Invitation

The activities mentioned in this pamphlet are undertaken by Literature and Culture Department. Individuals, families and churches are invited to work together for our Karen Baptist Convention through researching, publishing and other programmes. Well-wishers are requested and invited to send contributions for the departmental activities to the KBC office. For more information, inquiries could be made in person at the department or by mail addressed to the KBC office.

Acknowledgement

Worthy is God of our praises and thanks for sustaining and blessing us in all our activities. We are indeed grateful to leaders, elders, members of Literature and Culture Committee, and individuals as well as organizations that support us through human resources or finance. We also thank all KBC members, local and abroad for their support through prayers, advice, contributions, and writings in materializing activities of our Literature and Culture Department.

Introduction

Leaders of Karen Baptist Convention are always considering and planning for the preservation of the Karen language, literature and culture of the members of K.B.C. Therefore, the Literature and Culture Department was initiated in 2011 by the K.B.C.

Cooperating with other Departments for the 21st Century Mission (Phase 2) Programmes

In accordance with the programmes planned by the 21st Century Mission (Phase 2), Literature and Culture Department is working together with Women’s Department, Youth department and Religious Education Department in Library Establishing Programmes.

KBC Gmail, mail address - kbc1913@gmail.com

Thramu Nita (Director) - 0949269696
Thramu Eh Lah Khu (Program Co-ordinator) - 0931633499
Thramu Greta Htoo (Project Staff) - 09420105229
Goals

To preserve and maintain constant development of Karen literature and culture.

Objectives

1. To help the KBC and the Karen people know and love their language, literature, and culture.
2. To restore the long lost old Karen languages and ancient Karen literature, to coin new words for contemporary Karen language, and to produce and publish new literature.
3. To preserve Karen literature and culture.

Activities

The three sub-committees under the Literature and Culture Department are:

1. Program Research Committee
   - Researching correct spellings
   - Researching old and new words
   - Interviewing Karen old leaders
   - Researching Karen history and traditions

2. Publishing Committee
   - Books that have been published by this department are: English-Karen Dictionary, Old and New Karen Words, Poster, Famous Patriotic Karen Leaders (Book 1), and Booklets.

3. Program Committee
   - Campaign to the churches of Pathein
   - Myaungmya Association Night performance of Literature and Culture at the KBC annual mass meeting
   - Updating Sgaw Karen Literacy Programme

   This programme aims at providing a good foundation of education for children through Mother Tongue Based Multi Lingual Education.

   2009 - Initiating Mother Tongue Based Multi Lingual Education
   2010 - Orientation Workshop
   2011 - Training and Planning Workshop; Writer’s
   2012 - Writer’s
   2013 - Writer’s
   2014 - Updating Sgaw Karen Literacy Programme

   This programme aims at providing a good foundation of education for children through Mother Tongue Based Multi Lingual Education.