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To,
All Fathers, Brothers, Sisters, and the Faithful of the
Diocese of Chanda

Dear Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and the Faithful,

Thy Kingdom Come!
Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

I wish to bring home to your attention the following for your prayer and reflection:

The menace of Covid is gradually subsiding and I hope we will be free of it in the near future. Somehow we have to learn to live with, it is the reading of many experts. We shall hope for the good.

The socio-religious and political situation in our country is changing drastically. Our mission and ministries are going to face more challenges in the near future. We shall be prepared for it. Kindly be patient enough to deal with different situations with prudence and tolerance. We shall be united in mind, heart, and goal in marching ahead in accomplishing the mission of Christ.

The laws connected to societies, public trusts, FCRA registration, 12A registration etc. have become strict these days and we may have to face it's repercussions in our missionary activities. Please be double careful and extra cautious to deal with them and keep the transparency of accounts meticulously correct and right. Simultaneously we are called to pay extra care with regard to change reports, receipts and payments, TDS, audit of accounts, change of signatory in bank accounts etc.

Ever since the outbreak of Covid we are facing a great financial crunch in the diocese. Somehow we could manage until now, but there is a shadow over our social apostolates in the future. The availability of CNEWA subsidy for boardings seems to be very doubtful in the years

ahead. We may have to manage our boardings with local resource mobilization. We will have to think collectively and find some way out. By all means we will have to cut short the size in number of boarders, and the rest do whatever is feasible to continue our mission of boarding in the diocese as it is an important and useful mission that we are involved in. It is high time that we avail every means to make each station self-supporting by finding individual benefactors for the station, improving agricultural income, reducing unnecessary expenses including fuel expense for vehicle etc. From the part of the diocese viable measures will be sought to support the stations for daily maintenance. We have to introduce more mutual support schemes among our own stations and institutions like the salary challenge schemes. We shall reflect and work together to find solutions.

Renovation drive of our buildings need to be continued and formation of corpus fund for different needs in the diocese has to be focused with urgency. We have to continue to start new missions and *ad gentes* ministries as well. Please think creatively to give suggestions and proposals.

In this Jubilee year we have a plan to launch a housing project (60 houses) for our people. It is still in the initial stage. What is meant is to find some resources and also each institution/parish in the diocese do take the initiative to do the best to help our people.

Ever since the inception of the diocese our focus was on evangelization. We have done it faithfully for the past sixty years, thanks to the pioneering CMI missionaries for their invaluable share. In the diamond jubilee year we shall revamp our commitment to the mission. We shall be united in our mission and help one another to march ahead with vigour and enthusiasm for the great the mission of evangelization in the harmony of hearts and unity of goal. I exhort everyone to co-operate with one another to achieve our goal and accomplish our missions.



With warm regards
Yours devotedly in Our Lord

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