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Sha ki nongsharai ki balang shnong bad sha baroh ki parabangeit ba ieit eh jong ka Balang ka bakhuid

Ka Jingaiei, jingisynei bad jingsuk kan long lem ryngkat bad phi na U Trai bad U Nongpynim jong ngi u, Jisu Khrist ✕. Amen.

Nga shim ia kane ka kabu ban kren sha phi bad ban ialam ia phi baroh ban pynleit jingmut sha kawei na ki bynta ba donkam tam ha ka history jong ka balang: ka jingrakhie buh jingkynmaw kaba nyngkong eh jong i Metropolitan u kpa ba kyja mynsiem jong ngi, u Athanasius Yohan I. Ha u bnai May 8 tarik, 2025, ka dei kawei na ki jingbuhdak kaba lah dap shi snem ka jingrung jong i sha ka jingshongthait kaba bymjukut.

Ka dei kaba shisha ka long kaba eh bha iangi kum ka balang ban sngewthuh ia ka jingkhlad noh jong i na kane ka pyrthei, pynban ngi don ia ka kabu ban buh jingkynmaw ia kiei kiei ki jingkynmaw ba bha jong i ban im. Da ka jingieit nga kyrapd ia phi ban pyrthuh bud ia ka jingim jong i — da kaba im katkum ki jinghikai ia kaba i lah dep hikai iangi, iai bteng ban leh ia ka kam kaba i lah sdang, bad hikai ia ki sha kiwei pat ki pateng jong ngi. Kane ka jingkitkhlieh kam dei kaba pynkhia ia phi hynrei ka jingkmen bad ka burom na ka bynta jong ngi i wei pa i wei — kawei na kata ka dei ba ngi dei ban kdup ia ka thong bad ka jingkut jingmut.

Ka Balang kaba khuid ka dang pynkhreh na ka bynta ka jingrakhie sah jingkynmaw kaba nyngkong ba dap shi snem ka jingkhlad noh i, Metropolitan Athanasius Yohan I, of blessed memory. Ngi dei ban pynkhreh naduh ka dohnud bad ki jingmut jongpyrkhat jong ngi ha kane ka jingrakhie kaba kyntang. Kum ka balang shnong, wan lang ban buh jingduwai bad ainguah ia u Blei na ka bynta ka jingim bad jingtrei shitom jong u kpa ba kynja mynsiem jong ngi ia kaba u la iehnoh hangi. Sngewbha ban nym leh lyndet ia kane ka sngi buhjingkynmaw kum ka sngi buhjingkynmaw ka bymdonkam ha ki baroh sawdong ki kynroh jong phi. Hynrei, shim ia ka synjam ban iaid sha khmat — buh ia ka ka jingrakhie burom ia ka jingsah jingkynmaw ia i ha ka rukom ba treikam bha, kumba u Metropolitan u kpa ba kynja mynsiem jong ngi u la pyni bad hikai iangi: ban shakri ia kiwei ha kane ka pyrthei da ka jingieit bad jingsngewlem.

Kum u kpa ba kynja mynsiem jong phi, Nga kwah ban ialam ia ka jingpynleit jingmut jong phi sha u shabi jong ki bynta jong ka rukom im rukom long jong u Metropolitan uba la leit noh jong ngi ba ngi hap ban im bad bud nuksa ia ki — ym tang ha kane ka sngi hynrei ha man la ka sngi.

1. Ki kam jong ka jingsngewlem bad iarap ia kiba donkam jingiarap: ka dohnuh jong u kpa ba la leit noh jong ngi ka pait na ka bynta kiba duk, ba pang, bad la shah kyntait noh, u la jied ban kut jingmut ban ieit ia ki kumba u Khrist u ieit ia ki. Ha ka jingkynmaw ia u, Nga kyrapad ia phi ban poi sha kito kiba donkam jingiarap — la ka long da ki jingaisngewbha, da kaba leit jngoh ia kiba pang, lane ki kam bas bun kiba rit eh ha ka imlang sahlang jong phi.

2. Jingduwai ba man la sngi bad pynshat jingshai: U kpa ba la leit noh jong ngi u la pynshlur iangi kum ka balang ban duwai khlem da pud bad pynlong ia ka jingduwai u Jisu (The Jesus Prayer) ka bynta jong ka jingim ba man la ka sngi jong ngi. To ngin aiti ia lade sha ka jingduwai kaba kham jylliew — lyngba ka jingduwai ba shimet shimet, jingduwai ba shiing shi sem, da kaba leit jingiaseng Divine Liturgy, bad iaineh ha ka jingduwai jong u Jisu.

3. Shakri ia ka balang bad ia ka imlang sah lang: U kpa ba la leit noh jong ngi u ieit bha ia ka balang kaba khuid naduh ka dohnud bad shakri ia ka khlem da man thait ban tei ia ka. Kawei ka jingong (statement) kaba u la juh ong barabor ka dei, “Pyrkhat Ka Balang (Think Church).” To ngin bteng ban leh ia ka kam kaba u leh da kaba ai ia ka por bad ia ki sap ki phong jong ngi na ka bynta ka jingheh jingsan jong ka Balang, lyngba kata, ka jingbha jingdap jingbiang ka imlang sahlang jong ngi. Ki don shibun bah ki kabu iangi ban shakri ha ka lynti kaba rit ne ha kaba heh — iarap ha ki jingleit ialap (Outreach) kaba ka balang ka pynlong.

4. Pynneh pynsah ia ka Jingneit na ka bynta ka pateng kaba lashai: U kpa uba la leit noh jong ngi u ieit bha ia ki khynnah bad barabor u ai ka jingsngewkhia kaba kham halor na ka bynta jong ki. To ngin shim khia ban ai ia ka jingim jong ka balang kaba khuid ha ki pateng ki ban wan jong ngi lyngba ki jingiaseng kynnah, jingiaseng samla (Believers Youth), jingiaseng khynthei, ki rukom pyniaid ka balang (catechism), jingduwai, bad im ka jingim ba long ka nuksa sha kiwei. To ngin tip bad pynskhem ia ka jingneit kaba u kpa ba la leit noh jong ngi u la ngeit bad thaw ia ka balang kan iai bteng ban iaineh bad iaisah bad thaw ia ki pateng ki ban sa wan jong ngi.

Ko kiba ieit eh jong nga, Nga kyrapad ia phi ba phim dei ban long tang ki nong sngew hynrei, kaba kham donkam ka long ban long ki nongleh. To ngin kdup bad pynneh pynsah ia ka rukom im jong u kpa jong ka balang jong ngi, Metropolitan Athanasius Yohan I, of blessed memory.

Kynmaw, la khot iangi ban long ki kti, ka shyntur bad ki kjat jong u Jisu — ban shakri ia kiwei bad ban pynshat jingshai ia ka dur u Khrist, ia kaba lah dep shon shap hapoh jong ngi. To ngin iai bteng ban long kum u Khrist.

Ai ba ka jingsah jingkynmaw ia i kan long bymjukut!

Ai ba U Blei lai ha u wei, u kpa, u khun, bad u Mynsiem Bakhuid un ialam iangi da ka jingisynei ba jysur bad jingaiei bakhraw jong u; bad ai ba ka jingiasaid jong baroh ki riewkhuid bad ka Kmie ka bakhuid (The Holy Mother Theotokos) kan long ka jingiada na ka bynta jong ngi hakhmat ka khet jong u Blei, mynta bad barabor ✕. Amen.

Da ka jingieit ba kynja kpa bad ki jingduwai,

Moran Mor Samuel Theophilus Metropolitan

P.S: Sngewbha pynthikna bha ban pule khlem pep ia kane ka shithi ha man la ki balang shnong na ka bynta ban pynshlur bad ai mynsiem ia kiba parabangeit.

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