

# Basel Mission Archives

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"Ramseyer to Basel (from Neuenburg)"

- Title:** "Ramseyer to Basel (from Neuenburg)"
- Ref. number:** D-01.43.V..126
- Date:** Proper date: 16.10.1885
- Description:** Proposing that Agogo be settled as a European station - the area is too distant from Abetifi to be supervised properly by the missionaries there. The Agogohene has already asked twice for a teacher. This is connected with a new appraisal of the situation in Asante. The current anarchy in Kumasi resulting in the falling away from Asante of still more states has meant that the settlement of a missionary in Kumasi is no longer the first step towards an Asante mission -indeed the Asante kingdom no longer exists, only the Asante nation. Part of his argument that the mission should step forward he cites the case of Abetifi. If they had arrived there four weeks later in 1875 they might well have been refused permission to build a station. As it was they arrived just at the time when Asante ambassadors with a great sum of money were negotiating for the return of Kwahu to the Kumasi allegiance, and had they not arrived when they did it is possible that they would have been successful.
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