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Reviewer(s)' Comments to Author:

Reviewer: 1


Comments to the Author

This paper is interesting but needs improvement in the writing structure. The struggle of the Simalungun tribe to have its own church organization has indeed begun since the early 19th century as described in the paper, but in the END PARTS the paper is not explained in concrete terms of the achievement of the struggle, that has formed GKPS (Simalungun Protestant Christian Church).

In the historical analysis, it is not completely explained how the transformation process from the RMG (Rheinische Mission Gesselschaft) to HKBP (Huria Kristen Batak Protestant), became HKBPS (Huria Kristen Batak Protestant Simalungun) and finally became GKPS (Simalungun Protestant Christian Church) viewed from the theoretical perspective identity theory.

In the analysis there is no primary data, for example in the form of interviews or questionnaires to the Simalungun community or the Simalungun church management, to show how significant the identity they want to fight for and in what forms of identity do they want in church organizations, such as language, worship procedures, including the Simalungun tradition in the church, etc. The theories about identity are not fully discussed for the Simalungun ethnic case which should be used as an analytical tool for this paper.

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