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# FAITH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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*Essence*

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## EDITORIAL NOTE

Faith Theological Seminary is extremely delighted to bring out the 6<sup>th</sup> issue of our annual newsletter 'Essence'. This 'Essence' encapsulates the Seminary News, Development Activities, Academic Programme and Views of the Seminary. This magazine carries the story of how God is guiding what He has started. The power of God has been the guiding factor of our success. Every aspect of our success story tells that God has been very much involved. The Seminary stand as a vibrant community with a common goal, 'Preach the Gospel'. The Seminary attains its goal in the first place through the achievement of the students. Through this **Essence** we share our immense joy with all our well wishers.

We sincerely thank all our friends and partners for supporting us and keeping us in your prayer.

## The Principal's Pen

Dear believers in Christ, greetings from Faith Theological Seminary. Our risen Lord Jesus now calls us to be effective fishers of men. And how should we respond to that? Let us always Trust and Obey the command of Jesus, which means to keep on denying self and follow Jesus to serve the Lord with Love and Patience.

Faith Theological Seminary welcomes you to be partners in serving the Risen Lord.

Rev.Dr.Visielie Angami

## 7<sup>th</sup> Convocation (2015):

1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 was a day of festivity and celebration of achievement for the 2015 graduates of FTS.

20 students graduated which include 14 B.Th, one M.Div, one M.Min and four M.Div (Extn). The Lord has helped each one to be trained and empowered to commence the good work that the Lord has called them to do .The commencement speaker was Rev. Dr. Imchayanger Ao. He urged the graduating students to live a life worthy of the certificate they have been conferred. Stating that they have been chosen to serve God and proclaim the gospel, he expressed his hope that the students would live up to the expectation to be 'teachers of the Bible'

## 8<sup>th</sup> Convocation (2016):

The 8<sup>th</sup> Convocation was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 where Thirty Three (33) of the students were graduated from B. Th, M.Div. M. Min & M. Div Extension. The FTS family acknowledges God's grace and providence to be able to train such talented and enthusiastic young men and women for His field.



FTS Family

## SEQUENCE OF EVENTS : Academic Session June 2015 – May 2016

Apart from the class Teaching and Learning FTS also emphasizes on co-curricular activities towards equipping the students to a fuller person. Out of many, few significant events worth mentioning are as follows:

1. Academic Session for the year July 2015 - June 2016 kick started with an Orientation followed by a Spiritual Awakening Programme for the whole community.
2. FTS held its 7<sup>th</sup> Fresher's Day on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July 2015. A great time to getting acquainted with each other.
3. FTS had a Talent Hunt Programme on 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2015, where a bulk of talented young men and women displayed their God given talents.
4. Teachers' Day was observed on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2015.
5. In the activity of Mass Gospel FTS have visited the following churches From July 2015-June 2016:

- a. Khutsami Baptist Church
- b. Central CRC, D' Block ,Kohima
- c. CRC ,Rokabozou
- d. CRC, Viswema
- e. Police Baptist Church, Phesama
- f. Kalvary Baptist Church, Pheza
- g. CRC, Chesezu
- h. Liangmai Baptist Pumling, Mhainamsti Jalukie
- i. Sishunu Baptist Church, Tseminyu
- j. Tseminyu Town Baptist Church
- k. Union CRC Dairy Farm, Phesama
- l. Yoruba Baptist Church
- m. NCRC, PR Hill, Kohima
- n. CRC, Naga Hospital Colony Kohima



**Gospel Tour to NCRC, PR Hill, Kohima**

6. The New Library Hall was inaugurated on 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2015. All glory to God for fulfilling this dream of ours. The FTS staff and the students extend our gratitude to all those who have supported this project through prayers and financial support.
7. Mrs. Angunuo Soliezuo Feng, Lecturer and Mr. Maker Kashung, visiting faculty participated in the Asia Pacific Baptist Youth Conference at Bangkok, Thailand which was held from 21-25 Oct 2015. Angunuo taught in the workshop alongside Dr. Saw Alwyn at the Conference . They taught on the topic, "Passionate Justice: The role of Christians towards reconciliation." While Maker led the Praise and Worship.
8. FTS had its 7<sup>th</sup> Commissioning Service on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015 which was followed by a Pre-Christmas Celebration.
9. FTS Family Recreational Day was organized on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2016 which was a real Day Out for the entire family.
10. FTS family and Mt. Carmel Hr. Sec. School Hostellers celebrated "Mothers' Day" on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016. Mrs. Kevi , Secretary, Angami CRC Women Association was the Speaker.
11. The first Commencement Exercise for Master of Theology (M.Th) – Extension Degree was conferred to Miss Kimboi Zomi by Rev.Dr.Visielie Angami, Principal on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016. The service was chaired by Miss Asola Jamir, Academic Dean.
12. The 8<sup>th</sup> Convocation was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 where Thirty Three (33) of the students were graduated from B. Th, M.Div. M. Min & M. Div Extension
13. Prayer is our Weapon! First Sunday of every month is kept aside for prayer and fasting where all the students and faculty takes part. It is a time of praying for one another, for the churches, poor and needy, prayer partners, donors, well wishers etc. It is also a time of counting the blessings of God.



**Mothers' Day**



**Principal Conferring M.Th. Degree to Miss Kimboi Zomi**

## DEVELOPMENT REPORT

**Infrastructure:** Every year the institution upgrades campus facilities and library books. Within a short span of time the Seminary is updated with Academic facilities, Administrative Block, Class rooms, Hostels and Dining hall. In 2015 the new Library hall has been successfully completed. The new Church building of the Seminary is still under construction and hopefully it will be completed by the end of this year by His grace.

**Learning Resources:** The institution upgrades the Library every year. At present the library consist of Four thousand (4000) books in volumes. In 2015 the library has been upgraded with Three hundred (300) new titles of academic books and some journals. 80% of the Library books are purely academic and at present 45% of the library books and materials are Asian Authored or related to the Asian context. The Institution looks forward to buy more books on Asian Authored or Asian context. The institution is also gearing up to computerize the library at the earliest. We beseech your prayer support for our Library up-gradation.

**Students' Life:** Besides the campus development and academic learning, different programs and activities are maintained to help the students developed skill in their learning. Students show tremendous improvement in the process of training and are well prepared to join the ministry. The successful placement and effective ministries of the graduated students are the results of our quality education.

Students are given opportunity to open up and share their personal problems and difficulties with the teacher in-charge during the student improvement program. Timely counseling and proper guidance with emphasis on prayer helps the students improve their personal confidence in God. Opportunities for congregational ministries, carrying out responsibilities and maintaining a good personal relationship with God helps students increase self confidence.

Every semester students with teacher in-charge are sent for mass gospel tour to different Churches. Students are also assigned to be involved in campus worship services. Faith Theological Seminary gives guidance and trains the students to be competent with the advancing contemporary world.

### Academic Programmes:

Faith Theological Seminary in its entire endeavour aims to provide excellence in theological education. Sensing the need to balance, we endure to impart excellence in both academic and spiritual sphere. It aims for quality in all aspects of the curriculum, stressing the importance of sound research methodology, good writing/analytical skills and intellectual integrity. In our humble attempt to minister God given responsibility, the programs offered at FTS are given below:

Courses Offered	Duration	Eligibility
M.Th. (Master of Theology ) Missiology - Extension	2 Years	M.Div
M. Div. (Master of Divinity) - Regular	2 Years	B. Th Graduate with B grade and above
	2 ½ Years	Secular Graduate
M.Div. (Master of Divinity) - Extension	2 Years	B.Th Graduate/ Secular Graduate
B. Th. (Bachelor of Theology)	4 Years	HSLC/Class 10 passed
	3 Years	Class 12 passed
C.Th. (Certificate of Theology)	3 Years	Under matric

### Prayer Request:

- For the staff of the seminary.
- For the current students that the Lord would prepare them all for a lifetime of faithful and fruitful service for God's Kingdom, and strengthening them to serve as Godly women and men.
- For the alumni that their ministry will be fruitful and successful.

### Financial Support

The FTS community is grateful for those who, under God, support us through prayer and by offering their money towards the ministry of the seminary.

At present ,the Seminary would particularly welcome financial contributions in support of its :

1. **Library Books acquisition program.**
2. **Sponsoring needy students.**

**Our alumni go on to serve the Lord across India in states like Nagaland, Assam, Odisha, West Bengal, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur , and in neighboring countries like Nepal, Myanmar ,Bhutan and Taiwan.**



== ADMISSION IS GOING ON FOR AUTUMN SEMESTER 2016. ==



Faculty



Students' Office Bearers



Prayer is powerful



Faculty with Graduates of 2015



The New Library Hall



Church under construction



M.Div. Final Year



FTS Female Voice

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**Our Vision :**

**To train students coming from different backgrounds to the same mind of becoming an effective missionaries, Pastors and Academicians**