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THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT WAS NOT YET GIVEN

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Towards the end of the 2nd century a new and strange idea of God began to invade Christendom. This teaching later came to be known as Modalism or Sabellianism. This teaching is closely associated with a priest by the name of Sabellius who lived in the 3rd Century A.D. According to this teaching, there is only one God who is known by the different modes, roles or faces that He chooses to take upon Himself. Basically, God is known as the Father, the Son or the Holy Spirit when He chooses to take upon the role of the Father, the Son and the Spirit respectively.

Another false idea that is part of this teaching is that these roles or modes that God plays are each confined to certain periods of time. The Old Testament period belongs to the Father. Christ's first advent as a man, is said to be the period of the Son. And finally, after the ascension of Christ, which is followed by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the period changes to that of the Spirit. These periods do not overlap one over the other. When God was the Father, there was neither Son nor Spirit. When He became the Son, the Father and the Spirit were non-existent and when He revealed Himself as the Spirit, there was no Father and no Son. This teaching paved the way for the doctrine of the trinity that was to be later established in the church.

The Bible does not support the ideas of Sabellius and his associates. God and His Son both took part in the work of creation. (John 1:3, Colossians 1:16, Hebrews 1:2, 1Corinthians 8:6). The Holy Spirit is also featured in both the Old and New Testaments. However, there are still many people who hold on to this idea about God.

As you can expect, the supporters of this idea take verses from the Bible to support their belief. In fact, these verses, when not properly understood, do seem to strongly support the teaching of Sabellius.

One of these verses is found in John 7:37-39.

"In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. (38) He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of flowing water. (39) (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)" (John 7:37-39)

Was there really no Holy Spirit before Christ's glorification? The Bible does not say so. In the Old Testament, we find, on numerous occasions, that the Spirit is mentioned. In the first chapter of Genesis, we are told that "the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." (Genesis 1:3) At the baptism of Christ, another event prior to the glorification, the Spirit descended in the form of a dove. So, what is this Holy Spirit that was not yet given? What is the difference between the Spirit before and after the glorification? To come to a reasonable conclusion, we shall first examine the work and the qualities associated with the Holy Spirit prior to the glorification of Christ.

The Power of God

Firstly, we know from the article, "Who is the Holy Spirit?", published in the first issue of *The Loins of Truth* that the Spirit is the presence, character, nature, mind, understanding, knowledge, wisdom, thoughts and any non-physical and non-tangible elements of God. Apart from these attributes, the scriptures also reveal that the Holy Spirit is the power of God. When people were imbued with the Spirit, they had the power to work miracles, prophesy, dream dreams and the like. Below are some of the examples from the Bible of what I am saying.

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When the angel Gabriel appeared before Mary to announce that she would conceive the Son of God, he mentioned that she would receive the Holy Spirit and the power of God would be poured on her.

Luke 1:35 “And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.”

Another example that is also found in the Bible is the life and experiences of Samson. There are some who cling to the idea that owing to his physical attributes, Samson was able to kill the lion and even kill a thousand men with only a donkey’s jawbone as his weapon. However, the Bible reveals a different story.

Judges 14:5,6 “Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnath, and came to the vineyards of Timnath: and, behold, a young lion roared against him. (6) And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done.”

Judges 15:14,15 “And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands. (15) And he found a new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a thousand men therewith.”

In both these occasions in the life of Samson, the Bible tells us clearly that he could do these things because God’s power came upon him when he was bathed with the Holy Spirit. We also witness the Spirit working in the same manner in the life of Christ.

Acts 10:38 “How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.”

Just in passing, here again we see that the Holy Spirit is both the presence and power of God. Jesus Himself declared that He could do nothing without the Father (John 5:19,30). This means that He cannot perform even a single miracle without the presence of God through the Spirit which God had given His Son liberally.

Powerless to Change

The word of God also reveals that men were under the influence of the Spirit of God as they wrote the Bible and no prophecy was the result of any man’s wisdom or interpretation. (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1: 20,21). However, the fact remains that this same power could not overcome the evil nature that these men were born with. David who wrote the Psalms was moved by the Spirit, but at the same time, a close observation of his life reveals that his sinful nature was unconquered. We observe that he hated his enemies with a perfect hatred (Psalms 139:22). A classic example of this nature is witnessed in his attitude towards Shimei, a relative of Saul, who went all out to curse and pelted stones at David when the latter was fleeing Jerusalem when he was chased by his son, Absalom. On his return to Jerusalem to re-establish his reign over Israel, Shimei once again came to David, but this time around he did not intend to hurl curses or stones at the king but to ask for forgiveness and pleaded that his life may be spared. Though David claimed to have forgiven him, years later, while on his death bed, he once again reminded his son and successor to the throne, Solomon, the past experiences he had with Shimei and made him to vow that he would avenge Shimei on his behalf by making sure that he killed the one who at one time troubled him.

2 Samuel 19:18-23 “And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king, as he was come over Jordan; and said unto the king, Let not my lord impute iniquity unto me, neither do thou remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to his heart. For thy servant doth know that I have sinned: therefore, behold, I am come the first

day of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king... Therefore the king said to Shimei, Thou shalt not die. And the king sware unto him.

1 Kings 2:8,9 “And, behold, thou hast with thee Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite of Bahurim, which cursed me with a grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but he came down to meet me at Jordan, and I sware to him by the LORD, saying, I will not put thee to death with the sword. Now therefore hold him not guiltless: for thou art a wise man, and knowest what thou oughtest to do unto him; but his hoar head bring thou down to the grave with blood.

We cannot conclude, from the above recorded evidences that David possessed the holy, undefiled nature of Christ who taught us to love, pray and forgive our enemies. The same thing can be mentioned about many men and women of the Bible who were privileged to be under the influence of the Spirit of God. The great men and women who stood out among the many who lived before the glorification, were worthy of mention in the apostle Paul’s list of the men of faith recorded in Hebrews 11. But these same individuals lacked the power that those who live after the glorification have access to.

Hebrews 11:39,40 “And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: God having provided some better things for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.”

In other words, the power of the Spirit before the glorification of Christ was powerless to turn a sinner into a saint. So, what can help man overcome sin? What can change our carnal nature?

The Spirit of the Father and the Son

To understand this, we should first remember that the Spirit of God can exist in a conscious state even outside His physical body. And the Spirit of God can unite with the spirit of Christ, the angels and man. In this aspect, the spirit of man differs from the Spirit of God. When Christ came

as a man, He did not come with divine powers that should enable Him, among other things, to be omnipresent. So, in order that He might be able to be with his followers wherever they may be, it required that He should get this power again from the Father. For this to happen, His Spirit and the Spirit of the Father should be joined together in a very special way. This was fulfilled in the day of Pentecost, ten days after His ascension, when He was glorified by the Father, in heaven. In His glorification, Jesus once again received the powers of divinity that he shared with the Father from the days of eternity, before his human incarnation here on earth. When the believers in Christ received the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the day of Pentecost, they received both the Father and the Son. It is this divine life of the Father and the human-divine life of Christ, blended together, that makes up the Comforter whom Christ promised to His disciples and all who believed on Him.

I do not deny that the Comforter is the Holy Spirit. But the difference

between the Holy Spirit now and the Holy Spirit prior to the glorification is that, now the Spirit is not just a power that enabled men to work miracles but most importantly, it is also the life of Christ that had fought and gained the victory over Satan, temptations, sin and death. This partially explains the reason why Christ had to become one of us to give us salvation. And this life can be ours if we are willing to receive it. As Paul puts it, "Christ our life" (Colossians 3:4). This is the Spirit that was not yet given prior to the glorification. In the Old Testament we never come across the terms "Spirit of Christ" or "Spirit of the Son" as in the New Testament. This is because the Spirit in the Old Testament had no special qualities other than power and presence, even though it is true that this Spirit was given through Christ. The coming of the Holy Spirit today is the life of God the Father and the victorious life of Christ. This is the reason why when Jesus spoke concerning the Comforter, He said that if a believer loves Him, the Father and the Son would make Their abode with him.

John 14:23 *"Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him."*

From the Father we receive the gift of healing, prophesying, and the like. From Christ we receive the power to overcome sin. It is in this way that Christ says that the Father will send "another Comforter" (John 14:16), because it is now a new Holy Spirit with new, modified qualities. And it is from this angle that Christ told His disciples that it was for their benefit that he should leave them and go to the Father so that the Comforter might come. (John 16:7). Therefore, the Holy Spirit is both the spirit of the Father and the Son and not someone else according to the doctrine of the trinity.

PERFECT PEACE ***Pynhunlang Bareh***

When things fall apart; when your heart is in deep anguish and pain; when the road is hefty; when life is a drag; when we turn the other cheek and are unable to utter a word and we ponder on the wretched things we have done and that have been done to us; when light seems to fade and our hearts are torn apart like rags that have been ripped into small pieces; and when no peace can be found in this world, there is but one pathway, and that pathway is Christ. Yes, there is none who can truly understand us apart from the One who created us and who is the "Author and Finisher of our faith." (Hebrews 12:2). The Lord Jesus says, "These things have I spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 16:33; 14:27).

Surely, the words of the Lord give us comfort. Man can never give us the peace of mind that Christ gives. There are certain things in our lives that no one can either understand or fill the emptiness in our hearts. If there is emptiness in our lives, I urge you to turn to Him and welcome Him into your lives so that you may receive the peace that this world cannot give. The peace in Jesus Christ cannot be bought or sold. His promises are certain and He does not change; He is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8). Christ Himself calls and invites us, saying, "Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." (Mathew 11:28).

The peace that Christ gives is like a brook that never runs dry and it seeks to water other fields. There is a need for us to have that peace and allow it to manifest itself in our lives and that it will dwell continuously among the believers in Christ, the Son of God. I say this not just because

I wish to justify what I know to be true based on my past experiences, but because it is the truth that in Christ alone you can expect to discover the kingdom of God here on earth. When you have found Him, you have found the riches of heaven and truly the "Kingdom of God" has come to you. (Read Matthew 13:44-46; Luke 17:21)

Remember the words of Jesus that says, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Mathew 6:33) Before Christ spoke these words, He instructs us not to worry as others worry about the things pertaining to this world. (Read Matthew 6:24-32). Christ spoke these things, because He wants to impress in our hearts that the things that this world has to offer us cannot truly satisfy or make us happy. Happiness and the cessation of anxiety is solely based on the fact that one finds the "kingdom of God"

and "His righteousness;" and these things consists in Christ.

My fellow believers, since the day you have accepted Christ, have you received the peace that is unlike the peace that you find in this world? If we have not tasted this peace that Christ talks about and have promised, it goes to show that we have not yet fully surrendered our lives to Him that He might usher and fashion it in our lives. Perhaps, our decision to believe or to follow rests on the notion that we are following the truth. Or perhaps, we follow out

of fear. It can also be that we are born and brought up in a Christian home but at the same time we have not experienced the presence and the peace of Christ as the "Comforter." If this is our experience, then we will not be able to stand firm and we will drift away when great trials come.

Here is an extract from a Hindi song which I have translated which, in my personal opinion, sums up the subject matter:

The love of Christ is for one and all,
for one and all,

Invite your parents, and invite with love,
O come, O come,
Call your sisters and brothers, call with love,
O Come, O Come.
Invite all your neighbours,
O come, O come,
The love of Christ is for one and all,
for one and all."

RULES OF INTERPRETATION *William Miller*

In studying the Bible, I have found the following rules to be of great service to myself, and now give them to the public by special request. Every rule should be well studied, in connection with the scripture references, if the Bible student would be at all benefited by them.

RULES AND PROOFS

I. Every word must have its proper bearing on the subject presented in the Bible. — Matthew 5:18.

II. All scripture is necessary, and may be understood by a diligent application and study. — 2 Timothy 3:15-17.

III. Nothing revealed in the scripture can or will be hid from those who ask in faith, not wavering. — Deuteronomy 29:29. Matthew 10:26,27. 1 Corinthians 2:10. Philippians 3:15. Isaiah 14:11. Matt. 21:22. John 14:13,14. 15:7. James 1:5,6. 1 John 5:13-15.

IV. To understand doctrine, bring all the scriptures together on the subject you wish to know; then let every word have its proper influence, and if you can form your theory without a contradiction, you cannot be in an error. — Isaiah 28:7-29. 35:8. Proverbs 19:27. Luke 24:27,44,45. Romans 16:26. James 5:19. 2 Peter 1:19,20.

V. Scripture must be its own expositor, since it is a rule of itself. If I depend on a teacher to expound it

to me, and he should guess at its meaning, or desire to have it so on account of his sectarian creed, or to be thought wise, then his guessing, desire, creed, or wisdom is my rule, not the Bible. — Psalms 19:7-11. 119:97-105. Matthew 23:8-10. 1 Corinthians 2:12-16. Ezekiel 34:18,19. Luke 11:52. Malachi 2:7,8.

VI. God has revealed things to come, by visions, in figures and parables, and in this way the same things are often time revealed again and again, by different visions, or in different figures, and parables. If you wish to understand them, you must combine them all in one. — Psalms 89:19. Hosea 12:10. Habakkuk 2:2. Acts 2:17. 1 Corinthians 10:6. Hebrews 9:9,24. Psalms 78:2. Matthew 13:13,34. Genesis 41:1-32. Daniel 2. 7. and 8. Acts 10:9-16.

VII. Visions are always mentioned as such. — 2 Corinthians 12:1.

VIII. Figures always have a figurative meaning, and are used much in prophecy, to represent future things, times and events; such as mountains, meaning governments; beasts, meaning kingdoms. Waters, meaning people. Lamp, meaning Word of God. Day, meaning year. — Daniel 2:35,44. 7:8,17. Revelation 17:1,15. Psalms 119:105. Ezekiel 4:6.

IX. Parables are used as comparisons to illustrate subjects, and must be explained in the same way as figures by the subject and Bible. — Mark

4:13. See explanation of the ten virgins, Miller's Lectures, No. 16.

X. Figures sometimes have two or more different significations, as day is used in a figurative sense to represent three different periods of time. 1. Indefinite. 2. Definite, a day for a year. 3. Day for a thousand years. If you put on the right construction it will harmonize with the Bible and make good sense, otherwise it will not. — Ecclesiastes 7:14. Ezekiel 4:6. 2 Peter 3:8.

XI. How to know when a word is used figuratively. If it makes good sense as it stands, and does no violence to the simple laws of nature, then it must be understood literally, if not, figuratively. — Revelation 12:1,2. 17:3-7.

XII. To learn the true meaning of figures, trace your figurative word through your Bible, and where you find it explained, put it on your figure, and if it makes good sense you need look no further, if not, look again.

XIII. To know whether we have the true historical event for the fulfilment of a prophecy. If you find every word of the prophecy (after the figures are understood) is literally fulfilled, then you may know that your history is the true event. But if one word lacks a fulfilment, then you must look for another event, or wait its future development. For God takes care that history and prophecy doth agree, so that the true believing

children of God may never be ashamed. — Psalms 22:5. Isaiah 14:17-19. 1 Peter 2:6. Revelation 17:17. Acts 3:18.

XIV. The most important rule of all is, that you must have faith. It must be a faith that requires a sacrifice, and if tried, would give up the dearest object on earth, the world and all its desires, character, living, occupation, friends, home, comforts, and worldly honors. If any of these should hinder our believing any part of God's word, it would show our faith to be vain. Nor can we ever believe so long as one of these motives lies lurking in our hearts. We must believe that God will never forfeit his word. And we can have confidence that he that takes notice of the sparrow, and numbers the hairs of our head, will guard the translation of his own word, and throw a barrier around it, and prevent those who sincerely trust in God, and put implicit confidence in his word, from erring far from the truth, though they may not understand Hebrew or Greek.

These are some of the most important rules which I find the word

of God warrants me to adopt and follow, in order for system and regularity. And if I am not greatly deceived, in so doing, I have found the Bible, as a whole, one of the most simple, plain, and intelligible books ever written, containing proof in itself of its divine origin, and full of all knowledge that our hearts could wish to know or enjoy. I have found it a treasure which the world cannot purchase. It gives a calm peace in believing, and a firm hope in the future. It sustains the mind in adversity, and teaches us to be humble in prosperity. It prepares us to love and do good to others, and to realize the value of the soul. It makes us bold and valiant for the truth, and nerves the arm to oppose error. It gives us a powerful weapon to break down Infidelity, and makes known the only antidote for sin. It instructs us how death will be conquered, and how the bonds of death will be conquered, and how the bonds of the tomb must be broken. It tells us of future events, and shows the preparation necessary to meet them. It gives us an opportunity to hold conversation with the King of kings, and reveals the best code of laws ever

enacted. This is but a faint view of its value; yet how many perishing souls treat it with neglect, or, what is equally as bad, treat it as a hidden mystery which cannot be known. Oh, my dear reader, make it your chief study. Try it well, and you will find it to be all I have said. Yes, like the Queen of Sheba, you will say the half was not told you. The divinity taught in our schools is always founded on some sectarian creed. It may do to take a blank mind and impress it with this kind, but it will always end in bigotry. A free mind will never be satisfied with the views of others. Were I a teacher of youth in divinity, I would first learn their capacity and mind. If these were good, I would make them study the Bible for themselves, and send them out free to do the world good. But if they had no mind, I would stamp them with another's mind, write bigot on their forehead, and send them out as slaves!

A RECAP OF 2018

It's the beginning of another year and as it is often the habit that as we look back at what the old year had in store for us, we wonder what awaits us this year. Though that remains to be seen, I am sure all of you would agree that 2018 was an eventful year and we have witnessed signs that we are ever nearing the second coming of Christ. The world is a mix of flammable material that only needs a spark to set it on fire.

2018 witnessed a lot of upheavals in the social, political and economic realm. For those of you who keep watch, you will notice that things are spinning out of control. The argument over who has a legitimate claim over small patches of land in the middle of the ocean, the fabricated accusations that a government is murdering its own citizens, the concocted provocations that centres around the flow of marine traffic through a narrow strip of water body that connects the Black Sea to the Sea of Azov, what currency

should be used as a medium of transaction in the global oil market and a host of many political fracas that most of us would not even be able to keep track of or even remember, are drawing this entire world closer and closer to yet another armed conflict on a global scale.

The ongoing trade war between China and the United States had threatened the health of economies around the world. As a small example, we witnessed the Bombay Stock Exchange crashed over the course of a number of days or even weeks which, though short-lived, it was enough to send shivers down the spine of those who had their eyes and ears opened. Venezuela is also currently reeling under a severe economic downturn that has caused a sharp decline in the overall standard of living conditions there. Europe is also facing its own economic problems.

The setbacks that sprung out of the mass migration of people to the shores of Western Europe and the call of Germany and France for other EU countries to open up their borders for the migrating throng had sparked a new outbreak of anarchy among the citizens of that continent. The populists' demand for the setting up of an all-white, anti-migration system and the reviving of the anti-Semitic sentiments in the continent was gaining popularity by the day and continues to this day. And let us not forget the endless caravan of migrating throng who threatened to force their way into the United States was another major event that dotted the year 2018.

For quite some time, we here in Shillong, have witnessed the change of tide in favour of the LGBT community taking shape in other countries of the world, particularly the West. We have also witnessed this tide slowly making its way to our very doors and there was an

apprehension, at least on my part, that the people occupying positions of power and responsibility would enact laws that would favour the demands of this said community. And so, it was that on September 6, 2018 the Supreme Court of India partially brought down Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code by legalising homosexual relationships. Though homosexual marriage is yet to be legalised, I reckon that it will not be long before this would transpire.

I know that there is a ton of other events that took place last year but time and space does not allow me to mention each and every one of those things. But I know that things are in total disarray. However, the question is: What should we expect to see this year? Well, to put it bluntly, the future looks grim. I for one, will not be surprised to see the breaking out of another world war. I will also not be surprised if a major economic downturn should occur any time soon. We should also expect to see a rise in racial violence, especially in the countries affected by the migration problem. We are living during an interesting spell of earth's history and many are anxious to see what is going to happen next. But there is no need to fear. If these events should kindle hope in our hearts it is because by these things we know that the world is nearing its end. Jesus Himself said, "For all these things must come to pass." "When ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors." (Matthew 24:6,33). Events are proving and will continue to prove that the ways of the devil are not able to produce anything impeccable and the time will come that Christ will have complete dominion over the earth. This should serve as a reminder that all the more we should cling to Christ in whom we are complete.

Turning our focus to the OTG (One True God) movement, it is heartrending to see a push on the part of some who wish to gain control over every group and ministry that are within its fold. They endeavour to accomplish this by setting up an organisation equipped with an organizational structure that is similar to that of the General Conference of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. What you would expect to see coming from this move, if it materializes, is the control of a few individuals over the flow of funds around the world, they would decide who is eligible to work as a mission worker and where, how much one gets paid for missionary work and so on. The ones who are supporting and pushing this agenda are the very ones who reject the message of righteousness by faith. Since the majority are in favour of this idea, those groups or ministries, like ours, that do not wish to be under this umbrella are deemed to face problems that would restrict our efforts to preach the gospel. Before long, we would no longer be included with, or considered as, the ones belonging to the OTG movement. But it is a joy to know that despite the odds, we are continuing our efforts to spread the message of salvation and I believe, through the efforts of faithful stewards around the world, many are coming to the knowledge of the truth that points to Christ as the only way to salvation.

Christ In You Ministries, on the other hand, is focusing its efforts to spread the good news to other places in Khasi and Jaintia Hills. We hope that soon we will be able to reach out to the Garo speaking community of Meghalaya. We keep getting requests from a number of people who wish to meet us and are hoping to discuss with us the issues pertaining to the Godhead and things of this nature.

We urge you to please pray for us and for these people.

We are delighted that we were able to organise a week of prayer in October last year and we are hoping to be able to organise other events in the near future. We are also excited that God answered our prayers by providing us with a camcorder which we initially thought that it would take a long while before we could actually acquire one, owing to financial strains that our ministry suffers from time to time. We have uploaded a few videos in our YouTube Channel. So far, all the videos are in the Khasi language. Sooner or later, we are going to upload sermons and podcasts that are prepared for those of you who speak and prefer the English language over Khasi, and especially keeping in mind that we ought to reach out to the non-Khasi speaking people in this region.

We also take this opportunity to thank the members of our congregation for donating their offerings to Christ In You which enabled us to purchase a Canon ink tank printer. Your donation has made it possible for us to publish this newsletter that you are now reading.

Despite the many setbacks that we come across last year, let us also remind ourselves of the wonderful experiences that we were privileged to encounter. We have nothing but to thank God for His abundant mercy. Let us look to the future with hope and the longing that, despite the many efforts by our fellow men to counter our work, God will pave a way for spreading His word to the benighted and those who are deprived of divine aid. May God bless you all and may you have a blessed year ahead.

UPCOMING EVENT

We are happy to announce that this month, starting from the 12th to the 27th, we have the opportunity to organise a Bible study programme at Mawkyrwat, in South West Khasi Hills District. The theme of this programme is "The Only Begotten Son of God." We humbly request you to kindly keep us and this programme in your prayers considering the fact that the truth about God and His righteousness usually triggers strong reactions from all quarters. We already have opponents ready to criticize and brand us as heretics and even try to hinder our work. The direction to and the address of the venue is provided in the next page.

