

This wonderful revival broke out in Hrangkhoh area at Michikhur when the Biate brethren of Mualsei conducted a Gospel campaign along with the local new converts at nonbelievers locality. It was reported that on 3rd January 1953, at around 6:00P.M., a revival fire burned around the camping place and its reviving spirit overwhelmed the people. Nonbelievers by name Simlalsiak and Simlalnei directly touched by the reviving spirit and dance amazingly. As a result, they were converted on the following day. Hence, Simlalsiak totally abstained from eating kani (opium) and drinking Zu (liquor).<sup>46</sup> On hearing its rumour, many Christians rushed to visit the new souls, exhorted them and some received a new spirit. Through this revival impact, many souls were won for Christ.<sup>47</sup>

The revival movement of 1953 provided a significant contribution to the expansion of Christianity throughout its area. As believers increased, a church was formed at Michikhur with sixteen members in 1953. It was under the care of Borolokha till 1959. From Michikhur, Christianity spread to its surrounding area.<sup>48</sup> In 1995, a preaching station was formed at Michikhur Bagan under the care of Michikhur Church.<sup>49</sup> The Christians who left Michikhur and others formed a Church at New Michikhur in 1976.<sup>50</sup> By 1970 a Roman Catholic Church was set up at Purana Zoar, but some of the members left the Catholic Church and joined the Presbyterian Church in 1974. For three years, it was a preaching station under the care of Michikhur. In 1979, it became a full-fledged Church.<sup>51</sup> In this area, there are about 85% Christians at present.

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<sup>46</sup> *Ibid.* Interview with Chonhrutlian of Robipui, on 24<sup>th</sup> April 1997.

<sup>47</sup> Interview with Eld. Vansumthang of Michikhur, on 27<sup>th</sup> April 1997.

<sup>48</sup> Interview with Eld. Vansumthang and Eld. Thangchunthoi of Michikhur, on 27th April 1997.

<sup>49</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>50</sup> Interview with Eld. Tanglalchung of New Michikhur, on 17th May 18997.

<sup>51</sup> Interview with Eld. Chungthang and Thanghonil of Purana Zoar, on 25th April 1997.

Cf. N.C. Hills Hrangkhoh Kristian Golden Jubilee Souvenir, p.10.