



Words from Academic Dean

Greetings in the holiest name of our Lord, King Jesus, who has arrived and will come again to liberate us from all sufferings! May the peace and joy of the season of Christmas be upon you all.

God's grace has been abundantly extended to the MEGST community. We are immensely thankful to the Lord as we move forward amid the many struggles in our country due to political and economic turmoil. Both students and faculty members are enjoying the current face-to-face learning opportunity after two years of fully online learning. However, a few of our students who could not join physically continue their studies online. We keep learning. Life difficulties and challenges are painful and demanding when they come, but they are the window of opportunities for growth and change. They create an excellent opportunity to show our care and love for one another. I proudly declare that as an institution, we have overcome the pandemic and political crisis through God's grace and our donors' generosity.

Another significant growth area at MEGST is the refurbishment of most of our apartments in the main college building. We now have a kitchen behind the chapel, and the faculty offices and classrooms have been upgraded. It is a massive development and an unexpected but positive outcome of the pandemic which allowed for the work to be done during the lockdown. Words cannot express our thanks to Co-workers (formerly known as Hilfe für Brüder), friends, and donors from Germany.

We anticipate a bigger group of students for graduation this year on the 18th of March, 2023. For two years, we could not organize the graduation ceremony. Thus, we invite our graduates from the last two years to attend our upcoming graduation. We pray that everything goes well as planned to conclude this academic year.

Finally, MEGST stays positive! As a unique institution in Myanmar, inter-denominational and ethnically diverse, representing Evangelical Christians, we anticipate growth in numbers and quality in the coming years. We greatly value your assistance and partnerships in myriad ways. Thank you so much for your prayers.

In His noble service
Ronald Lal Din Suah
 MEGST

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MEGST CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION 2022



MEGST Christmas celebration was conducted at National Races Village on Dec 17, 2022. All the faculty, staff and students joined the celebration. The worship program was followed by games and lunch. The afternoon was free time to explore the whole national village by visiting the houses representing each ethnic group.

Post-Graduate Seminars



Every two months MEGST conducts a post graduate seminar which is attended by faculty and DMin students. The recent topics are noted below:

Date: September 16, 2022 (Friday)

Title: Rethinking Theological Education in Myanmar

Resource Person: Dr. Ronald Lal Din Suah

Date: November 4, 2022 (Friday)

Resource Person: Dr. Stephen Vum Cung Nung
Title: A Response to the Evangelistic Approach of Protestant Missionaries in Myanmar Based on the Three Types of Contextualization of Paul Hiebert



Date: December 16, 2022 (Friday)

Resource Persons: Dr. John Buchanan and Dr. Aung Htoo

Titles: A Case Study of Mentoring in a Bible College (Dr. John)
Living as a Christian during a despotic rule:

A Myanmar Christian Struggle (Dr. Aung Htoo)



Teachers' Honoring Day

MEGST students honored the teachers with songs, dances, short skits, group songs, words of thanks by a representative from MDiv level, short message shared by Dr. CK Hrang Tiam and fellowship lunch. Each faculty received a token of love from the student body.



Thanksgiving Day

November 17 was Thanksgiving Day for MEGST family. There was a special decoration of beautiful fruits, vegetables and eggs to remind the faithfulness and provision of God for our daily survival. there were special numbers, a cultural dance from students, a group song from faculty and staff, testimonies shared by senior students from MDiv third year students, special thanksgiving message shared by Dr. Ronald Lal Din Suah, and fellowship dinner.



Sports Fellowship with GFA Theological Seminary

MEGST held a special sports fellowship with GFA theological school in their compound in North Dagon on October 10. All of the students joined the tournaments with various items called Male Football tournament, Female Football tournament, and Female Volleyball tournament.



'Big' Book Sales

Two 'book sales were held in the MEGST Chapel. Students, faculty, alumni and book lovers got cheap and reasonable books. There were even some free books.

First Book Sale: October 27-29, 2022 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday)

Second Book Sale: November 29-Dec 2, 2022 (Tuesday to Friday)



Farewell

Bro. Tunpi resigned from MEGST in October 2022, having worked at MEGST as our assistant to the Business Manager for two years (2020 – 2022). We thank him for his service at MEGST and pray that he will continue to be a blessing as he goes to Malaysia.



Faculty/Staff News

1. Rev. Daniel Ciin Suan Piang visited Bangkok to provide oversight for the MAOL (Master of Arts in Organisational Leadership) residency in September 29-24, 2022.
2. Dr. Ronald Lal Din Suah attended the “Theological Educators’ Consultation” meeting held in Singapore on September 21, 2022 and the “Asia2022 (Lausanne) Conference” held in Bangkok for 5 days in the third week of October, 2022.
3. Dr. John Buchanan and Sayama Wendy Buchanan safely arrived in Yangon to resume their teaching ministry on October 14, 2022.
4. Dr. CK Hrang Tiam and Dr. Ronald Lal Din Suah visited KCBC (in the Northwestern City of Kalaymyo) to look for further work among theological colleges in October 7-8, 2022. They met with some of MEGST alumni and had fellowship with them.
5. This was followed up with a similar visit to Myitkyina (the largest Northern City) by Dr. CK Hrang Tiam, Dr. Ronald Lal Din Suah, and Dr. Mark Naw Yaw Yet to discuss organizing a regular alumni committee and explore possible future partnerships with theological seminaries. This was on October 26-29, 2022.
6. Lecturer. Tha Lian Ci and his family left for the AGST seminary in the Philippines to continue his PhD studies as a student in residence on November 16, 2022.
7. Dr. Austin House (originally from Texas, but more recently from Kalaymyo) joined our faculty as a part-time lecturer for the third trimester of 2022 academic year.

Praise with us

MEGST has purchased apartment 3D for library extension and is in the process of swapping that apartment with 4C. Please pray for the final resolution of this.

MEGST has 45 DMin students who are actively involved in various ministries in Myanmar.

Let us pray for

- Our graduates, that they will have a great impact on their churches and community.
- Myanmar in the midst of the national crisis and economic turmoil.
- The smooth running of both online and in-class programs offered by MEGST
- The safety and good health of students, faculty and staff.
- Pray for the healing of our part-time lecturer Gabriel Lawm Kunga after spinal surgery.
- Ca Nung Mang, doing a PhD at Torch Trinity Graduate University in Korea; Rev Daniel Ciin Suan Piang doing a DMin at AGST- Alliance; Tha Lian Ci doing a PhD at AGST (Philippines), and David Van Lian doing his PhD at Asbury Theological Seminary in the States.



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