

# MANIPUR THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

KANGPOKPI MISSION COMPOUND



## >>> EPISTOLE

### >>> EDITORIAL NOTE

Christian response to a given socio-political state of affairs can be quite demanding. It is often one determining factor for lives' harmony and growth in a society. An actively engaging Christian with his/her affairs rooted in the ideals of biblical teachings is the need of the hour today. Meanwhile, it becomes even more pertinent for one to be grounded in such virtues and support a leader likewise, for a state in an unprecedented turmoil like ours.

Unfortunately, despite the sombre need of Christians' active engagement with politics and its affairs, scepticisms often seem to get the better of the lot. While the age old ideology of 'separation of church and state' continues to dispirit the many from engaging with the state, there seem to be yet out-and-out departure from it on the pretext of politics considered as profane. These justifications have rather widen the dichotomy between the two institutions across centuries till date. What results out of this is clearly the ignorance of our needed role towards socio-political injustices of our times. Nevertheless, it still remains a fact that our response to the need is unmissable more than ever.

In a reality where evil infestation reaching every nook and corner of societies, it is imperative to reconsider that, "the world is a dangerous place to live; not because of the people who are evil, but because of the people who don't do anything about it" (Albert Einstein). In a similar yet stronger tone, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Conversely, one has a moral responsibility to disobey unjust laws". Hence, one must actively engage to right the wrongs as though our actions are accountable for what becomes of our government. And such need be a constant and consistent process that begins right from the day we vote. Absolute values of honesty, fairness, and empathy ought to rule in utmost aspect at every engagement. While biblical ideals and virtues that foster harmony, positive change and growth in our society be our guiding lights. Perhaps one approach underlined by Apostle Paul could be apt in this regards as read in 1 Corinthians 16:14, "Let all that you do be done in Love" (NRSV). And we must begin this today to realize a difference that we anticipate tomorrow.

Kelly Monsang

# NEWS LETTER

## GREETINGS FROM MANIPUR THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST!

I take this privilege to express heartfelt thanks to all the constant supporters of the college through this college "Newsletter." We thank God for you and the concern you have for us. Thank God, for being with us throughout these years in the midst of the ups and downs of life. He never let us down. Many of you have extended help to us through prayer, financial support, moral encouragement, and constructive suggestions, for which we are deeply thankful. We acknowledge all the churches, associations, societies, individuals, well-wishers, families, and the like. It is through your support that the college has been able to survive to this day.

Some of our students and teachers have been greatly affected by the recent crisis. They have been displaced and compelled to leave their respective places. In this bleak situation, some God-fearing individuals visited the college and extended help to those displaced students by bearing all their annual fees. We profoundly appreciate them. With the talents and gifts given to each individual, we are all serving in different roles. We are all God's people laboring in His vineyard. Let's join our hands together and serve Him united for the sake of His kingdom. Do continue to pray for the ministry MTC.

Rev. Dr. Wungnaowung Zimik  
Vice Principal, MTC

### >>> COLLEGE EVENTS (JANUARY-DECEMBER)

After a month long winter break of rejuvenating time with families and some in the ministerial fields, the college community rejoined on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 2024 for the remaining part of the session, 2023--24. Then as usual, a mass cleanliness drive in and around the campus was organised on the next day. Thereafter a relevant time of spiritual renewal was conducted on the following Sunday before we went on to resume our regular activities. Some of the notable college activities are highlighted hereafter.

### >>> DEDICATION OF OPEN LIBRARY

Besides many other beautification projects constantly underway, this time under the initiative of the Faculty Advisor for Beautification, Mr. Liiduo Lanah, the community is blessed with a dedicated open library meant for community members and beyond.



### >>> HOSTEL DAY

This year both men and women hostellers came together to celebrate a befitting Hostel Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2024 under the theme, "Connected". It was a fun filled day and indeed a time to reconnect with one another through various social activities that ended with a special dinner.

### >>> WOMEN'S DAY

The College community joined in observing the International Women's Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024. The Womenfolk of the College took the initiative to organize the Day under the theme, "Invest in Women: Accelerate Progress".



### >>> FAREWELL FOR THE OUTGOING STUDENTS

On 22<sup>nd</sup> March, the community organized a farewell program to bid adieu to our outgoing students of 2024.

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## >>> DM<sup>in</sup> MODULE

Fourth Module residential class for the D. Min Second Batch was conducted from 8-11 April, 2024. Rev. Dr. W. Konghar, former General Secretary, MBC was the resource person who took the sessions on the theme, "Christian Leadership and Administration".



## >>> SENATE EXAMINATION 2024

The End Semester or Senate Examinations went underway from the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April through 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2024.

## >>> VALEDICTORY/GRADUATION SERVICES 2024

As part of the regular academic event, the college conducted a Valedictory Service on the 21st April for the graduating students of 2024. As a finale program meant especially for the outgoing students, it is aimed to invoke and renew the hearts of young graduating men and women to a commitment to serve and make positive impacts to the society.

Subsequently, Graduation Service for the class of 2024 was conducted on the 22nd of April. The college takes joy in celebration of the success of 19 (nineteen) students altogether who have completed the prescribed courses for Bachelor of Divinity and Master of Theology respectively this year. As they received their diplomas, the college community along with the family members present on the day and well wishers extend our heartfelt prayers and best wishes to each of the graduates.



LEADERSHIP SUMMIT RESOURCE PERSONS



WTO DAY OF PRAYER



INSTALLATION OF NEW MYCCA LEADERS 2024-25



VOLLEYBALL FELLOWSHIP WITH WOODS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY



STAFFS RECREATION TIME



LADIES HOSTELERS (ALUMINI)



COMMUNITY SOCIAL WORK

**STAFF QUARTERS CONSTRUCTIONS ARE CONSTANTLY UNDERWAY WITH THE SUPPORT AND PRAYER OF CHURCHES AND WELL WISHERS.**



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## FEW WORDS OF FAREWELL FROM MR. ZN SIRONBOU, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY, MTC

Q. What would be your first and last memory to cherish from MTC?

-After having settled here in MTC for about only about two months, one day the Principal Rev Dr. LT. Haokip called me to the office and said "you're doing well in the classroom and being appreciated, keep it up" , that's the warmest welcome note for a new guy in town. Last memory I'd cherish is "when everyone stood around me and said sir we will all miss you"

Q. What is the best advice that you would like to share with the MTC community as you leave?

-Never bother about what people say about you...that's them...you continue to focus on your goal.

Q. Best lesson you've learnt from life in MTC.

-"I had learnt more than I had taught..". It will indeed be a blessing for me to be taking away the 'best in me' lessons I had learnt from being with colleagues, students in different situations. I have learnt much and these life lessons will be valued much beyond these walls

Q. A version of MTC you would like to find when you pay your next visit.

-I don't want to see skyscrapers in the campus I want to hear that our students have become building blocks wherever they are. I don't want to see mega structures, but a prayerful community building the kingdom of God brick by brick, and yes it is my earnest prayer to come back and teach again in our college, one day when we start doing M.Th. and Doctoral programs (Senate).

Q. What would you tell the world of Manipur Theological College?

-MTC IS THE BEST EVER, if I am ever given another chance to teach anywhere in the world...it would definitely be MTC again.



## ADMISSION NOTICE

### MANIPUR THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

*Mission Compound Kangpokpi*

*Affiliated to the Senate of Serampore College (University)*

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FROM COMMITTED YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN  
FOR THEOLOGICAL TRAINING FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-25.

*We Offer:*

#### ENTRANCE TEST FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC SESSION

MTH	:	14 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 (TUESDAY)
BD & M.DIV	:	16 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 (THURSDAY)
D.MIN	:	30 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 (THURSDAY)
NEW ACADEMIC SESSION	:	13 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024 (THURSDAY)

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