



## **Chalo Delhi – 17 August 2023**

**For Manipur**

**Speech of Rev. Brighty Beulah, National Vice President**

**Respected Dignitaries, Leaders from around the country and Friends,**

**I am so sad that we have to have this prayer meeting. In another sense I am glad that we are praying to the Lord who answers all the sincere prayers. The situation in Manipur is very well known to all of us here. I will not go into the details or numbers.**

**As a woman leader in Christian Community, coming from a Pastor's family and working for the welfare of Churches and Pastors and Christian community I speak on behalf of my sisters in Manipur. It so disgusting to see the women and their bodies used as a means of taking revenge either in the ethnic conflict or in a religious conflict.**

**The naked parading of women is so barbaric and taking our country into rock ages. As Brinda ji has clearly stated the information of how the father and brother of the rape victims were murdered and then the ladies paraded naked and raped and killed, this is so shameful on the law enforcing authorities that there is no safety for women in our country still. I strongly condemn this violence on Women. Only idiots and stupid men attack women. This inhuman treatment of women should stop. There should be safety, security and peace ensured and rendered to all Women.**

**Our country has coined the slogan of Beti Bachao, Beti Padao. This is so shameful that Beti and all the other ladies are not even able to live in dignity and be safe. This sloganeering is fully useless if on the ground the basic safety is not given to Beti and her mother and the ladies. They say that the lady is a goddess or such in talks or in notions only but in practice in Manipur it is the opposite that is happening. Very shameful on the authorities at the state level and at the centre too that have not done their duty of safeguarding the beti. What is the meaning of this slogan Beti Bachao in Manipur? Rubbish. The authorities should come to act now and do the protection of beti and ladies and then the citizens will follow too.**

**As many dignitaries are here to speak, I would like to close and say that the Lord Jesus whom me and my family follow has always honoured women. Just to quote a few, he was born of a woman, he healed the woman with bleeding problem, he sat and talked with a Samaritan woman that was an outcaste in his day and was not a socially common practice. He loved women and had a special place for them during his time.**

**In this inhuman and unexplainable Manipur situation I want to shout loud and clear to all the Manipuri sisters that we are here to pray for you. We will stand in Solidarity with you until justice is done and the culprits booked for their crimes. We are extremely sorry that it is taking so many days for normalcy to return. But we stand in prayer and in solidarity with you. God loves you sisters in Manipur, we are with you.**







