



# Pastoral letter from the Moderator

May-June 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Greetings to you all in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. May the resurrected and the ascended Jesus Christ bless you all and the Holy Spirit whom Jesus promised and sent to the disciples be with you all ! Neither the time is ahead of us nor the time is waiting for us. But the time is presently running with us. Yes, it is very important to us and really the present time is very important for us!

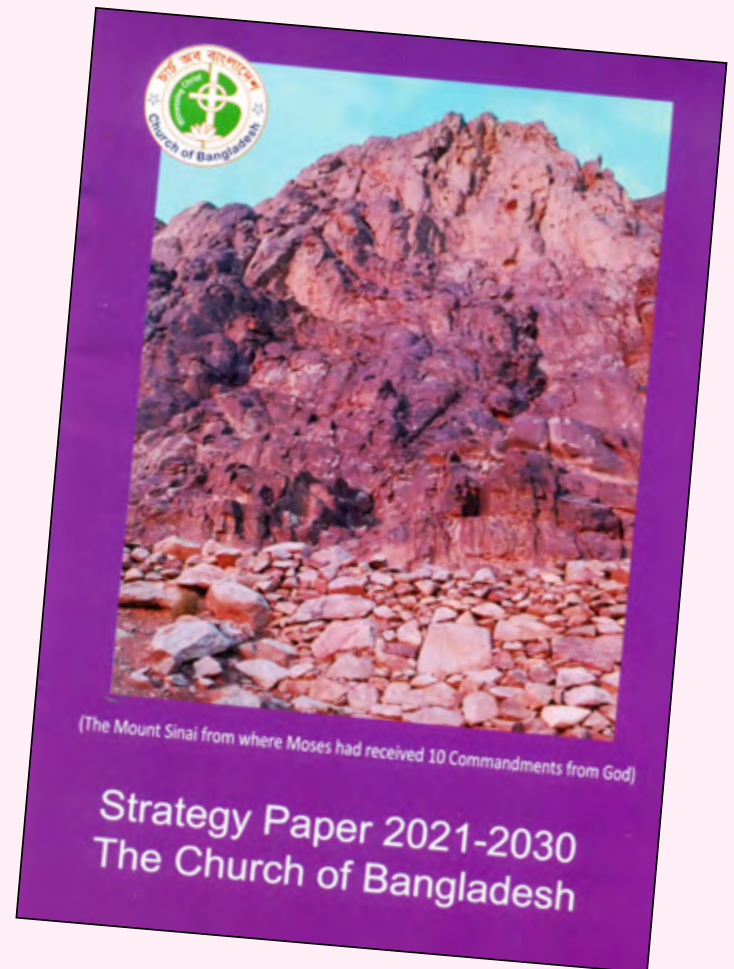
In midst of the corona during the last two years, my office colleague and I didn't wait to end the corona pandemic and start the Strategy Planning for the Church of Bangladesh but we worked and successfully completed it from our end. We got approval on it from the Synod Executive and received very important feedback from our mission and donor partners for which we are so grateful to them. We didn't wait then to roll out the Strategy Plans to implement it since we have been committed to bringing a result of it in the first phase by June 2025 and finally by June 2030.

Aiming at the goal, we have started various workshops for the Head Teachers of the COB-run Schools, Women Fellowship, Youth Fellowship, Bible School programs of the Synod, and Diocesan level committee members and gotten to know them about the SDP of the COB for the next ten years. We have started sharing with the members, Clergy, and Bishops about the SDP and of its ten target ministries and mission, vision, and values that we have adopted for the COB. Some may think that what is the use of it having and what should we do with this SDP ? But in midst of hundred questions, we are patiently determined to make them known to them and make them habituate and practice the SDP. This SDP we have done with the help of our great friends of the USPG and ACF and which



the CWM also had supported. We have published two publications, one in English and the other in Bengali which we have started to reach those in each and every family of the COB. So that the COB within the ten years of time could achieve the goals of the Spiritual and Financial sustainability and our church is shown as a life-flourishing church and a missional church and can able to serve the members of the COB and witness Christ in

Bangladesh. We have many other programs of the COB but the main target is to achieve the goals of the SDP of the COB.



God Almighty may bless us all!

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