



# The Lent Appeal

Respected friends and members of the Church, dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the period of fasting or penance gives us an opportunity for self-purification in our lives. In this mortal world we constantly must go through various temptations and demands. We become corrupted and confused. To get rid of this we need purification or self-purification. Through self-restraint or austerity during fasting, we once again take the opportunity to become worthy children of God.

According to the strategy paper of the Church of Bangladesh, 'Propagation of Christ and establishment of new churches' - which will be continued till 2030 AD. The money collected through the charity in Dhaka Diocese will be used to spread the word of Christ and establish new churches. Dr. William Carey said- Expect great things from God and take steps to do great things for God. So by continuing this work, we hope for a good harvest in the future. In Dhaka Diocese, especially in Dhaka, there are many businessmen, capable, doing good jobs, if we receive their donations and cooperation, the preaching work of the church and the establishment of God's kingdom will be easier. Your sacrifices are requested to be sent to Dhaka Diocese.

Several new churches have been established in the Rajshahi Deanery of Kushtia Diocese. It has not yet been possible to build a catechist's residence in those villages and a church in two villages. So a lot of money and cooperation is needed to run the church work properly. We know that there are many people in Kushtia Diocese who are capable, are staying abroad and doing good job with handsome salary, it is humbly requested to send donations and financial support to the address of Kushtia Diocese.

Meanwhile two new churches have been established in Barishal Diocese. There is no designated place or place of worship for the people of the new churches. There is no accommodation even for attendants or Catechists. It is necessary to purchase land for the new church, build a house of worship and house for catechists. Donations or money collected through austerities in the Diocese of Barishal will be used to build two new churches with their own space, a house of worship and accommodation for attendants. The Scholars and rich people of Barishal Diocese who have been living in Dhaka or other parts of the country, have been specially requested to send sacrifices or special donations to Barishal Diocese.