

W'shop on role of educators in peace building

DIMAPUR: A one-day workshop on 'Role of Educators in Peace Building' was held at Christ Hall Dimapur, on Saturday which was attended by 35 teachers from the educational fraternity of Dimapur region.

Akum Longchari, managing director, Morung Express, who graced the workshop as chief guest and resource person said that truth, mercy, justice and peace converge at reconciliation and only at reconciliation that one can find prevailing happiness and peace. "Peace is the end result of all our activities," he added.

He also initiated a group discussion on the above mentioned virtues among the participants divided into groups with matching names.

Rev. Fr. Sunny Joseph, President, Peace Channel, welcomed the participants and the resource persons.

Later, Rev. Fr. Chacko Karinthayil, Parish Priest,



Participants of the workshop along with the resource persons and chief guest.

Holy Cross Parish, Dimapur, conducted a session on the necessity of peace education in schools and colleges.

In the final session Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, Director, Peace Channel, elucidated

on 'social analysis for peace building' with special attention to the role of peace channel.

The day progressed with the experience sharing, feedback and action plan to

start peace clubs in respective institutions.

The workshop was chaired by Ms Atsohli while Ms Carmel proposed vote of thanks. The event was supported by NDSF Guwahati.

Peace Channel inaugurated at Seyochung

DIMAPUR, APRIL 1 (MEXN): Peace Channel, a youth movement for peace and sports week was inaugurated on March 28, at St. Mary's School, Seyochung in Kiphire district with Sang Pang ASI, Seyochung as the chief guest for the programme.

In his inaugural address, Sang Pang exhorted the students to be disciplined, dedicated and hardworking. He stated that sports and games make us physically, mentally and spiritually fit persons and it is the time we form our character and build relationship and maintained that it can bring communities closer and may promote peaceful and harmonious living. Rev. Fr. CP Anto, director Youth Centre, in his message requested the youth to be sensitive to the society they live in and interact with. The urgent need of the hour is to get youth organized and to involve themselves fully for the



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are all children of the same God, who created us with same dignity, equality and justice. For Him there is no distinction among vari-

ous tribes, clans and communities. This was stated in a press note received here from the Youth Centre Desk, Dimapur.

Seyochung youth for peace

EASTERN MIRROR, dated 2/04/08

DIMAPUR, APR 1 (EMN):

In a new development, students and youth along with the management board members of St. Mary's School, Seyochung under in Kiphire district have formed 'Peace Channel' a youth movement for peace through sports on March 28 last with a view to resolve the conflict amicably.

It may be stated here that people of the area have seen community conflicts in recent past, which has created tension in the region.

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Asserting that sports can bring communities closer and promote peace and harmonious living, he requested all the students to participate actively for peace and harmony in the region.



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Chief guest, Sang Pang ASI (3rd from left) along with the peace members

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Sang Pang ASI, Seyochung

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KOHIIMA, APRIL 12 (MEXN): The Peace channel movement was inaugurated at Don Bosco Higher Secondary School Kohima on April 11 with Rev. Fr. Benny Varghese Secretary to Bishop of Nagaland as the chief guest. In his inaugural speech, he stated that peace cannot be accomplished alone. It becomes a collaborative endeavour with total conviction, commitment and competence. We are partners in building peace in our society. He quoted Mother Theresa, saying "Works for love is peace." The students of Don Bosco Higher Secondary School took the peace pledge to affirm to promote peace activities in their given situation.

Rev. Fr. Bosco SDB, the Principal welcomed the chief guests and the peace channel coordinators of Kohima District. He said that as rightful citizens everyone has a role to play in building peace in our society. He also appreciated the dynamic initiative taken by the peace channel.

Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, the Director of Peace Channel, appreciated and thanked the school authorities for launching the school movement. He said that building peace is a noble task of everyone.

The main objective of Peace Channel is to protect and promote the culture and traditional values. Today peace builders are called to be different. They have to be Passionate, Enthusiastic, Amiable, Courageous and Empathetic. Two teachers Thomas and Elizabeth voluntarily came forward to coordinate the peace club activities in the school. Over seventy five students took membership in the peace channel and they all came to the school with their own cultural costumes. Alunice Tasseo proposed vote of thanks. This was informed in a release issued by St. Bysa MMS, South Central Diocese Kohima.

Peace Channel for Cultural Promotion



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Two teachers Thomas Anto, director, Peace Channel, thanked the school authorities for launching peace movement while Alunice Tasseo proposed the vote of thanks.

More than seventy five students attired in their traditional attires took membership in the peace channel. It may be mentioned that the main objective of Peace Channel is to protect and promote the culture and traditional values.

Peace Channel farewell programme held

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DIMAPUR: Peace Channel, organized a farewell programme for the outgoing members and peace club members of the school Peace Club at Assisi School, Dimapur on May 8.

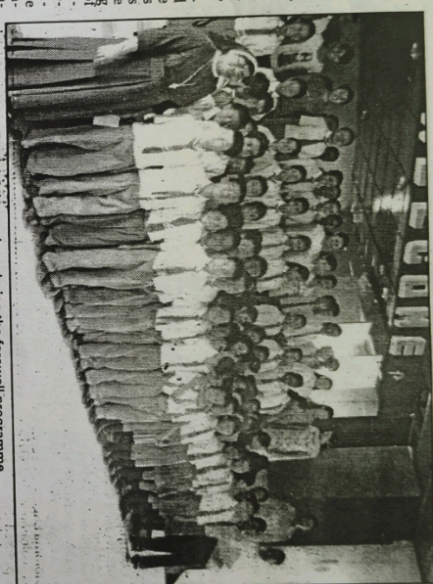
Around 25 outgoing Peace Club members of the school peace club received certificates of appreciation from the Director of the Peace Channel, Fr. C.P. Anto.

Speaking on the occasion Fr. C.P. Anto exhorted the students to form peace clubs in the institutions that they are going to, so as to continue the peace building activities. Taking note of the enthusiasm of the students to be members of the peace movement the director commented that even in the midst of violence and conflicts, the youth are coming forward to stand for peace.

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Peace club members during the farewell programme.

28th April 2008 - The Morning Express Peace Channel Peren all for peace and conflict resolution

PEREN, APRIL 27 (MEXN): The 35th unit of the Peace Channel Movement was officially inaugurated at the All Saints School, Peren with Elias Lotha, Superintendent of Police, Peren as the chief guest. In his inaugural speech, Lotha exhorted the youth to be peace promoters and for that he stressed that youth have to know the true meaning of peace. He appreciated the Peace Channel movement for undertaking the noble task of promoting peace which is the need of the hour in the State. The SP, said that youth is the symbol of strength of and energy, a personification of courage and enthusiasm. Sharing his personal

experience along with the present situation of Nagaland, Lotha encouraged the students to courageously spread peace by being channels of peace without any discrimination of tribe, religion, sex, etc, in the school environment and in the society through small acts of courtesy.

Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, Director, Peace Channel, while delivering the key note address, said that traditional lifestyles and culture are like a backbone in the fast changing world and if youth do not come forward to uphold the age-old traditions, we will be bereft of the glories of our rich heritage sooner than we can think of. "Promotion of culture

enhances the identity and self-esteem of the individuals in all spheres of social living," he said adding "peace building and conflict resolution" are the buzzwords of the new millennium and Peace Channel endeavors to promote peace through incorporating traditional conflict resolution methods with modern lifestyles.

Earlier, the gathering was welcomed by Rev. Fr. Deo Jacob, Principal of the school. The peace channel members took a peace pledge led by the Chief Guest. The programme came to a close with the singing of the Peace Anthem. This was titled in a press statement issued by the Youth Centre Desk, Dimapur.

'Youth Arise for Peace Building'

DIMAPUR, JUNE 28

(MEXN). Peace Channel organized a one day student leaders' programme with the theme, Youth Arise for Peace Building at Christ Hall in Holy Cross Campus, Dimapur on June 28. 51 representatives of peace clubs from different schools of Dimapur attended the programme. Rev. Fr. Alex Pulimootil SDB, Rector, Salesian College, Dimapur, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and delivered the keynote address.

Addressing the gathering, the Chief Guest said that peace arises from within and that one needs to find inner peace in order to spread peace around. Further, he asked the students which footsteps they followed - of drugs, pleasure, violence or peace and harmony - the future of the society lies in the right decisions of the youth of today. He exhorted the students that as peace club leaders they should be examples to the society around.

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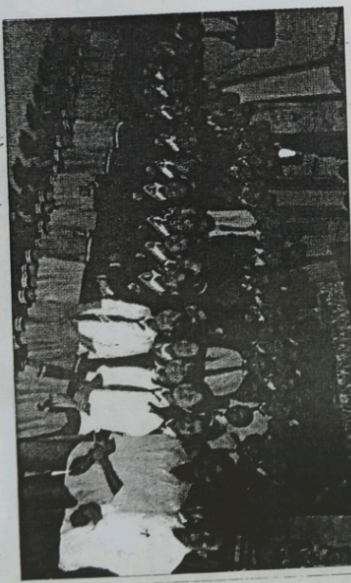
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11 April - 2008 - MORNING EXPRESS

Peace Channel inaugurated in Kohima

KOHIMA, APRIL 10 initiative of peace channel (MEXN): The peace Channel Movement was inaugurated officially here today at Christ King Higher Secondary School, Kohima. Lukas McGray, the District Education Officer (DEO) graced the programme as the chief guest. In his inaugural speech he said: "Peace is the need of our society and we need to possess and propagate the virtue of peace. We need to be alive, physically, mentally and spiritually to become a channel of peace and propagate peace to others and become agents and messengers of peace. Unless we are alive persons, we cannot become committed persons. In order to become a committed person one needs to have a sense of direction, a sense of responsibility, and a sense of discipline. If we can uphold these aspects we can be free from alcohol, drugs and corruption. We cannot give what we don't have, unless we have peace within, we cannot give peace to others". He appreciated the great

initiative of peace channel youth movement in the school for motivating and empowering the youth to be peace promoters and peace lovers in the society. He congratulated specially the peace channel members and encouraged them to be the peace makers in the school, family, church, and community.

Rev. Fr. C. J. Mathew, Principal of the School, welcomed the chief guest. He said in his welcome address that school is the place where education takes place and children learn to live together in peace. Peace is the need of our time and of the State, he said, and added that Peace Channel would motivate children to cultivate the virtue of peace and be an instrument of peace in the society. Rev. Fr. Antio, the Director of Peace Channel, appreciated the school authorities and peace channel coordinators of Kohima District for promoting the culture of peace.

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'The blind are not helpless'

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 8 (MEXN): The Nagaland Blind Association, in its endeavor to promote awareness about the visually impaired held 'Parent's Awareness' programme today at Town Hall, Dimapur. Yaban, President of NBA, in his speech came down heavily on parents who shield their blind children from life's opportunities. He said "Why should people think that the blind are helpless? We are physically fit to do anything if taught. Parents who have blind children should encourage them to move ahead like others, and those parents who don't think so are blind themselves!"

The Chief Guest, Neihu C. Thur (IAS), Secretary Social Welfare, said that the programme was an eye opener for him, "I am touched by the effort the NBA has put into making this programme. We are all equal in the eyes of God and



Members of the Nagaland Blind Association performing a skit at the 'Parents Awareness' programme on September 8, at Town Hall, Dimapur. (MEXPix)

God has given them many other special talents." Taking about the programmes that the Government has implemented for the disabled, Thur said "Govt. has a clear cut policy and programme has been established. The NBA can approach the Dep-

uty Commissioner or Extra Asst. Commissioner with their grievances. The state will help with all resources available." He further encouraged the NBA to continue in their effort to help the blind and called them "The Good Samaritans".

In the later part of the programme, the visually impaired presented a skit titled 'Helpless Person Made Perfect', highlighting the enthusiasm of a blind person and the person's search for perfection defying all odds and disabilities.

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NCYM regional meet at Phesama

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Staff Reporter

PHESAMA (KOHIMA): In view to set up regional training team at Jakhama Region, the Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM) organized a meeting last Sunday at Phesama.

Addressing the meeting, Fr. C. P. Anto, director of NCYM encouraged the youth to get involve in peace building activities of the state as youth need to be the source of social change.

He said, "The emergence of youth as a powerful social group is one of the most notable features in North East India in recent times" adding it was young people everywhere who aspire a world of justice and opportunity, seeking remedies for violence and conflicts.

The youth leaders who gathered at the meeting unanimously decided to form the Jakhama region training team from the existing Japthipiki



NCYM Team with Catholic youth leaders of Jakhama Region. (NP)

Catholic Youth Association, the core team of Southern Angami Catholic youth.

Meanwhile, Fr. Anand SJ appreciated the initiative taken by the NCYM in the diocese. The NCYM president, Kevin Angami also thanked all the fathers and youth leaders for organizing the meeting.

The NCYM also targeted to create maximum employment of youth through placement cell which is working in Youth Centre, Dimapur. Further, the NCYM also decided to organize "Youth Fest" in the first week of October at Mount Jabor, Kohima.

The main idea of the NCYM in setting up regional training team in nine ecclesiastical regions was to empower and trained the youth at the grass root level. It has already formed six regional training teams in the diocese and the team will be trained and in turn they will train and develop the youth of the region.

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Peace Channel movement inaugurated at St. Edmund's Dmu

DIMAPUR: With the purpose of protecting youth from violence and to promote and project them as channels of peace to everyone, the Peace Channel movement was officially inaugurated in St. Edmund School, Dimapur.

Toshi Longkumer, Youth Director, Ao Baptist Church, Dimapur, was the chief guest. In his inaugural speech, he quoted the Bible, 1 Cor 12, saying our body is made up of different parts for various purposes.

He said "everyone is

different from each other. Our differences and diversity are gift and asset from God. It is an urgent need of the society to recognize it, if not can be a curse."

Through the media and church leader's talk about peace, but it is youth, who can initiate peace, and therefore every peace club members needed to contribute their best different gifts to bring peace and harmony in the land, he added.

Head master, St. Edmund School, Alex in his welcome address appreciated

the Peace Channel Movement for initiating the youth to develop their skills to build peace and making them channels of peace.

He also encouraged the youth of the state to join hands together to build peace in our troubled society.

Atoholi, Coordinator of Dimapur region, introduced the aims and objectives of the movement and welcomed the members to the International family of Peace Channel Movement.

Peace Channel to host 'Peace award ceremony'

DIMAPUR: In view of the 'International Day of Peace' and the Foundation day of Peace Channel on September 21, the Peace Channel will be organizing an 'Inter religious prayer meeting cum Peace award ceremony' at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Hr. Sec. School Campus, Dimapur.

Eligibility Criteria for 'Peace awards are - award will be given to persons rendering outstanding services in the locality for building

peace, open to all people regardless of religion and tribe, nominations preferably proposed by others (not self), nominations should be sent with complete details of both the nominators and the nominee.

The details must include background information, field of activity, research and other achievements of the nominee, decision of the award committee shall be final. Information must be duly submitted by the nominator and submit it to the office of the Peace Channel at Dimapur.

port with adequate evidence and signed by the nominator and submit it to the office of Peace Channel at Dimapur. Altogether five peace awards will be given for grass root level peace builders of the state and Rs. 5000/- each with certificate. Those interested can contact the Director, Peace Channel, Bishop's House, PB. No. 03, Dimapur, Nagaland, 797112 or email at cpanto@gmail.com, 9863270957, 03862-286510.

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Youth Centre informs on 'Peace Award'

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 4 (MEN): In view of the International Day of Peace and the Foundation day of Peace Channel on September 21, the Peace Channel is organising an 'Inter Religious Prayer meeting cum Peace Award Ceremony' at Christ Hall, in Holy Cross Higher Secondary School Campus, Dimapur. Peace Awards will be given to persons rendering outstanding services in the locality for building peace. It is open to all people regardless of Religion and Tribe. Nominations should preferably be proposed by others (not self) and it should be sent with complete details of both the nominators and the nominee. The details must include background information, field of activity, research and other achievements of the nominee. The decision of the award committee shall be final. The information must be duly supported with adequate evidence and signed by the nominator and submit it to the office of the Peace Channel at Dimapur. The Youth Centre Desk in a release has informed that the five Peace Awards will be given for Grassroots-level Peace Builders of the state. The Awards include a sum of Rs. 5000/- each with certificate. For further details, one may contact the Director, Peace Channel, Bishop's House, PB. No. 03, Dimapur, Nagaland, 797112, email: cpanto@gmail.com, or call at 9863270957, 03862-286510.

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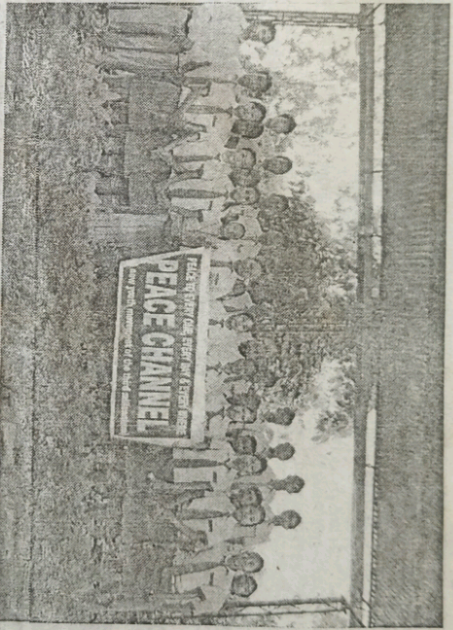
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Mingun Express August 30th 2008

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In his inaugural speech, Rev. Fr. Varghese exhorted the youth to change their attitude for building peace. It begins by doing service to all irrespective of age, beauty, tribe, colour, religion etc, he said. He asked the youth to respect the elders of the society. He encouraged the Peace Club members for their initiative to form peace clubs in the school and its impact is going to be experienced by our society. The youth have to come together often to pray for peace in our Nagaland.

Meanwhile, Sr. Irene thanked the school authorities and the students for initiating and flagging off the channel in the school. She said that Peace is a person-



Peace Channel Member of MGM School seen here along with Rev. Fr. George Varghese, Principal of MGM HSS at the inauguration of the peace movement at the school. It is a commitment a challenge; it demands sweat and sacrifice so to do things in its maximum with full dedication and commitment. A release from the Youth Centre Desk said that altogether 30 members took the peace pledge. Peter, Animator of MGM Hs Sec. School proposed vote of thanks.

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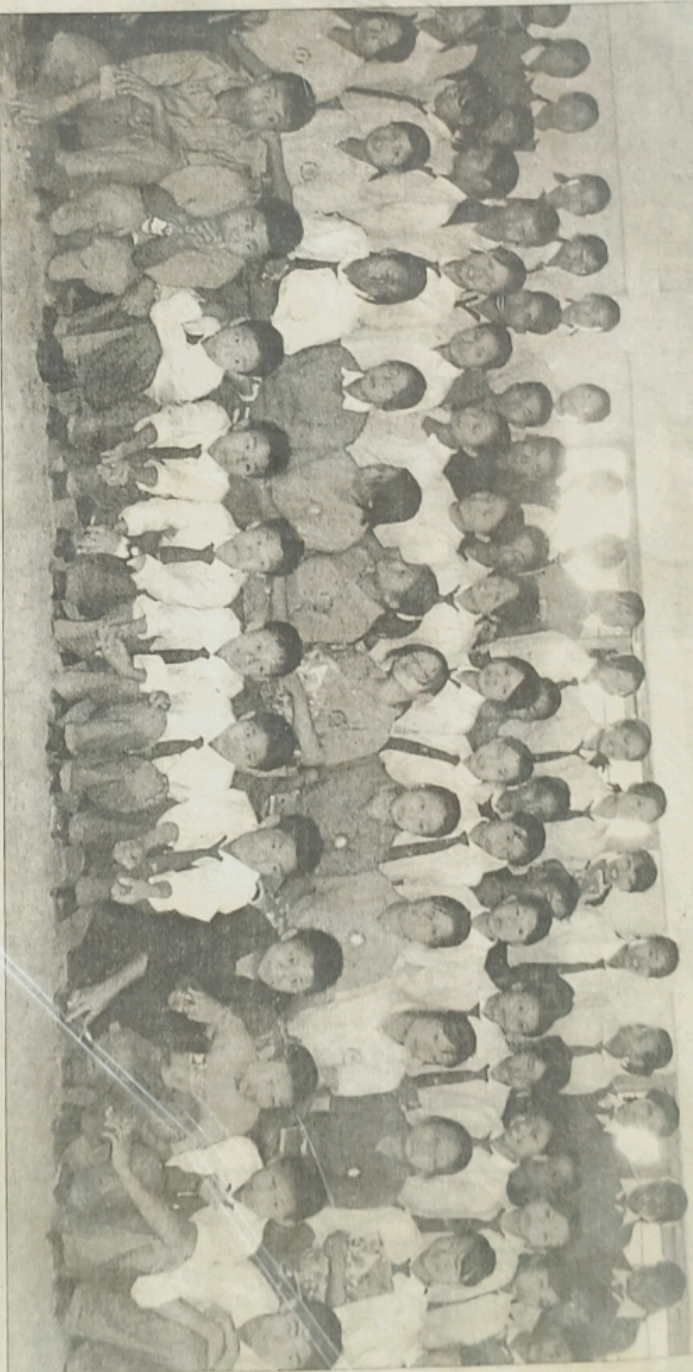
Peace Channel at Chizami

DIMAPUR, APR 2 (EMN):

Peace Channel, a youth movement for peace was inaugurated at Sacred Heart Higher Secondary School, Chizami on March 31. The Principal Rev Fr. Sunny K.S inaugurated the two day orientation package Passion for Excellence for the students.

In his inaugural speech he appreciated the Youth Centre, for initiating Peace Channel movement which has been empowering and enabling the youth to abstain from substance abuse, tobacco use and premarital affairs, as its one of the objectives to build peace in the life of the youth and ultimately the state. He also welcomed the resource persons from the Youth Centre Dimapur, headed by Fr. C.P. Antio, Youth director of the Diocese of Kohima.

The passion for excellence programme was attended by about 250 students whereby 72 student youths voluntarily opted to the peace activists to promote and create peace in the family, school, and society especially in conflict situations. They have decided to be the channels of peace. Rev. Fr. C.P.



School children pose for lens during a Peace Channel ay Chizami on March 31.

Antio in his introductory session said that Peace is the deepest longing in the hearts of millions of people in Nagaland. Today, the urgent need of the

society is to organize youth, especially the unorganized sections of youth violence, shoot-outs, looting, bloodshed, extortion, insurgency, tribal feuds

etc., which have become daily events, he added. Expressing concern over violence which has become part of the life, he urged the youth to be the har-

bingers of change and builders of peace. He also spoke about the harm done by drugs and AIDS and requested all to refrain from all these evils.

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Students pledge to be peace bearers

DIMAPUR, AUG 12 (EMN): The Peace Channel Club was inaugurated on August 11 in Christian Hr. Sec. School, Dimapur by Rev Dr ZK Rochill, auxiliary secretary, Bible Society of India, Dimapur, as the chief guest.

Addressing the gathering, the chief guest said that peace must be restored in the land at any cost, so that peaceful co-existence will continue with deeper love and commitment. Citing the story of Cain and Abel from the Bible, he said the prevailing situation in the society has confused the people.

"The development and progress in our country is curbed. We all have to turn to God for His help and He is not happy when innocent blood is being shed," the Rev said while also comparing the situation in Mizoram.

"Today the state is developing rapidly, for there is peace in Mizoram," he asserted and appreciated the contribution of Peace Channel to the society which he said is forming the youth to be peace lovers and builders in the society. Therefore, he asked the young boys and girls to be God centered and play a positive role in peace builder in the society.



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Peace Channel Club members of Christian Hr. Sec. School, Dimapur along with Rev Dr ZK Rochill and Peace Channel officials posing for a group photo on Tuesday at Dimapur.

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Morning Express August 12th 2008

'Peace must be restored at any cost'

DIMAPUR, AUGUST 12 (MEExN): According to Rev. Dr. Z K Rochill, Auxiliary Secretary, Bible Society of India Dimapur, peace must be restored in our land at any cost, so that peaceful co-existence will continue with deeper love and commitment. He was speaking as the chief guest at the inaugural function of the Peace Channel Club at Christian Higher Secondary School, Dimapur, on August 11.

Referring to the story of Cain and Abel from the Bible, he said, "The prevailing situation in our society has confused our people. The development and progress in our country is curbed. We all have to turn to God for His help and He is not happy when innocent blood is being shed." He also compared the situation in Mizoram and said, "Today the state is developing rapidly, for there is peace in Mizoram." He also appreciated the contribution of the

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Atoholi, district coordinator, Peace Channel, introduced the aims and objectives of the Peace Movement. She also welcomed the members to the International family of Peace Channel. Coordinator of Peace Channel, Atoholi Sumi, in a release further informed that the programme was chaired by K Minlun, the invocation prayer led by Mr. Zachary, and special songs presented by Samuel Chishi and Imnok. The programme came to a close with the vote of thanks by Imkumyanger.

Nagaland Post 26th Sept 08.

Sharon Hr Secy joins Peace Channel



DIMAPUR: Sensing the need of peace the hour, in locality and state, Peace Channel an emerging youth movement was formally inaugurated at Sharon Hr. Sec. School at Dimapur. Principal as the chief guest, a release issued from the desk of Peace Channel, Dimapur said speaking at the inaugural function, the principal said 'peace is the need of the hour and urged the peace club members to be a 'channel and a cartelist of peace' to curb violence in the society. Pointing out that the present situation in Nagaland is going from 'bad to worse', he urged the youth to be spiritually awakened to reduce the violence to zero. He also thanked and congratulated the peace channel organizers and Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, director, for carrying out the noble task of empowering and enabling the youth to be peace promoters.

Briefing the members of Peace Channel, Ataholi, coordinator of Peace Channel, said "our mission is to reach out to the youth in institutions and villages of our region." Meanwhile, Alex, member, welcomed members to the family of Peace Channel and thanked Fr. C.P. Anto, director, for officially flagging off the peace channel in the school.

Peace Channel Nagaland appreciated

DIMAPUR: The family members of Christina Thome (Konyak) of Tobu village, a recipient of peace channel award at inter faith prayer meet cum peace ceremony held at Dimapur on September 21 has expressed gratitude to the organizers Fr. Sunny, president of peace channel, Fr. C.P. Anto, Director and sponsors Airrel Nagaland, who have taken initiatives to promote peace in the state and also has wished the peace channel Nagaland best of luck in future endeavors to bring about peace and harmony in the state.

SCO 'B' lauds

DIMAPUR: Sami Community Diphupar 'B' has lauded all the recipients of the peace award particularly Ahimsa Zhimo for bringing glory to the sami community. The community has appreciated the peace channel for hosting the programme at this right time when the Naga society is badly in need of peace.

Peace should begin from within: Torechu

Staff reporter

DIMAPUR: Peace festival 2008 was held Monday at Holy Cross higher secondary school, Dimapur with parliamentary secretary CAWD, T. Torechu gracing the occasion as chief guest and Naga reconciliation forum (NRF) convenor, Dr. Wati Aier as theme speaker - the role of youth in building peace in Nagaland.



T. Torechu. (NP)

Addressing the occasion, parliamentary secretary said that to bring transformation in the society, personal involvement was required. He also appealed the members and participants to do good to create peaceful environment. "Peace should begin from within," he maintained.

He commented that tribal division has created disunity among Nagas. "It (tribal division) has to be rooted out so that our society can march forward together in unity," Torechu said.

Rev. Dr. Wati Aier exhorting the festival said the step peace channel has initiated to create peaceful environment was not something extraordinary.

"Peace channel has not monopoly over the situation to create peace and to reconcile as brothers, everyone's contribution is important," he said.

In his key note address, Dr. Wati described the effort of peace as "journey of common hope", which he said every contribution was required to build the Naga society.

"Peace is not only for Nagas alone but for all, each one in the society need peace" he said adding "and that

should give us an impetus to go ahead in pursuing peace, prosperity and development."

"We must acknowledge our mistakes and should admit our own faults and failures," Wati said.

Peace channel director, Rev. C.P. Anto delivering welcome address said peace plays an important role in development of the area and the society.

Earlier, invocation was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Solomon Vizo, Rector GSS Dimapur while vote of thanks was delivered by coordinator peace channel, Kishor Dass.

Highlights of the programme included welcome song by Assisi school, peace song from Myingthunglo and friends, choreography by Christian higher secondary school, group song by MGM higher secondary school, peace concert team and a multimedia presentation on the activities of peace channel in the state.

The festival was organized by peace channel staff, coordinators and youth club members of Nagaland.

The peace festival

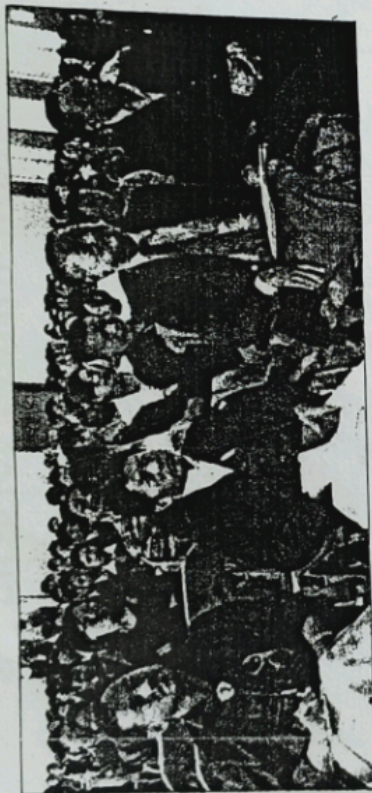
DIMAPUR: The peace festival 2008 organised by the peace channel and youth club members of Nagaland will be held on December 8 at 10a.m. at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Higher Secondary School campus Dimapur. The programme will be graced by T. Torechu, Parliamentary Secretary CAWD as chief guest and Rev. Dr. Wati Aier convenor Forum for Naga Reconciliation Dimapur will deliver the keynote address. Fr. C. P. Anto has informed that during meet, the Peace Club members will felicitate honour and interact with the members of the Forum for Naga Reconciliation who have been tirelessly working for the reconciliation and peace building process in the state.

FNR for an 'Inclusive' Naga future

DIMAPUR, DECEMBER 8 (MEEN): Questions were posed to members of the Forum for Naga Reconciliation today for their "personal opinions" regarding the Naga peace talks with the Government of India, by students and members of the Peace Channel. The interactive session was part of the Peace Festival 2008, held at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Higher Secondary Campus in Dimapur.

Rev. Phughoto Aye welcomed, that at this point in time, when the Naga house is so divided, should 'any kind of solution' be offered by the Centre, if it would be acceptable to the Nagas.

Another member of the forum, Aküm Longchari while considering the present turmoil in the country, pointed out that unless India deals with its own history, it is in no way prepared to engage on issues such as the Naga and Kashmir conflicts in a way that will lead towards any solution. "Only a strong India can bring a solution... but what we have today is an India which is not strong in that sense and is still trying to address the burdens of its own history, as



Members of the Forum for Naga Reconciliation and Peace Channel seen here at the Peace Festival 2008, held at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Higher Secondary campus, Dimapur. (Morning Photos)

a result of which, rather than resolving political issues, it has efficiently confined itself to 'managing' the problem, not solving it", stated Aküm Longchari. Seeking to refrain from 'saying too much' on the question, convener of the forum, Rev. Dr. Wati Aier stressed on the need to avoid all exclusivities and urged all to be inclusive as the goal in current pursuit is a united vision.

According to the director of peace channel, Fr. CP Anto, the festival was organized with the purpose to strengthen unity and relations between dif-

ferent religions, to honour and facilitate the Forum for Naga Reconciliation for their tireless efforts towards peace-building in the state and through interaction with the members, to motivate the young members of the Peace Channel.

In course of the interaction, Rev. Dr. Wati Aier also conveyed the message that the greatest threat to the reconciliation and peace process was myth-making and rumors. Many people in the Naga "political groups" have been killed by rumors, he said in allegory. While urging the Naga people to

be very careful and be aware of rumors, he underscored the need to be careful of a third force in the Naga political struggle. The need for people's support and participation in the reconciliation process was emphasized for achieving the dream and goal for a reconciled Naga people and land.

In his keynote address, the convener also informed the gathering on the present status of the reconciliation process. Despite the distance covered so far, it is a daunting task, he said, to bring a political

groups" had taken the risk to talk to each other outside the country and had also met six times in Nagaland besides participating in two Naga Reconciliation soccer matches. He said the process needed time as clarifications from all the groups needed sorting out, he said. Dr. Wati urged the people to be patient. "The political groups need to come together and sort out their wounds before a third party which is the Forum for Naga Reconciliation" he reminded.

The reverend also opined that all forms of rationalization and justification are suicidal for the Nagas and that confessing one's weaknesses and acknowledging ones mistakes is essential. Rev. Dr. Wati also firmly reiterated that 'Reconciliation' did not mean becoming one or one group merging with the other but that reconciliation has to be with each other while each group remained where it is. The convener added that at some later stage if the different political groups wish to take the process further and to a higher level, it would be their decision.

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The chief guest of the festival, Parliamentary Secretary T. Torechu lauded the initiative of Peace Channel especially in the light of the Christmas season. Drawing comparison with the social discipline and civic sense of the Chinese who are mostly Buddhists, Torechu called on the Nagas-worshippers of the living God - to imbibite these

virtues. Saying that peace comes not from the mouth but from the mind, the Parliamentary Secretary urged all to come away with true sentiments which, he remarked, is the root of all disunity among the Nagas. Earlier in the program, Assisi School students welcomed the gathering with a song while coordinator of Peace Channel, Kishor D.

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PCI organizes dance, song competition



Panel of judges along with winners of the competitions.

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel International (PCI) October 28 organized folk dance and group song competition for the peace club members of Dimapur district at Assisi Hall Dimapur with rector of Good Shepherd Seminary, Dimapur Rev. Dr. Solomon Vizo as chief guest and director of indigenous cultural society, Dimapur Dr. H. Chishi, music director, Dimapur Ao Baptist Arogo (DABA) Tali Longkumer and dean of studies, GSS, Dimapur Rev. Fr. George Keduolhou as panel of judges.

Addressing the occasion, Fr. Solomon Vizo pointed out that today's step was the beginning of tomorrow's mile and urged upon the students to cultivate and promote peace in daily life, adding protection of tribal songs and dances was an urgent need.

He also expressed happiness over the hard work that "Peace Channel" was striving to protect the dying culture of the society, Youth Centre Desk, Dimapur stated in a release.

Delivering a message, Dr.

H. Chishi said that promotion of culture was the only way to build peace in the region.

"It is the right time to contextualize and inculcate cultural aspects of the society," he said adding "our cultural dances convey tremendous meaning of our lives and culture should not limit to only conventional set up but let it grow with us."

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Candidates from Pilgrim school, St. Clare school, St. Paul higher secondary school and St. Clare school, Assisi walked away with trophy and certificates as first prize, second prize and third prize respectively.

Earlier, the program started with welcome address from Ms. Atoholi coordinator, meanwhile Assisi candidates presented special number while Mr. Pius proposed vote of thanks. The prizes were sponsored by P.C. Solutions. The program was compeered by Ms. Martina. Program was concluded with peace anthem, the release stated.

29th Oct 08' Morning Express

Protection of culture urgent need of the hour

DIMAPUR, OCTOBER 28 (MEXN): Stating that "today's step is the beginning of tomorrow's mile," Rev. Dr. Solomon Vizo, Rector at the Good Shepherd Seminary, Dimapur, advised students to cultivate and promote peace in their daily life. He was speaking as chief guest at the folkdance and group song competition organised by the Peace Channel International for its peace club members of Dimapur district on October 28 at Assisi Hall Dimapur. Dr. H Chishi, Director, Indigenous Cultural Society Dimapur, Tali Longkumer, Music Director, Dimapur Ao Baptist Arogo (DABA) and Rev. Fr. George Keduolhou, Dean of studies, GSS, Dimapur, were the panel of judges at the competition.

Reminding that protection of tribal songs and dances was the urgent need of the hour, Rev. Dr. Vizo expressed his pleasure at seeing the Peace Channel working hard to protect the dying culture of our society. He also spoke on the present scenario of Nagaland, where violence, fight, stealing, drugs, etc., are prevalent in the region.

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A release from the Youth Centre News Desk added that Pilgrim School, St. Clare School, St. Paul Hr. Sec. School and St. Clare School, Assisi candidates, St. Paul Hr. Sec. School walked away with the trophy and certificates. The welcome address

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Peace Channel inaugurated in DBSHSS



KOHIMA, APRIL 12 (MEXN): The Peace channel movement was inaugurated at Don Bosco Higher Secondary School Kohima on April 11 with Rev. Fr. Benny Varghese Secretary to Bishop of Nagaland as the chief guest. In his inaugural speech, he stated that peace cannot be accomplished alone.

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the peace pledge to affirm to promote peace activities in their given situation.

Rev. Fr. Bosco SDB, the Principal welcomed the chief guest and all the peace channel coordinators of Kohima District. He said that as rightful citizens everyone has a role to play in building peace in our society. He also appreciated the dynamic initiative taken by the peace channel.

Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, the Director, of Peace Channel, appreciated and thanked the school authorities for launching peace movement. He said that building peace is a noble task of everyone.

The main objective of Peace Channel is to protect and promote the culture and traditional values. Today peace builders are called to be different. They have to be Passionate, Enthusiastic, Amiable, Courageous and Empathetic. Two teachers Thomas and Elizabeth voluntarily came forward to coordinate the peace club activities in the school. Over seventy five students took membership in the peace channel and they all came to the school with their own cultural costumes. Alunle Tetseo proposed vote of thanks. This was informed in a release issued by Sr. Biya MMS, Youth Centre Desk Kohima.

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"Horrible and Shocking"

Reactions to Carmel School Incident

DIMAPUR, AUGUST 18 (MEXN): Various Unions and organisations today expressed shock and strongly condemned the suspected rape and murder incident of August 19 where a class IX student of Carmel Higher Secondary School was found murdered inside the school campus. The Unions and associations also extended heartfelt condolence to the bereaved family members.

NCYM

The Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM), while strongly condemning the incident, said that the movement is rudely awakened to the situation and expresses deep anguish at the inhuman act of murder done by an innocent girl of Cl-IX.

The NCYM appealed to all right thinking citizens to condemn the act and raise voice against the anti social elements and not to be mere spectators. The NCYM, while extending its condolences to

the School Authorities, parents and family members of Anukampa Dhan, also assured their prayers and solidarity to them.

Peace Channel

The Peace Channel Organization also strongly condemns the murder of Anukampa Dhan. "With deep grief and shock, peace channel organization believes that whoever may be the person

do towards an innocent person," the Peace Channel Organization stated and at the same time extended its condolences to the school authorities, parents and family members and her dear friends.

COE, Diocese of Kohima

The members of the commission for education, Diocese of Kohima condemned "this anti social and cruel act of murder" and asked "all people of good will to uphold the value of life".

The COE, Diocese of Kohima

him while extending condolences to the bereaved family members and to the school, prayed for eternal rest of the departed soul and consolation of the dear ones.

ANPSA

The All Nagaland Private Schools' Association (ANPSA), Dimapur, unit through a press note by its president Bithungo Kikon

has strongly condemned the incident. The association further strongly demanded the authorities concerned for the immediate arrest and punishment of the culprit. It also expressed heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family, the note stated.

Sunni Catholic Community Kohima

The Sunni Catholic Community SFS Parish Kohima termed the incident as horrible and shocking in a release by its general secretary KA Jacob. While condemning the incident it also called

upon the state government and the law enforcing agencies to immediately nab the culprit(s) and thereby curb such shameful menaces occurring in our society today. "It is really shameful for Nagas to call ourselves a Christian State, if such ugly crimes are committed in our society", the note added.

Angami Catholic Union

The Angami Catholic Union through its general secretary Neiserville Joseph has strongly condemned the rape and murder of Anukampa Dhan, a class 9 student of Carmel school. While condemning the incident the ACU also questioned as to why the Catholic schools and institutions have of late become the target of a section of miscreants.

Recently the Holy Redeemer Health Centre HRHC bore the brunt of miscreants on the fateful night of July 31st. The ACU called upon law enforcing agencies to immediately nab the culprit(s).



DIMAPUR, JULY 30 (MEXN): Delegates from Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM) who attended the World Youth Day 2008, returned to Nagaland on July 27.

The NCYM has extended gratitude to the Indian Catholic Youth Movement especially to the leaders, Archbishop Leo, Rev Father Edwin and Rev Sister Margaret for their co-operation and allowing the NCYM to attend the same. The participants also expressed their gratitude to Bishop of Kohima where Pope Benedict XVI

concern for the youths of NCYM. A release from one of the participant Noszoi Charles said, "We also expressed for the active participation of the Youth Director Rev. Father Amoud and also the Assistant Parish Priest Rev. Father George of Cathedral Church Kohima for leading the team to Sydney, Australia to attend the said World Youth Day which is the biggest gathering of the youths in the World".

About 4, 50, 000 youths attended the World Youth Day 2008 from 170 Nations where Pope Benedict XVI celebrated the Holy Mass together with 26 Cardinals, 420 Bishops and 4, 000 Priests. 800 youths from India included 15 youths from Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement have attended this World Youth Day, 2008. The World Youth Day, 2008 organized by the Catholic Church was held at Sydney, Australia from July 15 to 21 with the theme "You will receive power when Holy Spirit come upon you, and you will be my witnesses". This theme was taken from the Holy Bible in the Book of Acts of the Apostles Chapter 1, Verse 8.

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Youth pledge to abstain from drugs



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DMAAP's Peace Channel is an emerging youth peace movement was officially inaugurated in King David's School (KDS), Dharmapala's school as the first step on August-26, the solemn occasion was marked with the pledge of peace by 72 students/youths in his message, "the day I will see the world at peace, I shall say the time is ripe and now to pledge ourselves to peace." He also directed how to CP Amro, the thirteenth day of the month, for planning the movement for planting the tree of peace.

The father, Jaffer, was a special number presented by the Peace Club members. Addressing the inauguration of Peace Channel, Dharmapala said, "I am proud to have the school authorities and the students for coming forward to part of this international movement of peace while celebrating peace by adding space in the conflict ridden world by showing an example to others."

Monday, August 26, 2008

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'Youth can be strong agents of peace'



DIMAPUR. The August 26 (MEXN). The Peace Chant, an emerging youth movement, was officially inaugurated today at King David School, Dimapur, by Leo David, Principal of the school, as the chief guest. The solemn ceremony was marked with the pledge of Peace by 73 students.

In his message, Leo David said, "Everything has a time, and the time is here and now to pledge ourselves to peace. Youth are the strongest agent of peace in the society. Peace is something to be experienced by oneself from within through prayer and mutual respect, in the peace in the conflict-ridden world by being examples to others." A release from the Youth Centre Desk, Dimapur, stated that the programme ended with the singing of the Peace Pledge.


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Catholic Church, to observe World AIDS Day


DIMAPUR: Development Association of Nagaland (DAN) and Youth Centre, Dimapur will jointly organize a Youth Assembly on behalf of the Catholic Church in Nagaland under the banner of National Catholic Coalition for HIV and AIDS in India to mark the World AIDS Day 2007 on December 1 at Holy Cross Church Campus, Dimapur with the theme "Youth take the lead- the future is now". The programme will be graced by Rt. Rev. Jose Mukala D.D, the Bishop of the Catholic Church in Nagaland.

In a release Fr. Saji Kizhakeparambil, Director, DAN stated that the main highlights of the programme will be exhortation by the Bishop, speeches, cultural dance, Pledge by the youth Assembly, Signature campaign, release of the Life Skill Manual and a solidarity March to the Public ground and participation in the NSACS World AIDS Day function. Fr. Saji has request-

ed all the participants to assemble at Holy Cross Church Campus by 7:30 am.



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Cultural exchange team posing for the lens.

different team will travel to Kerala taking along the grandeur of Naga tradition and imbibing the best they can from those whom they meet in the process.

National Jesus Youth Team, who is facilitating the programme will guide and set the itinerary for the travel and accommodation.

During their stay in Kerala, the participants will have home placements, religious retreats, and cultural programmes.

The team will also be attending the South Asian Youth Conference at Ernakulam.

Catholic youth Condemns

DIMAPUR, DECEMBER 10 (MEXN): The Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM) condemns the heinous attack on the catholic priest Rev. Father Mark Hrinji Pamei MSFS at St. Francis de Sales Parish Tenning. "Targeting priests and religious, who are working selflessly for the empowerment and all around development of the villages and communities, even in the

remotest corners of the state, through faith formation, educational and health care activities must be condemned by one and all," Director, NCYM Fr. C.P. Anto said in the release.

NCYM has called upon the general public and authorities to take the necessary actions at the earliest and work towards preventing such outrageous incidents in future.

NAGALAND POST, DIMAPUR
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2007

SFS condemns assault on Father

DIMAPUR: The SFS School Tenning has condemned the assault meted out to one Father Mark on November 28 by two unidentified miscreants in an underground outfit armed with AK-47 and knives at the father residence, Tenning.

According to a statement by Father Saji MSFS the incident took place at evening, while he was out for some office work, the two unidentified miscreants entered their residence and demanded money from the vice principal, Father Hrinji Mark MSFS and the regent brother while they were having tea.

Father Saji stated that

the miscreants after revealing that he was not at the residence and Father Mark don't deal in financial matters took him towards the school campus where he was allegedly manhandled.

Saji also alleged that the miscreants while searching for him took away an amount of rupees 220 from the drawer of the dispensary by threatening the boarding boys and sisters at the convent.

Further, the school management, staff and students of SFS School Tenning appealed to the responsible authorities to investigate and take necessary steps to prevent such incidents in the future.

World AIDS Day observed by Catholic Church

DIMAPUR, DEC 1 (EMN): Catholic Church in Nagaland observed the AIDS day under the banner of National Catholic Coalition for HIV/AIDS in India jointly organized by Development Association of Nagaland (DAN) and Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM), at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Church Campus today under the theme 'Youth take the lead - the future is now'.

Rev Fr Arokiadoss the Rector of Good Shepard Seminary was the chief guest. In his message he exhorted the youth to take care of the situation and told audience a

real life story of an AIDS infected person who was rejected by her own mother and later the society and asked the youth to take the lead to remove the stigma by way of showing more love, care and compassion. "Today our youth must become active stake holders in intervention and prevention plan," he said. Rev Fr CP Anto, Director of Catholic Youth Commission Nagaland also exhorted the youth to take preventive steps towards AIDS. "Prevention is the only way to stop its spread," he said and further appealed the youth not to use substance abuse

and protect themselves from all sorts of allurements and sexual behaviors.

He also pointed out that loss of youth, very early in life affects the economic well being of society in many ways. "When so many young people die, the society loses not only those people but also their productive potential. They no longer hold jobs, manufacture goods, provide services or support their families. Therefore the youth of the region has to modify their behavior lest the society may loose many more young men and women in the

near future," Fr Anto added.

To add color to the programme, the Peace Channel troupe presented a cultural show, conducted a signature campaign, took a pledge and released a book on 'Life Skills'.

Over 600 youths and students from various schools participated along with priests, sisters and lay leaders of the parish. Rev Fr Chacko K, Parish Priest of Holy Cross Church invoked God's blessing. Rev Fr Saji Jose the Director DAN welcomed the gathering and DAN Coordinator, Paul proposed vote of thanks.

Peace Channel movement inaugurated at St. Edmund's Dmu

DIMAPUR: With the purpose of protecting youth from violence and to promote and project them as channels of peace to everyone, the Peace Channel movement was officially inaugurated in St. Edmund School, Dimapur.

Toshi Longkumer, Youth Director, Ao Baptist Church, Dimapur, was the chief guest. In his inaugural speech, he quoted the Bible, 1Cor:12, saying our body is made up of different parts for various purposes.

He said everyone is

different from each other. Our differences and diversity are gift and asset from God. It is an urgent need of the society to recognize it, if not can be a curse.

Though the media and church leader's talk about peace, but it is youth, who can initiate peace, and therefore every peace club members needed to contribute their best different gifts to bring peace and harmony in the land, he added.

Head master, St. Edmund School, Alex in his welcome address appreciated

the Peace Channel Movement for initiating the youth to develop their skills to build peace and making then channels of peace.

He also encouraged the youth of the state to join hands together to build peace in our troubled society.

Atoholi, Coordinator of Dimapur region, introduced the aims and objectives of the movement and welcomed the members to the International family of Peace Channel Movement.

Peace Channel to host 'Peace award ceremony'

DIMAPUR: In view of the 'International Day of Peace' and the 'Foundation day of Peace Channel' on September 21, the Peace Channel will be organizing an 'Inter religious prayer meeting' cum 'Peace award ceremony', at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Hr. Sec. School Campus, Dimapur.

Eligibility Criteria for 'Peace awards' are - award will be given to persons rendering outstanding services in the locality for building

peace, open to all people regardless of religion and tribe, nominations preferably proposed by others (not self), nomination should be sent with complete details of both the nominators and the nominee.

The details must include background information, field of activity, research and other achievements of the nominee, decision of the award committee shall be final, information must be duly sup-

ported with adequate evidence and signed by the nominator and submit it to the office of Peace Channel, at Dimapur.

Altogether five peace awards will be given for grass root level peace builders of the state and Rs. 5000/- each with certificate. Those interested can contact the Director, Peace Channel, Bishop's House, P.B. No. 03, Dimapur, Nagaland, 797112 or email at cpanto@gmail.com, 9863270957, 03862-286510.

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Youth Centre informs on 'Peace Award'

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 4 (MEXN): In view of the International Day of Peace and the Foundation day of Peace Channel on September 21, the Peace Channel is organising an Inter Religious Prayer meeting-cum-Peace Award Ceremony, at Christ Hall, in Holy Cross Higher Secondary School Campus, Dimapur. Peace Awards will be given to persons rendering outstanding services in the locality for building peace. It is open to all people regardless of Religion and Tribe. Nominations should preferably be proposed by others (not self) and it should be sent with complete details of both the nominators and the nominee. The details must include background information, field of activity, research and other achievements of the nominee. The decision of the award committee shall be final. The information must be duly supported with adequate evidence and signed by the nominator and submit it to the office of the Peace Channel at Dimapur. The Youth Centre Desk in a release has informed that the five Peace Awards will be given for Grassroots-level Peace Builders of the state. The Awards include a sum of Rs.5000/- each with certificate. For further details, one may contact the Director, Peace Channel, Bishop's House, P.B. No. 03, Dimapur, Nagaland, 797112, email: cpanto@gmail.com, or call at 9863270957, 03862-286510.

Morning Express August 30th 2008

'Attitudinal change can build Peace'

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In his inaugural speech, Rev. Fr. Varghese exhorted the youth to change their attitude for building peace. It begins by doing service to all irrespective of age, beauty, tribe, colour, religion etc, he said. He asked the youth to respect the elders of the society. He encouraged the Peace Club members for their initiative to form peace clubs in the school and its impact is going to be experienced by our society. The youth have to come together often to pray for peace in our Nagaland.

Meanwhile, Sr. Irene, thanked the school authorities and the students for initiating and flagging off the channel in the school. that Peace is a person-



Peace Channel Member of MGM School seen here along with Rev. Fr. George Varghese, Principal of MGM HSS at the inauguration of the peace movement at the school.

al responsibility. It is a commitment a challenge; it demands sweat and sacrifice so as a Peace Club members try

to do things in its maximum with full dedication and commitment. A release from the Youth Centre Desk said that

altogether, 30 members took the peace pledge. Peter, Animator of MGM Hr. Sec. School proposed vote of thanks.

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Diocesan Youth day observed

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NCYM Convention off to a blissful start



Diocesan youth day was observed at the Holy cross Parish, Dimapur on Sunday, seen in the picture are youths with the convention cross at a procession. The convention cross will travel across various parishes of the diocese.

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 14 (MEN): On the occasion of the Diocesan Youth Day observed today, the Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement Convention which is scheduled for the month of January 2009 got off to a blissful start here at Holy Cross Parish, Dimapur, stated a release by the Press Desk, Youth Centre Dimapur.

The day commenced with the blessing of the Convention Cross which will travel across various parishes of the diocese to create reverence and devotion to the cross. Rev. Fr. James P. Provincial of the Don Bosco Dimapur Province, exhorted the youths

challenging them to take up the cross of life as Christ demanded of all his believers. "Adding life to the reflection was the testimony of the five catholic youths from Orissa who were victims of communal violence there," the press note added.

Rev. Fr. C. P. Anto, the Director NCYM, along with the executive members of Youth Organization also extended the day's greetings to all the youths of the diocese. Zumchilo Patton, secretary, Women Association, took the opportunity to exhort the youths expressing hope for greater and more opportunity to-

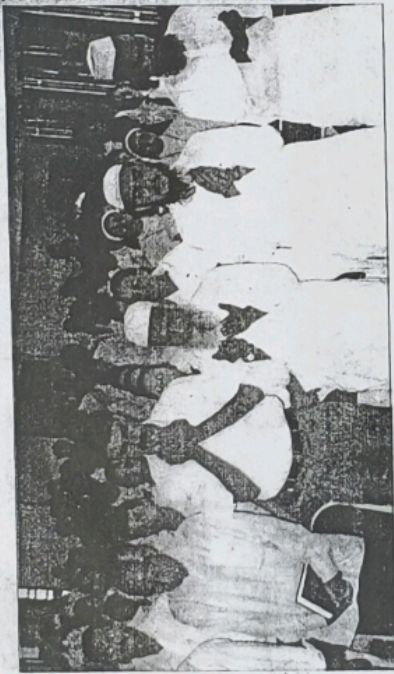
wards building themselves up through exposure and training programmes.

Speaking on behalf of the parents John Lotha, a Catechist of the parish called upon the youths towards a life of commitment in faith and practice. While challenging the youths he said, "Re-dedicate your lives for Christ, pump your lives with life of Christ, put on the armour of Christ and marching as you are you are the back bone of the church, family and society."

Concluding the day's event, Rev. Fr. Chacko K. the parish priest proposed vote of thanks, the note added.

Mehruv Expects Sept 22nd 2008

Five receive Peace Award at Inter-Faith Prayer meet



The gathering of different faiths stands up in respect to the prayer of peace offered by the Muslim religious leader.

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 21 (MEXN): As the world celebrates International Day for Peace, the Peace Channel and Inter-faith Coalition for Peace (ICP) today held an Inter-Faith Prayer Meeting-cum-Peace Award ceremony at Christ School, Dimapur. Amidst the ongoing communal violence throughout the nation, leaders of different faiths took to the streets after the other to offer prayers for peace, while the gathering stood up in respectful silence for each other's religion.

MLA Apok Jamir, who was the chief guest, maintained that for India, as the largest democracy in the world with the second largest population of diverse people, an environment of peace was vital. Diversity makes it important to create peace, he said, while adding his belief that no religion subscribed to the violence which was being committed by a handful of misguided elements in the name of religion. He also conveyed the need to change oneself first before embarking on the venture to change others.

Bishop of Kohima, Rt. Rev. Jose Mukaia DD, the patron of the program, expounded on the need to have a proper relationship with God, the source of peace, in order to properly receive peace in our lives.

The Inter-Faith Prayer Meeting, which also coincided with the Foundation day of Peace Channel, saw the giving away of Peace Awards to five Nagas in recognition of their exemplary contribution towards conflict resolution, violence reduction and peace building in their immediate community. The Peace Awards, which is a novel initiative undertaken by the Peace Channel, a youth-peace movement, was sponsored by Aircel.

Awardees of the Peace Award

1. Mrs. Christina Thone of Tobu village received the Peace Award for her intervention which diverted violence when her house was vandalised and burned down by miscreants in the wee hours of March 8, 2008, in relation to the Nagaland General Assembly election. The men, especially the youth of the village, had been ready to retaliate at the vandalising of their Village Chairman's house, when Christina pleaded and reasoned with them that none of their family members had been hurt. Thus, the spilling of blood was averted and the men returned with firing a single bullet.
2. Mr. L.P. Therie, a GB of Diphupar B Village, was the man behind the end of violence and speedy normalisation of the tense situation when intermittent factional clashes threatened the calm of the locality in April and May this year. Constantly acting as a buffer between the administration, police, the villagers and leaders of both the warring factions, he persuaded people to bring a solution to the problem.
3. Mrs. Mary Konyak of Phor Village, Meluri, was responsible for averting a major crisis when two children were killed and five others injured when an iron gate collapsed on the children who were playing in the Church lawn. It was Mary's children who were killed, but when a mob gathered at the sight and charged the authority for oversight, Mary, a teacher in the village, took on herself the death of the children saying that if she had gone to church on that particular day, which was a Sunday, she would have stopped them from playing outside. This reasoning from the main victim defused the situation.
4. Mrs. Ahimsa Zhimo of Diphupar B Village had showed great courage and leadership during the April-May stand-off between the two underground factions in her locality leading to the de-escalation of the tense situation. Ahimsa was instrumental in bringing together the womenfolk of the village together to make their stand against the violence and making the factions leave the village. She also courageously led the women group during clashes, beating drums and shouting slogans for peace, and faced the gun-totting men and appealed to them to leave the village.

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Peace Channel awards peace builders

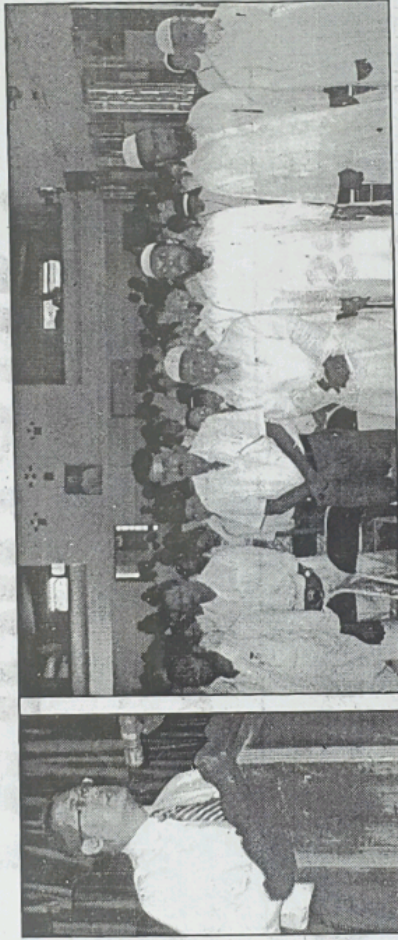
Staff Reporter

DIMAPUR: Recognising the courageous people who made exemplary contributions towards conflict resolution, violence and peace building in the society, Peace Channel Sunday awarded four individuals at an Inter faith prayer meet - cum - peace award ceremony.

Recipients of the peace award included Christina Thonte, Tobu village, Mon, Mary Konyak, Phor village, Meluri, L. P. Therie, and Ahimsa Zimo, Diphupar B village, Dimapur.

Speaking as the chief guest, MLA and former MP Rajya Sabha Apok Jamir, said "we are living in an environment which requires peace initiative" and the initiatives for peace should not be taken for name sake but be promulgated by deed.

He said all religion teaches about peace and people irrespective of affiliations are in need of peace and want peace but it is only a handful people who creates disharmony in the society." Referring to the contributions made by



MLA and former MP Rajya Sabha Apok Jamir, addressing the religious leaders at Inter faith prayer meet - cum - peace award ceremony, Dimapur on Sunday. (NP)

healthy relationship within family, society and to show to others that a country like India with religious diversity could provide aspect of peaceful co-existence.

Patron Rt. Rev. Jose Mukala DD, Bishop of Nagaland in his exhortation said it was the bounded duty of an individual and a lover of society and neighbour to promote peace.

With the initiative to propagate peace and harmony in India, a two minute prayers by various religions including Hinduism, Islam, Sikhism, Buddhism, Jainism, Christianity and Brahmanism was offered.

Earlier, welcome speech was proposed by Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, director of Peace Channel, the programme was

followed by cultural dance performance by Assisi Peace Club, Yimchunger Baptist Youth Fellowship, St Clare Peace Club and special number by Sharon Higher Secondary School, Peace Club.

The programme sponsored by Aircel Nagaland and was held at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur.

Nagaland post. 26th Sept 08.

Sharon Hr Secy joins Peace Channel



DIMAPUR: Sensing the need of peace the hour, in locality and state, Peace Channel an emerging youth movement was formally inaugurated at Sharon Hr. Sec. School with Mathew, principal as the chief guest.

A release issued from the desk of Peace Channel, Dimapur said speaking at the inaugural function, the principal said, 'peace is the pride of the hour and urged the peace club members to be a 'channel and a cartel of peace' to curb violence in the society.

Pointing out that the present situation in Nagaland is going from 'bad to worse', he urged the youth to be spiritually awakened to experience 'true peace'.

He also thanked and congratulated the peace channel organizers and Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, director, for carrying out the noble task of empowering and enabling the youth to be peace promoters.

Briefing the activities of Peace Channel, Atohli, coordinator of Peace Channel, said "our mission is to reach out to the youth in institutions and villages of our region." Meanwhile, Alex, member, welcomed members to the family of Peace club and thanked and congratulated the authorities for officially flagging off the peace channel in the school.

Peace Channel Nagaland appreciated

DIMAPUR: The family members of Christina Thonite (Konyak) of Tobu village, a recipient of peace channel award at inter faith prayer meet cum peace ceremony held at Dimapur on September 21, has expressed gratitude to the organizers Fr. Sunny, president of peace channel, Fr. C.P. Anto, Director and sponsors Airtel Nagaland, who have taken initiatives to promote peace in the state and also has wished the peace channel Nagaland best of luck in future endeavors to bring about peace and harmony in the state.

SCD 'B' lauds

DIMAPUR: Sumi Community Diphupar 'B' has lauded all the recipients of the peace award particularly Ahimsa Zhimo for bringing glory to the sumi community. The community has appreciated the peace channel for fostering the programme at the right time when the Naga society is badly in need of peace.

Peace channel awards peace builders

DIMAPUR, SEPT 24 (EMN): Peace Channel Nagaland in collaboration with Aircell celebrated the International Day of Peace, recognizing the courageous people who made exemplary contributions towards conflict resolution, violence and peace building in the society. Five individuals were conferred peace awards at an interfaith prayer meet at Dimapur on September 21.

The awardees were - Christina Thonte, Tobu village, Mon; Mary Konyak, Phor village, Meluri, LP Therie and Ahimsa Zhimo, Diphupar B village, Dimapur.

Speaking as the chief guest, MLA and former MP Raiya Sabha Apok Jamir, said "We are living in an environment which requires peace initiative and the initiatives for peace should not be taken for name sake but be promulgated by deed," and also appreciated the initiative of Peace Channel.

Exhorting the youths, he asked them to be the agents of peace and change in the society if they want to enjoy peace.

Chairman and patron of the movement Rt. Rev Jose Mukala DD, Bishop of Kohima, Nagaland, also exhorted the youths stating that it was the bound duty as an individual and a lover of society and neighbour to promote peace.

"The present situation in the country is getting worsened and the Christian community all over is undergoing a turmoil situation," the Bishop said and appealed all to intensify prayer and work hard to alleviate the tensed situation in the country. "Nagaland is a model state

where all of us live in harmony and peace," he added and appreciated the initiative of the Peace Channel in bringing all interfaith leaders together to pray for our suffering people of the country.

With the initiative to propagate peace and harmony in India, a two minute prayers by various religions including Hinduism, Islam, Jainism, Christianity and Brahmin-kumaris was offered. Earlier, welcome speech was proposed by Rev CP Anto, Director of Peace Channel, the programme was followed by cultural dance performance by Assisi Peace

Club, St Clare Peace Club and special number by Yimchunger Baptist Youth Fellowship and Sharon Hr See School.

The Aircell Nagaland sponsored award function was held at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Hr See School, Dimapur. Rev Fr Sunny Joseph, the president of the movement thanked all the interfaith leaders and other dignitaries gathered for the prayer meeting on the international day of peace. Fr Sunny Joseph proposed vote of thanks.

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Meanwhile, family mem-

bers of Christina Thonte (Konyak) of Tobu village, recipient of Peace Channel Award have appreciated the Peace Channel Nagaland for 'their selfless service for promoting peace in the society'. Appreciating Christina and other recipients of the award for their exemplary contributions towards conflict resolution, violence and peace building in the society, the members expressed gratitude to the organizers. Fr Sunny, President Peace Channel, Fr CP Anto, director and sponsors, Aircell Nagaland for taking the initiative to promote peace in the state.



Recipients of Peace Channel Awards

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Teen Youth Arise programme held

DIMAPUR, OCT 3 (EMN): A spiritual awakening programme for teens of Dimapur Catholic parish was organized on October 2 by Holy Cross Church in coordination with the Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM) of Dimapur unit.

It was animated by the Jesus Youth Ministry.

Adolf, Subin Jacob and Fr. Francis CS were the resource persons. Rev.Fr. George Angami celebrated the Holy Mass. During his homily, he exhorted the youth to have daily prayer to nourish God's love in life.

The gathering aimed at bringing the parish youth together to experience God's love through a fellowship. "God as our Pappa" was the main topic.

Over 350 teens participated in the Teen Youth Arise programme.

The participants appreciated Rev.Frs.Chacko K, Siby John, Sr.Maria, all the sisters and youth leaders who assisted them during the programme.



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A section of the crowd during the Teen Youth Arise programme held at Holy Cross Church .

Nagaland Post Seminar on 'art of living' held

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worthy of one's own self; if not one will always remain in the shadow of others. He mentioned further that, sincerity; dedication and hard work are the key factors to excel in exams and other academic related efforts. He urged upon the students to have a 'dream to live'.

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Morung Express Peace Channel enhances students on exam, personality development

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NCYM gears up for convention

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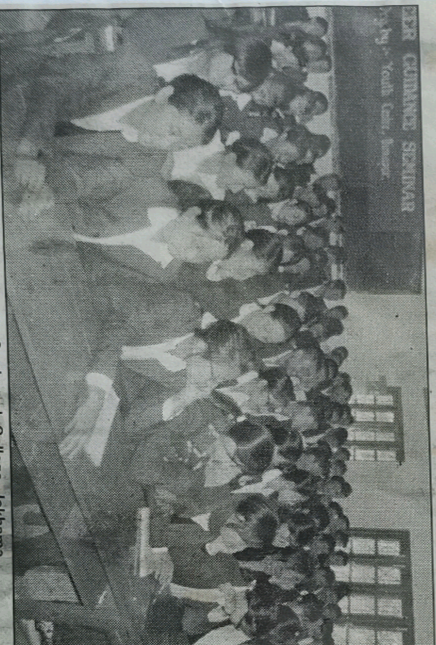
DIMAPUR: Preparation for Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM) convention 2009 is underway. In view of the convention NCYM Cross reached Peren town on November 10 which has been traveling to all over Nagaland, blessing all the districts and parishes of the diocese. Rev. Fr. Kurian P. parish priest welcomed the NCYM executive members and the team who carried the cross from Jalkie

parish. Rev. Fr. John S. Kavas the parish priest Jalkie, along with 30 youth of parish handed over the Cross to youths of Peren. Fr. Kavas in his message emphasized the importance of cross and Jesus in one's life. The Holy mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, director of NCYM. NCYM executive members held a meeting with Zejangrong Catholic Women Association and the Youth of the region to discuss and plan attractions of the event.

for the forth coming NCYM convention which would commence on January 8 to 12, 2009. The main events of the convention would be a day full spiritual activities of prayer, retreat and confession, Youth awards for the best youth of each region, felicitation programme for all the senior missionaries and elders. Youth concerts, panel discussion and seminars would be the main attractions of the event.

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Career guidance prog at SJC



Students at Career Guidance programme at St. Joseph College, Jalkhama.

DIMAPUR: Youth Centre, Dimapur, organized a Career Guidance Training for the 3 batches of students in St. Joseph College, Jalkhama. Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto, the Director, Youth Centre and his team animated the different sessions of the training programme and gave insight into career choice and career planning. Arts and Commerce students of the college were taken to the realm of great avenues in store for them and were given directions as to make right choices according to the individual's personality, aptitude, resources and likings. Through SWOT analysis exercise, the youth were enlightened on their strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats with regard to selection of a career that would have an impact on the rest of their lives.

"Change of career happens with ongoing education. Openness to change and a challenging outlook towards life should be the basic characteristics of every individual who aims high. For the most part and most people, a career once chosen or adopted remains a life long companion, therefore it is good to make a proper choice of career as it gives you a sense of confidence, happiness, thrill and stability", said Fr. Anto.

He also spoke of the various factors that contribute to making the right choice, adding a wrong choice made by the youth has been the root cause of unemployment prevalent in Nagaland.

Further, the team presented various career opportunities with types of courses and study options available in the North East, National Level and internationally.

Rev. Dr. Isaac Padinjarekkootu, Principal of the college welcomed the team and Luke, senior lecturer proposed vote of thanks.

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NCYM cultural programme for peace



Dimapur NCYM youth volunteers posing for the lens.

DIMAPUR, DEC 1 (EMN):

Over 100 youth volunteers from Dimapur and Kohima districts of Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement have decided to organise a cultural exchange programme from December 4 to 14 as a spiritual cum peace campaign for youth who are the builders and change factors of the society.

During the programme, the volunteers would visit and stay with the youth of all the parishes of the diocese for a week to build up relationship and to spread the

message of love and fellowship with their peers.

The main purpose of the visit was to reduce the differences and strengthen the unity and harmony among all tribes and communities through interaction, encouragement, and sharing of culture, tradition, values etc.

The NCYM team would be divided into 20 groups with 4 to 6 members each and pay visit to the parishes and stay with the youth in the diocese in view of the forthcoming NCYM Convention 2009.

The delegates would be accompanied by the NCYM executive members.

The exchange programme would culminate with a common sharing, learning and planning of youth activities for the society. They would also animate various sessions on youth issues.

The three days of spiritual cum peace campaign for youth would sum up with an hour of prayer and Eucharistic adoration. Director NCYM, Fr. CP Anto has informed this in a release.

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Peace should begin from within: Torechu

Staff reporter

DIMAPUR: Peace festival 2008 was held Monday at Holy Cross higher secondary school, Dimapur with parliamentary secretary CAWD, T. Torechu gracing the occasion as chief guest and Naga reconciliation forum (NRF) convenor, Dr. Wati Aler as theme speaker - the role of youth in building peace in Nagaland.

Addressing the occasion, parliamentary secretary said that to bring transformation in the society, personal involvement was required. He also appealed the members and participants to do good to create peaceful environment. "Peace should begin from within," he maintained.

He commented that tribal division has created disunity among Nagas. "It (tribal division) has to be rooted out so that our society can march forward together in unity," Torechu said.

Rev. Dr. Wati Aler exhorting the festival said the step peace channel has initiated to create peaceful environment was not something extraordinary.

"Peace channel has no monopoly over the situation, to create peace and to reconcile as brothers, everyone's contribution is important," he said.

In his key note address, Dr. Wati described the effort of peace as "journey of common hope", which he said every contribution was required to build the Naga society.

"Peace is not only for Nagas alone but for all, each one in the society need peace," he said adding "and that



T. Torechu. (NP)

should give us an impetus to go ahead in pursuing peace, prosperity and development."

"We must acknowledge our mistakes and should admit our own faults and failures," Wati said.

Peace channel director, Rev. C. P. Anto delivering welcome address said peace plays an important role in development of the area and the society.

Earlier, invocation was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Solomon Vizo, Rector GSS Dimapur while vote of thanks was delivered by coordinator peace channel, Kishor Dass.

Highlights of the programme included welcome song by Assisi school, peace song from Myingthunglo and friends, choreography by Christian higher secondary school, group song by MGM higher secondary school, peace concert team and a multimedia presentation on the activities of peace channel in the state.

The festival was organized by peace channel staff, coordinators and youth club members of Nagaland.

The peace festival

DIMAPUR: The peace festival 2008 organised by the peace channel and youth club members of Nagaland will be held on December 8 at 10a.m. at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Higher Secondary School campus Dimapur. The programme will be graced by T. Torechu, Parliamentary Secretary CAWD as chief guest and Rev. Dr. Wati Aler convenor Forum for Naga Reconciliation Dimapur will deliver the keynote address. Fr. C. P. Anto has informed that during meet, the Peace Club members will felicitate honour and interact with the members of the Forum for Naga Reconciliation who have been tirelessly working for the reconciliation and peace building process in the state.

FNR for an 'Inclusive' Naga future

DIMAPUR, DECEMBER 8 (MEXN): Questions were posed to members of the Forum for Naga Reconciliation today for their "personal opinions" regarding the Naga peace talks with the Government of India, by students and members of the Peace Channel. The interactive session was part of the Peace Festival 2008, held at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Higher Secondary Campus in Dimapur.

Rev. Phughoto Aye wondered, that at this point in time, when the Naga house is so divided, should any kind of solution be offered by the Centre, if it would be acceptable to the Nagas.

Another member of the forum, Akim Longchari while considering the present turmoil in the country, pointed out that unless India deals with its own history, it is in no way prepared to engage on issues such as the Naga and Kashmir conflicts in a way that will lead towards any solution. "Only a strong India can bring a solution... but what we have today is an India which is not strong in that sense and is still trying to address the burdens of its own history, as



Members of the Forum for Naga Reconciliation and Peace Channel seen here at the Peace Festival 2008, held at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Higher Secondary campus, Dimapur. (Morning Photos)

a result of which, rather than resolving political issues, it has efficiently confined itself to 'managing' the problem, not solving it", stated Akim Longchari. Seeking to refrain from 'saying too much' on the question, convenor of the forum, Rev. Dr. Wai Aier stressed on the need to avoid all exclusivities and urged all to be inclusive as the goal in current pursuit is a united vision.

According to the director of peace channel, Fr. CP Anto, the festival was organized with the purpose to strengthen unity and relationships between different religions, to honour and facilitate the Forum for Naga Reconciliation for their tireless efforts towards peace-building in the state and through interaction with the members, to motivate the young members of the Peace Channel.

In course of the interaction, Rev. Dr. Wai Aier also conveyed the message that the greatest threat to the reconciliation and peace process was myth-making and rumors. Many people in the Naga "political groups" have been killed by rumors, he said in allegory. While urging the Naga people to

be very careful and be aware of rumors, he underscored the need to be careful of a third force in the Naga political struggle. The need for people's support and participation in the reconciliation process was emphasized for achieving the dream and goal for a reconciled Naga people and land.

In his keynote address, the convenor also informed the gathering on the present status of the reconciliation process. Despite the distance covered so far, it is gaining trust which is proving a difficult task, he said. The Naga "political groups" had taken the risk to talk to each other outside the country and had also met six times in Nagaland besides participating in two Naga Reconciliation soccer matches. He said the process needed time as clarifications from all the groups needed sorting out, he said. Dr. Wai urged the people to be patient. "The political groups need to come together and sort out their wounds before a third party which is the Forum for Naga Reconciliation" he reminded.

The reverend also opined that all forms of rationalization and justification are suicidal for the Nagas and that confessing one's weaknesses and acknowledging ones mistakes is essential. Rev. Dr. Wai also firmly reiterated that 'Reconciliation' did not mean becoming one or one group merging with the other but that reconciliation has to be with each other while each group remained where it is. The convenor added that at some later stage if the different political groups wish to take the process further and to a higher level, it would be their decision.

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The chief guest of the festival, Parliamentary Secretary J. Torechu lauded the initiative of Peace Channel especially in the light of the Christmas season. Drawing comparison with the social discipline and civic sense of the Chinese who are mostly Buddhists, Torechu called on the Nagas - worshippers of the living God - to imbibе these virtues. Saying that peace comes not from outside but is of the mind the parliamentary secretary urged all to do away with tribal tendencies which, he reminded, is the root of all disturbing activities. Earlier in the program, Assam School students welcomed the gathering with a song while coordinator of Peace Channel, Kishor Das offered the word of thanks.

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Naga Youths on to Middle East for work

DIMAPUR, DECEMBER 15 (MEXN): The Youth Centre Dimapur in the first phase of its job placement cell have sent 21 unemployed youths from Nagaland to Kuwait to work as crew members at the multinational McDonalds International outlets in Kuwait. Another 19 youths will leave early next year.

Frc. P. Anto of Youth Centre Desk Dimapur stated this in a release.

A placement agency from Mumbai selected these youths hailing from different communities across Nagaland through direct



Seen in this image released to media by Youth Centre Dimapur are the first batch of youths bound for Kuwait.

interview. Fr. C. P. Anto also informed that Youth Centre Desk Dimapur provided assistance in obtaining passports and other documents besides also giving a training session on the aspects of the work and life in Kuwait. The youth and their parents expressed their heartfelt gratitude to St. Paul Teachers' Training Institute, Pheasama and Youth Centre Dimapur, for being instrumental in the process of giving a new vision and dream to our unemployed youth of the state, the release.

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According to a press release issued by Fr. C. P. Anto, Youth Centre Desk, Dimapur, the youths belonging to different tribes and communities across Nagaland have been selected through direct interviews with the job placement agency from Mumbai.

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Cultural exchange prog from Dec. 4

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Team consisting of 20 groups with 4 to 6 members in each group would visit parishes and stay with youth in diocese in view of the forthcoming NCYM Convention 2009. The delegates would be accompanied by NCYM executive members.

The Naga youth part - 16-12-08

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Seminar on non-violent communication held



Participants of the seminar on non-violent communication skills.

DIMA PUR, SEPTEMBER 6 (MEAN): The Peace Channel, Nagaland organized a one day seminar on non-violent communication skills (NVC) at Holy Cross Parish Hall, Dimapur on September 6. Forty peace club leaders from different schools of Dimapur attended the seminar. Delivering the keynote address, Rev. Fr. Sunny Joseph, president, Peace Channel said as peace builders one has to travel an extra mile of understanding and make people comfortable. Building peace means being comfortable within oneself and with each other.

In his session on non-violent communication, Rev. Fr. C.P. Antio, director, Peace Channel, explained the theme of the seminar. He said non-violent communication is a language of life that helps us to transform old patterns of defensiveness and aggression into compassion and empathy to improve quality of all our relationships.

Further, speaking on the need of NVC he said studying and practicing NVC creates a foundation for learning about us and our relationships at every moment. The intention to connect with ourselves and others is one of the most important goals of practicing NVC.

Elucidating on the relevance of NVC in the modern times, he said that, Most of time, we are on auto pilot, reacting out of habit rather than out of awareness and presence of mind. By creating a space for attention and respect at every moment, NVC helps to create a pathway and a practice that makes us accessible and approachable persons in the society. A release received from the Youth Centre Desk said that earlier the seminar started with an invocation prayer from St. Irene. During the seminar, David and John Kikon entertained the gathering with a party game and songs. Alex proposed the vote of thanks.

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Our diversity an asset for Peace Building PCM inaugurated in St. Edmund School

DIMA PUR, SEPTEMBER 7 (MEAN): With the purpose of protecting the youth from violence and to promote and protect them as channels of peace to everyone, the Peace Channel movement was officially inaugurated in St. Edmund School, Dimapur.



Toshi Longkumer, Youth Director of ABCD, with the faculty and students of St. Edmund School, Dimapur, and harmony in our land, hands to build peace in our troubled society. A release from the Youth Centre Desk informed that Abiohol, Coordinator of Dimapur Region, introduced the youth to develop their skills to build peace and movement and welcomed the members to the international family of the Peace Channel Movement.

Lozaphuhu youth decides to be factors of social change

DIMAPUR, NOVEMBER

16 (ME&N): A renewal youth seminar for the Lozaphuhu youth was organized by the youth centre team. The coming together of over 40 youth leaders of the region to reflect, plan and pray for the development and faith formation of the youth activities gave an enriching experience for the animators of the Youth center Dimapur. The St. Mary's Church at Lozaphu stands on top of the mountain over looking the valley welcoming everyone was the place the young people gathered for the renewal. Speaking on the occasion Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto the director said that in order to experience



Youth leaders posing for the lens

God we should have genuine desire to meet and encounter

Him. Having experienced Him in our life we automati-

cally become the channels of peace and hope to the family

and society. He exhorted leaders to encourage the unemployed youth to take various vocational trainings and to the educated he told them to register in the placement Cell of the Youth centre to get into various jobs available. Sr. Roseline speaking to them said that youth are called to be models to the families, church and to society. She exhorted them to give up all the unwanted elements, which destroy the youth. Fr. Benny Varghese in his exhortation said that like Jeremiah God has given a call to every one especially to the youth. The youth are called for a commitment and conviction for a change.



World AIDS Day observed by Catholic Church

DIMAPUR, DEC 1 (EMN): Catholic Church in Nagaland observed the AIDS day under the banner of National Catholic Coalition for HIV/AIDS in India jointly organized by Development Association of Nagaland (DAN) and Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM), at Christ Hall, Holy Cross Church Campus today under the theme 'Youth take the lead - the future is now'.

Rev Fr Arokiadoss the Rector of Good Shepard Seminary was the chief guest. In his message he exhorted the youth to take care of the situation and told audience a

real life story of an AIDS infected person who was rejected by her own mother and later the society and asked the youth to take the lead to remove the stigma by way of showing more love, care and compassion. "Today our youth must become active stake holders in intervention and prevention plan," he said. Rev Fr CP Anto, Director of Catholic Youth Commission Nagaland, also exhorted the youth to take preventive steps towards AIDS. "Prevention is the only way to stop its spread," he said and further appealed the youth not to use substance abuse

and protect themselves from all sorts of allurements and sexual behaviors.

He also pointed out that loss of youth, very early in life affects the economic well being of society in many ways. "When so many young people die, the society loses not only those people but also their productive potential. They no longer hold jobs, manufacture goods, provide services or support their families. Therefore the youth of the region has to modify their behavior lest the society may loose many more young men and women in the

near future," Fr Anto added.

To add color to the programme, the Peace Channel troupe presented a cultural show, conducted a signature campaign, took a pledge and released a book on 'Life Skills'.

Over 600 youths and students from various schools participated along with priests, sisters and lay leaders of the parish. Rev Fr Chacko K, Parish Priest of Holy Cross Church invoked God's blessing, Rev Fr Saji Jose the Director DAN welcomed the gathering and DAN Coordinator, Paul proposed vote of thanks.

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NCYM troupe in Orissa



The peace concerto troupe members

DIMAPUR: Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement troupe will travel to Orissa for the All India Catholic Youth Convention scheduled October 22 to 26. The troupe is presenting an hour programme titled "The Peace Consorto".

The Peace Consorto Team will present programme which tread on every phase of human life. Projecting the present scenario of the state where violence,

killings, fratricide, corruption and other harmful evils like addiction and AIDS prevails, the team gives out the message to give peace a chance and to let it spread its root within the state and outside too. Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto has conceived the concept and directed the troupe. It consists of Folk dances, drama, music, Choreography etc., the sole objective of the team is to promote peace and

handle the present issues by encouraging unity and harmony among the People. Peace being the most vital and required element, the team projects the various positive changes which can be made possible when Peace prevails. The team will be leaving for Orissa on October 20, to partake in the Opening ceremony of the National Catholic Youth Convention.

Animation on women empowerment held

DIMAPUR, NOVEMBER 24 (MEXN): The Youth Centre Dimapur organized a day animation program on 'Women Empowerment' for Assisi Working women's Centre Dimapur on November 23. Speaking on the occasion Rev. C. P. Anto Director, youth commission Nagaland, urged the participants to be equipped to face the challenges of the society. It is an undisputable fact that women and girls are victims of various vices of the society.

In order to protect the women flock from these vices he exhorted them to be more affirmative and assertive. Affirmation involves direct responsible expression of one's feelings, wishes, thoughts, preferences, needs, aspirations, frustrations, likes and



dislikes. But it neither threatens nor punishes the other person. Affirmation does not involve excessive anxiety. It does not control, manipulate or get things done the way one wants. It stands for one's own legitimate rights

without violating the rights of others. Therefore it is an honest communication with others. David Nickha in a release said that the other topics dealt by the team were women as leaders, Women a true channel of peace and

happiness to the family, HIV/AIDS, Team work etc., and there were 30 participants who were belonging to various tribes of North East India. Rev. Sr. Reshma welcomed the team and Agnes proposed vote of thanks.

Peace Channel: Youth Movement for Peace, Development & Action

"Blessed are those who make peace they shall be called children of God"
--Matthew 5:9



Seminar on 'Role of Church leaders, NGO's and Educational Institutions in Building Peace in Nagaland' organized by Peace Channel.



by Peace Channel.

The dawn of the new millennium is rife with incidents of strife and violence. The future of the world itself depends on how soon and effectively people respond to the call of the hour to make peace and harmony. Peace Channel, Nagaland is a humble but resilient initiative towards garnering the power of the Youth to make peace a possibility and way of life. Under the aegis of the Youth Centre, Dimapur, Diocese of Kohima, Peace Channel is a movement for information, formation and transformation, primarily focusing on the Youth. (BOX) Peace Channel, with the Youth.

The Peace channel has made its presence felt through the length and breadth of Nagaland by reaching out to over 20 educational institutions forming peace clubs. The Peace Channel organized the State Level Peace Seminar with His Excellency, K. Shankaranarayanan, the Governor of Nagaland as the Chief Guest on June 29, 2007. The movement also organizes regular peace promotion activities such as seminars, symposiums, debates and awareness programmes at the village, district and state level. Peace Channel members believe that there is only one Supreme Being- God, and all members of the human race are His children. Therefore, Peace Channel

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Rev. Fr. Alwyn J D'Souza exhorts NCYM

JALUKIE: Youths in the world are not strangers but friends, youths are connected to one another through movements and activities, said Rev. Fr. Alwyn J D'Souza, Director, Indian Catholic Youth Movement (ICYM) while celebrating the Holy Eucharist at a three-day 5th Nagaland Catholic Youth Movement (NCYM) convention. He said every youth will find a home anywhere as a family of ICYM and urged youths to be connected with church and scripture.

Delivering his speech on youth response to Christian 'Leadership', Rev. Fr. George Kedulohou, principal, Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur, said "youth coming together is the beginning. Staying together is progress and working together is success".

Over 25 resource persons enlightened different groups with various topics on social, cultural, economic, church and youth issues, and concluded with group discussions and interaction with



St. Joseph's Parish Tsemnyu choir at the 5th NCYM, Jalukie on Saturday.

resource persons.
The panelist of panel discussion included Rt. Rev. Jose Mukela, Bishop of Kohima, Rev. Fr. Mathew Keemattam, Rev. Fr. Gravier Augustine, Rev. Fr. Solomon Vizo, Nicholas, lecturer and Lucas Meyase, DEO Kohima.

Conclave for peace & harmony

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Representatives from various communities at the interfaith conclave at IMC Hall, Dimapur.

DIMAPUR, With the objective to strengthen the interfaith relationship and to form Peoples Forum for Peace in Nagaland, the Peace Channel and Interfaith Coalition for Peace, Delhi jointly organized an interfaith conclave for peace and harmony dwelling on Friday at IMC Hall, Dimapur with Geoffrey Yaden, Editor of Nagaland Post as chief guest.

Addressing the gathering, the chief guest expressed satisfaction that leaders of all religions and social organizations attended the meeting. He added it was significant that he further encouraged all hands to get engaged in the work beyond the four walls of seminars and workshops and work for the deprived and discarded lot of society.

He said it was only when people join hands to help those in need, not willing to see their religion, can the true relevance of coexistence among peoples of various religions be achieved. Emphasizing the communalities in religious teachings on peace love and harmony he said, "all religions preach love and have joined hands to work for the cause of those in need. It will also complement the efforts for peace among all sections of society."

He also expressed happiness over the communal harmony prevailing in Nagaland and encouraged religious leaders to meet frequently to debate but to explore areas where they could work together for their society.

He said such meetings help leaders learn from each other. "Once we learn, we cultivate from the heart and being beset with so much violence, 'peace needs to be carried out like a beacon of light. He said that many play a vital role in building peace and 'peace should be started by expressing solidarity."

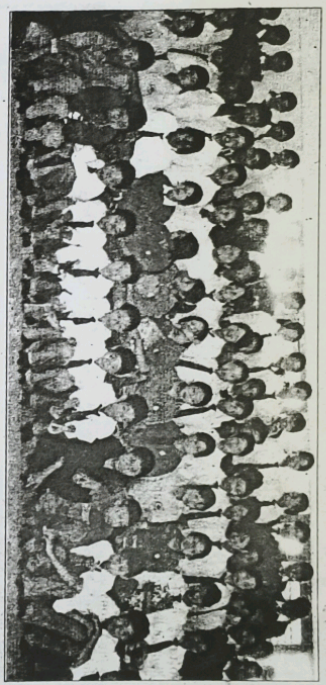
Action plan has been carried out to have interfaith forum for Dimapur district to celebrate religious festivals together. The main objective of the meeting was to bring all religion to one to bring peace and to protect coexistence and to protect coexistence. The conclave was attended by all religious heads and their representatives, NGOs, denominational pastors and reverends, representatives from different theological colleges and few Pentecostal church, Christian representatives from North East India.

Rev. Fr. Samuel Pakhim, Anglican priest encouraged to be inter-religious in peace building and to take up the challenge of reconstruction and traditional and indigenous conflicts resolution.

Representatives from various communities expressed their willingness to work together to create a way in pluralistic society, tolerance and acceptance will pave the way to peace for peace transform judgement and criticism into

Staff Reporter

Peace Channel at Chizarni



The students of Sacred Heart Hr. Sec. School, Chizarni posing for lens.

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel, a youth movement for peace was inaugurated at Sacred Heart Hr. Sec. School, Chizarni on March 31. The principal of the school, Rev. Fr. Sunny K.S inaugurated the two day orientation package 'Passion for Excellence' for the students. In his inaugural speech, he appreciated the Youth Centre, for initiating Peace Channel Movement.

He further said the peace channel has been empowering and enabling the youth to abstain from substance abuse, tobacco use and premarital affairs, as its one of the objectives of the movement to building peace in the life of the youth and ultimately the state.

He also welcomed the resource persons from the Youth Centre Dimapur, headed by Fr. C.P. Anio, the Youth director of the Diocese of Kohima.

The passion for excellence programme was attended by over 250 students and among them 72 student youths voluntarily opted to be peace activists to promote and create Peace always in the family, school, in society and especially in the conflict situations.

They have decided to be the channels of peace.

Earlier Rev. Fr. C.P. Anio in his introductory session said that Peace is the deepest longing in our hearts and the hearts of mil-

lions of people in our state Nagaland. He urged the youth to be the harbingers of change and builders of peace.

We all talk of peace and peace has become the urgent need of our society for development. He also spoke about the harm done by drugs and AIDS and requested all to refrain from all these evils.

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Welcome '08 with peace, love & brotherhood

Zakir Hussain

Dimapur, December 30

manifests itself into a better

outer world. As such, our

right thinking, right vision

in peace, progress and pros-

perity in the State.

"As we are up the thresh-

old of call for peace and

love, the people of Nagaland

should see the ray of hope

and utilize this opportunity

to the maximum for the be-

liefment. The people of the

State have suffered enough,

now it's high time that we

concentrate our God-given

energy and spirit for develop-

ment and growth," he said.

On the eve of New Year,

Rev. Fr. Anio appealed the

people to inculcate the spirit

of brotherhood, concern and

compassion.

"New problem, new chal-

lenge, new strength to face

the New Year," said Joseph

Beech, pastor, Living Word

Church, Dimapur.

He encouraged that the

youth should not look at

the past sins, defeats and

conflicts and also said that

"Don't rehearse your past

failures, don't nurture them,

of the country, which in car-

rier days was always more of

an all-communities' get-to-

gether which helped in gen-

erating communal harmony.

"Learning the God's wishes

for our soul by contemplat-

ing the nature itself dur-

ing the outing could be a new

beginning," Sethi added.

Rev. Fr. CP Anio, direc-

tor, Peace Channel, hoped

New Year will usher in a bet-

ter and friends said that the

Dimapur, Tribhuvan, Ahi-

of Ram Janaki High school.

Some of the past pupils

that God will see you till the

last day.

Beech advised that peo-

ple should put God first on

the first day of the year so

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especially with the forth-

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Naga Youth to attend WYD08 in Sydney



Naga Youth who are part of the delegation that will be visiting Australia to attend the World Youth Day 2008 in Sydney are seen here with Fr. C.P. Anto at the Cathedral, Kohima.

DIMAPUR, JULY 3 (MExN): 12 Naga Youth along with four priests will leave for Sydney, Australia, to attend the World Youth Day 2008 (WYD08) to be held from July 15 to 20. The premier event held at different continents every year is hosted by Australia this year and expects participation of over 125,000 youth from

across the world. Pope Benedict XVI will be making his maiden visit to Australia to preside over the final Mass of the event.

The International World Youth Days are marked by a week-long series of events, attended by the Pope and hundreds of thousands of young people from all over the world. From through-

out the world, young people will make pilgrimage in faith, meet and experience the hospitality and the love of God. The theme of this year's World Youth Day is 'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit will come upon you and you will be my witnesses'.

The delegates from Nagaland will be placed in parish

and home placements in Australia and will have the opportunity to showcase the Naga Culture and Heritage to the rest of the world through folk songs and traditional dances. A release from the Youth Centre Desk has wished all the youth attending the 'WYD08' safe journey and a memorable experience.

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