bulletin serves many useful purposes and the most important one being the platform created for the students and staff to bring out their latent creative talents in the form of articles, short stories, poems and write-ups. In a way it helps them to hone their intellectual skills as well as benefits them in widening the horizons of their knowledge.

With the ever increasing number of both curricular and extra-curricular programs and activities, the need was felt to increase the size and contents of the bulletin. Accordingly it was decided to upgrade the Bapco Focus, a biannual bulletin to a full-fledged annual Magazine after thorough discussions and deliberations with the Literary Committee. I am hopeful that the Magazine will continue to inform, inspire, entertain and update the student’s community and the staffs with the various college activities in years to come.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dr. Kekuchol Pusa', written in a cursive style.

DR. KEKUCHOL PUSA
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Chakhesang Naga Traditional Ways of Counting Months

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All living organisms, air, water, land, sun and moon provides knowledge - economic, aesthetic and moral - to human being for sustenance of life. Chakhesang¹ Naga indigenous knowledge of months for multifarious activities lie on the position of the sun, moon, the biodiversity and material culture. There was no written script but they had their own traditional ways of learning. Everything the Nagas know about themselves, their ancestors, the world, and the values which form the bases of their societies have been preserved and passed down throughout the generations by word of mouth. The sources of information for oral tradition lies on the tangible data of material culture, the sun and moon, and the biodiversity in the ecosystem. Parents and elders in the community also make a systematic influence through exemplary living, oral instructions and discipline. Though they do not have clocks or yearly calendars to keep track of time, they never commit any mistake for performing different agricultural activities. They carefully observe the position of the sun and the moon, the nature of trees, flowers, migratory birds, the chirping of birds and insects for the performance of certain religious rituals.

WAY OF COUNTING MONTHS

The calendar of the Chakhesang Nagas is based on the phases of the moon and the position of the sun. The position of the sun when it rises and sets and the size of the moon are carefully observed by the village **mewu**² from a chosen place, to ascertain the day for announcing **menyi**³ to mark the beginning and end of the month.

There are twelve months in a year and the lunar system is followed in reading the months. After every three years, the leap year occurs called **Relipfo** year. During **Relipfo** year there are thirteen months and the extra month is called **Relipfo khrü**⁴ which comes between **Ciede khrü** (October) and **Buhlo khrü** (November). Whether a month gets twenty nine or thirty days is revealed by the village elder. Days are counted with the folding of bamboo plait stick which is kept on the wall beyond the reach of children. They follow the lunar as well as the solar system and make adjustments in the other three years. The months are named based on the common activities of the community. The name of the months and its meanings are briefly explained below:

1. Zatho khrü (January): **Zatho khrü** is similar to January as a new year starts on its first day. It is a time when rich men offers a feast of **zatho** which includes sacrificing unspotted mithun, pulling stone and erecting it near common foot paths, generously distributing fresh meat to every household and male member and preparing a big feast for the whole village. It is the highest and most respectable feast of merit among the Chakhesang Nagas.

2. Chüpfü khrü (February): This month is called **Chüpfü khrü** because in this month people collect fire wood for the whole year. In Khezha language **chü** means wood, **pfhü** means search or gather. Thus, it is the month of cutting firewood and carrying it home.

3. Tside khrü (March): This month is called **Tside khrü** because it is the month for sowing variety of seeds. **Tsi** means seeds **de** means huge.

4. Tsükhenye khrü (April): This month is called **Tsükhenye khrü** because seeds are already sown and the festival of **Tsükhenye** is celebrated to give thanks to God for helping them complete the season for sowing seeds and also appease God to protect and help the crops to germinate well. **Tsükhenye** is a combination of two words, **Tsükhe** meaning finish the work and **nye** meaning festival.

5. Keme khrü (May): The fifth month is called **keme khrü**, **Keme** meaning merge and **khrü** meaning month. In this month the preparation for paddy transplantation starts after the celebration of **Tsükhenye**.

6. Kezü khrü (Zhüde) (June): *It refers to the month of June. Kezü means dark and it is called so because during this month nothing is clearly visible because of the fog and monsoon rain. The main activities of this month are ploughing and plantation of paddy. People work in the field throughout the day despite the scorching sun or heavy rain because they have to complete the work within a limited time.*

7. Ethsünye khrü (July): *The term Ethsünye is derived from two words, Ethsü meaning millet and nye meaning festival and in this month people harvest millet and celebrate the millet festival and give thanks to God for his blessings.*

8. Ehno khrü (August): *This month is called Ehno khrü because the main focus of this month is Nonye festival and nono rituals. Nonye is the festival celebrated with the strictest nono menyî where people pray to the Creator to protect their paddy from natural calamities especially hailstorms and to give them a bountiful harvest.*

9. Methsa khrü (September): *The ninth month is called Methsa khrü. It is a taboo for Chakhesang Nagas to reap crops in the field till they have observed Methsa menyî. It is a strict menyî to thank God and appease him to protect the crops from hailstorms, wild animals or birds and also to seek his blessings for harvest.*

10. Ciede khrü (October): *The tenth month is called ciede khrü, cie meaning harvesting paddy and de meaning huge. It is the busiest season when the villagers harvest the paddy and carry it home singing joyfully.*

Buhlo khrü (November): *The eleventh month is called Buhlo khrü because it is the month where the newly harvested paddy is consumed. Buchüto festival is celebrated and rituals are performed to mark the beginning of eating the new paddy and also the reopening of entertainment and games. This festival is celebrated with the intention of giving gratitude to the Supreme Being for good health and weather and for the successful harvest of paddy.*

Rünye khrü (December): *The twelfth month is called Rünye khrü because the main focus is the celebration of the paddy festival. The term Rünye is a combination of two morphemes; Erü meaning paddy and nye meaning festival. The main significance of this festival is to offer thanksgiving to God for a good harvest and health throughout the year and to appease God to protect and bless them in the coming year.*

Appearance of the new moon marks the beginning of the month while its disappearance marks the end. One month is divided into five phases - Khrüthse, Khrüparha, Khrümese, Khrüwhuli and Khrüsübu.

Appearance of the new moon phase is called **Khrüthse**. The second phase of the moon is called **Khrüparha** (half moon). The third phase is known as **Khrümese** when the sun and the moon are visible at the same time during the morning and evening. Sometimes, full moon appears on the thirteenth day of the month or on the fourteenth day. In the fourth phase, only the first quarter of the moon appears which is called **khrüwhuli**. In the last phase, the moon disappears towards the end of the month which is called **Khrüsübu**. It takes one or two days for the new moon to reappear.

The days are counted according to the traditional system starting from the *menyi* of the new moon known as **Khrüthseru menyî**⁴. There is no written record of knowledge. Everything depends on oral tradition but they do not make any mistake in counting days, months and seasons for performing different activities. In the past, all the economic activities were controlled by the village **mewumi** (village political chief and religious priest) and **cüsemi** (clan representatives). The **mewumi** performs all the rituals before the beginning of any work. Everyone has to complete their work within a fixed period of time. The village priests and *cüsemi* carefully observe the solar system, lunar system, flora and fauna and decode the right time for different activities throughout the year. They help in leading the people to do the right thing at the right time and at the right place which makes them succeed and prosper in their daily activities.

END NOTES

1. Chakhesang is one of the major indigenous groups in Nagaland, India. During the colonial period Chakhesang was referred to as Eastern Angamis. Chakhesang is an acronym of three linguistic groups, namely 'Cha' for Chakrü/Chokri, 'Khe' for Khezha and 'Sang' for Sangtam (the present Pochury region). The nomanclature of Chakhesang was officially recognized by the then Deputy Commisioner of Naga Hills C.R. Pawsey in 1946 and also recognized as a Scheduled Tribe in Nagaland by the constitution of India.
2. **Mewu** is a status of political and religious priest who takes decision for village administration and religious activities.
3. **Menyi** is a day where normal work is stopped and rest is announced for the whole day to appease God and ask for his blessing and protection.
4. **Khrü** means moon and month in Khezha language.

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Kezie

THE LIGHT THAT ALMOST FADED

This is a fictional write up, no matter how real and relatable it appears. For those who can relate, I empathise with you that life is hard. I hope you find help and if you think there is nowhere to go, find me!

She was fifteen when she fell in love. Her name is Kezie, meaning 'bright light'. She thinks love is the best thing that happened to her since her parents separated three years ago. She thinks life will be different since she now has someone who loves her. Love is a paradox because it can make you feel like you are invincible to pain and sorrow but in the next breath, it is the catalyst that puts you in an abyss of intolerable despair.

But life takes a complete turn when the boyfriend leaves her because she cannot give him the time as he demands. Her friends, too, fail to see beyond her smiles and think she is the happiest of them all. The daily chores at home - laundry, cleaning up the house, cooking, doing the dishes sometimes wears her down, even though she does not show it. Then, one fateful day she comes to know that her father is no more. His fragile life has finally given in to alcohol and a broken soul.

Life has become hard for Kezie as people are apathetic towards her and many at times, even her friends and family were like enemies to her. Assignments are piling up at college, she is shamed in front of the class for her low grades and has to face her classmates' stares everyday indicating that they are better than her, those eyes that says, "She is not going to make it!" She spends sleepless nights thinking how life could have been different if her father is still alive, and then breaks down crying knowing that her father is never coming back. Then, she starts thinking about how her friends are so fortunate that they have both their parents and the thought frustrates her and gets mad at God for taking her father away from her. All her Instagram pictures and followers do nothing to help her to be genuinely happy even though everybody thinks she is. Who can say from all the candid pictures and all the beautiful captions that she is actually crying for help?

I see her standing on the furthest corner of the terrace as I go up to have some fresh air after putting my child to sleep. It is dusk and though I cannot clearly recognise who she is but I can see what she is trying to do. I shout at her and ask if she is okay. She sounds like she is crying when she says, "I am fine." She waves her hand and gives a thumbs up to show that she is okay. As I move some steps closer, I recognise her, we been neighbours for a long time. The talks about her family are in every nook and corner of the colony. Now, that her father is no more, the talks are getting louder. It never occurred to me that she is carrying all these emotional baggages and want to end her life. It was only that evening on the terrace it hit me that this kid is in trouble.



I wave back at her and ask if she has had her dinner. She nods but I want her to talk further so I enquire about her plans after college. She then takes some step towards me so I ask her again if there is anything bothering her. She looks at me and starts to cry. As I sit next to her and begins to have a talk, she pours out her emotions. I cannot help but get angry at her boyfriend who left her. I am mad at her parents for all the foolish decisions they made for which Kezie and her four siblings have to bear the consequences. She is in need of prayer, desperate to hear that she can make it through even though life is hard and that she is not alone. As I pray for her, encourages and hugs her, she holds me tight and keep crying. Thereon I know that I have to be the father that she has always longed for. After a while, her face light up with a smile as she bids me goodnight and I feel comforted with the thought that she will get better and that she has someone she can run to.

As I walk back home, I wonder how many young people want to end their lives because of the emotional and mental baggages that is weighing them down and how many are bearing the consequences of the decisions their parents made. Indeed, life is hard, nothing will hit us as hard as life will, but instead of being toxic and sneering at each other, we can be kind, forgiving and sympathetic. You can be the Kezie, the bright light that someone is so desperate to have as they walk through the dark valley. I hope and pray that you see yourself more than just someone with baggage but one who renders help and lighten up the weight of others.

PS: Don't be self-loathing and become toxic because of the bad things that have happened to you. You are not a creation of the negative experiences and treatments meted out to you; but you are loved, accepted, and fearfully and wonderfully made.

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Chaplain, Baptist College





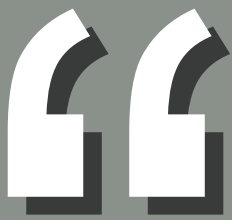
broken crayons still color

Perfect day, perfect opportunity and a perfect time to stand tall and pen down on how "broken crayons still color." Yes! We've all been there and no man either young or old is foreign to this. It is 'shining in the storm' and 'shining after the storm' but, it looks like 'being defeated' at the moment and 'victory' at the end. So, sit back and pause for a moment.

Is life a clear road? Did you get this far smoothly? Did you experience the prick of the needle where the thought of giving up kept haunting you every second? Did you have sleepless nights and nightmares that disturbed your peace? The source to these questions can be from anywhere but I know you've been there and I, too, know the answers to all these questions. Struggles in life are not only the big mountains, the thick barriers and the heart-wrenching scenes of life. It includes the minute details and happenings such as being disappointed by friends, coping with studies, somebody we love failing to love us back, sounds funny but the sunburn from college sports, and the like.

Life is a battlefield and we are like crayons where different colors possess different goals and visions but each has a 'purpose' in life. Every crayon contributes accordingly and makes each other's life beautiful by adding meaning to it. We are all broken, have been broken or are breaking in some way however, this 'breaking' does not devalue the worth and purpose of the crayon. Hence, whether we realise it or not, our purpose and value remains unchanged despite the brokenness in us. May this generation not be defeated by the brokenness they experience but be conscious that this should not and does not stop them from growing and drawing life beautifully because brokenness is a beautiful process of life.

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Message to my friends and Juniors

Two and a half years we spent together with a semester ruined by pandemic yet, we made it through. We must have thought that the good times we had before the pandemic is a far cry. In fact, we are lucky and blessed to have got the chance to fulfil our wishes and desires to attend college and make new friends. The aims and objectives that we had, we found it here. Though some of us might be down with weariness thinking that these three years failed to fulfil our wishes and desires, we must continually try to make things right and understand that education is a lifelong process.

Sometimes, I wish we could go back to the times to experience the most memorable and fun times but I guess it will only remain a memorable photograph. College life has helped us to meet strangers who became good friends and made us connect with few who happen to be far relatives. As college life nears to an end, let's take it as a new beginning and step out from here that will lead us to experience the essence of adulthood. Let's continue to do our best and move ahead, so as to meet someday to share our stories of progress and fond memories of our college days.

To my dear juniors, though we don't know each other personally I would like to say that one must enjoy life each day and brace ahead to find and fulfil one's wishes and desires. If you are struggling with indecisions for your future, try to make proper use of the mentoring session and seek guidance. Make the best use of your time in the college and experience life to the fullest by creating innumerable memories. Though not all are extroverts, try to connect with your classmates. To conclude, I'll surely miss you all for making me feel like a sister to you.



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TEAM AUTHORITY

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Well...Well! The literal term 'Authority' and our infamous *Team Authority* have a an all together another meaning. It is more than the demand of respect, enforcing obedience or giving orders. It is quite uncanny in the scientific term because in Team Authority everything comes naturally - respect, loyalty, and mutual understanding. It can't be denied that 'Authority' holds the main course of the friendship that keeps the bond alive. Defining the nomenclature of our group isn't the easiest but to put it in a nutshell, it denotes "Bromance through Football". Yes! we saw that coming because *Team Authority* is all about football.

So, looking back to the past three years minus the initial phase of Covid, everything is actually blank including how we got through every semester but the memories of laughter, sweat, and bond formed through football with the buddies is utterly worthwhile. Reminiscing the times when we gathered in the dry ground, kicking the ball around pretending to be our favourite football stars, pretty much fight over the title 'The GOAT' and everyone sees himself to be Ronaldo in his eyes. Nonetheless, those were the days when scores didn't matter and the only thing we did was for fun and laughter that filled the playground in contrast to the merciless scorch of the heat.

Football with friends is not just a game; it is a bond that brings togetherness, undeniably forget the worries and enjoy the moment. It's a terrible way of missing the smell of the dry earth, the unique sound created in the field and forming things together so beautifully that which will remain in fragments to be later produced as a story to tell our kids. Likely, our team wasn't about winning or losing but with every heartbeat we put ourselves on the field with trust beyond comprehension and the syncing of every player in the line, just adding more reasons as to why we actually formed. *Team Authority* creates a melodious symphony and a memorable journey to tarry for life. Along the way of life after this, the bits of fun and light we created through football will always tether to the heart and will be unforgettable. Concluding with a tad bit of heartaches, *Team Authority* will continue for life. We will ever remain grateful for the undying love and support we received throughout our conduct for the past three beautiful years in all its glory. Long live Baptist College!



SMALL TOWN *Girl*



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SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION
THEME : *Knowledge Vs Ignorance*
LITERATURE FEST, 2022 (2ND POSITION)

In the south of the border covering the Makati Pasay region in central Philippines, Anna Gonzalez, a 19 year old girl , majoring in History, starts her day with a bright smile. She belongs to a humble middle class family and is disciplined and grounded. Her father Mr. Gonzalez earns 14,800 pesos a month as a local trainmaster and her mother is a hardworking housewife. Anna has always been keen on learning new things and wanted to become a lecturer.

One morning, Anna leaves her house with her tote bag and two voluminous books. The library is just 30 minutes away from her house and with only 40 pesos in hand, she decided to walk. When she reaches the library, it is crowded with a local book fair in display. She walks up the stairs looking for a place to sit, "Ah! Finally a quiet space for myself," she tells herself after she finds a corner. She then starts to read a book on the history of the Philippines under the rule of the Spanish Colonial. As she is reading, a well-dressed gentleman with a sturdy face approaches her and ask, "What are you reading, young lady?" "It is about the history of the Philippines, Sir," Anna replies. The gentleman ask again, "Young lady, do you mind joining the Miss Philippines Pageant? The forms are already out." Anna who never consider herself beautiful laughs at the suggestion. Though she watches the show, she has never thought of participating. Anna goes back home and tells her mother about the conversation. "Yes. Go and fill up the form," Mrs Gonzalez encourages her. But Anna is worried as it takes a lot of money to participate in pageantry but her mother assures her that she need not worry about the expenses and she will convince Mr. Gonzalez.

The next day, Anna heads to the center to fill up the forms. While she is doing so, she hears the counter manager saying, "Wow, you are very brave" which confuses her. She then asks, "Why, Sir? Anything wrong?" "35 girls had backed out because Mariam Hebach is competing this year." Mariam is a famous Filipino model who is known for her beauty and rebellious personality. Upon hearing that Anna decides not to submit the form and goes back home. At home, Mrs. Gonzalez rebukes her by saying, "Are you that afraid to try? If you have to lose, lose to someone like her. Why do you want everything to be served to you on a platter?" So Anna submits the form the next day to represent the province of Makati in the Miss Philippines Contest.

On the day of the competition Miss Pasay (Mariam) is already the favorite to win the title. During the preliminary round, some girls complained on the rude attitude of Mariam who was giving them a hard time. Mariam also made fun of Miss Bohol and Miss Makati (Anna) because they were not fluent in English like her. Mariam is a graduate student in Information and Technology and is overtly confident thinking that she has all requirements to win the competition.

When the winners of the subtitles awards are announced Anna regrets joining the pageant as Mariam wins 7 subtitle awards out of 10. As the competition advances to the semifinal, the host declares the list of contestants, "We begin the semifinalist with Miss Makati." Anna is shocked as

she did not expect to go this far in the competition. She gives her opening statement and prepares herself for the next round.

During the evening gown competition, Mariam, who is also a semifinalist enters the stage wearing the most sparkly royal blue gown while Anna enters in a clean white long gown which represents the white sands of the Makati region. The evening gown competition comes to an end and the Top 5 contestants are announced. Miss Pasay is called first, followed by Miss Cebu City, Miss Albay, and Miss Iloilo city. "The last woman to join the Top 5 is ...Miss Makati" the host declares and everyone cheers for Anna.

Anna reaches the final round of the competition that is, the question and answer round, where everyone is asked the same question but when one of them is answering, the others have to put on headphones. Anna is called first and she takes the center stage. One of the judges ask her, "According to you, which Filipino leader is the most important figure in the history of the Philippines?" Anna pauses for 2 seconds and replies, "I think that Jose Rigbal is the most important figure in Filipino history as he was the only person during the colonial period that educated the people when during those times even to hold a pen and paper was restricted by the colonials." She answers confidently and everyone

applauds. Mariam is asked the same question but is not able to answer or deliver it with confidence. The remaining girls answers but their answers aren't enough to send out a strong message. Then the host takes the center stage to announce the final result. He declares, "The 2nd runner up is Miss Iloilo City and the first runner up is Miss Cebu city." Now, Miss Albay, Miss Pasay and Miss Makati remains. The host then declares, "The new Miss Philippines is... Miss Makati." Anna breaks down in tears as she did not expect to win and the audience applauds for her.

Anna here represents knowledge as she is a very keen learner and has a vision. Mariam represents ignorance. She is confident and thinks that she will be able to win the competition without the knowledge of what is going on. Ignorance is bliss but why do we even seek knowledge? It is because knowledge helps us to adapt to any given situation without being stressed. Anna takes a risk by competing, although hesitant at first, but with the power of knowledge she wins. This is a story about the defeat of ignorance by knowledge.

NO VOTER TO BE LEFT BEHIND

2ND POSITION WINNER IN THE INTER COLLEGE SPEECH COMPETITION, 2023

Election plays a significant role in our country as India is the biggest democracy in the world. Every citizen above the age of 18 has been granted the right to select her/his leader who is capable of solving the problems of common people and bringing about change. Do you know that the voting age was reduced from 21 to 18 by the Constitutional Amendment Act, 1988? That's when change began. In remembrance of the inception of the Election Commission of India in 1950, National Voter's Day is celebrated on 25th January every year since 2011.

So, what is "No Voter to Be Left Behind?" Thanks to the SVEEP India, it worked to enhance voters' turnout during the decision making process and thus, their slogan, "NO VOTER TO BE LEFT BEHIND." But, don't you think we need another slogan that says, "PLEASE LEAVE CHILDREN AND DEAD PEOPLE ALONE." Hey! We are better than that; you and I know what is right and what is not. So, let's be responsible voters, can we?

You see, in India, it is very important for us on how to use our vote in the right way. You and I have the power to create either an accountable government or a corrupt government. How do we achieve it?

Firstly, know your rights and be wise about it. Secondly, cast your vote for a wise leader, not a corrupt leader. Thirdly, educate the same to the people around you. Make them understand that their votes and their voices matter as much as the leader does.



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Today, the Universal Adult Franchise enables every citizen above the age of 18 to freely exercise their right to vote without having to worry about caste, creed, community and gender. With that being said, senior citizens and PWDs or rather, specially-abled persons must be provided with necessary facilitation during the voting process because their votes aren't smaller or weaker. This way, we can ensure a better future for ourselves and generations to come.

I eagerly stand here speaking in front of all of you, because I consider myself a responsible citizen of this country. I also see a lot of young minds gathered here. You and I must embrace any given opportunity to share and express our opinions like we are doing today, because we are the future leaders, we are the people of tomorrow. Let's be smart citizens and responsible leaders tomorrow.

A HORROR INCIDENT

IMAGINATIVE WRITING COMPETITION.
FIRST POSITION, LITERARY DAY, 2023.



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Peter White, a young jolly man, was returning home after being out of town for three days for some business related work. It was late and the night was cold. As he traversed through the forest, he was filled with an eerie and spooky feeling. The night was stormy and the trees were giving a loud, violent noise from the rough wind.

Then, he came across a lady, all alone in the middle of nowhere. He was frightened but approached her and realized that she was in distress. She looked pale and she gave him an uncomfortable feeling. However, seeing that she needed help, he politely asked her what she was doing in the forest in the middle of the night. The woman stooped down and replied, "I met with an accident. There were three of us but the other two, John and Harry left me to look for help. They thought I was unconscious and it has been a while since they left." Peter then asked her if she would like to get in the car. The lady got in and thanked him. While they were seated in the car, Peter asked her how she ended in that situation. She told him her story, "We visited the hills in the nearby valley today and as we were returning, our car skid down the highway lane, then crashed into the side of the road and landed below the road, in the midst of the woods."

Peter, understanding her situation speeded his car, while trying to converse with her at the same time. He told her a little about himself, his work, why he was away from work, and about his daughter whom he missed dearly. "I can't wait to get home. I miss my lovely wife and daughter," Peter said. He then asked her, "May I know your name? I just realized that I haven't asked your name." But he got no response. Peter asked thinking maybe she did not hear him but she did not reply again. Then he turned around to look at her and to his surprise the backseat was empty. He was so terrified and wondered whether he had been hallucinating or if it was a ghost he picked up. He sped up his car and when he reached the next town he shared his story to some people. They told him it was not the first time such an incident had occurred. An old man among them narrated to Peter that the incident happened fifteen years ago where a woman and two male companions who were on a trip met with an accident. The men left the woman to look for help, thinking she was dead. But when they went back the next day, her body was nowhere to be found. Another man continued, "Ever since then, there have been a couple of incidents where people travelling through that road at night happened to encounter this pale looking lady." Peter realizing what had happened was traumatized and left for home the very next day. He had been driving with a dead person or rather with a ghost or the spirit of a dead person.

A HORROR INCIDENT

IMAGINATIVE WRITING COMPETITION
SECOND POSITION, LITERARY DAY, 2023.

Conquering Evil with Light

The uncanny sound of owls hover deep in the distance and the moon rays cast upon the old country cottage which was recently rented out to an American family.

"Father, the atmosphere feels rather eerie out here. Don't you think?" Elija Evans asked as she sat with her mother and father at the dining table for dinner. Her father looked at her, passed a gentle smile and replied, "Sweetheart, don't overthink. You probably feel so because you are not yet accustomed to the place. Now eat your food and we will all head to bed."

Elija was not convinced but she kissed her parents goodnight and went to her bedroom. As a myriad of pensive thoughts rushed through her mind as she lied on her bed, she heard a voice outside her room.

"Who is out there?" Elija screamed as she looked down from her window to where a big tree stood firm near the garage. A young girl, aged around eight stared up at her and gave a rather ominous smile and waved her hands. "Hey, you little girl. What are you doing out there? Where are your parents? Its dangerous to be alone outside," said Elija. The girl uttered no word but simply pointed to where Elija was standing. Shivers ran down her spine as Elija tried not to let the situation consume her. Then the curtain started to move and she felt cold hands on her shoulders which caused her to paralyse with fear. With every little ounce of consciousness left in her, she rushed outside the house and on her way, banged on her parents' door telling them to come out. In her quest to confront the little girl, Elija rushed to the spot only to find an empty backyard. It was 11:45 PM and the light in the garage flickered on and off. The next thing that happened shook her soul. She saw two pairs of leg underneath the flower stand beside the garage. "For heaven's sake who is there? What do you want?" asked Elija and prayed to every god when she witnessed the figure approaching her. She screamed and cried for help, "Mom? Dad? Please get me out of here. Lord, please save me." Elija felt cold hands on her hands and feet as a womanly figure in a white gown flung at her.

"Eli, Eli, Elija? Open your eyes. Eli?" These were words that kept ringing in her ears when she suddenly felt sprinkles of water on her face and woke up to the sight of her parents. She had supposedly passed out. The next minute, she was taken inside the house where they conducted a family prayer for the dreadful events that had happened. They then headed to bed once again and that very night Elija had a dream where the same figure appeared and interacted with her. "Young lady, I could have done so much harm to you. I could make you tremble to death but I couldn't. I just couldn't. There is something powerful in you that abruptly stopped me from killing you." Elija gasped in shock as the figure continue to speak. "Had it not been for that one thing, I would've happily killed you. There is something big in you. You just got lucky."



Ms. Asienuo Cyline Solo
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Elija narrated the whole dream to her parents the next day and they realized that the “Rosary,” a sacred necklace of the Catholic dominion, was what stopped the spirit from hurting her. Theirs was a religious Catholic family and the “Rosary” which is believed to guide and protect every individual saved Elija and her family. That very day, they went to the church to ask for repose and repentance for themselves and for the spirits as well upon learning that the little girl and the woman were killed by the father about 60 years ago in the cottage. As a result, the spirit sought to terrorize and take revenge on all the tenants. A mass religious prayer was carried out by the priest even in the house. While the others said their own prayers, Elija closed her eyes and whispered, “Oh dear, may you find repose for yourself and rest peacefully hereon. You go your way and let us live happily too. I pray you find your eternal abode. Farewell!” Holy water was sprayed in every corner of the house and everyone gathered at the table for lunch with delight and hope in their hearts for conquering evil and attaining the light, the light of God.

My Piece

MS. NGIPLON K. KONYAK, B.A 4th Semester, Department of English

I have written pieces of love, of regret, of shame
Let them know because I felt the same.
The pain in me reaching for the pen,
to ease on the white sheets.
This a piece of testimony.
I have heard the voices, heard them loud and long
and they were not happy. Voices from Hades called on
My existence trembling on my hand.
And they screamed, "one deep strike and be at peace."
I need to strike to stop it.
Tears dripping and heart dropping, my breath hitched at the sharp cold touch
Shush... It's not over!
There's warmth flooding the air with stillness
It stayed gently beside me, patiently reasoning me the beauty of life.
It stayed until I could not taste the salt anymore,
Whispering words of love and hope
the banes of my existence. It stayed yet, even after.
And the Word declared, “It has not left me since the beginning of my breath”.
And I believed. Yes, I do.
For 'Heaven and Earth will pass but the Word will never pass away.'

TO MY SWEET PINK

To my sweet pink,

The game may change: time may not be as your will.

My sweet pink, though these hands could not reach out: Do not give up.

It's just the test of time, don't hurl in them.

There lies the bright side.

Have faith in yourself, make wise decisions and do not regret it later.

Don't lend your ears to the naysayers, you'll meet a lot.

Remember! The brightness awaits you.

String

**Like the guitar strings
This heart string of mine
Strummed by Life
Tuning melodiously and
Sometimes, melancholically.**

**Emotions are aligned
Like the guitar strings
And Life strumming it
With different chords,
I never know.**

**Therefore, I can never be able to
Rhyme to the rhythm of my own genre.**

THE GLIDED AGE

*The lazy mornings we wake up to
just because we were
compelled to go to school.
The pretentious sicknesses we come up with
just because we didn't do our home works.
The trouble of sliding the cold
Shirts during winter mornings,
The canes and the scoldings
Were what contributed to
Shaping us.
The hysteric laughter which we
had to control to avoid the
glowering eyes.
Yet, it was still the
most amazing chapter which we never
wanted to end.
The scent of school days still
lingers on near the school gate.
No matter what one's school days
are like, joy and fun
are been assured.
Isn't a student's life the
most precious one?*

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SHE, THE MASTERMIND

Somewhere back beyond her thoughts,
She stands with raven locks
Memories of her golden hair floats
Virtuous She was, yet left in the shlock
So She schemed like a masquerade criminal
To escape the sceptical.

Mastered her own mind before becoming
the Mastermind.
Now she assesses the throne of Mastermind.
She dealt her pretty words like blades
Melancholy designed her thoughts with
maroon shades.
She laid her ground work divine
And just like clockwork, the dominoes
cascaded in line.

If She fails to plan, she plans to fail
Strategy sets the scene for the tale.
She is the wind in the free-flowing sail
And the liquor in every cocktail,
to assess the equation of life
She becomes the Mastermind in her own
game of life.

All the wisest women had to improvise
To become this wise.
They think we only have a manipulative mind
But above all that, there is a
super calculative mind.
Fond gestures are exchanged
And the organs played
When She passes by, for She is
The Mastermind.

MS. VIPENI T. ACHUMI
B.A 2nd Semester
Department of English

Valhalla

The world seems quieter tonight than ever before,
The crimson sky lovelier than ever
I hear the mighty waves throbbing against the shore
And the storms brewing in rage up above
Am I worthy? I muttered
As I lay drowning in my thoughts
My strength begins to fail me
I put my mind at ease and
Lay silently awaiting for my fate

I sense Death approaching from afar
As my vision dims and my breath gets thicker
I ponder if I am truly worthy of what lies ahead
I sink to my knees
And begin to draw my last breath
As I prepare myself for the journey ahead of me.
I embark through the unknown plane,
Where my ancestors await for my arrival,
I gladly walk without fear or regret
For I know that I have lived,
Not a life of cowardice
But one of bravery and honor.

And I am in the end,
Nothing by flesh and blood
Lo, as my mortal body begins to fail me,
I hear the gods call upon my name
Echoing through the halls

As Odin prepares for my arrival,
I lie beneath the storms of old,
Waiting for the Aesir to summon me Home
To the Halls of Valhalla!

MR. TOKHUMBA, B.A 6th Semester, Department of English

His Love

He loves her
Condemned because he loves her.
Beaten and trashed.
Whatever he did he did it for her.
Every action, love and attention,
His every move was genuine.
Humiliated in public because he declared his love for her.
He did everything for her.

She did not deserve the love;
With her every flaw and imperfection.
In her mind, she fails him everyday;
Her every action and word is an apology.
Fails to reciprocate the love she receives.
Sometimes scared of declaring her love;
Because of the consequences she would face.
She did not qualify.

She knows she doesn't deserve him;
But he still waits for her no matter the situation.
He is always waiting for her to come home.
Knowingly or unknowingly she hurts him.
But he still loves her for her.
People condemn their bond;
But they still hold on together.
One fails, the other helps.
His grace and blessings all around.
She doesn't see him but he sees it all.
He guides her every step;
She follows in faith.

He is the guardian of her soul.
He is her Saviour.
She is me.
She is you.
She is us.



Oh July... How grateful to you
for the patter of my tiny feet.
How awful are you
for the lost of my beloved mother
Yet, how ambivalent for them
for they can ravel the rite.
How stifling are you
For you are called the King of summer.
How passionate are you
For you made me his young love.
How treasured are you
For the reminiscence, July.

Like a Rose

Like a rose he commenced...

"You'll be very distinct like a
rose among thorns."

"You'll catch every corner of my eyes
an angel that I glance so hard upon
something that catches my eyes
even when I'm trying to look away.

Like a rose that caught every heart."

My heart choose to love you
in that very moment.

MS. KIVINI LOHE, B.A. 2nd Semester, Department of English

Ms. ECUSILE HARALU, B.A 6th Semester, Department of English

PENCIL SKETCHING COMPETITION

THEME : MY DREAM



FIRST POSITION, LITERARY DAY, 2023

MR. KENYUSINLO KENT, B.A 6TH SEMESTER, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY



SECOND POSTION, LITERARY DAY, 2023

Mr. IMLISUNEP TZUDIR, B.COM 2ND SEMESTER

MS. WEPULE KHESOH
B.A 2ND SEMESTER, DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



MS. VINIKA A. JAKHA
B.A 2ND SEMESTER, DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



MR. KEVISILIE, B.A 2ND SEMESTER, DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



ORIENTATION ON CHOICE BASED CREDIT SYSTEM

DR. TSENBENI
Member Secretary, CBCS Board

An orientation program on Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) for undergraduate course was held at Baptist College, Kohima on 17th June, 2022. The program was organised by CBCS Board in collaboration with IQAC, Baptist College, for the teachers of the College. The program began with a short introduction by Mr. Kezhalehou Zatsu, IQAC Co-Ordinator. This was followed by a short address by the Principal, Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, where he expressed the need of being equipped with more knowledge about the newly introduced system so that the career of students are not put in jeopardy even as they pursue different courses of study.

Thereafter, resource persons Dr. Seyiekhrielie Whiso, Associate Professor, Department of English, Kohima Science College and Dr. Daniel Kibami, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Kohima Science College apprised the teachers on the new system. Dr. Whiso spoke in detail on the "Salient Features and Course Structure of CBCS" of both Honours and Regular Course, comprising of Core papers, Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses, Generic Elective Courses and Skill Enhancement Courses, particularly mentioning that Skill Enhancement Courses should be focused on increasing students' employability through inclusion of practical components. Dr. Kibami further apprised the members on "Staff, Infrastructural Requirements and Routine Making" focusing on the required contact hours for each course as per the recommendation of UGC and the strength of teachers and classrooms required for effective execution of the teaching-learning process in the new system. This was followed by an extensive discussion on topics related to the system. Mr. Vincent Kent, Assistant Co-Ordinator, IQAC pronounced the vote of thanks. Dr. Tsenbeni, Member Secretary, CBCS Board was the rapporteur of the day. The program was attended by twenty seven faculty members of the College.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA

The NSS Committee of Baptist College, Kohima observed the International Day of Yoga on 21st June, 2022 at Naga Heritage Village, Kisama, under the theme 'Yoga for Humanity.' The program was organized by the Directorate of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Nagaland in association with CPWD under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, New Delhi. Minister of State for Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, Mr. Kaushal Kishore graced the occasion as the special guest. The program also witnessed a live screening address from the Prime Minister, Shri. Narendra Modi. Ten NSS volunteers from Baptist College led by Program Officers Ms. Naro Jamir and Ms. Menuhole Savi participated in the program.

MS. KÜSÜNI A. TRAKHA
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YEARBOOK LAUNCH PROGRAM



The Yearbook, 10th Edition of Baptist College was launched on 4th July, 2022 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall, with Mr. Kenivi Yhoshü, Member, Literary Committee as the chairperson. Dr. Sentinaro, Convenor, Literary Committee gave the opening remark, while Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal, Baptist College delivered the note on the event. Mr. N. Delhu Khate, Former Principal, Baptist College, formally launched the Yearbook with comments on the book. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Seyiesilie Vüprü, Member, Literary Committee, Baptist College.

DR. SENTINARO
Convenor, Literary Committee

ORIENTATION PROGRAM for B.A and B.Com, 1st Semester

DR. TSENBENI

Assistant Professor, Department of English

An orientation program on “Choice Based Credit System” and “College Rules and Regulation” for the B.A and B.Com 1st semester students of Kohima and Sechü campus was held on 1st July, 2022, at the respective campuses. In Kohima campus, Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal, Baptist College and Mr. Kezhalehou Zatsu, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, apprised the students on the rules and regulations, co-curricular and extracurricular activities of the College while, Dr. Tsenbeni, Assistant Professor, Department of English, and Dr. Avelé Thirah, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, oriented the students on the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS), course structure, details of paper for study, class routine and examination pattern. In Sechü campus, Dr. Kewepfuzu Lohe, Vice-Principal and Ms. Süvilü Venuh, Assistant Professor, Department of English, oriented on the College Rules and Regulation and Choice Based Credit System respectively.

FELICITATION PROGRAM FOR SUBJECT TOPPERS

DR. KEKUCHOL PUSA

Convenor, Felicitation Committee

The Baptist College, Kohima held a felicitation program for the subject toppers in the Undergraduate University Examination, 2022 conducted by Nagaland University, at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall, Kohima on 7th July, 2022. Mr. Tseivilie Miachieo, Chairman, Governing Body, Baptist College was the guest of honour. Mr. Miachieo expressed his appreciation to the toppers who brought laurels to the Institution by their hard work, dedication and sincerity. He reminded the students to always maintain their integrity and honesty wherever they are placed in life. Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal, Baptist College congratulated the toppers and encouraged them to fare well in their future endeavours.

Earlier, the program was chaired by Dr. Tsenbeni, Assistant Professor, Department of English. Congratulatory remarks were shared by Dr. Sentinaro, Head, Department of English and Mr. Kezhalehou Zatsu, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce. All the four toppers – Ms. Jyoti Kumari Sharma, Department of Commerce (6th Rank), Ms. Neimenuo Rio, Department of Commerce (8th Rank), Ms. Nuzhienuo Kire, Department of Commerce (9th Rank) and Ms. Lochumbeni K. Humtsoe, Department of English (9th Rank), expressed their thankfulness to the College for providing guidance and relentless support in their academics. The program concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Mrs. Narola Chuba, Vice-Principal, Baptist College, Kohima.



LECTURE SERIES ON

“NAGA WRITINGS IN ENGLISH”

(Episode 1)

MS.DIEZENUO CHÜZHO

B.A. 4th Semester, Department of English

Lecture Series- Episode 1- on “Naga Writings in English” was organised by the Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima on 15th July, 2022 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall. Dr. Sentinaro, Head, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima, and Dr. Vizovono Elizabeth, Independent Researcher and Freelance Editor were the resource persons of the lecture series.

The lecture series was divided into two sessions. In the first session, Dr. Sentinaro gave an overview on the development of Naga Literature, where she laid emphasis on the significance of oral tradition and how Naga writings speak a lot on our cultural, social, political and economic issues. She also commented on the works of Easterine Kire, Temsula Ao, Nini Lungalang and Monalisa Changkija, which gave prominence on the Indo-Naga Conflict, thus, influencing the overall development of Naga Literature.

In the second session, Dr. Vizovono Elizabeth commented on the importance of Literature as a mirror of life and how it build stories through one's imagination and outlook to life. She focused on the importance of setting in any work of literature as it sets the rest of the elements on the stories in place. Focusing on the aspect of setting, Dr. Elizabeth discussed on the works of Temsula Ao and Easterine Kire, where the stories written by these two prominent Naga writers were set in different backgrounds in the 1950s to 1970s in the Naga villages and Kohima Town, when the state of Nagaland was undergoing through the crucial moments of war.

The sessions were chaired by Mr. Kenivi Yhoshu, Assistant Professor, Department of English and Dr. Tsenbeni, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima. The sessions concluded with interactive discussion, followed by refreshment.

BLOOD DONATION DRIVE



An Awareness cum Blood Donation Camp was organised by the Nagaland Medical Students Association in collaboration with the Red Ribbon Club (RRC), Baptist College and the Blood Bank, Naga Hospital Authority Kohima (NHAK) on 9th July, 2022 at Baptist College, Kohima. Altogether, twelve RRC volunteers of Baptist College participated by donating blood in the camp. The donors were given appreciation certificates by the Blood Bank, NHAK.

DR. MHABENI EZUNG
Convenor, RRC

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES ELECTION (2022-2023)

MR. AYETO ZHIMOMI
General Secretary, Student Council

The Student Council, Baptist College, conducted the annual Class Representatives Election from 11th to 13th July, 2022 for the 1st, 3rd and 5th Semesters in the class rooms and Chapel Hall, by assigning two Student Council members in each room to conduct the election in a fair and clean manner. The election was conducted with each day allotted to specific departments and semesters. Moreover, a mass social work was imposed as a penalty to the absentees on the CRs election. The election was conducted successfully without any delay.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES ORIENTATION

The Baptist College, Kohima organised the Class Representatives (CRs) Orientation on 18th July, 2022 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall under the theme, **To Lead is to Make Difference**. Mrs. Narola Chuba, Vice-Principal, Baptist College, Kohima was the speaker for the program. Ms. Kethosenuo Medoze, Co-Convenor, Student Council shared on the roles and responsibilities of leadership.

The program began with an invocation said by Ms. Petevino Chucha, Assistant General Secretary, Student Council while Mr. E. Hanlom Mokho, President, Student Council, delivered the welcome address. Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi, General Secretary, Student Council proposed the vote of thanks. The program witnessed special appearance and self introduction from the newly elected CRs. Ms. Myanbeni R. Odyuo, Literary Secretary, Student Council, chaired the program and Ms. Toli T. Achumi, Social & Cultural Secretary, Student Council said the benediction.

MR. AYETO ZHIMOMI
General Secretary, Student Council



NSS

Social Work

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The NSS Committee of Baptist College, Kohima organized a social work on 23rd July, 2022 along with the NSS Program Officers and its volunteers. Twenty eight NSS volunteers participated in the social work, which were further divided into groups and assigned specific tasks. The volunteers cleaned the college surroundings, swept the floors, and cleaned the windows of the College building. The social work concluded with photo session and light refreshment.



A TALK ON POPULATION CONTROL

To create awareness on the issue of population explosion, Department of Sociology, Baptist College, Kohima and Sechü campuses organised a seminar on 30th July, 2022 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall under the theme, 'Population Control: Roles and Responsibilities'. The session was chaired by Ms. Megosieno Mor, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology. Mr. Kevizhalhou Medom, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, invoked God's blessings which was followed by a special number presented by Mr. Mütsa L Kajiri of B.A 5th semester. The resource person Ms. Samlam Michui, Program Officer, Family Planning Association of India, Nagaland Branch talked on sexual wellbeing, birth control methods on family planning, sexual hygiene and sensitized issues on sexual abuse. Ms. Michui also challenged and questioned the students whether they will be responsible to perform the said duties in the upbringing of children. The session concluded with a vote of thanks pronounced by Ms. Menuhole Savi, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology.

Ms. Veshetsülü Rüho

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology

ANCSU 43RD FOUNDATION DAY CUM DEGREE TOPPERS FELICITATION

Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi
*General Secretary
Student Council*

The ANCSU 43rd Foundation Day cum Degree Toppers Felicitation program was held at Molu Ki Conference Hall, Kohima on 2nd August, 2022. Dr. Maongsangba, Controller of Examination, Nagaland University, Lumami and Dr. Medongi Rhakho, Deputy Director, Directorate of Higher Education were the Guest Speaker and Special Guest. The Baptist College Student Council President, Mr. E. Hanlom Mokho and ANCSU Representative, Ms. Sentipenla Tzudir attended the program.

40th

FRESHER'S DAY

Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi

General Secretary, Student Council

The 40th Fresher's Day of Baptist College was held at Ura Academy Hall on 9th August, 2022. Mr. Rhosietho Nguori, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kohima graced the program as the guest of honour. He talked on the theme, 'Purpose Fuels Passion' and encouraged the students in their academic pursuits. Mrs. Narola Chuba, Vice- Principal, Baptist College, Kohima delivered the welcome address. Mr. E. Hanlom Mokho, President, Student Council addressed the Freshers while Mr. Ariche Koza spoke on behalf of the Freshers.

On the occasion, Mr. Medongulie Rhitso, Department of Political Science and Ms. Kihitoli A. Kiho, Department of Political Science, were crowned as Mr. and Ms. Freshers, 2022. Mr. Pfütsükote Ketsu Koza and Ms. Toli T. Achumi compered the program while Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi, General Secretary, Student Council proposed the vote of thanks. The program also witnessed special numbers and appearances from the Elite Crew and the Student Council.





Har Ghar Trianga Campaign

The NSS Committee of Baptist College, Kohima participated in the Har Ghar Trianga campaign under the aegis of Azad Ka Amrit Mahotsav on 12th August, 2022 in the College. The NSS Program Officers, thirty NSS volunteers and the Principal of the College participated in the campaign. The volunteers carried and hoisted the flags in the College to mark the 75th year of India's Independence. The campaign concluded with a group photo session.

Ms. Therali

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ANNUAL Camp

Mr. Kupnyei C.

General Secretary

Baptist College Fellowship

*The Baptist College Fellowship organised an annual camp for the students of the 1st Semester from 12th to 14th August, 2022 under the theme, **Come To The Waters** at Sechü Campus, Zubza. Mr. Mego Savier, Mr. Alivoker Aier and Mr. Anato Yephtho were the speakers who spoke on **Sin and Temptation, Discipleship and Abiding in Christ**. From Shalom Bible Seminary, the 5th Semester students volunteered in initiating the recreational activities. A total of one hundred and sixty five students from both Kohima and Sechü campuses including the executives and mess team attended the camp. The camp was successfully organised by Mr. Tamreimung Chüsi, Chaplain along with the BCF executives.*



ORIENTATION AND AWARENESS PROGRAMME

Dr. Mhabeni Ezung
Convenor, RRC

The Red Ribbon Club (RRC) and Medical Committee, Baptist College organised an orientation and awareness program on 12th August, 2022 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall, in observance of the International Youth Day under the theme: “Youth for HIV Free World.” Dr. Mhabeni Ezung, Convenor, RRC, Baptist College spoke on the role and responsibilities of youth for an HIV free world and the importance of youth voices and peer-to-peer education which are potent weapons in the fight against the HIV epidemic. Dr. Sentinaro, Convenor, Medical Committee, Baptist College, highlighted on the need of creating awareness on mental health which if ignored can impede all aspects of health including emotional well-being and social development, leaving young people socially isolated, stigmatised and unable to optimise their social, vocational and interpersonal contributions to society.

In line with the theme, an essay and poster making competition was held, where Ms. Thingpio L. Lamthew, B.A 3rd Semester, Department of English and Mr. Sedevituo Kreditsü, B.A 1st Semester, General Course were adjudged in the first and second positions in Essay competition, while Ms. Idaile, BA 5th Semester, Department of History and Mr. Kekhrietuo Peya, B.A 1st Semester, General Course won the first and second positions in the Poster Making category. The program was chaired by Ms. Veni Yeptho, Student Coordinator, RRC, Baptist College and the vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Sevolü Chüzho, Member, RRC, Baptist College.

Rural Tour to Makhel Village Manipur

Ms. Zhanukhonuo &
Ms. Veshetsülü Ruho
Assistant Professors
Sechü Campus



As part of the annual Departmental activity, a one-day rural tour to Makhel Village under Senapati District was organized by Department of Sociology, Sechü Campus on 8th October, 2022. Makhel village is an important historical, ethnographic and cultural center and is home to several mythological monuments and relics. The main objective of the tour was to explore the social history of the village, and learn about the mythological monuments and places associated with the origin and migration of man. Manipur Heritage Site, the Sacred Banyan Tree, the Departure Stones of Tiger, Spirit and Man, the Dispersal Stone and the Sacred Wild Pear Tree located at Shahouba Village were the places which the group explored. All together twelve students along with two teaching staff and Dr. Kewepfuzu Lohe, Vice Principal, Baptist College, Sechü Campus joined in the rural tour.



Outing to Dzüleke

BAPTIST COLLEGE CAMPUS MINISTRY (BCCM)

On 25th October 2022, the BCCM organised an outing to Dzüleke. A short service was conducted, chaired by Ms. Dina Pojar. Mr Akumtong Pongen said the opening prayer and a special number was presented by Ms. Sinile Jasü. Dr. Kewepfuzu Lohe, Vice Principal, Sechü campus gave a short sharing, followed by responsive reading, presentation of a musical piece, and closing hymn. Altogether thirty-seven BCCM members including students and staff from Sechü campus joined the outing.

Ms. Lijula A Sangtam
BA 5th Semester, Department of English



Ms. Sedeneinuo Pienyü
BA 5th Semester, Department of Sociology

Book Signing Tour

Ms. Myanbeni R. Odyuo
Literary Secretary
Student Council

The Literary Committee, Baptist College, in collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Baptist College, organized a Letters Run Book Signing Tour on 15th October, 2022 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall on the book, Once Upon a Time in Kohima by Konaei Shongdok. The program started with an invocation said by Ms. Chimshe Lam, B.A 5th Semester, Department of English, followed by a welcome note from Mr. Kezhalehou Zatsu, Co-ordinator, IQAC, Baptist College. A spoken word poetry was presented by Ms. Syntia Chemtok, B.A. 3rd Semester, Department of History, melody by Ms. Shokhümla Yimchungrü, B.A 3rd Semester, Department of English, opening satire by Mr. Puphong Konyak, B.A 5th Semester, Department of History, and bow of strings by Ms. Adeno Murry, B.A 1st Semester, Department of Political Science. Mr. Shongdok gave an overview of his book Once Upon a Time in Kohima. The program came to a close with vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Sentinaro, Convener, Literary Committee followed by book signing by Mr. Shongdok. The program was chaired by Ms. Myanbeni R. Odyuo, Literary Secretary, Student Council.

ALUMNI MEET



Mr. Asilie Rürhia
Convener
Alumni Committee

The Baptist College second Alumni Meet cum Dinner Programme was convened at Baptist College, Kohima on 26th October, 2022. In the meet, a new Alumni Association Team was elected for the tenure (2022-2024). Mr. Hika S. Chishi was elected as the President and Mr. Tokibo N. Wotsa as the Vice- President. Mr. Larito H. Yimchunger and Ms. Naomi Kent were elected as Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively and Ms. Imisangla Pongen as Information & Correspondence Secretary.

The members of Sanitation and Waste Management Committee, Baptist College, along with fifteen student volunteers carried out a sanitation drive in the College campus in preparation for the Literature Fest on 28th October, 2022.

Anti-Tobacco Awareness Program

The Anti-Tobacco Committee, Baptist College, came up with steps and measures to make the College a “Tobacco Free Institution”. Accordingly, the Committee initiated an Anti-Tobacco Awareness by sending out information to students, and put up banners, posters and notices in strategic places of the College in both Kohima and Sechü campuses. The Committee came up with major action plans that included giving warning to student violators, imposing fines and other stringent actions as per the notice.

Dr. Kevino Nagi,
Member, Anti-Tobacco Committee



UNITY RUN CUM CULMINATING CLEAN INDIA CAMPAIGN

The NSS volunteers of Baptist College, Kohima attended the Unity Run cum Clean India Campaign on 31st October, 2022 at Officer’s Hill, Kohima. The volunteers participated in the campaign by cleaning the surrounding areas. To culminate the Clean India Campaign, the volunteers had a Unity Run from Officer’s Hill to NSF Office. The program concluded with photo session and refreshment. A total of eleven NSS volunteers participated in the program.

Mr. Renjamo Odyuo
B.A 6th Semester, Department of Political Science



LITERATURE FEST

*The Department of English in collaboration with IQAC, Baptist College organised the 5th Edition of the Literature Fest on 29th October, 2022 under the theme, **Learning Spaces**. The first session was chaired by Dr. Tsenbeni, Assistant Professor, Department of English. Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal, Baptist College highlighted on the importance of such an event which aims at promoting reading, writing, creativity and the importance of providing the platform to share one's values towards art. He also mentioned that the College is privileged to be the first institution to be hosting the Literature Fest since its inception in 2016. Dr. Sentinaro, Head, Department of English, in her remark spoke on the uniqueness of such an event, like the Literature Fest which is aimed to bring together renowned writers, literary experts, thinkers, politicians, and artists from varied industries like art, music, and film on a single platform to share ideas and engage in a meaningful debate. Befitting the occasion, a heartfelt tribute was paid to Professor Temsula Ao in reading Ao's poem, 'October.'*

The daylong event saw a host of activities like the Book Fest, Poetry Workshop, Role Play, Book Exchange, Food Stall, Art Gallery, Short Story Competition, Charity Counter, Reading Club, Film Screening, Musicians, Stage Plays and Enactment, Historical Narration, Spoken Word Poetry, Ted Talk on Entrepreneurship, and Awareness on Constitutional Rights, with a host of judges, resource persons and invitees from various areas of expertise. Among them were Ms. Sesino Yhoshü of Take One Production, Mr. Chentei Khamniungan, Dr. Vizovono Elizabeth, Mr. Konaei Shongdok, Mr. Nzan Kikon, Ms. Adenuo Shirat Luikham, and Ms. Kevilenuo Miachieo.

Colleges within Kohima like Kohima College, Japfü Christian College, St. Joseph's College, Alder College, Kohima Science College, and Nagaland University, Department of English, Meriema Campus participated in the events. Ms. Khroku-ü Prade, Nagaland University, Mr. Hopong, Baptist College and Ms. Kevizeno Kiso, St. Joseph's College were adjudged in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions respectively in the Short Story competition. While in the Meet Your Favourite Characters the winners were Mr. Qhekaho Swu, St. Joseph's College (1st Position), Mr. Vincent W. Patton, Kohima Science College (2nd Position) and Ms. K. Naophe Konyak, Alder College (3rd Position). The highlight of the day was the enthralling performances by renowned singers Ms. Seyievinuo Chuzho and Ms. Mengu Suokhrie with her band. The program came to an end with the vote of thanks proposed by Ms. Asola C. Jamir, Assistant Professor, Department of English.

Dr. Sentinaro,
Convenor, Literary Committee

RECEPTION ON THE ARRIVAL OF PRESIDENT OF INDIA

The NSS Committee of Baptist College, Kohima participated in the reception program of the Hon'ble President of India Smt. Droupadi Murmu's arrival in Kohima on 2nd November, 2022. Twenty one NSS volunteers participated in the program hosted at Capital Cultural Hall, Kohima. A virtual inauguration and laying of foundation stones for various projects in Nagaland was launched by the President. The NSS volunteers had a photo session after the program.



*Mr. Renjamo Odyuo,
B.A 6th Semester
Department of Political Science*

ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUDIT TEAM VISIT

The Department of Higher Education, Government of Nagaland at the request of the College deputed three members for Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) of the College on 24th November, 2022. The visit was necessitated in view of the preparation of the College for NAAC Assessment. The AAA team comprised of Dr. Visakhonü Hibo, Principal, Japfu Christian College, Dr. Watijungshi Jamir, retired Additional Director and Dr. Lily Sema, Additional Director, Higher Education.

The program commenced with the team's meeting with Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal, Baptist College, Kohima. This was followed by meetings with IQAC, English, History, Political Science, Sociology, General and Commerce department faculty members. The team then interacted with the Assistant Librarian and student representatives of the College, comprising of Student Council members and BCF members.

After meeting and interacting with the Administrative staff, the team performed a physical verification of the various facilities of the College. The team then carried out a verification of details in the Accounts section. The day long visit concluded with a general meeting with the Principal and staff of the College and a constructive feedback from the AAA team.

*Dr. Tsenbeni
Assistant Coordinator, IQAC*



PARENTS-TEACHER MEETING

The Parents-Teacher Committee of Baptist College organized a Parents-Teacher meeting in the College on 13th December, 2022. The meeting was convened to apprise the Parents Body on the NAAC Assessment and the important role of the parents and guardians in the NAAC assessment process, as an active stake holder. Mrs. Narola Chuba, Convenor, Parents-Teacher Committee briefed the Parents Body on the importance of the NAAC Assessment of the College and their active participation and contribution in the assessment process. Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal, Baptist College addressed and acknowledged the Parents Body on their participation. Mr. Kezhalehou Zatsu, IQAC Coordinator highlighted on the NAAC activity and the role of the Parents Body during the NAAC assessment period. The Parents Body gave suggestions on the infrastructures of the College and the role the teachers and the College play in the all round development of the learners. The meeting was successfully concluded with a vote of thanks pronounced by Mr. Asilie Rurhia, Member, Parents-Teacher Committee.

Mr. L. Thsidelong Rüdy

Member, Parents-Teacher Committee

Clean Election Program

Mr. L. Thsidelong Rüdy

Assitant Professor

Department of Political Science

A Clean Election Sensitization Program was conducted on the 25th of January, 2023 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall, Baptist College. The program was attended by the teaching staff and students of 4th and 6th semester.

The Resource Persons were Mr. Huzo Meru, Director of Operation, NECU, who gave a talk on *Clean Election and its Prospects*. Mr. Neingusalie shared his experience and observation of Election in Nagaland from a voter's point of view. Dr. Villo Naleo, Convener, CEM, NBCC, concluded the talk by sharing his views on clean election. The program was chaired by Mr. L. Thsidelong Rüdy, Assitant Professor, Department of Political Science.

Commerce Department Workshop

The Department of Commerce, Baptist College, in collaboration with NISM (National Institute of Securities Market) organized a three-day workshop on 27th January, 4th February and 6th February, 2023 on “Financial Education for Young Citizen- Kona, Kona Shiksha”. The program was divided into eight sessions. Mr. Chenio Lotha, was the resource person who shared on financial education, the importance of investment, financial investment opportunities and process and requirements for investment in securities market. Dr. Kevino Nagi, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce chaired the program.

Dr. Kevino Nagi

Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce

Activities Initiated by the Library Committee

The monthly compilation and report of Library visitation by Lecturers was initiated by the Library Committee from the month of January, 2023. Moreover, an orientation on Library Science will be given by the Assistant Librarian, Mrs. Angel Meru, to the 6th Semester students after the completion of the University examination in the month of May, 2023.

Mrs. Angel Meru

Convenor, Library Committee



CONSULTANCY MEETING WITH KOHIMA COLLEGE

Dr. Tsenbeni

Assistant Coordinator, IQAC

Kohima College IQAC Coordinator, Ms. Sungjeminla, and Assistant Coordinators, Dr. Konei Nakhro and Ms. Lona Kajiri visited Baptist College on 7th February, 2023. Being assigned as the mentor college of Baptist College, the meeting was initiated by Kohima College with the aim of providing suggestions as Baptist College was in the process of uploading the SSR for the first cycle of NAAC Assessment. The visiting team perused the details being filled in, on the institution's portal on the NAAC website and provided suggestions wherever necessary. The team also extended valuable suggestions for modification and improvement of the institution's website. The interactive meeting was held in the IQAC room and attended by Mr. Kezhalelhou Zatsu, IQAC Coordinator, Baptist College and Assistant Coordinators Mr. Vincent Kent and Dr. Tsenbeni.

Baptist College Fellowship Camp

The Baptist College Fellowship (BCF) organised a camp for the students of the 4th and 6th Semesters under the theme, **Love Came Down** from 10th to 12th February, 2023 at Rüsoma Dzüü Resort. The camp was initiated with the sole objectives to enlighten the campers on the love of God, to have healthy relationship with the people around us, to grow and reflect in the understanding of God, and to create a platform for the students to display their gifts and talents.

The speakers were the BCF Chaplain Mr. Tamreimung Chüsi, Ms. Meneno, Mr. Zhovilie and Mr. Keneiseto who shared on relationship, love, sin, and redemption. A total of one hundred and forty three campers from both the Kohima and Sechü campuses attended the camp. The students from 2nd Semester, Kohima and Sechü campus volunteered for the mess.

Mr. Kupnyei C, *General Secretary, BCF*



INTER COLLEGE SPEECH COMPETITION

An Inter College Speech Competition was organized by the Office of the Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer, Kohima District SVEEP Campaign under the theme, **No Voters to Be Left Behind** at DPDB Hall, Kohima on 13th February, 2023. Mr. Shanavas C., IAS, DC & DEO, Kohima gave the welcome address and encouraged the students to exercise their votes so as to elect the right leaders for a better future.

The panel of judges for the speech competition was Ms. Lemchangpila Sangtam, Assistant Professor, Kros College, Dr. Sentinaro, Assistant Professor, Baptist College and Mr. Ase Yalie, Assistant Professor, Kohima College. Ms. Diezenuo Chuzho, B.A 4th Semester, Department of English and Ms. Kihitoli A. Kiho, B.A 2nd Semester, Department of Political Science represented Baptist College. Ms. Diezenuo Chuzho bagged the second position for the speech competition. Students from colleges in Kohima participated in the competition.

Ms. Diezenuo Chuzho

B.A 4th Semester, Department of English



The Eco and Beautification Committee of Baptist College carried out the indoor and outdoor plantation drive in the College with the help of the Eco Club volunteers in the month of February, 2023. Moreover, seasonal flowers and plants were planted in the newly constructed flower beds in the Eco Park.

ECO AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Angel Meru

Convenor, Eco & Beautification Committee

COLLEGE CANTEEN

Dr. Kekuchol Pusa

Convenor, Cafeteria Committee

The Cafeteria Committee of Baptist College in collaboration with the stakeholders came up with the College canteen on 6th of March, 2023 at Kohima Campus. To cater to the needs of the students and staff, the canteen serves wholesome food with different menu.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY (IWD)

Women's Forum, Baptist College along with Women's Hostel, Baptist College, Sechü Campus organised a program on 8th March, 2023 to commemorate International Women's Day under the United Nations 2023 theme,

***DigitALL: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality** and the IWD's campaign theme: **#EmbraceEquity**. The program was held at the Multi-purpose Hall, Women's Hostel. The main event for the day was Extempore Speech competition where Ms. Razouvinuo, B.A. 4th Semester, of Political Science Department and Ms. Eneirhi-u Chirhah, B.A. 6th Semester, of Political Science Department, bagged the first and the second position respectively.*

The program was chaired by Ms. Veshetsülü Rüho, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology. The judges for the competition were Ms. Loly Chophy, Member, Women's Forum and Assistant Professor, Department of English, Ms. Rüülhouü Mere, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Ms. Thejano Krose, Office Assistant cum Warden, Women's Hostel. Altogether twenty-one people including staff and students attended the program.

Ms. Süvilü Venuh, Convenor, Women's Forum



INDUSTRIAL TOUR TO KOLKATA

An Industrial Tour to Kolkata was successfully organized by the Department of Commerce, for the students of B.Com. 6th Semester, Baptist College, Kohima from 15th-19th March, 2023. Altogether, thirty one students, along with two faculties of the department, Dr. Avel Thirah and Mr. Kezhalehou Zatsu visited the 'City of Joy'.

The group visited the Royal Steel Rolling Industry which is one of the biggest industries in West Bengal having 21 units across India. The group also explored Science City, at Eastern Metropolitan Bypass which is famously known to be one of the largest and finest science museums in Asia, presenting science and technology in the stimulating and engaging environment. The group also visited Eco Park, Howrah Bridge, St Paul's Cathedral, Victoria's Memorial, Indian Museum and Mother Teresa's House.

The tour was educative as it provided the students with a wider insight into the life of the workers, living cultures and conditions of people in cities. It was also enlightening to witness the historical proofs and the significances they hold that were once read in books.

Ms. Neimhelo-ü Lasuh

6th Semester, Department of Commerce



NSS ORIENTATION CUM SOCIAL WORK

The NSS Committee of Baptist College, Kohima organised an orientation program cum social work with the NSS Program Officers, Ms. Naro Jamir, Mr. Vincent Kent and Mr. Kevizhalhou along with the sixty eight NSS volunteers on 25th March, 2023 in the College. The program was chaired by Mr. Vincent Kent. Ms. Naro Jamir gave an orientation to the volunteers on the works and duties of the NSS volunteers. There was a selection of four NSS student leaders from B.A 4th Semester for the tenure (2023-2024). After the orientation program, the NSS Program Officers along with the volunteers had a social work. They cleaned the College surroundings, windows, swept the floors and cleaned the washrooms. After the social work, the NSS Program Officers, along with the volunteers had a photo session followed by a light refreshment.

Ms. Therali, B.A. 6th Semester, Department of English

ORIENTATION ON NAAC ASSESSMENT

Orientation on NAAC Assessment process was conducted on the 12th and 13th of April, 2023. IQAC Coordinator Mr. Kezhalehou Zatsu and Assistant Coordinators Mr. Vincent Kent and Dr. Tsenbeni conducted the orientation for two days by following a proper schedule so that all students could be reached out. On 12th April, orientation was conducted for B.A 2nd Semester Section A and C, B.A 6th Semester Section A and B.Com 2nd, 4th and 6th Semester students. On 14th April, orientation was conducted for B.A 2nd Semester Section B, B.A 4th Semester Section A, B and C and B.A 6th Semester Section B students.

The orientation was conducted with the aim of providing detailed information on the preparation of the college for NAAC Assessment and the purpose of the Assessment. In addition to reminding the students about the vision and mission of the College, the team also highlighted on the physical and academic support facilities of the College. The orientation was conducted in the respective classrooms of the students.

Dr. Tsenbeni

Assistant Coordinator, IQAC

ANCSU 3RD UNION ASSEMBLY

The 3rd Union Assembly of All Nagaland College Student's Union for the tenure (2021-2023) was held on 14th April, 2023 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall, hosted by Baptist College, Kohima. Mr E. Hanlom Mokho, President, Student Council, Baptist College, Kohima delivered the welcome address. The program witnessed the tabling and discussion of agendas and reviewed the last assembly minutes. The assembly concluded with photo session and light refreshment.

Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi

General Secretary, Student Council



POETRY SYMPOSIUM AND READING SESSION

Poetry Symposium and Reading Session was organized by the Department of English on 11th April, 2023 in Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall. The program was attended by the students of English Department from 2nd, 4th and 6th Semester along with the department lecturers.

The session was chaired by Ms. Asola C. Jamir, Assistant Professor, Department of English. The opening prayer was pronounced by Dr. Eniinü Sale, Assistant Professor, Department of English. The remark on the event was delivered by Dr. Sentinaro, Head, Department of English. Ms. Vishu Rita Krocha, a poet, journalist and publisher, was the guest speaker who shared her perspectives on poetry. Ms. Chimshe Lam enthralled the audience with her song in poetry, “She Walks in Beauty” by Lord Byron. It was then followed by a poetry reading session presented by seven students. The program came to an end with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Tsenbeni, Assistant Professor, Department of English, followed by photo session.

Dr. Sentinaro

Head, Department of English

41st COLLEGE SPORTS MEET, 2023

The Student Council, Baptist College, Kohima organised the 41st College Sports Meet, 2023 on 15th, 17th & 18th of April, 2023 in the College and Indira Gandhi Stadium. In the inaugural session, Dr. Tsenbeni, Assistant Professor, Department of English invoke God's blessing and Mr. E. Hanlom Mokho, President, Student Council gave an introductory speech. Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal, Baptist College, gave the inaugural speech and declared the College sports meet. The oath taking ceremony was led by Mr. Munuchan N., Games & Sports Secretary, Student Council and lighting of the torch by Mr. Apang Albert N. Konyak, Assistant Games & Sports Secretary. Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi, General Secretary, Student Council chaired the program and a special appearance was presented by Team Sparkle.

The first day of the sports meet was held at the College Campus with three events, namely Basketball, Table Tennis and Arm Wrestling. The second and the third day at Indira Gandhi Stadium witnessed events such as Men & Women Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Tug of War and other individual events. The students were divided into four teams, namely Japfü, Dzükou, Shilloi and Saramati. The Japfü team emerged as the overall Champion followed by Dzükou, Shilloi and Saramati teams respectively. The individual champions were presented to Mr. Vetsoto Swuro, B.A 6th Semester, Department of English and Ms. Mhalelhounuo Linyü, 6th Semester, Department of Commerce. The College sports meet concluded with the closing ceremony and prize distribution to all the respective event winners. It was a fun-filled day with lots of excitement, thrills, spirit, and cheers. Students from both the Kohima and Sechü campuses jointly participated in the events.

Mr. Munuchan N.

Games & Sports Secretary, Student Council



INTER COLLEGE DEBATE COMPETITION

Ms. Asola C. Jamir

Member, Literary Committee

The Northern Sentinels Inter College Debate Competition on the topic, “Disparate Naga Tribal Identities are Antithesis to Naga Unity, and thus, a Hindrance in Social Upliftment and Economic Development of Nagaland”, was organised by the Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ Inspector General Assam Rifles(North) at AR Camp, D. Block, Kohima, on 18th April, 2023.

For the debate competition, a panel of five judges comprising Brig. Ved Beniwal, Dr. Ditamulu Vasa, Mr. H. Chishi, Mr. Oken Jeet Sangham and Ms. Vishü Rita Krocha judged the participants from nine colleges. Mr. Hopong Yimchunger, BA 6th Semester, Department of Sociology and Mr. Pulobeto Yeptho, BA 6th Semester, Department of Political Science represented Baptist College. Based on the performance of colleges, Baptist College was adjudged the 5th position.

EDUCATIONAL TOUR *To Shillong*

Mr. Weti Lasuh

B.A 6th Semester

Department of Political Science



The B.A 6th Semester students of the Department of Political Science, Baptist College, Sechü campus organised an educational exposure trip to Shillong, Meghalaya from 19th April to 22nd April, 2023. A total number of seven students accompanied by Mr. Neisengulie and Ms. Rüülhouü Mere, Assistant Professors, Department of Political Science, went for the trip.

The group visited North East Hills University (NEHU), the Golf Links also known as the ‘Glen Eagle of the East’, Krang Shuri Falls, Dawki River which is the boundary between the Jaintia Hills and the Khasi, the Living Root Bridge, where the Khasis and the Jaintias mastered the art of wrapping thick roots to form the structure of the Bridge with a capacity to hold 50 people and the Mawlynnong village which holds the record for the cleanest village in Asia.



NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME SPECIAL CAMP

The NSS Committee of Baptist College, Kohima organized a special camp for its volunteers along with the NSS Program Officers, Ms. Naro Jamir, Mr. Vincent Kent and Mr. Kevizhalhou Medom, from 20th to 23rd April, 2023 at Sechüma Village. The special camp was solely organized to get hands-on learning and experience by interacting with the villagers, so as to have a vivid idea on community service and rural development.

The NSS Program Officers along with its volunteers visited Sechüma and cleared the burial side of Martyr Lt. H.H Forbes, 44th GR. They visited and distributed stationeries to the students in the Government Primary School, Sechüma, carried out a tree plantation drive in the village, and conducted a survey of unemployed youths from fifty household. The NSS volunteers visited the Baptist College auditorium and hostel at Sechü Campus and carried out a social work in both the premises. The volunteers had a fellowship with the hostellers of Baptist College, Sechü Campus. Twenty seven NSS volunteers who attended the camp were divided into three groups for the mess and cleaning. The camp was successfully concluded.

Ms. Niamkoi T.

B.A 6th Semester, Department of English

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION (2023-2024)

Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi

General Secretary, Student Council

The Student Council Election for the tenure (2023-2024) was held on 24th April, 2023 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall, with Ms. Neikienuo Kense, Vice-President, Student Council as the chairperson of the program. A briefing on the mode of conduct for election procedures was said by Mr. Seyieselie Vüprü, Chief Election Commissioner, Student Council, followed by election hour where the nominated candidates gave their speeches and the votes were taken accordingly. A short speech was delivered by Mr. Chubutse Naro, Convenor, Student Council. Mrs. Narola Chuba, Vice-Principal, Baptist College, Kohima campus exhorted the students on leadership and its qualities, followed by the declaration of the newly elected candidates and oath taking. Speeches from the new and outgoing Student Council President were presented by Mr. Pfütsükote Ketsu Koza and Mr. E. Hanlom Mokho. A special appearance was presented by Ms. Neikhotsono Nipu, B.A 4th Semester, General Department. The program came to an end with vote of thanks pronounced by Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi, General Secretary, Student Council followed by photo session and light refreshment.





Combined Hostels Valedictory Program

A valedictory program for the B.A. 6th Semester outgoing hostellers (Men and Women Hostels) of Baptist College, Sechü Campus was held on 23rd April, 2023. The program was chaired by Ms. Akangnungla, Ms. Kezevino pronounced the invocation prayer and the word of God was read by Mr. Erite. It was followed by short speeches presented by Mr. Changsomba and Ms. Somutnaro. A special song was presented by the 2nd and 4th Semester students followed by a time of presentation. Dr. Kewepfuzu Lohe, Vice Principal shared words of encouragement and advice to the outgoing students. The program came to an end with a mass prayer.

Mr. Weti Lasuh

B.A 6th Semester, Department of Political Science

CAREER GUIDANCE & ACADEMIC COUNSELLING PROGRAM

The Career Guidance and Academic Counselling Committee, Baptist College in collaboration with NIIT Ltd. organised a career guidance and academic counselling program for the students of the B.A and B.Com 6th Semester on 25th April, 2023 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall. Mr. Wele Mero, Program Advisor, Career Counsellor & Territory Head, NIIT, North East Region was the resource person. Mr. Mero spoke on the topic, 'New Age Career in Digital Era' wherein he shared the youths of today lacking firm set of goals before graduation thus, leading to the rise of unemployment, coupled with the lack of employment opportunities in the State. For those interested in competitive examinations, he encouraged the students to keep a strong vision and to start working towards it. Moreover, in this digital world where everything around us is digitalised, he shared that a shift to digital career will be a smart option and to support the statement, he apprised the students on the work culture in multi-national companies. Earlier, Dr. Avel Thirah, Convenor, Career Guidance and Academic Counselling Committee gave the welcome address. The program came to a close with question hour from the students.

Ms. Asola C. Jamir

Member, Career Guidance & Academic Counselling Committee



A Talk On Mental Health Awareness Among Youths: Battling Anxiety and Depression

The Medical Committee, Baptist College, Kohima in collaboration with its IQAC organised a talk on Mental Health Awareness Among Youths: Battling Anxiety and Depression on 25th April, 2023 at Rivenburg Memorial Chapel Hall. The program was chaired by Dr. S.K Pandey, Member, Medical Committee, Baptist College. Dr. Kekuchol Pusa, Principal & Chairman IQAC, Baptist College delivered the welcome note, where he spoke on the importance of acknowledging mental health issues in today's world where it is so common. Speaking on the topic, the resource person, Ms. Ruokuotuonuo Rutsa, Clinical Psychologist & Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Nagaland University, emphasised on the need for creating awareness about mental health among youths and how it should not be ignored. She further stated that there are a number of measures one can take to manage and navigate depression and anxiety like making small changes to one's daily routine, diet, lifestyle habits, speaking with a therapist or other healthcare professional about their symptoms and starting treatment as soon as possible can all have a positive effect. She further spoke on the signs and symptoms of depression and anxiety. The program came to an end with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Sentinaro, Convenor, Medical Committee.

Dr. Sentinaro
Convenor, Medical Committee

13TH ZOOMMAX 2023

The 13th Zoommax, a two-day event organised by the School of Management Studies, Nagaland University was held from 27th to 28th April, 2023 at RCEMPA, Jotsoma under the theme, "Manifesting Forte". The Guest Speaker of the program was Mr. John Meyase, an independent Management Consultant, MBA graduate from the India Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. The two-day event witnessed different activities such as Voice of Zoommax, Straight Talk, Sketching, Photography, Dance till Dawn, Business Plans, Mad-Ads, Mock Interview , Mr. & Miss Zoommax and Beat Contest.

The students from Baptist College attended and participated in various competitive events. Ms. Rakovine Vedumao, B.A 4th Semester, Department of Political Science won the 1st Runners Up in Miss Zoommax 2023 and Mr. Chenolo Magh, B.A 6th Semester, General Department was adjudged the Best Bassist in the 13th Zoommax 2023 Beat Contest.

Mr. Ayeto Zhimomi

General Secretary, Student Council

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH OUTING CUM FAREWELL PROGRAM

The Department of English, Baptist College organized a departmental outing cum farewell program on 29th April, 2023 at Chida Post, Khezhakeno for the students of B.A 6th Semester. The program began with an invocation said by Ms. Toimei, a time of sharing was taken up by the students and lecturers and Ms. Chimshe Lam pronounced the closing prayer. The program was chaired by Ms. Kelhoudeno. A time of recreation was by led by Mr. Joseph and Mr. Yemkong, followed by lunch and photo session.

Ms. Kelhoudeno Vimero

B.A 6th Semester, Department of English



39th PARTING SOCIAL

Mr. Apang Albert N. Konyak
General Secretary, Student Council

The 39th Parting Social of Baptist College was held on 28th April, 2023 at the College Campus, Kohima, under the theme, **Archiving Ourselves Here**. The speaker Dr. Kewepfuzu Lohe, Vice-Principal, Sechü Campus, apprised the students on three areas – Clarity, Specialisation, and Visualisation. To achieve one's goal, Dr. Lohe emphasised that one must have clarity of concentration, an inquisitive mind, and hard work. For employability in this competitive world, one need to consider one's interest and be specialised in the area one's interested in. Moreover, he emphasised on visualising oneself positively, for success and contentment at any point in life.

The program began with an invocation offered by Ms. Shokhumla, Prayer Secretary, Baptist College Fellowship. Mr. Pfütsükote Ketsu Koza, President, Student Council, gave the welcome address. Speech on behalf of juniors and outgoing students were delivered by Ms. Syntia Chemtok and Mr. E. Hanlom Mokho, respectively. Mr. Apang Albert N. Konyak, General Secretary, Student Council proposed the vote of thanks and Mr. Tamreimung Chüsi, Chaplain, Baptist College said the benediction. Mr. Leykhringthu and Ms. Chumbeno L. Tsope were the compères. The program witnessed special presentations and entertainment session.



Political Science Department Outing cum Farewell Program

Mr. Seyiesilie Vüprü

*Assistant Professor,
Department of Political Science*

The 6th Semester students and lecturers of Political Science Department went for an outing cum farewell program at Glory Peak, Pfütsero on 29th April, 2023. The group had a program chaired by Ms. Moishen Sukha and Mr. E. Hanlom Mokho delivered the invocation. Ms. Vesalü read the scripture while Mr. Renjamo gave a short speech, where he acknowledged the lecturers for their sacrifices and patience towards them and also to his classmates for the support and company throughout his college life. Mr. Munuchan N. and Mr. Pongsu Yimchunger enthralled the crowd with a special song followed by words of encouragement from Mr. Thsidelong Rüdy, Assistant Professor where he reminded the students about the various challenges and battles that lies ahead of them.

He further advised the students to never give up no matter how hard life gets and that the challenges and difficulties in life are what makes a man successful in life. The program concluded with a vote of thanks pronounced by Mr. Seyiesilie Vüprü, Assistant Professor and benediction by Ms. Naro Jamir, Assistant Professor, followed by lunch.

After lunch, the students explored the place followed by recreational activities and photo session. The outing was a wholesome and a memorable time together for the lecturers and the students.



MENTORING AND REMEDIAL COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Dr. Tsenbeni

Convenor, Mentoring and Remedial Committee

Baptist College Mentoring and Remedial Committee was formed on the 7th of December, 2019. The Committee was formed with the aim of being a support system for students of the college through meaningful interaction and to help students achieve personal and academic progress through exploration of potentials, encouragement and guidance. In addition to mentoring students, remedial classes are initiated for academically weak students departmentally.

The first mentoring program was initiated in the month of September, 2020 through WhatsApp contacts due to inconveniences caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Feedback on the first round of mentoring was secured from students after May, 2021. Remedial classes were first conducted in the month of October, 2021. After a reshuffling of Mentors and Mentees, feedback on the 2nd round of mentoring was collected in the month of April, 2022. In 2022, Remedial classes were conducted in the month of April and October. In a meeting of the Committee held in the month of August, 2022, the Mentoring and Remedial Committee decided that henceforth, a mentee will be mentored by the same mentor during his time of stay in the college. Remedial classes in 2023 commenced in the month of April.

CAREER GUIDANCE & ACADEMIC COUNSELLING PROGRAM

The Career Guidance and Academic Counselling Committee, Baptist College in collaboration with Mavericks Academy, Kohima organised a career guidance and academic counselling program for the students of the B.A and B.Com 6th Semester on 2nd May, 2023 in the class, Room no. 3. Er. Manu Chiero, Faculty on CSAT & Computer and Mr. Vekhohu Puro, Faculty on Economy & PUBAD from Mavericks Academy were the resource persons, who shared on the aspect and approach to competitive examinations. For those students interested to take up coaching after graduation, they highlighted on the entrance test to be conducted by the Academy, so as to avail various scholarship. To make it accessible for the students of the College, the Academy will be conducting the test in the College at a later date to be notified in time.

Ms. Asola C. Jamir

*Member, Career Guidance
& Academic Counselling Committee*

Field Trip To Doyang & Sanis

The Department of History organised a field trip for the B.A 6th Semester students to Doyang and Sanis on 4th May, 2023. The students were accompanied by Mr. Asilie Rürhia, Assistant Professor, Department of History .Upon arrival at the site, a short programme was conducted which was led by Ms.Shamnyu and a word of prayer was said by Mr. Asilie Rürhia. Thereafter, a special song was presented by Mr.Pangerkumzuk. The program ended with a mass prayer followed by recreation, refreshment and group photo session.

*Ms. Myanbeni R. Odyuo
BA 6th Semester
Department of History*





LITERARY DAY

Dr. Sentinaro

Convenor, Literary Committee

The Literary Committee of Baptist College, Kohima and Sechü, organised the annual Literary Day on 6th May, 2023 at the college premises under the theme, To Nurture and Learn. The formal session was chaired by Ms. Asola C. Jamir, Assistant Professor, Department of English and Mr. Tamreimung Chüsi pronounced the invocation. A welcome note was delivered by Dr. Sentinaro. Miss Süvilu Venuh gave a brief remark on the event, highlighting on the importance of identifying technological advancements in literary art.

The event comprised of various competition, both offstage and onstage. The offstage competition included Imaginative Writing and Pencil Sketching while the onstage competition comprised of Band competition, Drama competition and Cosplay. The event was graced by guest judges: Mr. Gugu Sekhose, Guitarist at Fifthnote band currently working as a Guitar and Drums Instructor at Aria Music Centre, Mr. Obed Kath, composer, founder and frontman of the Christian band Divine Connection, Mr. Mele Pucho, Proprietor of Symphony Academy of Music, Symphony Café, President of Musician Guild and BASN, Ms. Seyie Chüzho. PhD research scholar, singer and songwriter, Mr. Akuvi Kiso, self taught artist who works on mural, sketch and canvas painting and the owner of Akuvi Kiso Artworks and Ms. Pelevinuo Shüya, a cosplay artist, also known as The Cosplay Monster. Ms. Aseno Ayemi, a YouTuber & stand-up comedian, enthralled the audience with her stand-up comedy.

The list of winners for the offstage competition were:

PENCIL SKETCHING:

1st Position: Mr. Kenyusinlo Kent, Department of Sociology, 6th Semester.

2nd Position: Mr. Imlisunep Tzudir, Department of Commerce, 2nd Semester.

IMAGINATIVE WRITING:

(1) 1st Position: Mr. Medongulie Rhitso, Department of Political Science, 2nd Semester.

(2) 2nd Position: Ms. Asienuo Cyline Solo, Department of English, 6th Semester.

The list of winners for the onstage competition were:

DRAMA COMPETITION:

1st Position: Department of English

2nd Position: Sechü Campus

BAND COMPETITION:

1st Position: Undefined Band

2nd Position: Authority Band

COSPLAY:

1st Position: Ms. Puaholi S, Department of Political Science, 4th Semester.

2nd Position: Ms. Kivini Lohe, Department of English, 2nd Semester



THE NEWLY ELECTED STUDENT COUNCIL FOR THE TENURE (2023-2024)

1) MR. PFÜTSÜKOTE KETSU KOZA <i>DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH</i>	PRESIDENT
2) MS. LUMPILA THONGER <i>GENERAL DEPARTMENT</i>	VICE- PRESIDENT
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14) MS. KIHITOLI A. KIHIO <i>DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE</i>	ANCSU REPRESENTATIVE

Congratulations to

DR. SENTINARO

*Head, Department of English on the publication of the book,
'HOMEGROWN' (An Anthology of New Writings from Nagaland),
co-edited by Dr. Vizovono Elizabeth.*



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