

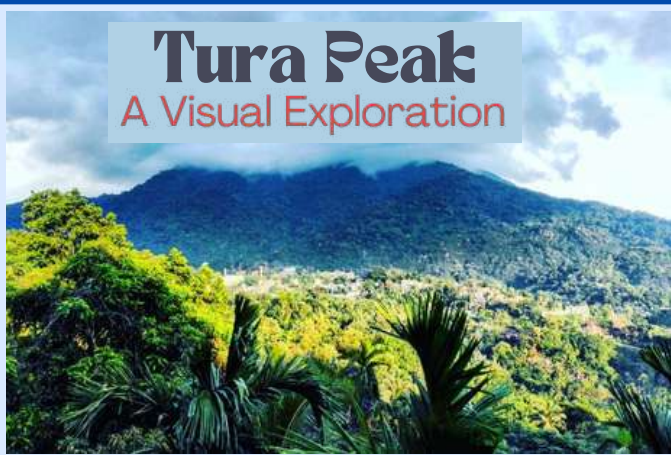
Mission Update

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Tura Peak A Visual Exploration

Located in the beautiful Northeast Indian state of Meghalaya, Tura Peak stands as a prominent landmark in the Garo Hills region. This majestic mountain is known for its breathtaking panoramic views of verdant landscapes, cascading waterfalls, and dense forests that stretch as far as the eye can see.

With an elevation of approximately 872 meters above sea level, Tura Peak offers a challenging yet rewarding trekking experience for outdoor enthusiasts and nature lovers alike. The summit provides a perfect vantage point to witness stunning sunrises and sunsets, making it a popular destination for photographers and adventure seekers.

The local Garo tribe holds this sacred mountain in high regard, adding cultural significance to its natural beauty. Tura Peak not only offers an escape from the hustle and bustle of city life but also serves as a reminder of the unspoiled magnificence of Mother Nature.

Identity - Driven Behavior

Strategies for Cultivating Enduring Habits and Lasting Behaviors

Last year, over 40 million self-help books were sold in the United States, many offering strategies to help people modify behaviors or turn occasional actions into enduring habits. This represents more than 10% of the US population, all seeking to improve themselves. The core message of most of these books can be boiled down to three steps: dissect, document, and develop - i.e., identify the causes, set specific goals, and monitor progress.



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Additional steps, such as building support systems and establishing reward milestones, are also common. Most of these books conclude with the reminder to remain patient and persistent. James Clear's Atomic Habits is a bestseller in this genre, introducing concepts like "habit stacking" and the "power of tiny changes."

However, the Bible takes a fundamentally different approach, and I pray that as you read this article, God's word will set you free and enable lasting transformation in your life.

In his Epistle to the Ephesians, the Apostle Paul presents a key principle for fostering sustainable behavior: **"focus on identity, not behavior, because behavior follows identity."** He lays out a two-step process for applying this idea: "put off" the old self and "put on" the new self (Eph. 4:22-24). According to Paul, we fail to create lasting behavioral changes when we try to do so with the old self, which is corrupt and incapable of resisting deceitful desires. He suggests that if Adam - who was asked to obey a single command - couldn't resist temptation, neither can we simply through willpower. **Cont... Page:03**

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Mastering the Art of Leadership

Christ like leader

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Romans 8:29 reveals that God's ultimate plan for us is to be transformed into the image of His Son, Jesus. When Adam sinned, he lost part of the divine image he was created with, but God has restored it through Christ. Being conformed to God's image means becoming more like Jesus. This is God's predestined plan for us, giving us assurance of His unwavering design for our lives.

In 2 Corinthians 3:18, it is written that as we look at the glory of the Lord with open hearts, we are slowly changing to be more like Him. This transformation is guided by the Spirit of God living within us and leads us from one level of glory to the next. This process is a powerful and beautiful reminder of the hope and inspiration that the Holy Spirit brings as He shapes us to be more like Christ.



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The eternal, historical, and eschatological perspectives all work together towards the ultimate goal of becoming more like Christ. God's eternal purpose involves predestination, while His historical purpose involves transformation by the Holy Spirit. Finally, His eschatological purpose will ultimately result in us becoming like Him. These perspectives offer us comfort and encouragement as we strive towards Christlikeness.

“Embracing a Christlike Purpose”



Being a Christlike leader involves embodying Christ's purpose. This purpose is rooted in three key texts that should guide our Christian thinking and actions: Romans 8:29, 2 Corinthians 3:18, and 1 John 3:2. These verses provide a foundation for understanding and living out a Christlike purpose in our leadership roles.

The verse in 1 John 3:2 tells us that as God's children, we will become like Christ when he appears again. This promise brings us joy and anticipation, even though we may not know all the details of what that will look like. Ultimately, we can be certain that we will be transformed to be like Christ, which brings us contentment in the knowledge that we will be united with him for eternity.

ELEMENTS OF A CLEAR MANDATE

Jesus gave a clear mandate to his disciples to spread the message of repentance and forgiveness to all nations. Each Gospel concludes with Jesus commissioning his disciples to go out into the world and share the good news. This message continues to inspire believers to spread the message of faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior.

DEVELOPING DYNAMIC LEADERS

Jesus was developing leaders who were passionate about reaching those who were spiritually lost, had a global perspective, and cared for the well-being of others. These leaders followed Jesus in spreading the message of the Kingdom of God and showed compassion towards the less fortunate, emulating his kindness, empathy, welcoming attitude, and commitment to freeing the spiritually oppressed.

Identity - Driven Behavior

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The solution is to change our identity by taking off our old self and putting on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness - available to us through Jesus Christ. This new self, accompanied by a renewed mind, can resist deceitful desires - not by might or power, but by the Holy Spirit.

What does it mean to "put on" a new self in practice? To understand this, we need to look at the creation of humanity. In the order of creation, man was made on the sixth and final day. After creating man, God rested on the seventh day, making it holy. Therefore, man's first full day was the Sabbath - a day of rest. While God worked and then rested, man was created to rest and then work, i.e., man was created to abide in God and fellowship with Him before embarking on his work. God made Himself available by resting on the Sabbath. Putting on the new self involves accepting Jesus Christ as Lord, abiding in Him, and spending time with Him. As we spend time with Him, our identity reflects His identity, resulting in lasting behavioral changes.

Paul expands on this thesis by offering specific examples of sinful behaviors and how to transform them (Eph. 4:25-32). To change from falsehood, while the old self focuses on avoiding lies, the new self centers on brotherly love, where lies cannot thrive. To overcome anger, the new self works on resolving conflicts. To stop stealing, the new self practices generosity. To counter foul language, the new self focuses on edification. And to move past bitterness, the new self embraces Christ-like forgiveness. The new self addresses the root cause, creating lasting transformation in behavior.

Identity comes with a regalia and Paul calls it the "armor of God." It is noteworthy that the armor described by Paul only protects the front of the soldier, not the back. This reflects the posture Paul urges us to adopt, i.e., to resist the devil and to make him flee (James 4:7). We are meant to face the devil head-on, never turning our backs. Clothed in this armor, which flows from our new identity, God equips us to fight the devil, overcome deceitful desires, and bring about lasting change. I pray that the Lord enables us all to abide in Him, spend time with Him, and experience the transformative power of the Holy Spirit to bring lasting behavioral change in our lives.

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November 2024 - Events

02/11/2024 to 03/11/2024
Odisha: Phulbani, Sripanka,
Brahasalka, Siangbali, Greenbadi,
Sitiguda:
Growth mind set leadership program

04/11/2024
Odisha: Baliguda. Sunday Worship

05/11/2024 to 07/11/2014
Kolkata: Arukash 2024
Power conference

11/11/2024
Kochi: The Growth Mindset:
Leadership meeting

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Gasa English Medium School (GEMS)



SKILL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

On September 27, 2024, Gasa English Medium School hosted a one-day skill workshop for 132 students, including participants from various schools in the Chiading region. The purpose of the event was to provide practical skills for personal and professional growth, ignite interest in vocational pursuits, and pave the way for financial independence. While the future success in traditional academic measures may be uncertain, we firmly believe that equipping students with practical skills can significantly impact their future livelihood.



Our commitment to the holistic development of children is unwavering, and we believe that by offering basic training and skills, we are empowering them to become self-sufficient individuals. A distinguished panel of experts, including Mr. Philemon D Sangma, Industrial Promotion Officer (DCIC, Williannagar), Mr. Ebenezer G Momin, Artist and Muralist, Founder of Ebenezer-artwork Enterprise, Ms. Apriliana Marak, Fashion Designer and Founder of MIGE, and Ms. Enakhy Marak, Artist and Founder of ENBO, generously shared their knowledge and experiences with the participants. The workshop covered a wide range of skills, from art and design to fashion and entrepreneurship.



Building with Own Trees

Trees on school property are being cut down to make room for new classrooms. The wood will be used for doors and windows in the new building. Construction will be finished in time for the next academic year. Thank you for your support as we improve our school facilities..



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It has been a long-standing dream of Gasa English Medium School to have a permanent infrastructure with improved facilities. Initially, the school operated out of temporary sheds, which were later replaced by semi-permanent structures. Several years ago, four classrooms were constructed, but the remaining work was left incomplete.

Now, the construction of a permanent infrastructure has been resumed, and progress is being made. The school is dedicated to providing a better learning environment for its students, and the ongoing work reflects this commitment.



A.chik Power Conference



HOW ETHICAL CITIZENS SHAPE A NATIONS DESTINY



The late Pastor P.R. Baby firmly believed that transforming the mindset and actions of our citizens could pave the way for a prosperous nation. Being a good citizen means actively contributing to your community, upholding democratic values, and working towards society's betterment. Good citizens take responsibility for their actions, obey laws, respect others' rights, and participate in civic activities. By being informed, engaged, and proactive members of society, they play a crucial role in shaping the future of their country. It is important for everyone to recognize their role in nation-building and strive to be a positive force for change.

In order to realize Pastor P.R.Baby's vision, a three-day leadership program has been developed. Based on demand, the program will be conducted in villages throughout the Northeast region, beginning with Garo Hills in Meghalaya.



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The Team

The success of the three-day revival meeting, aimed at equipping individuals to become responsible citizens of our nation, obey the Word of God, and live a good Christian life, was a result of the collaborative efforts of Pr. Rakbath D Momin, Pr. Hardingson A Sangma, Pr. Chinmaya Mallick, and Pr. Namjin K Sangama. This program, spanning three days, is instrumental in initiating a significant change in people's lives.

KING'S CARAVAN. 2.0



Drug abuse is a growing concern in Northeast India, with an increasing number of individuals falling victim to addiction. The region's geographical location makes it vulnerable to drug trafficking, leading to easy availability of narcotics. Moreover, the lack of awareness and limited access to rehabilitation facilities in rural areas exacerbates the problem. The cultural and social stigma associated with drug abuse further hinders efforts to address the issue effectively.

Efforts to combat drug abuse in Northeast India must focus on education, prevention, and treatment. Educational campaigns and outreach programs can raise awareness about the dangers of drug abuse and help eliminate the stigma surrounding addiction.

The Kings Caravan program, a part of the PR Baby Foundation, utilizes a modified truck equipped with a mobile stage and PA system to deliver impactful messages against addiction through live drama performances by youth groups. This innovative approach enables the caravan to travel to different locations and engage audiences in a meaningful way, effectively conveying the dangers of drugs and alcohol.



The live dramas serve as a powerful medium for both entertainment and education, delivering profound messages that resonate with the audience. In addition to captivating performances, the program features songs, testimonies, and short sermons that reinforce the anti-addiction message.

Now these impactful campaigns are led by the Youth Group under the guidance of Pastor Raj Eleazer in Siliguri, Kalimpong, and the surrounding areas of West Bengal. The meetings have been incredibly successful in raising awareness about the detrimental effects of drug abuse.



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