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SCMI NEWSLETTER

HIGHLIGHTS

- NORTH EAST YOUTH CONSULTATION
- 'RUN LIKE A GIRL' CAMPAIGN
- IWD 2026 PROGRAMS
- INTER FAITH DIALOGUE
- MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOP
- ART, MUSIC & MEDIA WORKSHOP
- SOCIAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

NATIONAL NEWS

Youth Identity and Hope : Faith Responses to Crisis in North East India



SCMI and ICCJ recently held a Northeast Youth Consultation in Guwahati, bringing together 47 students, leaders, and scholars to address regional crises like ethnic violence and militarization. Through speaker sessions, grassroots visits, and group reflections, participants developed practical paths for faith-based activism and social engagement.

*Vilhusalie Chalieu
Executive Secretary,
Human Rights Desk, SCMI*

The Council of Nicaea 325 from Postcolonial Lenses



Iftar cum Interfaith Panel Discussion



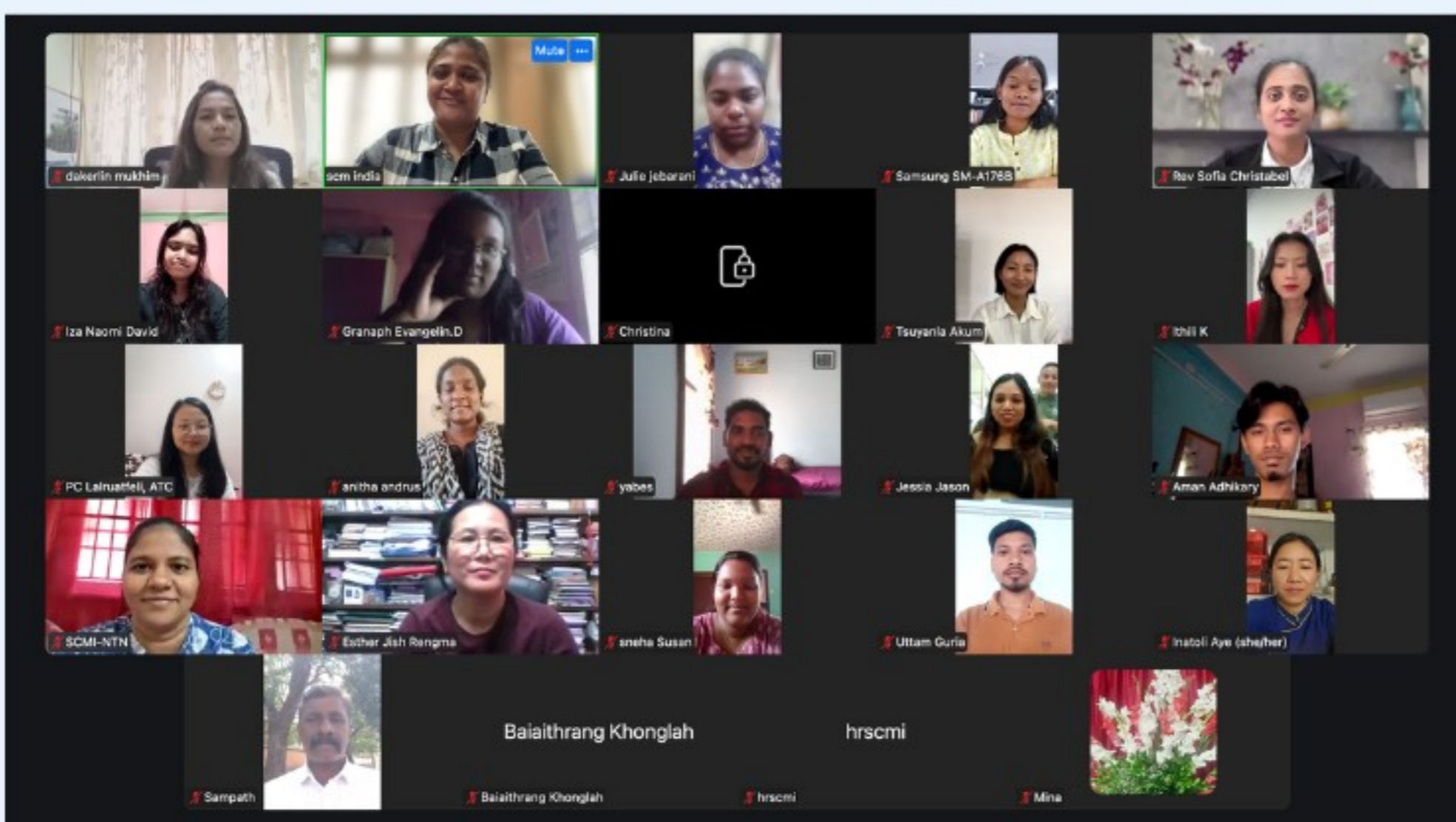
Interfaith Exposure with theological students



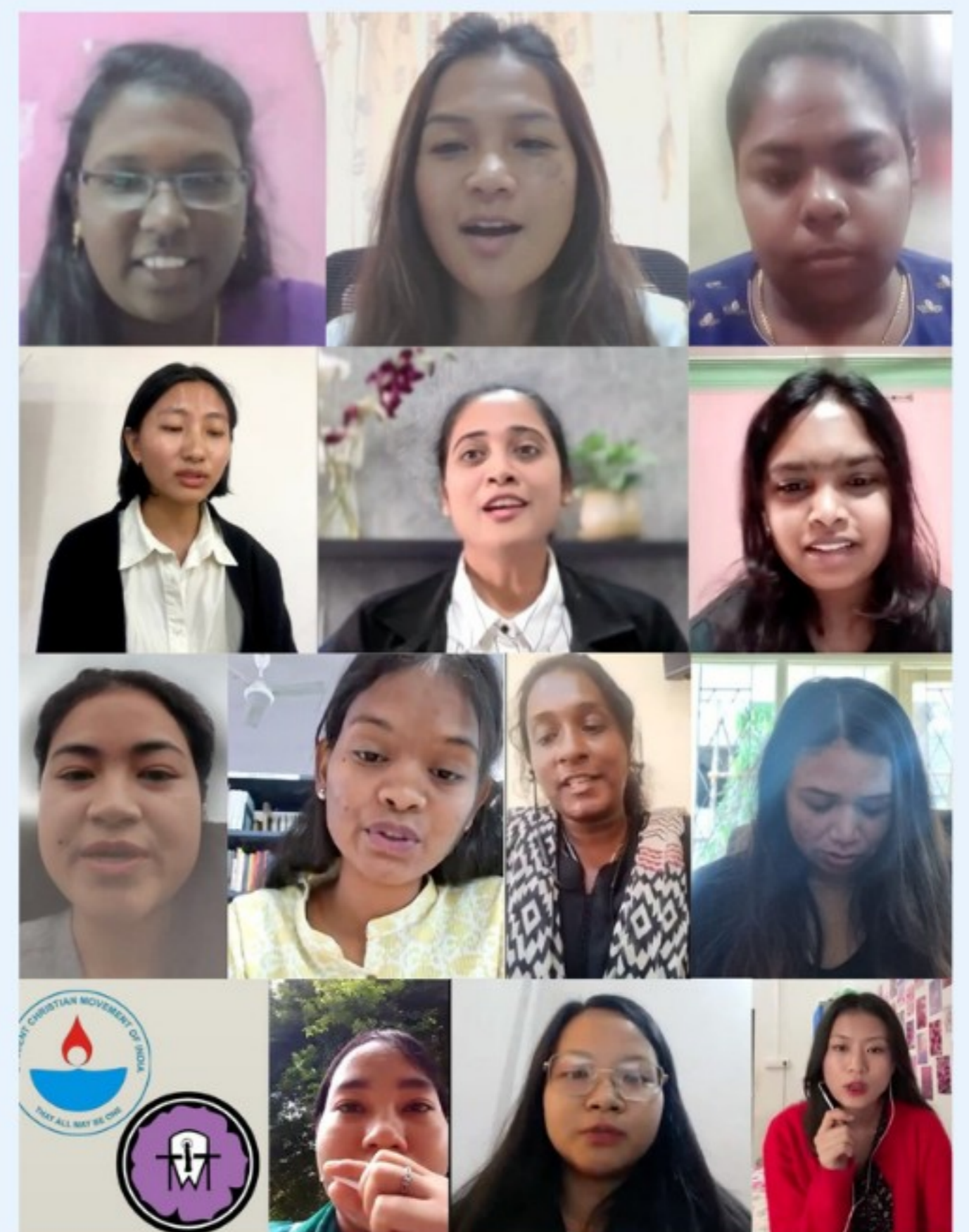
The Faith, Formation and Praxis (FFP) Desk spearheaded a series of diverse initiatives, including the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, interfaith exposure visits, and a national TSF conference on postcolonial theology. These programs, which included webinars on democratic rights such as Special Intensive Revision (SIR) and interfaith Iftar dialogues, successfully engaged students and scholars in critical reflection on ecumenism, constitutional values, and multi-faith harmony.

*Sathia Rabbin Das
Executive Secretary,
Faith, Formation and Praxis Desk, SCMI*

The E.A.S.E : Elevate, Amplify, Sustain and Engage



Observing ATTWI Founding Day



SCMI celebrated gender justice and leadership through an online tribute to the Association of Theologically Trained Women of India (ATTWI) and a collaborative International Women's Day workshop in Bengaluru. These events honoured the pioneering legacy of women in ministry while introducing the "E.A.S.E." framework to help young leaders navigate systemic barriers and build inclusive communities.

*Priscilla Rawade
Executive Secretary,
Gender and Social Justice Desk, SCMI*

'Run like a girl' Campaign

SCM regions across India, including South Tamil Nadu, Odisha, and West Bengal, vibrantly observed International Women's Day through the 'Run Like a Girl' campaign. These events successfully challenged gender stereotypes and empowered students to reclaim the phrase as a symbol of strength, leadership and resilience.



REGIONAL NEWS

WEST BENGAL REGION



SCMI Sunday - Bishop's College



SCMI Sunday - Serampore College



Students, Senior Friends, SCMI National Leadership Meet

SCM West Bengal hosted thematic "SCMI Sundays" at Serampore and Bishop's Colleges, focusing on prophetic witness amidst legal crises and ecological responsibility. These gatherings were followed by a regional consultative meet on 23 February 2026, where students, staff, and senior friends collaborated for an interactive exchange in the presence of the SCMI national leadership to strengthen SCMI's mission and growth in the region.

***Aman Adhikary
Programme Secretary,
West Bengal Region***

MEGHALAYA REGION

The SCM Meghalaya Region combined strategic unit revival with active outreach this quarter, highlighted by a vital panel discussion on student mental health, along with a Republic Day celebration at JRTC. While some units focused on leadership restructuring and ecclesiastical commitments, others demonstrated solidarity through goodwill visits to foster care and localized worship services.



77th Republic Day Celebrations



Regional Panel Discussion- The Silent Struggle: Addressing Theological Students' Anxiety

**Baiaithrang Khonglah
Programme Secretary,
Meghalaya Region**

SOUTH TAMILNADU REGION



***Bible study on
"Shared Values and Human Rights"***



***Ending Digital Violence against Women and
Girls***



SCMI Inaugural Programme at Bishop Dorairaj Peter Hall, TTS



***Renewing Commitment to SCM's Vision on
Campus***



***From Reflection to Action: Lenten Service
and Women's Day Campaign***

The South Tamilnadu Region advanced its mission through a dynamic mix of Lenten spiritual reflections and "Run Like a Girl" gender justice campaigns. These programs empowered students to tackle issues like digital violence and human rights, effectively bridging the gap between faith and social responsibility.

***Yabes Manokaran
Programme Secretary,
South Tamilnadu Region***

JHARKHAND - BIHAR REGION



Jharkhand-Bihar Region Annual Picnic

The SCM Jharkhand–Bihar Region held its Annual Picnic on 18 January 2026 at Bera Erge, bringing together around 60 members for a day of fellowship, shared meals, and meaningful interaction. The event strengthened unity, encouraged mentoring between seniors and youth, and refreshed participants, reinforcing the values of community, cooperation, and collective engagement within SCMI.

The region also distributed refreshments to around 3000 people during the Sarhul Festival in Ranchi despite heavy rain. The program showed strong dedication and teamwork among volunteers promoting unity, visibility, and the spirit of service among participants.



Refreshment Distribution on the Occasion of the Sarhul Festival

Uttam Guria
Programme Secretary,
Jharkhand-Bihar Region

ODISHA REGION



National Youth Day - “Ignite the Self and Impact the World”



One Billion Rising program, raising awareness about social issues



Jammuguda Parish Church celebrated International Women's Day (IWD)



The Odisha Region spent the first quarter of 2026 fostering spiritual growth and social activism through New Year reflections and Republic Day celebrations. Highlighting its commitment to gender justice, the region successfully launched the 'One Billion Rising' awareness programme and the 'Run Like a Girl' campaign to empower young women toward leadership and equality.



Social Justice Day program- “A Just Society”

***Mina Dip
Programme Secretary,
Odisha Region***

KERALA REGION



Art, Music & Social Media Workshop



**Workshop on Exam stress Management
John Cox Memorial CSI Institute of
Technology**



**Workshop on Exam Stress Management
at Christian College, Kattakada**



Workshop on Mental Health First Aid

The SCM Kerala Region focused on holistic student development through creative workshops in art and music, alongside critical mental health and stress management sessions for over 200 participants. Their commitment to global justice was further demonstrated by an online prayer vigil for peace in the Middle East, uniting students in solidarity and hope.

**Sneha Susan Mathai
Programme Secretary,
Kerala Region**

WESTERN INDIA REGION



IWD 2026 celebrations at College of Physiotherapy



IWD 2026 Celebrations at St. Monica D.Ed. College, Ahilyanagar

The SCM Western Region celebrated International Women's Day through vibrant events at Wanless College of Physiotherapy and St. Monica D.Ed. College, focusing on empowerment and gender equality. Under the themes "Run Like a Girl" and "Women's Empowerment," students engaged in creative poster-making, debates, and cultural performances that highlighted the resilience and leadership of women in society.

*Varsha Bhingardive
Programme Secretary,
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WELCOME TO NEW STAFF



Mr. Lovewin K. Cherian
Executive Secretary

Capacity Building and Programme Coordination

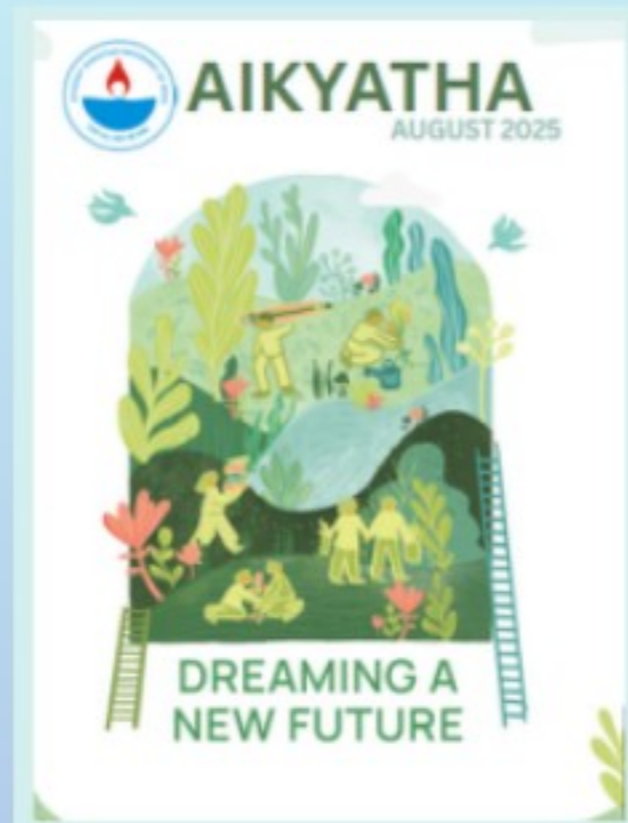
SCMI warmly welcomes our new staff members. Your presence brings fresh energy, gifts and vision to our shared mission. We look forward to journeying together in service and growth.



Mr. Binu Bill Bright A
Associate Executive Secretary
Mission and Scholarship Desk

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- **Twelve +**



UPCOMING PROGRAMMES

- Capacity building programme for SCMI Staff
- Fellowship Regional Programme at Punjab
- Building Youth for Transformation
- and many more....

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