

Missionary) in March 1952, and in 1959 it became a full-fledged Church.³⁰

In 1950s Evan, Suanghang frequently visited Buangkung. As a result of his visit, Neihrilthang was converted in Jan. 1953. He became the Church elder in 1963. In 1954, a church was formed at Buangkung with about sixteen members³¹ Since unevangelised area was vast, the C.H.T. Synod Mission Board provided evangelist-teacher named Mr. Khaikhogen to serve at Paija in 1959. From 1963, Suanthanglian worked at Paija. As a result of their service, a church was formed at Paija in 1968.³² Evangelist-teacher Suangkhuaplal of Buangkung served at Loskor (Bualmual) from 25th April, 1964 till his death on 18th Dec. 1995. As a result of his service, a church was formed at Loskor in 1966.³³

Christianity spread further to the villages named Kalimabong and Tuikim. It was said that in 1957, an epidemic broke out at Kalimabong. Some people lost their lives. Due to the cause of fear, the people had a decision to embrace Christian Faith. As a result, they informed the Chaptuk Church in 1958. In August 1958, Vanituzem and others of Chaptuk came and made 9 (nine) converts. In 1959, a church was formed at Kalimabong.³⁴ Even till now there are about 45% non-Christians in this village. It was in 1970, a preaching station was formed at Tuikim under the care of Kalimabong Church.³⁵

³⁰ Interview with Eld. Chonsuilian, Eld. Vantheilian of Tangpui, on 12th May 1997.

Interview with Suanghang of Tangpui, on 16th May 1997. Cf. *N.C. Hills Hrangkhoh Kristian Golden Jubilee Souvenir*, p.2.

³¹ Interview with Eld. Neihrilthang of Buangkung on 10th - 11th May 1997. Cf. *N.C. Hills Hrangkhoh Kristian Golden Jubilee Souvenir*, p.2.

³² Interview with Rev. Khaikhogen, at Zion, on 17th May 1997.

Interview with Suanthanglian of Buangkung, on 11th May 1997.

Interview with Eld. Puilalthoi of Paija on 9th May 1997.

³³ Interview with Eld. Neilunglian, Eld. Chunglianril of Loskor, on 8th May 1997.

Interview with Eld. Neihrilthang of Buangkung on 11th May 1997.

³⁴ Interview with Eld. Lalmisong of Robipui, on 23rd April 1997. Cf. *N.C. Hills Hrangkhoh Kristian Golden Jubilee Souvenir*, p.9.

³⁵ Interview with Rev. Khaikhogen, at Zion, on 17th May 1997. See also *N.C. Hills Hrangkhoh Kristian Golden Jubilee Souvenir*, p.11.