

are 30 (thirty) local Churches with 2 (two) Preaching Stations in the Silchar Presbytery of Cachar Hill Tribes Synod.⁴⁰ The Church had never been rich in material and financial because most of the tribal inhabited areas are under the Forest Reserved of Assam Government.

As mentioned earlier, Christianity entered into South Cachar area in the middle of 19th century through the work of Welsh Missionaries. However, they worked especially among the non-tribals in urban area. In South Cachar, the Hrangkhols received the Gospel from the Mizo evangelists during the 7th decade of present century. As denominational consciousness developed, some members joined the Salvation Army, Evangelical Free Church of India (EFCI) and Presbyterian Church. Of these, Presbyterian Church is the leading denomination in South Cachar, Assam.

⁴⁰ *Statistics of the Silchar Presbytery of Cachar Hill Tribes Synod for the year ending 31st December, 1996.*