

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church & School welcomes

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Beyond my Dreams.....

The Lord is faithful in all His words and loving in all His deeds. – Psalm 145:17

The Psalmist indeed described the faithfulness of God in the life of every person who recognizes the greatness of the Lord.

I was born in a small village called Rangmaw in the Hill state of Meghalaya, India, and lived with my parents, the late Mr. Philip Nongsiej and the late Mrs. Etheltrida Jyrwa, and eight siblings. Being a large family, my beloved parents raised us up in a very loving atmosphere with deep faith in God through family prayers, daily Rosary, Sunday Catechism, and Sunday Holy Mass.

Immediately after completing my grade 10 from the parish school, I joined the Aspirantate in India where I completed my higher secondary school. When I reached the novitiate in the second year, I became ill and could not proceed ahead.



I remembered, and was so impressed by their way of approaching me as a little girl, their love, care and concern, as well to the people; the young, the old and the poorest of the poor. They were so enthusiastic in their missionary activities, like schools, boarding houses, homes for the homeless kids, the aged, pastoral work, counselling, healing ministry, and other social apostolates according to the needs of the time. All of these made me think more about the life ahead to be a missionary as a religious. With this in mind, I returned to the congregation, and went through the novitiate once more. I worked in the formation house as a formator, forming the young girls who were aspiring to be religious and missionaries. I also worked in the boarding houses as the main in charge, treasurer of the house, and teacher. Then later as Vice Principal and Principal for a few years.

Going through years of experience as religious is not a bed of roses, yet I feel the joy and satisfaction like I have done something for Jesus, whom I chose to be mine, even in the unknown land, unknown people, and unknown culture. Once I step in, I always try to insert myself with the people of the place as their own, and make them as my own.



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