

Annual Report for the year of 2011—2012 of Martin Luther Bible School / MLBS affiliated with BELC , Nagalapuram —517589, A.P.State, S.India.

We greet most honorable and Respected Missionaries, the chairman of the conference, the secretary of the conference, the chairmans of the CLCI,BELC,, Himalayan CLC of Nepal and the CLC of Myanmar and all of you in the most exalted name of our savior Lord Jesus Christ.

“Go therefore and make disciples of the all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of Son and of the Holy Spirit. Teaching the to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo I am with you always, even o the age.” Amen ,Mth 28;19,20

A world wide commission Jesus Christ announced His programe and crisis hour was struck in the history of Christianity.

The great commission was given by our Lord Jesus Christ. on what mission sent ?to over run the world with armies and make men submit under the sword ? No, but” Make disciples of all the nations” from the mountain top of His ascension His disciples started forth on this mission, rotating form the center, and they gone on until they have every where reached the rim of the world. Christianity is no national or racial religion. It knows no bounds of mountains or sea, but it envelops the Globe. We too carry out the commission of our Lord through our MLBS we ants to make many disciples of all nations.

“Preaching the Gospel Everywhere” Lk 9;; 2,6,

Our faith is not dependent upon human knowledge and scientific advance, but upon the unmistakable message of the word of God.

It is the Holy scripture that we find answers to life Ultimate questions :- where did I come from ? why I am here ? where I am going ? what is the purpose of my existence

One of the greatest needs in Christian community is to come back to the scriptures as the basis of authority. When we read God’s word .we fill our hearts with His words and God is speaking to us through His word.

We teach our MLBS students the BIBLE is God’s written revelation of His will to Man .it’s central theme is salvation through Jesus Christ. The student of MLBS are taught and trained to carry on His message.

“Be diligent to present yourself approved to God a worker who does not need to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth” 2’ Tim 2; 15

There is no royal road to learning and certainly there is no royal road to knowledge of the bible. The spirit of God will lead us into all truth, to be sure, but God’s command is that we study to approved, workmen un shamed.

We must give to the bible attention with intention and it is intention that will necessitate attention. We believe a knowledge of the bible without a college course is more valuable than a college course without the bible.

Instructions;--

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We have started the 3<sup>rd</sup> batch with 16 students. two students were dropped for their personal reason. 14 students have been used to attending the classes regularly. 14 students from various parts of the A.P and T.N used to attending bible classes four days in week.

Gospel, Acts, the Doctrinal position of the BELC, what the bible and Lutheran teach,  
A summary of Christian Doctrine –by Edward W.A.koehler--- Papers taken by  
D .Paul,

Gospel :- we read the four gospels with, is not exactly what we find ? the four men tell the same story each  
in own way.

The first three gospels Mth, Mk, Lk are called the synoptic gospels unlike John they give a synopsis of  
Christ's life, the word synopsis means a view together .a collective view. So, these three gospels may be  
viewed together.

Master this out line;

Matthew –presents Jesus as king –written primarily for the Jew. He is son of David He is royal genealogy  
is given in the chapter.

Mark;-- mark depicts Jesus as servant —A merciful servant, there is no genealogy.

More miracles are found here than in any other gospel.,

Luke :- sets forth Jesus as perfect man, son of man.

John;-- portrays Jesus as the son of God .written to who will believe . with the  
purpose of leading men to Christ (Jn20;31)

Study of Ephesian, Homiletics, means of Grace--- .Papers taken by Rev.Ude.,

Beatitude, little study of Greek and Hebrew, History of the Martin Luther, Book of  
Concordia, Fellowship, Justification, 10 basic principles of bible interpretation, the  
will of God--- papers taken by Rev.David Koenig.,

Old Testament Review—Pastor K.Ashirvaeham,

Martin Luther's Small Catechism,--- Rev.T.Sampath,

Creed and Music classes --Rev.V.Rajamani.

Teaching methods.

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We used three basic methods.

Students preparation method. ;---  
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This real work by students. We might assign sections .we tell each one to read the section assigned study  
the scriptures, and then given in his words, give each one s specific to speak.

Class discussion. ;-  
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We might hand out discussion topics for the following week. First we give a chance to  
select their own topic out of the bible for example they may select a Coconut Tree, next time in the.  
lesson on what is the Gospel ? why four gospel ? what is the one purpose of four gospel ? why called  
synoptic gospels?

What is main two teachings of the Bible?

A quick answer is always best answer.

Lecture

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We have established a good rapport our class students will feel free to interrupt the lessons when they

have questions.

We have double purpose in each lesson –to present the book in its proper relation to the entire scope of the bible and bring out one grand truth, one practical lesson from each book . we may cover several sub themes .but keep coming back to the main lesson. The closing portion of our lesson is of prime importance.

Our desire present Christ in a winning way .our constant dependence on prayer, and our utter reliance on the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer Time.—

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Begin each classes session with prayer. We are commanded to pray without ceasing (1<sup>st</sup> Tes5;17) time of prayer in class, we must completely sold on its necessity our self. We might make it a standard practice to ask the Lord daily His guidance as we lead our students. Ask him to give us a love and understanding of them that is like unto His love and understanding prepare our lesson with prayer receiving an important part in our consideration.

As we come to class have an attitude that shows our complete dependence upon the Holy Spirit to guide our thoughts and words. Before we teach, as that God will lead us. Encourage the students .but do not force participation.

Pastor Ude, Pastor Koenig, and pastor K.Ashirvadam used visual aids .projected aids, chalkboard, diagrams and charts and maps. Use the visual aids that best illustrates a particular lesson.

Pastor Ude in his many classes preview the film before class. The film project should be used either to introduce the or to summarize that which has been taught.

Maps.—

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Maps are indispensable to man. He is continually making and using maps. Maps helps the students to visualize and localize important geographical areas.

Pastor Ude and Pastor Koenig use maps opportune moment. The map should be used. Supply information or data. a map of Paul's journeys would be helpful .to show the spread of Christianity throughout the world. We use a variety of methods to impress these great truths upon the minds of our MLBS students we can get across one main idea each lesson –and only one.

Give class a picture the whole of God's pattern, second preparing each lesson a week advance .constantly bring the eternal theme of each book.

Examinations

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Jesus knows the ability and weakness of each student, our written examinations .oral test and assignment work are some for everyone. We have been conducting monthly unit test on Mann Luther's Small Catechism, four gospels, O.T.review, we have been conducting written examination and oral test three months ones .the students of MLBS are encouraged to participate the gospel team service and also Sunday worship services under one BELC pastor.

We convey our thanks to our beloved Missionaries and Board of our CLC trustee .our beloved missionaries spend more times in teaching and preaching in the mist of our students and our BELC pastors and believers. They both encourage us in several ways. They both used their full efforts to our

mission work. They both defined and explained each and every word .we learn the true bible teachings , the Lutheran teachings through them and we attained knowledge about our CLC doctrines.

Rules to be observed.

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Right relationship with tutor must be maintained at all times .there must be a constant study of His word. We are not only taught them, but we make them demonstration and practical.  
To bring men to saving knowledge of Jesus Christ .we depended entirely upon the power of God through His Holy Spirit wants to gain more souls.  
We don't want to be merely listeners to God's word .but put the Gospel in to practice  
Conclusion;

Our Religion is not one of four letters instead of two, other religion say 'DO' our Religion says "DONE" our savior has done all on the cross. He bore our sins and when He gave up His life .He said It is finished this was a shout of conqueror. He was finished man's redemption. Nothing was left for man to do. "Therefore those who were scattered went every where preaching the word." Acts 8;4 This is the reason the gospel spread at first. What commission did the disciples have "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel . . . .

How many did Jesus train, for His work?

Just twelve, and one of them forsook Him. The gospel was on the way to the uttermost part of the earth. We want to adopt the Christ's soul winning ministry through our church and we want to run soul winning campaign.

The gospel of Christ is not just one of the religion of the world. It is the living truth of God, adopted to all nations and all classes,

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God salvation for every one who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek." Rom 1;16

We request you to pray for us and for our ministry and for our new batch students of  
MLBS

Our Excellency of God help us to hold firm and faithfully to His word.

God Alone Be All Praise ...Amen

Humbly submitted by,

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