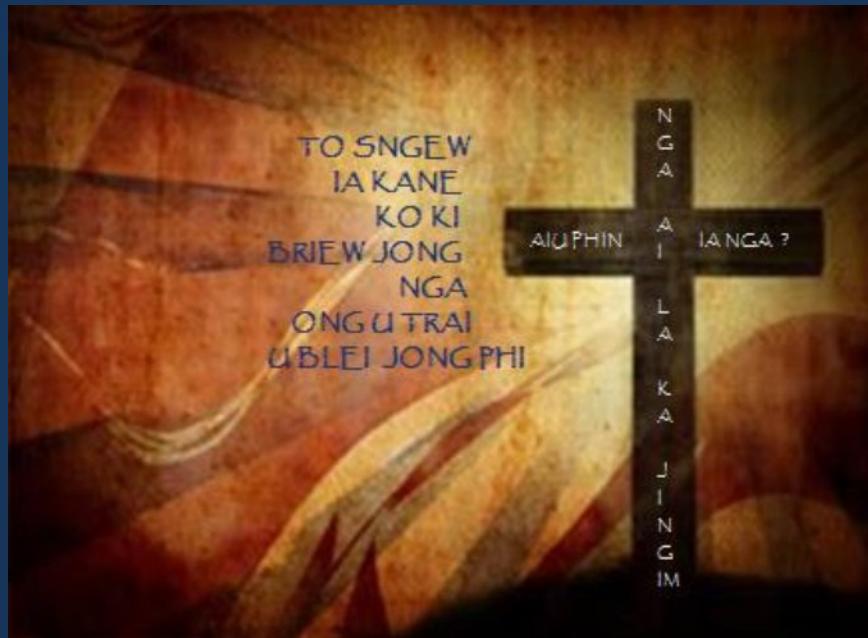




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## BAROH, NGI LAH BAN KOHNGUH IA KA HUKUM....*Editorial*

Ha ka 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016, ha ka por 8.15 p.m. La mih ka khubor na u Rangbahduh ka ri, uba la pynbna paidbah ba ka lut 500 bad 1000 kin ym iaid kam shuh ha ka iadie-iathied ha ri India. Ka jingpynbna ka la pynkyndit bad pynkhih jingmut ia bun bah ki bries. La ym tip la kane ka jingleh ka long kaba dei ne ka bakla, hynrei ngi kynmaw ba shiteng miet, ki bries ki hap ban ieng na ki jika shong ba syiad, ban iehnloh ia ki kam ki jam, ban leit ieng ban bujli ia ki pisa ba ki don, ki ieng ha u laiñ ATM bun kynta tang ban ioh thep ia ki pisa jong ki. Ym don uwei ruh uba nud ban ong ne leh pyrshah ia kane ka hukum, hynrei tang ban kohnguh. kane ka la kynthup ia u baduk-bariewspah, bastad ne bym stad, ba don kyrdan bad bym don ruh kumjuh.

Ngi lah ban sngewthuh shai ia ki daw balei ngi hap ban kohnguh ia ka. Kawei na ki daw ba kongsan ka long namar baroh ngi hap ha kawai ka bor shynshar. Bad kane ka bor synshar ka lah ban leh ia kano kano ka kam na ka bynta ka jingbha ka ri, khlem da ioh shuwa ka jingmynjur jong ngi u paidbah. Kawai pat ka daw ka long, namar kane ka hukum ka ktah ia ka pisa jong uwei pa uwei u nongshnong shnong. Ym don uwei ruh u ban nud ban lehkai ne shim sting ia ka, lait noh tang ki katto katne kiba don ka black money, ha ki te kam don jingeh ban bret wat sha lum sha wah. Bad kawai pat ka daw balei kam don ka jingiapyrshah ka long ka jingsngewthuh ba kane ka jingleh kan rat noh ia ka jingbymsap na ka ri. Hynrei la ka long kumno kumno, kaba iphylla ha kane ka jingjia ka long, ba tang kawai ka hukum ka la biang ba palat 1000 lak ki bries kin kohnguh bad leh ruh ia ka.

Toi kata ka bynta kaba ia dei bad kane ka hukum ngin ia iehnloh shuwa kumto, hynrei ngin ia phai pat sha ka jingiadei jong ngi ki bangeit bad ka jingneit jong ngi ha U Trai Jisu. Ka jingkylli ka long, hatto ngi pat ngi lah mo ban kohnguh ia ka hukum jong U ? Ngi ia don palat 70% ha ka Jylla Meghalaya, lada baroh na ngi ngin kohnguh ia U, kaei ka ban jia ia ka Jylla jong ngi ? Ngam artatien, ka Jylla jong ngi kan da long shisha KA NONGBAH BA LA TEI HALOR U LUM, ba kiwei kin ibang ym tang ka jingitynnad ki jingthaw jingpynlong U Kynrad, hynrei kin iohi ia ka Hok, Ka Jingsuk bad ka Jingkmen ba ki synshar. Da kumta kin iohi ia U Blei hapdeng jong ngi. Hynrei kaba sngewsih ka long, ngim lah ban iohi ia katta. La ngi phai sha ki longiing longsem, ki shong ki thaw, ki balang, bad ka synshar khadar, ngi iohi ba ngim kohnguh shuh ia ka hukum U Trai. Ngi ong bad ngi rwai bunsien bunsien - U JISU LONG U TRAI, hynrei i kumba don mano re mano ba la knieh ia ka jinglong Trai. Ki bries ki leh kat kaba ki mon, bad ka daw trai ka long NGI LA LONG SYIEM HI IA LA KA JINGIM.

Hatto kane ka jingkyrduh pisa kam dei ban kyrsiew thiah ne pynkyndit ia ngi ? Lada ngi lah ban kohnguh ia ka hukum ki nongsynshar (bad kaba dei hi ruh ban leh), katno tam ban kohnguh ia U Trai? Ngi la dei ban peit nuksa sha ki Khristian banyngkong, kiba la ai ka jinglong Trai ha U Jisu. Ki la kloj wat ban duh la ka jingim na ka bynta kane. Hynrei ka jingmih ka long kaba thiang, ngi iohi ba la pynkylla khongpong ia ka hima bah Rom jong kito ki por.

Ma ngi mynta, kiba ong U Jisu U dei U Trai jong ngi, ngi donkam ban ioh ia kane kajuh ka jingshem mynsiem. Ka Baibl ka kren shai ba U Jisu Un long Syiem bad U Trai ym tang ia ki bangeit, hynrei ha baroh ki jingthaw bad jingpynlong U Blei. Ha ka jingwan arsien, Um wan shuh ban pynim, hynrei ban synshar, ka por ka jingwan jong U kam slem shuh mynta. Lada ngi sngewthuh ba donkam ban pynkohnguh na ka bynta ki lut 500 bad 1000, hatto kam dei ruh ka jinghikai ia ngi, ban kylli ia lade shimet shimet, ngi kohnguh ne em ia U Trai ?

Lada ngi ieit ia U, ngin kohnguh ia ki hukum jong U. Da kane kein Un ioh long Trai ym shuh tang ha ngi, hynrei ha ka pyrthei baroh kawai.



# KA DEWBRYRTHA & NONGTHAWKHIEW

Ka dor (value) jong ka 'dewbyrtha ka don ha ki khmat u nongthawkhiew. Kumjuh ruh, ka dor ka jingim bries ka don ha U Blei Uba pynlong ia ka. Dei tang U Blei Uba don bad Uba lah ban pynwandum ia ngi, ban long kat kum ka jingthmu bymjukut jong U. Ka daw balei ba ju mihi ka jingbymhun bad jingkhuslai ha ka jingim, ka long namar ka jingbym lah ban sngewthuh ne iohi lypa ia ki jingthmu jong U. Lada ngi lah nang ban shem bad pynkohnguh ia lade, ngin lah ban im ka jingim kaba suk bad kaba don jingmut.

Kawei ka longiing ka la ioh khubor ba I khun iban sa kha, I don ka jingpang ka ban ktah shi jingim. Ban lait na ki jingeh ki ban mihi, ki stad pyrthei ki la ai jingmut ba dei ban pynhap noh ia I khunlung. Hynrei, hashuwa ban shim ia ka rai kaba khadduh, ki kmie ki kpa ki la wad ia ka khmat U Trai. Ka jingsuk bad jingsngewskhem ka la wan ha ki, bad ki dei ban ri ia I. Mynta hadien 15 snem, I khunlung I la san la heh hapdeng ki jingduna ki dkhot met, hynrei ka kmie ka phla, ba U Blei U la leh ia kaba bha tam ia ka jingim jong ki, lyngba ita I khun ki lah ban iohi ia ka jingthmu, bad ban ioh mad ia ka bor jong U.

Haba phai sha ka Ktien U Blei, ngi shem ba ha kaei kaei kaba U Blei U leh, U don ka jingmut bad jingthmu. Khnang ban pynsngewthuh ia kane, u Isaiah u wanrah ha ka jaidbynriew Israel ia ka dur jong ka 'dewbyrtha bad u nongthawkhiew. Lah ruh ban shem ia ki kyntien kiba ia syriem dur bad kane, ha ka kitab u Jeremaiah<sup>2</sup> bad ha ka shithi u Apostol Paul<sup>3</sup>. Aiung ngi lah ban iohi lang na kane ?

1.U nongthaw khiew u don ka jingthmu babha :- Kam pher nangno la shim ia ka 'dewbyrtha, hynrei u nongthawkhiew u don ka jingmut ban pynwan dur ban long ka tiar ba itynnad bad ba don dor.U Blei U la sei ia ka jaidbynriew Israel napdeng ki nongmane bleithaw ban pynlong ka jaidbynriew bakhraw ka ban pynpaw ia ka burom bad ka jingdon jong U. Kane ka long kumjuh ia ka jingim ki bries mynta. U Blei U don ka jingmut babha haba U khot. Ka jingpynam jong U ka long ym tang ban pyllait ia ngi na ka dujok bad ban ai ia ka bneng, hynrei ki jingmut jong U ki khraw haduh katta katta, bad ngin ym lah ban iohi

ne kot shata khlem ka jingneit ban pyndem ha ka mon jong U.Ka Salm 139 :17 ka kren shai ia kane “Katno ki bakordor ia nga, ah U Blei ki long ki jingpyrkhat jong me ruh ! Katno ka bakhraw ka jinglum jong ki”! U Blei U don ka jingthmu babha ia uwei pa uwei u biew ne ka biew, dei tang ka jingmut bymman kaba la pynkylla ia kane ka jingshisha.

2.U nongthawkhiew un pynwandur ia ka ‘dewbyrtha:- Haba ka ‘dewbyrtha ka don ha ki kti u nongthaw, yn sdang ka jingpynwandur kaba kat kum ka jingmut jong u. Ki kti jong u kin trei ia ka kam. Un pyndonkam ia ka shalyntem ban pynshad ia ka, bad un ai um ba kan jem. Ka kamram jong ka ‘dewbyrtha ka long ban shu shah beit kat kaba u nongthaw u leh. Ka jingeh kaba don ha ka jaidbynriew Israel ka long, ba kam lah ban pyndem ne shah ha ki jingmut U Blei. U Jeremaiah haba u kren ia ka, u buh ia kine ki kyntien., “Hatto ka ‘dewbyrtha ka lah mo ban ong ia u nongthaw balei me shna ia nga”? wat la kam shym la don ka jubab kaba mih, hynrei ngi lah ban sngewthuh shai ba ka ‘dewbyrtha kam lah ban ong eiei, hynrei kaba sngewsih ka long ba ka jaidbynriew namar ka jingbymngeit, kam lah ban shah ha ka jingpyniaid U Blei. Ka jingkylli ka long, hatto ngi pat ngi lah mo ban pyndem ? La khot ia ngi ban peit ym shuh sha ka jaidbynriew Israel,hynrei sha U Jisu Khrist, “U nong pynlong bad U nongpynjanai ia ka jingneit jong ngi”. Haba ngi peit sha U, ngi iohi ia ka jingpynkohnguh jong U. Ha kawei ka bynta la ong “Kum I khun langbrot ba la ialam sha ka jingpyniap, bad kum ka langbrot kaba sngap jar ...shisha um shym la ang la ka shyntur”(Isaiah 53:7). Kumjuh ruh ha kawei pat ka bynta ka ong “U la lehrit ia lade, haba u la jia long u bakohnguh wat haduh ka jingiap, hooid, ka jingiap ka diengphna keiñ”(Philipi 2:8). Lada ngi dei ban ioh ka bor ban jop, ngi donkam ban peit sha U Jisu.

3.Ka dor u khiew ka pyni ia ka kti u nongthawkhiew :Ki kti u nongthaw kin sangeh tad ynda dep ka kam.Hynrei kaba sngewsih ka long ba, ka jaidbynriew Israel kam shym la long kumba U thmu.U Nongthawkhiew u bym hun ha ka jingthaw jong u,un leh ar tylli kiei kiei, un pynpra bad thaw biang da kawei,kata lada ka khyndew ka dang jem, hynrei lada ka la eh, un lympat bad bret syndon ia ka. Kata ruh ka la jia ia ka jaidbynriew Israel. Ka la shah pynryngkang par sha ri nongwei, lait noh tang katto katne ki kynhun ba sah tam, kiba sah baroh kim shym la lah shuh ban wan phai.Ki ri ka pyrthei kim shym lah ban iohi ia U Blei ki Israel lymne ka jingitynnad jong ka. Ka jingthmu la I kumba la pulom lut, hynrei to ngin ia khmih biang sha Uta Uba la nang pynkohnguh bad pyndem ha U Blei, jia aü ia U ? Ka Baibl ka ong “Naba kumta U Blei U la kyntiew eh ia U, bad U la ai ha U ia kata ka kyrting kaba halor ki kyrting baroh, ba ha ka kyrting U Jisu ka khohsiew baroh kan ioh dem...bad ba u thylliej baroh un ioh phla ba U Jisu Khrist U long U Trai ia kaban pyndonburom ia U Blei Uba U Kpa” (Philipi 2:9-11). Mynta keiñ dei ha une uba nang ban pyndem, ba la pynkup ka burom kaba kat ka burom, bad lyngba jong U, la pyndonburom ia U Blei Uba U Kpa.

U Blei U Kpa U la ai ha ngi ia U Khun ba ngin peit sha U, bad da kaba peit bad kohnguh kumba U la leh, ngin sa lah ban iohi ia ka burom jong U. Ka pyrthei bad ki jingpynlong baroh (all creation) ki ap dik dik mynta ban iohi ia ki khun U Blei kiba lyngba jong ki, yn mih ka burom kaba kat ka burom, bad lyngba jong ki, yn pyndonburom ia U Blei ha kiba hajrong eh.

# YM KA JINGPHONG, HYNREI U NONGPHONG



T.Bn.T.Kharbuli

Ka dang dei ka 15 tarik u January ka snem 2016 bad ia ka jingduwai kut snem kaba nga la duwai ha ka 31 tarik u December 2015 shiteng synnia, ngam pat klet. Ha ka jingshisha, ia ka khubor kaba u Pastor u la ai ha ka sngi U Blei kaba khadduh jong ka snem nga dang kynmaw bha. 'Phi la loit noh ia u bries batymmen bad ia ki jingleh jong u bad phi la kup ia u bries ba thymmai (Kol 3:9-10). Ka jingdonbor jong kata ka jingkren kaba haduh katta katta, la kat ka jingktah ha kaba sngap ia ka jingjalap u Dr Billy Graham, haduh ba ha katei hi ka miet nga la da aiti lut bad pynbeit

thymmai ia la ka jingim ha khmat U Blei, ba naduh ka 1 tarik January 2016 ngan im noh ia ka jingim kaba thymmai. Ngan loit lut noh ia ki jinglong jong u bries uba tymmen uba ju don ha nga bad ngan kup noh ia u bries uba thymmai.

Nga la thied kawei ka kopi shi laiñ ha kaba nga la list lut ia baroh ki jinglong bad ki kam kiba rim ia kiba nga la kut jingmut ban bret noh, bad ha trai jong ki, nga la list ruh ia ki jinglong bad ki kam kiba donburom ia kiba nga kut jingmut ban im thymmai. Nga dang kynmaw shynna bha kumno ba nga la da pom da u sia saw ia ka kyntien 'jingbitar shla', 'jingbishni', 'jingsarong', etc – ki jinglong kiba rim kiba ju don ha nga bad nga la tick ruh ia ki kyntien 'jingduwai', 'jingiaseng', 'jingainguuh', 'jingjiaeit' etc ia kiba nga thmu ban im thymmai.

Ka leit jia ryngkhat ruh ba namar ba nga dang ioh pisa arrear na office nga la suh eh bok ia kawei ka coat kaba rem bad kaba itynnad bha da kaba rai ba ia ka coat kaba rim kaba nga la phong lynter mynta la palat 10 snem ngan buh noh bad ngan phong noh da kane kaba thymmai. Lehse bad katei ka jingduwai snem thymmai ka jong nga, kane ka coat thymmai kan iahap dor bha haba ki bries kin peit ia nga.

Tang 48 kynta hadien ba nga rung ha u snem 2016, nga la iakynduh jingeh ha ki ar tylli kiei kiei. Kaba nyngkong bad ka coat thymmai kaba nga dang shu suh. Kam fit satia ia nga. Ka khapniah than bad ngam sngew suk satia ban phong bad nga dang sngew juh hi da kaba rim. Nga la shah mai bunsien ha la ki khun ba ki iohi ba nga sdang phong biang ia ka coat jot kaba la rim bad iehnoh ia kata ka coat kaba thymmai. Toi ha ka por ba nga phah suh nga la da phah thew bha - ka met 45 cms, ka kti 65 cms, ka jingjrong 76 cms, u bakrom da uba rem, ki ia batai hana u ban ym ran ha ba sait. U dorji uba suh ruh um dei uba madei mata hynrei uba na Uncle's shop, Police bazaar bad ka style thik kumba ia phong lem ki samla lud ka juk kaba mynta. Ha kito lei lei kiba shu twad ia ka jaiñ , kaba da jem mom mom bha la kum ba kren ha T.V 'feel like heaven'. Te hynrei balei pat ba nga ngam juh ia ka ? Imat ba nga dang dei u jong ka pyrthei bad ba ka coat pat kaba ' feel like heaven' ?

Ka jingeh kaba ar pat ka dei bad nga, kata bad ka lade. Kane ka dei ka jingeh kaba da kham eh shisha namar kam don jingiadei ei ei bad ka jingphong hynrei ka iadei beit tang bad nga u nongphong. Kata ka list kaba nga la thoh ha ka 31 tarik bad pom ruh ia ki kam kiba rim kiba nga la iehnoh, wa ! nga i kumba ki khreh shylluit biang. Nga shait don ka jingbitar shla bad ka long da shisha kaei kaei kaba eh ban pynduh. Ki don kiba ong ba ki bries kiba bitar shla ki dei kiba don u fuse uba lyngkot palat. Nga kynmaw ia uwei u paralok uba shait ong ia ki para ba iatrei lang ha ophis ba kin long jai jai, u da pyndonkam da ki kyntien L.J.J. (long jai jai) . Nga la pyrshang baroh shi taiw naduh ka 31 tarik December ban L J J. Ha ka janmiet 1 tarik uwei u driver taxi u la park khlem pyrkhat ia la ka kali bad khang lynti ia nga bad nga la hap ap haduh 2 kynta ban sei ia la ka kali na parking lot hynrei nga la L.J.J. Ha ka step 3 tarik uwei u khynnah rit da u prek u la pynap ia ka shaka kali ka jong nga bad nga la da mut ban thap rangbah ia u hynrei nga kynmaw ia u L J J. Ha la iing ka khynnah trei kaba ju iarap pynpolish ia ki juti ba kin phyrnai, ha ka janmiet 4 tarik ka la pyning khoit ia ka sopti mynba ka la iarap pynisteri bad nga khlem lah shuh ban L.J.J. Nga la hylla bad kynhied ia ka haduh ba ki bries kiba iaid ha surok ki la hap ieng ki da pyrkhat ba u bthei u pataka diwali. Ka dei ka sopti kaba nga ioh Christmas gift bad nga la pynksan ia lade ba nga bitar kumta.

Kawei pat ka jingeh kaba juh don bad nga ka dei ka jingsarong. Ngam ju kwah ba ngan pyndem ha kiwei. Kin dei kiwei kiba dei ban pyndem ha nga, namar ba nga sngewthuh ba nga ngam juh bakla.

Nga shait pyrkhat shilynter ba baroh kaba nga leh ka long ka dei, tang ka 'ma nga', tang ka 'jong nga', tang ka 'ia nga', etc. Ka jong kiwei kaba duna bad kabym biang satia. Ar, lai sngi hadien katei ka jingduwai new year ka jong nga nga la da bat pyrkhang bha ia kane, nga iai pynkynmaw ia lade ba kat U Jisu Khrist Um ju pynksan ia lade hynrei U pyndem wat haduh ka jingiap ka diengphna hi. Poi ka 13 tarik, nga don ha kawei ka jingiaseng iing bad u nongkren ha kata ka jingiaseng ngam tip uba ki tam naei. Shi kynta u kren te hynrei shi kyntien ruh u khlem ong ei ei. Nga la sngew sep ei ia kata ka jingsngap ka jong nga ia ka jingkren jong une u rangbah. Khlem nongrim, khlem jingthew, khlem dkhot kotbah, khlem mat, khlem nuksa, u shu shad pyllun najuh shi shajuh haduh ba un da soh kyrdot, imat u khlem da tip shuh ia kaei u sdang bad ia kaei ruh u pynkut. Ban da dei ba long jingiaseng ha iing jong nga, nga la dei ban ai tang ka sha suda ia une u rangbah. Nga la mih na kata ka jingiaseng da kaba bitar bad nga la kynteit ia u Chairman kata ka jingiaseng ba un kham lah kren kham bha u moina uba nga ri ban ia une u rangbah. 'Wat buh kren shuh ia uba kum une, phi shu tuh ei ia ka por kaba kordor ka jong nga. Ban kaba sngap ia une la kham bha kaba thiah peit TV ha sofa.' La khyllem sa kawei ka jinglong ka jong nga.

Ha ka liang ki kam bad ki jinglong kiba thymmai kiba ha katei ka 31 tarik December nga la kular ban im, nga kynmaw bha ia 3 tylli kiba kham shah khmat. 'Ban duwai tista 30 minit man la ka step', 'Ban leit jingiaseng tista khamtam ha ka sngi U Blei'. 'Ban sdang ban ai noh ia kawei na kaba shiphew'. Ha ka shi tarik mynstep nga la duwai ym tang 30 minit hynrei palat ia ka shi kynta. Ka 2 tarik ka dei ka sngi longtrei bad nga la shu iaksaid jubor ban pyndep ia ka 30 minit. Ka wan ka 3 tarik bad namar ba nga la kum khie sngi nga la klet noh wat ban duwai. Katban poi ka 10 tarik nga la kitkhia sa tang ha ka por dihsha bad bamja bad ia kata ka jingduwai shimet ka jong nga bad la U Blei kaba nga la kut jingmut, ka la shu don sa tang ha ka jingpyrkhat. Ki jingiaseng toi nga la da mut ban leh tista. Ka leit jia ryngkhat ba ha ka sngi U Blei kaba nyngkong jong ka snem ka ialeh phutbol ka Shillong Lajong club ha polo bad nga la shim C. L na iingmane. Phin iakren ia ki jingainguh. Namar ba ia ka tulop u bnai December ka sorkar ka la dep ai lypa ha shuwa ka Christmas bad ba nga la dep thied cake lut, shano shuh kata ka jingainguh kawei na kaba shiphew, wat tang ia kat kaba la ju ai ruh ym dap shuh.

Nga peit ia la ka coat thymmai kaba nga phong kabym fit, nga kynmaw ia ki jingduwai snem thymmai kiba nga la kut jingmut, nga iohi khamtam ia lade u nongphong uba kham duna ka jingfit. la ka coat nga lah ban ai biang ha u dorji ba un suh thymmai ba kan long kaba fit bad kaba itynnad ban phong, hynrei ngan leh kumno shaphang ia lade ? Kata ka jingpynytnnad kaba shabar jong kata ka coat kaba thymmai kan biang haba uta u bries uba shapoh pat u sah uba rim, uba tymmen? Kan biang kata ka new year, ka new coat, ka new suite haba shapoh pat nga dang dei u bries jong ka snem kaba rim ? Ka jingbitar shla ka dang sah, ka jingsarong kaba tang ka 'ma nga' ka dang neh. Ki jingduwai ngam pat bang, ka dang lah kata ka phutbol ha Polo ban ia ka jingiaseng ha ka Balang. Nga pahuu ban thied Mahari cake katba ngam don pisa pat ban thep jingainguh. Ani ! ki jinglong jong u bries uba tymmen ki dang don. Tip ngan khot ia kane ka snem 2016 ka new year ne ka old year ?

Shisnem kynthih nga poi biang ha u January 2017 bad ki jingkynmaw ia ka jingim kaba shah jop baroh shi snem ha u 2016 ki dang paw tyngkrein. Kumno pat mynta kane ka snem 2017 ? Ban shu kut jingmut biang kumba nga la leh ha ka snem 2016 phi tharai ka lah ban treikam? Ka coat thymmai kaba nga phong kan shukor biang sa shisien ia ka jinglong bym thymmai ka jong u nongphong ?

U David ha ka Salm kaba 51:10 u duwai, 'To pynlong ka dohnud kaba thymmai hapoh jong nga Ah U Blei'. U David u la ju kut jingmut teng ban im ia ka jingim kaba thymmai hynrei u shem ba

u shah jop shi shah jop. U iohi ba ka jingeh kam dei ha kiei kiei kiba shabar hynrei ha ka tynrai kaba shapoh ka jong u – ka dohnud. Haba ka tynrai ka dang rim bad kam pat ioh jingkylla, ka sep ei kata ka jingpyn- thymmai ia kaba shabar. Pleng nga ruh nga donkam ym tang ia ka jingkut jingmut kaba thymmai hynrei ia ka dohnud kaba thymmai.

Ha ka coat kaba thymmai kaba nga la phah fit biang ha u dorji, nga leit sha U Blei bad duwai snem thymmai 2017 'To pynlong ka dohnud kaba thymmai hapoh jong nga Ah U Blei'.

Phin ia duwai lang bad nga ia kane ka jingduwai ?



Ha South Amerika, ka la don kawei ka jaka ri khunswet kaba la donkam ban pan jingiarap na ka United Nations ban wad ia ka daw jong ka jingiap kynsan bad bym dei por ki khynnah rit kiba sah ha katei ka jaka. La shem ba bun ki khunlung kim don mon ban ialeh kai, ne ban bam ban dih. Don pat kiba shu ring raikhoh bad iap ha ka jinglot ka met. Haba ki doktor ki la wan, ki la shipor bun sngi ban lap ia ka daw. Ha kaba khatduh, ki la shem ba ki khunlung bad ki khynnah rit ha katei ka iungri khunswet ki iap na ka jingpang kiba ki khot ka 'Marasmus'. Kaba kum kane ka jait jingpang ka ju kham ktah jur ia kito kiba dang rit, bad kiba la tymmen bha ka rta. Ka daw kaba kongsan tam kaba wanrah ia katei ka jingpang, dei ka jingbym ioh jingieit.

Ki doktor hadien ba ki la tip ia ka daw, ki la sah ha katei ka jaka kumba katto katne por. Ka dawai kaba ki la ai ka long, da kaba shim ia ki khunlung ban kdup ban doh ia ki, bad ban ialeh kai lang bad ki. La ong ba tang hadien katto katne por, ka jingiap kiba bun ka la hiar bad ki khunlung khynnah ki la lah ban san pat kumba long lem kiwei.

Ka Mother Theresa, ka briew kaba la iatip lut ha kylleng ka pyrthei, ha ka jingkren jong ka, ka ong - "Ka jingpang kaba khraw tam mynta kam dei ka jingpang 'nianglyngkut ne ka jingpang T.B., hynrei ka jingbym ioh ia ka jingieit".

Ka pyrthei kaba ngi im mynta, ka la nang duna ka jingieit. Kat shaba phai, ngi iohi ia ki jingjia kiba sngewsih, kiba pynpaw ia ka jingbym don shuh ka jingieit bashisha. Ki khun ki shah shitom namar ka jingbym ioh shuh ia ka jingieit na u kpa ne ka kmie, ka iung ka thylli namar ka jingieit kaba ju pynsyiad ia ka, kam don jaka shuh. Hapdeng ka jingroi stet ka ioh ka kot, bad jingnang jingstad, ngi iohi ia ka jingnang syntuid stet sha ka kharai jong ka jingashun, ka jingbishin bad ka jingpyrkhat ban biang tang ka ma lade.

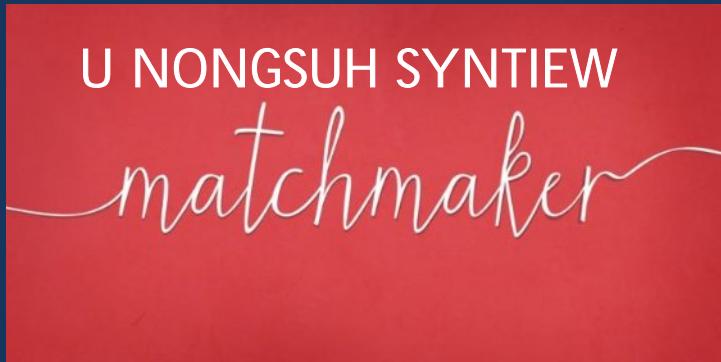
Wat la ngim lah shuh ban ioh ia ka jingieit ha ka pyrthei, hynrei uwei pa uwei u bangeit, u don ban ring bad pynhiar mynsiem na ka jingieit U Blei. Kane ka jingieit kaba shisha, la pynpaw ha ka diengphna U Khrist, bad kum ka lyer baiwbih, ka don ka bor ban pynsuhsiang ia ka jingim bad pynlah ban ai lem sha kiwei .U Trai Jisu U ong "To ia ieit iwei ia iwei". Ia kane Um shym la ong tang na ka bynta ki synran jong U, hynrei ia baroh kiba ngeit bad ki ban sa ngeit ha ki pateng ban wan.

Naba ia ka jingieit U Blei la dep theh noh buk ha ngi da U Blei, kito kiba la pdiang ia ka, ki don ka bor ban ai lem sha kiwei. Ka pyrthei ka ap dngong sha kiba ngeit ban iasam lem ia ka , hato ngi la ai lem mo sha ki ?

Ha kaba pynkut, ai ba kine ki kyntien na ka Mother Teresa kin iarap ia ngi ban pyrkhat bad leh eiei ruh ia kiwei.

"Wat kiba 'viewspah ki donkam ia ka jingieit, ka jingsngewlem. Ki thrang dik dik ban don mano re mano kiba pdiang ia ki kum la ki long".





nongiarap ban pynithuh haba don ka jingibha iano re iano. Ia kine ki ong ki nongsuh syntiew. Kham bunsien ki nongsuh syntiew ki don la ka jingstad kumno ban leh. Ha kine ki juk ba mynta, namar ka jingroi ka jingnang jingtip, kham bunsien ki pyndonkam da ki social network. Kumta ka Internet (ki websites), ki facebook, Twitter, whatsapp ki long ki lad kiba la kham pynsuk ia kiba bun. La ong ba ki don haduh palat 5000 ki website kiba dei tang kumno ba iarap ia ki briew ban shem ia iba dei la I jong. Ha kiba bun kine ki website, kin kylli ia ki jingkwah bad jingjrong, jingpule bad kumta ter ter bad kin pyrshang ban pyniadei badno badno kat kum ka mon ne jingkwah i nongkylli.

Ha ka dustur khasi jong ngi ka jingwad ia ka shyieng krung ka shong ha u ne ka briew shimet, katba ki don pat kiwei ki jaidbynriew kiba ki kmie ki kpa ki hap hi ban pynbeit. Ha ka Baibl, kham tam ha ka Testament barim, la kren ia ka jingpynbeit lypa ki kmie ki kpa ia ka shongkha shongman ki khun jong ki. Kum ka nuksa, u Abraham u phah ia u shakri jong u ban wad ka kurim na bynta u Issak. Kumjuh ruh u Issak u ong ia la u Jakob ban ym shim kurim na kiba na ri Kannan.

Ka jingkylli ka long, kano ka dei kaba bha tam ia ki khun khristan ban leh ? Mano ba lah bad ba dei ban pynbeit ia kane ka kam? Lehse, kumba U Blei U la buh ia ki rukom ha la ka jaid ka kynja, lehse kata kam dei kaba bakla ban bud, hynrei lada dei ban ong pat mano ban long u nongsuh syntiew ba biang tam ne u match maker ba biang tam ia ki khun khristan. Ka jubab kaba shai, dei hi ban long U Trai Jisu.

Bunsien ngi ju pyrkhat ba U Jisu U dei tang ban map ia ki pop, ban ai ka jingim bymjukut. Hooid kita ki dei ki bynta kiba kongsan ba U la wan sha kane ka pyrthei, hynrei ka long ruh kaba donkam ban tip ba U Jisu U iarap lada ngi pan bad iathuh ha U. Lada ngi lah ban shanniah ha U na ka bynta ka jingim bymjukut, hatto kam dei ruh ba ngin shanniah ha U ruh ia kane ka bynta ? Phi nud ban shaniah ha U ia kane ka kam ? Lada phi nud, phim shem ba U dei U nongsuh syntiew ba biang tam ia ka jingim jong phi (Dare to trust? you will see that He is the Best Matchmaker for your life).

Ynda la poi ka jinglong samla, don shibun kiei kiei kiba la wan ha ki jingmut jingpyrkhat. Haba la ih bha ka rta lei lei, la dei sa ka ban pyrkhat sa ban wad ia la ka shyieng krung. Kham bunsien kane ka sdang da ka jingialang samla bad kumta ter ter. Ha ki por ba kham mynshuwa, ju don ki

# Jingkylli bad jubab

Q. Ka kam shipai ka dei bad ka jingpyniap bad jingpynjot ia kiwei, namar kumba la thoh ha ki shiphew hukum ba ym dei ban pyniap, hatto ka long pop ne em ba ngin shim kum ia kane ka kam ?

A. Ki shiphew hukum ki dei ki hukum kiba U Blei U la ai ha ki khun Israel na ka bynta kumno ba kin im ynda haba ki la poi ha ka ri ka jingkular, khnang ba kin lah ban roi bad ban man bha. Kine ki hukum ki dei kiba uwei pa uwei u bangeit ki dei ban leh. Kawei na kita ki hukum ka long - Men ym pyniap. Katta, kam dei ban don kano kano ka jingiapniap hapdeng para ma ki. Katba, ha ka bynta kaba ia dei pat bad ka jingiada na ki nongshun, ki khun Israel ki hap ban leit ne ialeh ia ka thma.

Ha ka Testament Bathymmai pat, kane kajuh ka hukum ka dang trei kam. U Jisu U ong, “ uno uno ruh uba da sngew bitar ia u paralok jong u khlem ñia, kan dei ia u ban hap ha ka jingbishar; uno uno uba khot ia u paralok jong u, Raka, kan dei ia u ban hap ha ka jingbishar bah, uno uno ruh de uban khot ia u, me uba mutlop runar, kan dei ia u ban hap ha ka dujok ding” (Mt.5:22). Hynrei kane kam mut ba u khristan um lah ban leit shim ia ka kam shipai. Ka kam shipai hi ka dei ka kam ban iada ia ka ri na ki nongshun.

Q. Lada don ba mut ban pyniap ia nga, tang ban iada ia lade, ka long ne em kaba dei ba ngan pyniap ia ki ?

A. Ka jingsngewthuh u bangeit ka long, ba ka jingim jong u kam dei shuh ha ki kti jong u, ne ha kino kino ki bor, hynrei ha U Trai Uba la siewspah ia u. Lada U Trai Jisu U la dei U Trai, kan ym don kano kano ka jingjia ka ban jia khlem ka jingtip jong U. Kaba ar pat ka long, ka jingda jingsumar ka dei kaba U ai ma U, kumta ka jingsngewskhem bad jingshngaiñ ka dei ban don ha uwei pa uwei u bangeit, naba U Trai U bat ia ka jingim, ym ma ngi ia lade.

Haba ong pat ia kane, kam mut pat ba ngin shu ieh kumto. Lada ngi tip ba don mano mano ban mut ban pyniap, ka long kaba donkam ban wad ia ka daw bad ban pyniasuk bad kita kiba ngi ia pher jingmut ne ngi ia shun. Ngi donkam ban wad ia ka jingpyniasuk ym ia ka jingpynhiar kput. Bad kam dei shatia ka jinglong Khristan ban thmu siew ne ban pynhiar kput, katta ka dei ka kam U Blei. U Jisu U ong “wat ieng ialeh markylliang ia uba sniew”(Mt.5:39) . Shuh shuh, “To ieit ia ki nongshun jong phi, bad to kyrkhu ia kiba tim ia phi, to lehbha ia kiba shun ia phi, to duwai ruh na ka bynta kiba leh sniew ia phi, bad leh beiñ ruh ia phi”(Mt.5:44).

**LADA PHI SNGEW IARAP DA KINE KI JINGJUBAB, BAD PHI DON KINO KINO KI JINGKYLLI KIBA PHI KWAH JINGSHAI, THOH SHA U EDITOR KA SUR KA JINGIEIT :**

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# Bible Quiz

## U JAKOB

Pynia dei ia ki jingkylli  
bad ki jubab ba la ai lypa

\_\_\_\_\_ Kaei ka kmie u Jakob ?

\_\_\_\_\_ U Issak u ong ia u Jakob ban ym shong  
kurim da kiba na kano ka jaka ?

\_\_\_\_\_ uei u parad jong u Jakob ?

\_\_\_\_\_ Kaei ka jingphohsniew ba u Jakob u  
iohi ha Bethel ?

\_\_\_\_\_ Kaei ka kurim u Jakob ?

\_\_\_\_\_ Katno ngut ki khun u Jakob u don ?

\_\_\_\_\_ u Isau u dang leh aiu katba u Jakob u  
dang shim ia ki jingkyrkhu jong u ?

\_\_\_\_\_ Uei u khun uba u Jakob u ieit eh ?

\_\_\_\_\_ Balei u Jakob u leit sha Ijypt ?

\_\_\_\_\_ Balei u Isau u die noh ia ka hok jinglong  
hymmen jong u ?

(Phin shem ia ki jubab na ka kitab da kaba  
pule ia Jenesis 27-30)



## Wad ia ki kyrting



Puzzle No.1

Kyrting ki  
briew na Testament barim

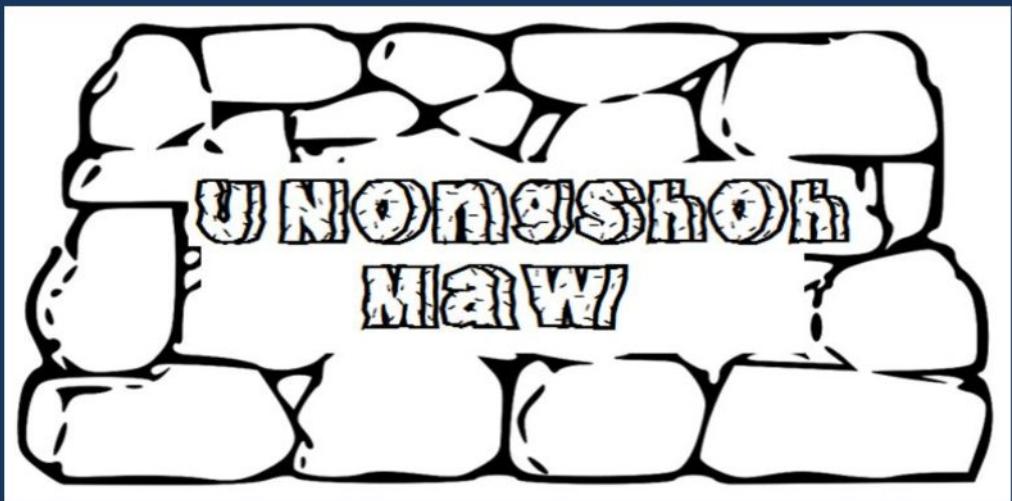
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ISAAC  
JAKOB

A	E	D	I	V	A	D	O	T	J	L	J	M
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JOB  
JOEL  
JONAH  
JONATHAN  
JOSEPH  
JOSHUA  
LOT  
MOSES  
NIMROD  
NOAH  
SAMSON  
SAMUEL  
SAUL  
SOLOMON



## NA KA BYNTA KI KHYNNAH



Uwei u nongshoh maw (Stone cutter) uba trei shitom, u la sngewthait ban bteng ia ka kam kaba u trei, haba u la iohi ia uwei u nongkhaii bariewspah, ba u don lut ia kaei kaei kaba u kwah, u la kwah ban long noh u nongkhaii. Katto katne por hadien, uta u nongshoh maw, u la kylla long u nongkhaii bakhraw, u la ioh ka spah ka phew, bad ioh ban bam katba u mon.

Ha kawei ka sngi katba u dang iaid ha surok, u la iohi ia uwei u bries ba la rah da bun ki bries kum u syiem. Katba u dang iaid, ki bries baroh ki dem ban mane ia u. Une u nongshoh maw haba u la iohi ia katta, u la kwah ban long kum uta u riewkhraw, kumta hadien katto katne por, u la kylla long u bries bakhraw bad badon burom, shibun ki bries ruh ki dem bad nguh ia u kum u syiem.

Ha kawei ka sngi, katba u dang shongkai ha la iing, ka sngi ka la shoh ia u, u shem ba dei tang ka sngi kaba lah ban tyngshaiñ bad ban ai jingsyaid, u la kwah ban long noh kum ka sngi. Ha kata ka jingkwah jong u, u la kylla long kum ka sngi, ka jingshit kaba u ai ka la pynshitom ia ki bries, hynrei haba la wan u lyoh, ka sngi kam lah ban ksam shuh lyngba ki lyoh, kumta u la kwah ban long noh u lyoh, hynrei hadien ba u la kylla long u lyoh, u la shem ba ka don ka erieng kaba beh noh ia u lyoh, kumta u la kwah ban long kum ka lyer. U la kylla long ka lyer, hynrei kawei kaba u shem ka long, ba don kawei kaba ka lyer kam lah ban leh, kata ban rong ia u maw, kumta u la kwah ban long maw, haba u la kylla maw, u la pyrkhat ym don shuh uba lah ban ktah ia u, hynrei la don u nongshoh maw uba la wan bad u tyrnem bad tied ia u, kumta u la kwah pat ban long u nongshoh maw.



# PHI LONG KI NONGPHLA JONG NGA



Ha u 2014 ka pyrthei ka la iohsngew nyngkong eh ia ka jingpang Ebola kaba la jia ha Aphirka, ha ki ri Liberia, Guinea bad Sierra Leone. Ki biew ha kine ki jaka, ki iohi ia kane ka jingpang Ebola, kum u Ikjakor (monster) uba wan ban dawa snam na ki biew bad ban leit pat sha krem hadien ba ka la ioh ia ka jingkwah. Ha une u snem, kane ka jingpang ka la par ruh wat sha ri Nigeria, Mali, sha Spain bad shaduh ri Amerika. Kat kiba ioh ia ka, kim lah ban im slem, bad kito kiba sumar ia ki, ki ioh lang ia ka. Ka jingeh jong kane ka jingpang ka long, ba ym don dawai ba lah ban pynsangeh ia ka, ki bor sorkar bad wat ka World Health Organization kim da patiaw than haba la jia kane ka khlam. Hynrei hapdeng kine ki jingeh, ki don ki kynhun mission jong ki Khristan, kiba kynthup ia ka Samaritan's Purse, ka SIM bad kiwei ki kynhun mission, ki la ia wan lang ban ialeh pyrshah ia kane ka jingpang. Ha une u snem ki la don palat 17,800 kiba la ioh ia kane ka jingpang, bad palat 6300 ki la iap. Kaba la pynkhih jingmut ia kiwei ki ri ka pyrthei ka long ba, kane ka jingpang ka long kaba iabit, bad kaba stet ban par namar la kit ia ka da ka lyer.

Ha kawei ka jingjia ha Liberia, la don kawei ka mission hospital kaba la seng da kawei ka kynhun SIM (ka kynhun mission). Haba ka jingpang Ebola ka la sar ha katei ka ri, shibun ki briew ki la leit ban shah sumar ha katei ka hospital. Namar ka jingpang ka donkam ia ka jaka sumar kaba kham kyrpang (isolation ward), la shem shitom ba kane ka hospital kam don kaba kum kata ka jaka. Ha ka jingshisha, ka ri Liberia ka long ka ri kaba duk, ka don kumba 40 lak ki nongshnong shnong, hynrei kam don ka jingai sumar kaba biang. Don tang khyndiat eh ki jaka sumar, ne ki kali kit nongpang (Ambulance). U Dr Jerry Brown uba dei pyniaid ia kane ka hospital mission (Medical director) u la kut jingmut ban ym pynphai thylli ia kiba wan, kumta u la thmu ban pynkylla noh ia ka iingmane (chapel) sha ka jaka sah nongpang. Haba u la khot ia ki para nongtrei kiba sah ha kata ka phyllaw, bun na ki, ki la pypaw ia ka jingpyrshah, namar ba kim sngewdei ban pynkylla ia ka iing U Blei sha ka jaka ban buh ia kiba ioh kum katta ka jingpang. Ki sngew ba kin ym ioh shuh ban pynlong jingiaseng duwai man ka step, ne ban pynlong jingiaseng ha ka sngi U Trai. Hadien ka jingkyrapd jur u Dr Brown, la lah pynkylla noh ia ka jaka mane sha ka jaka sumar briew. Kane ka la plie lad ia kiba bun ba kin wan ban ioh jingsumar. Don shibun kiba la ioh jingiarap, hynrei don ruh kiba la duh ei la ka jingim namar kane ka jingpang. Ka jingshakri bad jingleh kine ki missionary, ka la poi sha ka shkor bad jingtip jong ki nongpatai khubor, la pyni ia kane ka jingjia lyngba ki TV bad internet ha kylleng ka pyrthei.

Ha ri Amerika, ka Times magazine, kaba ju ai khusnam shisien shisem ia ki riewshlur ka pyrthei, kaba ki khot ka Person of the year award', ha une u snem 2014 ka la pynbna sha ka pyrthei ba ka la jied ia une u dr lem bad saw ngut kiwei pat ban long person of the year 2014 namar ka jingtrei bad jingaiti jong ki.

Kane ka khusnam ka la long ka jingjop jong kine ki briew, hynrei kaba kham sngewtynnad ka long, ba lyngba jong ki, la kren ia ka jingneit bad jingaiti jong ki kum ki Khristan. Kumta ka la long ka jingphla sha kiwei ki bym pat tip, ia U Blei Uba ki la ngeit bad shakri.

Kum kiba ngeit ngi sngewkmen bad ioh mynsiem shibun ban iohsngew bad iohi da la ki khmat ia kum kine ki jingjia, hynrei to ngin ym klet pat, ba iwei pa iwei na ngi ruh ngi long ki nongphla jong U Trai hangno hangno ha ki kam kiba ngi trei man ka sngi ban long ka jingphla ia ka kyrteng ba donbor U Trai Jisu Khrist. Lah ban ym don ban peit ne khmih ia ngi, ne ban don u ba ai khusnam, hynrei U Trai Uba iohi ia ngi ha kaba rieh, Un ai ka nong ha kaba paw.



# KHASI JAIṄTIA PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD MIHNGI

## KA JINGPYNSHAI HALOR U AADHAAR NUMBER

**Jinglamphrang :** Ka Khasi Jaintia Synod Mihngi namar ka jingbymshai kiba bun kiba long ki khun jong ka Balang halor u Aadhaar Number bad ka jingpynmih ki jinghikai kiba pher halor une u Number. Ka la sngewdei ban ai jingshai sha baroh ki Presbytery bad lyngba jong ki shaduh ki Balang khnang ba kan weng ia baroh ka jingsngewthuh bakla khamtam ha ka jingaidei bad ka Ktien U Blei.

### Uei une u Aadhaar Number ?

U Aadhaar Number u dei u Unique Identification Number ia uba yn sa ai sha uwei pa uwei u nongshong shnong (resident) jong ka ri India. Kumta ngi lah ban sngewthuh ba ar ngut ki nongshong shnong ki ri India kim lah ban don ar ne bun tylli ki Aadhaar number. Ha kine ki sngi ngi pyndonkam ia ki number bapher bapher namarkata ngim dei ban sngew phylla ia une u number ruh.

### Ka Jingthmu :

Ka Jingthmu ban don u Aadhaar number ka long beit ban ithuh ia uwei pa uwei u nongshong shnong (resident) jong ka ri India. Namar haba lah ban ithuh iano iano ha ka rukom kaba beit, kaba thikna bad kaba lah ban shanniah ia ki hok (right) bad ki jingmyntoi (benefits) jong kiba dei hok ban ioh, lah ban pynpoi ha ka rukom kaba suk bad kaba hok. Namarkata, ka Jingthmu ka Sorkar India ka long ban pyndonkam ia u Aadhaar number ha ki scheme, ki project bad ki programme bapher bapher kum ka NREGS, PDS, Scholarship bad kiwei kiwei.

Kumta ruh ha ka Jingpyntreikam ia u Aadhaar Number ban pynshisha ia ka Jinglong trai ia une u number hap ban check ia ki biometric (e.g. dien kti) la ki iahap ne em kum kita ki biometric data kiba la shim ha ka por kaba sdang ban pynithuh (enrollment), ym shuh kum ha ki por kiba mynshuwa ban check tang da ka khmat, hynrei mynta da ki bor computer kiba stet ka pynshai ha kaba ia dei bad ka Jingdonkam ia ka ban leh ia ki fingerprint bad shondur ia i khmat briew.

### Hangno yn pyndonkam ia u Aadhaar Number ?

Baroh kiba kwah ban ai ne ban ioh ia ki jingmyntoi ha ka rukom kaba suk bad kaba hok, kin sngewdonkam ia u Aadhaar number. Kumta nangne shakhmat, ngi khmih lynti ba baroh ki rukom treikam iaba ia dei bad ki nongshnong shnong, naduh ki skul, ki office treikam, ki iew ki hat, ki hospital, ki rel, ki bus bad kumta ter ter kin dawa ia uba kum une u Aadhaar Number na ki nongshhong shong bad ka jingdon u Aadhaar Number kan pyllait na ka bamsap bad ki kam thok kam shukor ha ka jingiadei bad ki scheme sorkar bad kiwei kiwei kiba kum kita.

## **Ka jingiadei u Aadhaar Number bad ka Baibl.**

Ha kine ki sngi ki don shibun ki briel kiba pyrshang ban pyniadei ia u Aadhaar Number bad ka Baibl, hynrei kum ka Khasi Jaintia Presbyterian Synod Mihngi ngim iohi ba u Aadhaar Number u don ki jingiadei bad ka Baibl halor u number jong uta u mradkhaw (Jingpypaw 13) uba ngi tip kum u 666 bad ia kane ngi lah ban pynshisha kumne :

- i. Uta u number 666 un dei u ban pyndonkam ha ka pyrthei baroh kawei, katba ia u Aadhaar Number u long beit tang na ka bynta ka ri India.
- ii. U 666 u dei u Number jong u briel shimet.
- iii. Ia u Number 666 yn pynlong ba baroh ki briel ki dei ban don ia U.
- iv. Khlem u number 666 ym lah ban thied lane die.

## **Haba phai sha kitei ki jingshisha haneng , u Aadhaar pat u don kine kiei kiei ha u:**

- i. U Aadhaar Number um pat dei uta u World Wide Number ne uta u Number ban pyndonkam da ka pyrthei baroh kawei.
- ii. Ha ka die ka thied ka pisa ka dang treikam kumba ka long bad lah ban leh kumta khlem u Aadhaar.

Kumta ha kaba bishar bniah lah ban ong ba uta u Aadhaar Number um dei satia uta u number u mrad khaw (666) namar ka Ktien U Blei ka la kren shai shaphang jong u.

sd/-

(Rev.C.Syiem)  
Seior Executive Secretary  
KJP Synod Mihngi

# Does God answer prayer ?

## A LETTER TO A SEEKER

Dear sir,

I consider an honour and a privilege to have met you yesterday to discuss with you some important things relating to GOD. I was amazed to see how you could grasps those important truths that are in the Bible. As you are showing interest to know more, I will be giving some references on some important subjects and if you have any questions or need more clarification, kindly let me know. The Bible says "God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill"? (Numbers 23:19). Therefore, "if you seek the LORD your God, you will find him if you seek him with all your heart and with all your soul." (Deuteronomy 4:29). Today on this letter, I will start by elaborating more on the subject of prayer.

There are many prayers that are recorded in the Bible, there are Thanksgivings, Petitions, Praises etc that are used by people for different occasions and for various needs. But the Bible also mentions in John 9:31, "We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly man who does his will." It has also been said that "the only prayer that God hears from a sinner is the prayer for salvation." First John 5:14-15 tells us that God answers prayers based on whether they are asked according to His will. This principle, perhaps, applies to all. If we pray according to His will, nothing prevents God from answering such a prayer—according to His will.

Some Scriptures describe God hearing and answering the prayers of unbelievers. In most of these cases, prayer was involved. In one or two, God responded to the cry of the heart. In some of these cases, the prayer seems to be combined with repentance. But in other cases, the prayer was simply for an earthly need or blessing, and God responded either out of compassion or in response to the genuine seeker or the faith of the person. Here are some passages dealing with prayer by an unbeliever:

The people of Nineveh prayed that Nineveh might be spared (Jonah 3:5-10). God answered this prayer and did not destroy the city of Nineveh as He had threatened.

Hagar asked God to protect her son Ishmael (Genesis 21:14-19). God not only protected Ishmael, but blessed him exceedingly.

In 1 Kings 21:17-29, especially verses 27-29, Ahab fasts and mourns over Elijah's prophecy concerning his posterity. God responds by not bringing about the calamity in Ahab's time. The Gentile woman from the Tyre and Sidon area prayed that Jesus would deliver her daughter from a demon (Mark 7:24-30). Jesus cast the demon out of the woman's daughter. Cornelius, the Roman centurion in Acts 10, had the apostle Peter sent to him in response to Cornelius being a righteous man. Acts 10:2 tells us that Cornelius "prayed to God regularly."

God does make promises that are applicable to all such as, Jeremiah 29:13: "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." This was the case for Cornelius in Acts 10:1-6. But there are many promises that, according to the context of the passages, are for believers alone. Because believers have received Jesus as the Savior, they are encouraged to come boldly to the throne of grace to find help in time of need (Hebrews 4:14-16). We are told that when we ask for anything according to God's will, He hears and gives us what we ask for (1 John 5:14-15). There are many other promises for believers concerning prayer (Matthew 21:22; John 14:13, 15:7). So, yes, there are instances in which God does not answer the prayers of an unbeliever. At the same time, in His grace and mercy, God can intervene in the lives of unbelievers in response to their prayers.

Sincerely Yours,

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