

40 years of Serving Humanity

Lutheran World Service India (LWSI) as the Country Program of Lutheran World Federation (LWF)/Department for World Service (DWS) started operation in India in the year 1974, with refugee relief and rehabilitation in the northern part of West Bengal in the aftermath of the Bangladesh War of Independence, as an off shoot of Cooch Behar Refugee Service. On 4th September 2008, LWSI was registered as Lutheran World Service India Trust (LWSIT), changing its identity from an international agency to a National NGO. Nevertheless, LWSIT continues to be an associate program of LWF/DWS, Geneva.

LWSIT is committed to build 'Communities of Hope' through three distinct approaches: rights based, empowerment and integrated approach. The overall development goal of LWSIT is to empower men, women and children of disadvantaged communities to enhance their quality of life, through ascertaining the rights for sustainable livelihood, food and human security. At present LWSIT is operational in the states of Assam, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, and Jharkhand engaged in both community development and linking Relief and Rehabilitation to Development projects. LWSIT responds to disaster situations across the country by providing relief materials to the affected people.

The 40th Anniversary year was launched on 7th December 2013. All the staff of LWSIT along with its donor partners came together to thank God for His provision and grace in touching millions of vulnerable and marginalised lives over the years.

The thanksgiving service was held at Circular Baptist Church on A.J.C. Bose Road in the evening of 7th December 2013. The service was attended by the representatives from Related Agencies, ACT General Secretary, AZEECON member countries and consultants, ALWS, Planning Commissioner of the State of Mizoram, well wishers of LWSIT and the present and former staff of LWSI/LWSIT including former Directors and Mr John Nathan, the first programme secretary of LWSI.

An encouraging and reminiscing audio-visual of LWSI/LWSIT's journey since 1974 till date was screened during the ceremony.





THE MEDICAL EDUCATION HE RECEIVED AS THE
STUDENT OF THE SERVICE OF SCRAMPTON
CHALLENGE FOR FIFTEEN YEARS.
HE WAS A MAN OF COURAGE AND WISDOM AND
REMARKABLE IN HIS DEEDS AND FAITHFUL
SERVICE OF GOD HE RESTORED AND REBUILT
THE CHURCH BUILDINGS AND BRIDGES
THE COMMUNICATION WITH A MODERNITY SEAL
AND VISION TO A TOUCH OF THEIR LOVE
FOR HIM THE COMMUNICATION
"COMMUNICATED HIM WITH THE TITLE
"PASTOR OF THE YEAR"
THE WEDNESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 1985 1985 79



CALLING FOR FIFTEEN YEARS
HE WAS A MAN OF UNBROKEN WISDOM AND
UNWAVERING BELIEF, A TRUE AND FAITHFUL
SERVANT OF GOD. HE REMEMBERED AND RESTORED
THE CHURCH BUILDINGS, AND REUNITED
THE CONGREGATION WITH A DEDICATED ZEAL
AND UNDER HIS TOWER OF THEIR LOVE
FOR HIM, THE CONGREGATION
FORTHWITH WITH THE TITLE
"FATHER SHERIFF"
WAS REUNITED ON 08/02 FEBRUARY 1984 AGED 79





IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MR. CHETTI DEVASAHU
THE FIRST INDIAN PASTOR OF THIS
CONGREGATION WHO FROM JULY 1948
UNTIL HIS DEPARTURE WITH HIM IN
PASTORAL EXPERIENCE FROM THE
CHURCHES OF ANDHRA PRADESH
& THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION HE SERVED
MEMBER OF THE SENATE OF VESPA
COLLEGE FOR FIFTEEN YEARS.
HE WAS A MAN OF COURAGE WHO
UNWEARILY DELIVERED A TRUTH AND FE
SERVANT OF GOD HE RENOVATED AND HE
THE CHURCH BUILDING AND HE
THE CONGREGATION WITH A MESSAGE
AND FROM BE A TORCH OF TRUTH
FOR HIM THE CONGREGATION
FURNISHED HIM WITH THE TITLE
"PASTOR EMERITUS"
DIED ON 20TH FEBRUARY 1988





IN LATTER PARTS OF
MR. CHETTI DE VASA
THE FIRST BORN SON OF THE
HE MARRIED MISS FRED (JULY
LATER HE DEPARTED WITH AN
NATIONAL EXPERIENCE FROM THE
COURTESY OF ANTHONY DEAN
A THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION HE BECAME
MINISTER OF THE CHURCH OF THE
COLLEGE FOR FIFTEEN YEARS
HE WAS A MAN OF ENERGY AND
UNWEARIED DILIGENCE & TRUST AND
SERVANT OF GOD HE DEMONSTRATED AND
THE CHURCH BUILDINGS AND IN
THE ACCOMPLISHMENT WITH A WISDOM
AND FAITH AS A TOKEN OF THIS
FOR HIM THE CHURCHWOMEN
EMPHASIS HIM WITH THE TO
"KAYTON EVERETT"
AND IN PARTIAL IN 2010 TESTAMENT

Thanksgiving Service
(1974 - 2014)

(Celebrating History, Service & Faith)



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