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Warm Greetings! I am Mr. Kerio Wetsah from India. I am a member of the Council of Baptist Churches in Northeast India (CBCNEI). I belong to the ethnic community in the northeastern part of India called the "Nagas." I hold a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Literature (English), a Bachelor of Divinity (B.D.), and a Master of Theology (M.Th.) degree in Missiology. Previously, I worked as a faculty member in the Department of Missiology at Union Biblical Seminary, Pune, India (*affiliated to the Senate of Serampore University*) for two years, and also served as a Registrar for a year.



Writing is one of my passions, one of my articles is titled “Christ’s Love as the New Face of Christian Apologetics in India” in the *Ecumenical Review* Vol. 73/No. 3 (July 2021): 463-474. Besides writing, I am quite passionate about playing football and also enjoy interacting with people over a cup of tea or coffee.

My interest in missiological studies has been driven by a burden for the church and society. Accordingly, I am focused on studying the interactions between *Hindutva* and Christianity in Northeast India, intending to deconstruct conventional values and address social realities.

I appreciate the educational system here because it offers an intermediary between academic pursuit and praxis. In addition, the academy is a lively and stimulating space, I am enjoying the opportunities to meet people from various nations and cultures, which is augmenting my horizons and creativity by offering me different points of view. Hence, I am happy that the context here is fitting and will greatly enrich my research work.

Finally, I am grateful to the Academy for granting me a long-term scholarship for my doctoral studies at the University of Hamburg. It is a great honour to receive their trust and support.