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CHURCHES WEEK OF ACTION ON FOOD

Theme: Zero Hunger World: A Missional Agenda October 16th is World Food Day. The theme for this year (2018) is “Zero Hunger World: A Missional Agenda”. It has been chosen to highlight the role of civil societies and faith communities in improving food security and contributing to the eradication of hunger by addressing climate change [...]

2018-10-07

**Executive Secretary of NCCI Policy,
Governance and Public Witness**



Rev. Dr. Abraham Mathew was installed as the next Executive Secretary of NCCI Policy, Governance and Public Witness at NCCI's Office in New Delhi on October 1, 2018. Rev. Dr. Mathew belongs to the Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church, has a Ph.D from Trinity College, Bristol, and has worked extensively in Churches, seminaries and the [...]

2018-10-02

NCCI - VCLC (Vidarbha Centre for Labour Concerns) empowering the next generation Journalists for a just society.



The VCLC along with District Journalist's Forum and Star Apex News had jointly organized a one day work shop for the progressive Journalist's of Butibori in Hotel Royal Regency, Butibori on 30th September 2018. The Butibori Journalist's Union welcomed the participants. The Deputy Superintendent Ms Reena Janbandhu congratulated the efforts of the local organisers for [...]

2018-10-01

Kerala Flood Relief operations of ATTWI - Update



Here is an update on the Kerala Flood Relief operations of Association of Theologically Trained Women of India (ATTWI) which is a constituent member of National Council of Churches in India (NCCI). This email was sent to NCCI General Secretary, Rev. Dr. Roger Gaikwad by Rev. Elizabeth Joseph, Treasurer of ATTWI (Email received: Sep. 30, [...])

2018-10-01

International Prayer Day for Peace and Peace Sunday

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International Prayer Day for Peace (21st September 2018)
Peace Sunday (23rd September 2018) Theme: The Right to
Peace (An invitation to Celebrate Universal Declaration of
Human Rights at 70) Each year the International Day of Peace
is observed around the world on 21 September. The General
Assembly of the United Nations has declared this as [...]

2018-09-18

Kerala Flood Relief operations of ATTWI



Information about Kerala Flood Relief Operations of Association of Theologically Trained Women of India (ATTWI), a constituent member of National Council of Churches in India (NCCI), as received: The recent floods in Kerala, as we all know, caused colossal damage. during the floods, people were shifted to some safe place but they lost their [...]

2018-09-14

Statement of North West India Council of Churches

NORTH WEST INDIA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

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Statement

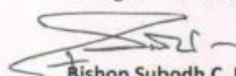
We, the participants from various member churches and organisation of North West India Council of Churches have gathered at the premises of National Council of YMCA on 11th of May 2018 to participate in a workshop organised on "Secularism at Cross Roads".

We are committed in journeying together as ecumenical leaders in strengthening secularism in the country. We do recognize the immense contribution of the churches in the field of Education and Health through various Institutions and have prepared young people irrespective of creed, caste or ethnicity in keeping alive the spirit of secularism and thus have made the democracy vibrant.

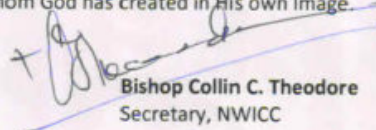
We do love our country India which is secular in letter and spirit as per the constitution of this great nation. However, we express our concern and deep anguish that growing fundamentalism and ultra radicalism is dividing the nation in the name of religion, caste, gender and ethnicity. We are also much concerned at mixing up of religion with politics for political gains. God Almighty has created diversities. God want peace on earth within our diversity.

Democracy will be at threat if we loose fabric of secularism. Existence of church has always been relevant if we change according to the signs of time. We call upon the churches to strengthen its Health and Education programmes as per the future need. We do recognize that it would be digital world in coming years and thus, church need to make a shift from only Academic excellence which are producing more unemployment to vocation oriented education and Health education. Adequate jobs in future would mean that fringe groups will not be able to corrupt young minds to divide the communities in the name of religion and politics.

Our Lord is 'God of Justice'. We commit ourselves to work for promotion of Justice, Peace and restoring the dignity of life as part of prophetic ministry of the church and thus be engaged in Giving the Life in Abundance to the people of all religion whom God has created in His own Image.



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Churches in India are concerned about the changing political scenario in the country. There are instances of growing right wing fundamentalism. The space for freedom of expression is being curtailed. At the same time the patriotism of religious minorities is being questioned. It is in this context that churches want to see the country standing [...]

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