

Behold, Christ comes!

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“Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see Him, and they also which pierced Him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. Even so, Amen.” Revelation 1:7

“He cometh.” Here is the great fact plainly stated. Christ has not gone to heaven to stay there. He has gone for His Church’s benefit; and for His Church’s benefit He will return again, not in spirit only, not in the mere removal of men by death, but in His own proper person, as “the Son of man.”

Few believe this, and still fewer lay it to heart. Many sneer at the very idea, and laugh down the people who are so simple as to believe it.

But it is nevertheless the immutable truth of God, predicted by all His prophets, promised by Christ Himself, confirmed by the testimony of angels, proclaimed by all the apostles, believed by all the early Christians, acknowledged in all the Church creeds, sung of in all the church hymn books, prayed about in all the church liturgies, and entering so essentially into the very substance of Christianity, that without it there is no Christianity except a few maimed and mutilated relics too powerless to be worth the trouble or expense of preservation.

That religion which does not look for a returning Saviour, or locate its highest hopes and triumphs in the judgment scenes for which the Son of man must reappear, is not the religion of the Bible, and is without authority to promise salvation to its devotees. And those addresses to the churches which have no “Behold He cometh” pervading or underlying them, have not been indicted by “the Seven Spirits of God,” nor sent by Him whose Revelation is the crown of the inspired Canon.

Murmur at it, dispute it, despise it, mock at it, put it aside, hate it, and hide from it, as men may, it is a great fundamental article of the Gospel, that that same blessed Lord, who ascended from Mount Olivet, and is now at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, shall come from thence to judge the quick and the dead, and to stand again on that very summit from which He went up. This is true, as Christ Himself is true, and “he that hath an ear to hear, let him hear.” Amen.

With Majesty And Glory

“He cometh with the clouds.” Here is the great characteristic in the manner of His coming. “With the clouds,” that is, in majesty and glory—with the pomp and splendor

of Him “who maketh the clouds His chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind” (Psa. 104:3).

“And every eye shall see Him. “Here is the publicity of the sublime event. It is not said that all shall see Him at the same time, or in the same scene, or with the same feelings. Other passages teach us that some eyes will see Him while He is yet to others invisible, and that He will be manifested to some at one time and place, and to others at other times and places, and in different acts of the wonderful drama.

But somewhere, at some time, in some stage of His judicial administrations, there never has been and never will be that human being who shall not see Him. To every one that has lived, and to every one who shall live, He will show Himself, and compel every eye to meet His eye. The dead shall be brought to life again, and shall see Him, and the living shall see Him. The good shall see Him, and the wicked shall see Him.

Some shall see Him and shout: “Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us: this is the Lord; we have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation” (Isa. 25:9). Others shall see Him and cry to “the mountains and rocks: Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; for the great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?” (Rev. 6:16, 17).

“And they which pierced Him.” Though His manifestation shall be absolutely universal, it has an awful distinction with reference to some. Of all beings who shall then wish to be saved that sight will be those who murdered Him. But they shall not escape it. They must each and all some day confront Him and meet His all-penetrating gaze. From the wretched man who betrayed Him, down to the soldier who pierced His side, and all who have made common cause with them in wrong, persecuting, wounding and insulting that meek Lamb of God, shall then be compelled to face His judgment seat and to look upon Him whom they have pierced.

“And all the tribes of the land shall mourn about Him. “Is not this a special word for the Jews? Is it not an allusion to a wail of penitence which shall be elicited from long apostate Israel when they shall look upon Him whom they have pierced, and doubt of His messiahship no more?

Does it not refer to the fulfillment of Zechariah 12:10, where the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem shall mourn for Him, as one mourneth for His only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him as one is in bitterness for his first born? Oh, the intensity of that bitterness!

Consternation Of Unconverted

Brethren, I do not wonder that worldlings and half-Christians have no love for this doctrine, or that they hate to hear about Christ’s speedy coming. It is the death knell of their gaieties and pleasures—the turning of their confidence to consternation—the conversion of their songs to shrieks of honor and despair.

There is a day coming, when “the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of man shall be made low” (Isa. 2:17); when there shall be “upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity” (Luke 21:25); when “all the tribes of the earth shall mourn” (Matt. 24:30); when men shall “go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth” (Isa. 2:19); “into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the Lord, and for the glory of His majesty” (Isa. 2:21); when men “shall seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them” (Rev. 9:6).

And that day is the day of Christ’s coming, and those dismayed ones are such as love not His appearing. Fear and dread shall fall upon the wicked; trouble and anguish shall make them afraid; and men’s hearts shall fall them for fear, and for looking after those things that are coming on the earth.

The saints will then have been caught away to their Lord. From the same field, the same shop, the same bed, one shall have been taken and the other left. And on those remaining ones, who had not watched, neither kept their garments, nor made themselves ready, shall the tenors of judgment fall, and not a family or tribe of all that live shall escape.

“Even so, Amen.” Some take this as the seal and ratification of the solemn truths which have just been uttered. If this be the true meaning, what particular stress is to be laid upon these things—how sure to come to pass—how unmistakably certain!

Brethren, it does seem to me, when I look at the Scriptures on this subject, that even the best of us are not half awake. May God arouse us by His Spirit, and not permit us to sleep till the thunders and terrors of the great day are upon us!

To Be Eagerly Awaited

But I find another and more natural sense of these words—“Even so, Amen.” I find in them John’s acquiescence in all that the great day is to bring, and his prayer, as repeated at the end of the book of Revelation, that the Lord would hasten its coming. Terrible as it will be to the wicked, and the unprepared, and those who refuse the warnings which we give them, it is a precious day to the saints, a day to be coveted, and to be prayed for with all earnestness of desire.

The poor, faint-hearted Christianity of our times can hardly contemplate it without trembling and annoyance. Many who profess and call themselves Christians would rather not hear about it, and would prefer, if they had their choice, that Christ might never come.

It was not so in the days of Christianity’s pristine vigor. Then the anxious inquiry of disciples was, “Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?” (Matt. 24:3). “Lord, wilt Thou at this time restore the Kingdom to Israel?” (Acts 1:6).

Then Christians wrote to each other in joyous congratulation, that their citizenship was in heaven, whence they looked for the coming of the Saviour; and comforted one another in the assurance that the Lord Himself is to descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God, and as directed by their Lord, lifted up their heads, and looked up with joyful hope at every turn in human affairs which they could by any means construe into a probable herald of His nearing appearance.

Then the prayer, “Thy Kingdom come,” had a depth of meaning and lively anticipation which now has well-nigh been lost. Then “the appearing of Jesus Christ” had a power over the soul which made it “rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory”; and the most earnest and constant call of apostles and their followers was, “Come, Lord Jesus; come quickly. Even so, Amen.”

Nor can the Church ever be her true self, or enter into the true spirit of her faith, or rise to the true sublimity of her hope, where this is not the highest object of her deepest desire. For how, indeed, can we regard ourselves as rightly planted upon the apostolic foundation, if we cannot join the heart and soul in this apostolic prayer—“Even so, come, Lord Jesus!” (Rev. 22:20).



Slowing down

In the last Care & Serve July 2019 edition, I emphasized the point that BA (Born Again) should be the foundational criteria for any partners who involve in the ministries of MUT in serving His servants. This foundation clearly distinguishes between the things of God and the things of the world. It reinforces in the perception of both Member Care and Missionary care as the children of God and empower us to involve as His servants. Willingness to stoop down and wash the feet of His servants is only possible when the foundation (BA) is laid strong.

The other area God is speaking to me is in the area of 'slowing down' in the context of my packed working schedule with travel, meetings and communication systems. Life without margin is a mess and its very much applicable to me both in my life and in the ministry which results in burnout, unproductive, relational hurts and so on. As I was reflecting on this process of slowing down for my own personal living I had leaned some principles which I am attempting to practice in my life, family and ministry. The following are some:

1. Slowing down enables us to wait upon the Lord for His time. The wedding at Cana of Galilee, in the midst of need and high stress in the family and there was an urgency to act immediately, Jesus said, " ...my hour has not yet

come". (Jn 2:4)

2. Slowing down allows God to work in His ways. In Psalms 46:10 " Be still and know that I am God..." When God works it always result in God being exalted, glorified and worshipped.
3. Slowing down helps in aligning with the purpose of God. Apostle Paul and his team were hindered not to proceed further in their plan for the ministry so that the purpose of God for them in Macedonia was fulfilled. (Acts 16: 6,7,10)
4. Slowing down prepares to fight against the powers and the principalities of the world. In Ephesians 6:13 the Greek word used for 'withstand, fight' means ' to take a position'. In order to win the battle positioning is a key strategy.
5. Slowing down reinforces the being (inner life) and not the doing (activity). The very purpose that Jesus chose his apostles is, "...they might be with him..." (Mark 3:14)

We thank God for enabling us to involve in various means of care to His servants facilitating in many ways. It is worth to think through some of the principles stated above and apply to our own living situations and the ministry we involve with.

Retired Missionary Welfare

A Report from Aug – Nov 2019

Purpose of Retired Missionary Care: 'Once a missionary – Always a missionary' and 'A missionary needs to be cared for from his Ministry Call to Home Call'. A retired missionary has lots of unmet needs in the physical, emotional and spiritual areas. The purpose is to care, meet some of the unmet needs and build a strong relationship with them so that they will be revived and continue to live for the Lord till the end. His provision to meet their needs is amazing. It is through the sacrificial donations received from God's Children. As on 1st Dec -2019, nearly 600 missionaries have retired from 56 organizations. After the retirement they continue to serve the Lord where ever they are, with little remuneration. The number is growing and we need volunteers to care.

RMW Activities:

1. Rest House facility: Rest houses at

Vellore and Oddanchatram were utilized by 9 retired missionaries from 5 missions for medical purpose.

2. Medical Assistance: Provided to needy retired missionaries for major / minor surgeries, hospitalizations and regular medicines. 57 Missionaries from 15 missions were assisted during the above period to the tune of Rs 2.97 lakhs.
3. Affordable Cost Medicines: Affordable cost, generic medicines were supplied to retired missionaries also. 6 missionaries from 5 missions received ACM during this period.
4. Retreat: A four-day retreat was held in our Oddanchatram Campus for the Retired Missionaries from 27th to 30th August 2019. 33 RMs from 9 missions participated and were blessed. The theme was "Renewed and Revived". Two senior retired missionaries, namely Rev N Asirvatham (FMPB) & Rev Jeyapaul Sither (IEM) served as resource persons along with Dr Selwyn,

Dr Susheel Tharien, Mrs. Hannah Alex, Mrs. Heavenlyyn Theodore and Dr Andrew Franklin. Rev Navaneethar, (FMPB), the senior most missionary present, encouraged the participants with his testimony & a time of prayer for the nation. Dr Susheel gave them tips on being fit mentally and emotionally. Dr Anish gave them tips on Physical health and with his team at CF Hospital gave them a thorough check up on the 3rd day. The participants went back revived and renewed in their relationship with God and with people.

5. Retired Missionaries' Regional Fellowship Meet: On Dec 4th, we held a one-day meet at Bangalore, to meet the senior missionaries settled in Bangalore and find their present status and to have fellowship with them. India Campus Crusade for Christ offered their premises for the meeting and Indian evangelical Mission took care of the lunch, tea and snacks and

gave physical support from morning till evening. We thank ICCC & IEM for their partnership. Bangalore friends gave cakes and beautiful blankets, to the retired Missionaries. Some friends donated for the other expenses. The theme was “Being Fruitful in Retired Life”. Morning devotion was taken by Rev Rajasingh Elias, GS, IEM and Dr. Dominic Benjamin, Geriatrician of Bangalore Baptist Hospital, gave

them excellent, very relevant tips to keep healthy in their old age. It also included two sharing sessions and area wise prayer groups were formed. Rev Jonathan Chavan, IEM, the anchor person, involved them cheerfully with his lively inputs. The participants enjoyed the fellowship. It was a joy to interact with 27 RMs from 9 missions, who could make it, in spite of their age and discomforts.

We praise God for his gracious provision towards the needs of the retired missionaries. We thank God for the donors whom the Lord has laid a burden to support them. Continue to pray for the good health, travel, ministry, settlement of children, the lonely ones and the bereaved ones. Please pray for the forth-coming Regional meet planned in Thiruvalla, Kerala, in Feb 2020.

Blessed to Bless

“Blessed to Bless Scheme” is an entry scheme to all Schemes of MUT, to help the Missionary family in times of sickness, death and crisis situations. Workers of Registered Christian Missions focusing on evangelism and discipleship with a monthly salary less than Rs. 20,000/- and aged between 18 and 65 years are eligible. This is not an Insurance Scheme.

Operation of the scheme: Each member contributes Rs.50/- and the Mission contributes an equal amount. This amount (Rs 100) is shared by LYB, IMPACT and GS Schemes. The individual members are eligible to avail assistance and the member’s contribution is utilized 100% for the needy members in the area of Medical, IMPACT Calamity, Crisis Relief and Retired Missionaries Welfare. The Support Schemes (SS) are further funded by the donations received from Friends of MUT(FOM).

Objectives:

1) To provide medical help, Calamity Relief & crisis relief to the family of a member.

- 2) To encourage the spirit of mutual concern and oneness among Christian workers from various Missionary Organizations and enable the Missionary Community to help itself.
- 3) To provide a common platform to mobilize prayer support and comforting communications within the Missionary Fraternity for the families of the Member Christian worker.
 - Total Organisation enrolled in Blessed to Bless Scheme (MUT Scheme): - 242 Mission with 22,481 members as on 30.11.2019
 - We praise God for the following new missions that have joined Blessed to Bless Scheme to be a blessing to other member missionaries in meeting the unmet needs.
 - 1) Blessing India Mission, Bangalore
 - 2) The Redeemer, Chhattisgarh
 - 3) Voice of Hope Trust, Sivakasi
 - 4) CFI Church, Kerala

MUT- SMILE

“MUT SMILE” is an entry scheme to help the full time CHRISTIAN WORKER’S family in times of death.

Objectives:

1. To provide Calamity Relief to the member / family of a member.
2. To encourage the spirit of mutual concern and oneness.
3. To provide a common platform to mobilize prayer support and comforting communications.

MUT Smile benefits available for members include:

- Calamity assistance Rs. 1,10,000/- to the bereaved family
- Immediate cash assistance Rs. 6,000/- to the spouse of the beloved member who passed away

- Availing Guesthouse facility in Chennai, Vellore, Mumbai, Coimbatore & Pondicherry.
- Medical Check-up at empanelled hospitals
- Training camps at Oddanchatram campus (ODC)
- Prayer support and Counselling/Psychological Care

Other benefits extended for Smile members through support scheme of MUT:

- Medical assistance of Rs. 10,000/- for the treatment of heart attack, cancer and kidney failure
- Christmas gift of Rs. 1000/- per annum (for three years) to the beloved family

SMILE Bereavement Details:

<i>Name of deceased</i>	<i>Date of death</i>	<i>Organization affiliation</i>
<i>Johnson. A</i>	<i>16-01-2019</i>	<i>Global Pastor Fellowship</i>
<i>Mrs. Dhuli B. Damor</i>	<i>28-01-2019</i>	<i>Sharing Love Mission (SHALOM)</i>
<i>R. Asir</i>	<i>09-02-2019</i>	<i>Jesus Redeems</i>
<i>Bro. Raj Paul @ Battina Raju</i>	<i>11-03-2019</i>	<i>Berachah Prophetic Ministries</i>

Pr. Vanthiyah.E	09-02-2019	Word of Hope Ministries Trust
Pr. Abraham	02-04-2019	Oddanchatram Pastors Fellowship
S. David Manikam	13-04-2019	Global Pastor Fellowship
Pr. Simson Paul	27-05-2019	Ever Loving Ministries
Pr. Ram Sevak Saket	05-06-2019	Church of God in Christ India
Pr. Sampatlal Damor	21-07-2019	Sharing Love Mission (SHALOM)
Vikas Sirpat Gautam	20-03-2019	Mission India
Pr. Chhithu Bhai Patel	06-02-2019	Harvest Mission for Christ India
Karun Kumar.B	05-09-2019	India Gospel League
Reba Rani Roy	25-09-2019	Andaman Christian Ministries Association
Santhosh Sabapathy.P	18-10-2019	Christian Welfare and Development Society
Charles. V	21-11-2019	Serve India Ministries
Harisingh AD	20-11-2019	Sharing Love Mission (SHALOM)
Vinson Gnanadhas. R	06-12-2019	Church of God in Christ India

- Calamity assistance was provided to 12 bereaved families.
- Immediate cash assistance was provided to 11 bereaved families.
- SMILE Scheme consists of 93 Organizations with 6924 members.
- All medical claims were identified, validated and provided medical assistance.
- Vision Casting Report: Praise be unto God, in the past months, SMILE carried its vision casting at Pollachi, Tirupur, Virudhunagar, Sholinganallur, Perungudi, Retteri, Tiruporur, Sriperumbudur, Orgadam, Kolathur, Panruti, Gudur and Kandanchavadi.

Bereaved family visits

Name of deceased	Age	Date	Visited by
Bro. Battina Raju	23	11.03.2019	Bro. Jebarajan
Pas. Vanathaiya	54	23.03.2019	Bro. Selvaraj
Pas. Abraham	62	02.04.2019	Bro. Selvaraj
Pas. S. David Manickam	61	13.04.2019	Mrs. Swarnalatha
Pas. Simson Paul	49	27.05.2019	Bro. Rajasekaran
Santhosh Sabapathy.P	61	18.10.2019	Bro. David

To be Effective for Revival

In order for a person to pray, believe and work effectively for revival, the following conditions must be met:

All sins must be given up.

He must pray with pure motives.

He must be willing that God shall use him as He may to aid in the revival.

He must persist in pleading until he feels that God hears and answers.

He must make humble confession, and, when in his power, restitution, where he may have wronged others.

He must be free from an unforgiving spirit.

He must be willing to do what Christ would under similar circumstances, and seek a reconciliation with any who may have trespassed against him.

He must be willing to give all the glory to God, not to his prayers, or personal work, or addresses, etc. He who prays for revival on these conditions, will have one in his own heart as quickly as the Spirit of God can speed there on the wires of promises. Then, other conditions being met, it will quickly spread until the whole community is in a blaze with revival glory.

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Member care & Missionary care Consultation

2020

2nd to 4th September 2020

Participants:

CEOs & Board Chairman of MUT Member missions, Church Leaders Heads of Christian Institutions and missionary care supporters.

Purpose:

To bring all the leaders of member missions, church leaders, Christian Institutions and supporters for a time of prayer and fellowship in order to comprehend with each other the need for missionary care and member care in India and facilitate the unmet needs of the missionaries and their families.

Health Care

Master Health Check-up (MHC)

The sole purpose of MHC is to recognize whether a missionary has any health issue. Once identified he/she continues to meet with the concerned department and takes appropriate treatment. After three years of continuous follow up with many missions and their response helped us construct consolidated data that gave clarity to the need of MHC for missionaries. It is observed that 79% of the missions do not have MHC during recruitment. In the coming year, we want to see that 1000 missionaries will be encouraged to complete MHC. MUT medical team is putting a lot of effort to encourage missions to conduct MHC for their missionaries. The purpose is that every missionary is made calm and healthy to serve the Lord in the best possible way.

By the grace of God during these 4 months, we were able to conduct MHC for 7 missionaries from 4 Organisations.

Affordable Cost Medicine

Provided to 74 missionaries from 29 Organisations with medicines for Diabetics, Hypertension, Cholesterol & BP.

Medical Assistance

From August to November 2019, 509 Missionaries from 87 Organisations received medical assistance.

Beloved Families and Youth Camp 2019 // Delhi

By His immense grace we were able to organise the first Beloved families/MK camp in Delhi from 4th to 6th November 2019 at the Shalom Institute of Learning Centre, Defence Enclave, New Delhi. Four beloved families (Adults) and five Missionary kids (Youth), a total of 9 people, attended the three days camp. 10 Delhi MUT volunteers and 8 SIL Centre students took part in the camp. Br. Isac (MUT Chennai) also took part, which was a great encouragement to the participants as well to the Delhi MUT volunteers. The boarding and lodging were organised by Sr. Mary and her team, and every one enjoyed their stay and homely food. Sessions were taken mostly by Delhi MUT volunteers. Volunteer, Mr. Jeffery (Noida, UP) stayed with the participants throughout the camp and was a big blessing to the participants. Praise and worship were done by SIL centre students in a meticulous way. Pas Jaisingh directed the programme in a Godly way. We could join the Shalom Church on Sunday with Holy communion, along with SIL students and other church members. We acknowledge with the gratitude, the voluntary service given by Br. H. Parmar and Sr. Yamini in translating the message. After the camp,

we had an informal time with a few missionary kids who are going through a difficult time. I praise God for He enabled us to organise this historical event for the first time in north India. I thank everyone who stood on their knees for the blessings and those who directly invest their valuable time to bless the servants of God. May His name alone be glorified in all the times.



Missionary Upholders Family

MUF was formed in 1984, mainly to challenge & encourage Christian families to involve in missions by raising financial support & prayer for missionaries. There are over 1400 missionary upholders families (MUF) who meet regularly for prayers and also support more than 500 missionaries of various mission organisations. Volunteers of MUF along with the missionaries of various mission organisation raise money for the medical assistance of member missionaries of MUT. **Central Co-ordinator | Mr. D. J. Chelladurai | +91 9865 391 285**

MISSIONARY UPHOLDERS TRUST (MUT)

MUT was a spin off from MUF (Missionaries Upholder Family) in the year 1993. The role of MUT is to care for missionaries by meeting some of the common unmet needs at a cost affordable to them in physical, emotional and spiritual areas, with a view

to equip, energise and to motivate them, to build the kingdom of God effectively.

MUT is an umbrella body covering over 254 Organizations as member missions covering about 21,669 missionaries and christian workers. MUT is governed by a Board of Trustees and managed by the General Coordinator assisted mostly by over 60 volunteers; recently some of the Member Missions have taken keen interest in the ministry and are giving their committed workers on deputation for a period from 6 months to 2 years. There are over 37 people on MUT payroll, receiving monthly remuneration. The operational costs and administrative expenses are kept low through sponsorship and donations towards administrative expenses. MUT does not append any money from any of its earmarked donations received.

Become Friends of MUT/Missionaries.
Care & Serve magazines and other
important news from MUT will be sent to
these friends at regular intervals.

Life membership
For friends abroad
Life membership

- Rs. 1,000

- Rs. 10,000

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Mission

Missionary Upholders Trust will strive for meeting the common unmet needs of missionaries in the area of Health Care, Calamity Relief, Crisis Relief, Renewal of emotional and spiritual life, Rest and Recuperation, Social - Spiritual enhancement of Missionary/ Pastor children and retired missionaries' welfare. The purposes of carrying out these activities are to equip, energize and encourage the Missionary Community to be a witness as salt and light of the Society at all times.

Vision

As followers of Christ, we exist to care for, share with, and meet some of the common unmet needs of missionaries, at their affordable cost, working beyond all man-made boundaries, in a spirit of Christian love.

Values

- Absolute faith in God
- Humility
- Regular and focused prayer
- Unconditional love & compassion
- Accountability in all areas

MUT Ethos

Love, Understand, Pray, Accept, Serve and Encourage in the spirit of Lord Jesus Christ and meet the physical, spiritual and emotional needs of all the members in the team, to fulfill God given purpose for self, family and the ministry in MUT.

- Transparency in all the areas of the ministry
- Holiness and integrity in life and activities

Finance Policy

Ear-marked funds will be used exclusively and entirely for the purpose donated.

Operating cost is kept to the minimum and funds donated towards MUT general expenses is utilised for the same.

Sponsorships are sought and fund-raising events are held to meet other specific expenses.

Whether you are in ministry work, a church, a mission organisation or a Christ-follower with a passion for missions, we welcome all those who wish to join in encouraging missionaries and other Christian workers, and sharing in their efforts for the kingdom of God. Become partners with us in praying for them and this ministry. You may wish to volunteer your services in different ways as the Lord leads you. You can donate money for the support of this work on a regular basis or as and when you are led by the Lord.

The four major support schemes under MUT are for Bereavement relief, Health care, Crisis relief and Retired Missionary Welfare.

Contributions can be sent through MO/DD in favour of "Missionary Upholders Trust" or directly to the below mentioned MUT account at along with an email intimation.

ICICI Bank, Vellore. (A/c. No. 614301013520, IFSC Code ICIC0006143)

Indian Bank, Anna Nagar, Chennai (A/c. No. 6688144561, IFSC Code IDIB000A025)

SBI, Purasawalkam, Chennai. (A/c. No. 10507878317, IFSC Code SBIN0001515, Swift Code SBININBB458)

Indian Bank, Oddanchatram. (A/c. No. SB 844743809, IFSC Code IDIB000O021)

Foreign contributions can be sent to the MUT account at **SBI**

Bank, Purasawalkam, Chennai. (A/c. No. 10332929984, IFSC Code SBIN0001515, Swift Code SBININBB458) along with email intimation. Donors in USA and Canada may also route their contributions through the following agencies:

In USA

Christian Aid Mission, P.O. Box 9037, Charlottesville, VA 22906, USA

In Canada

Emmanuel Hospital Association, 3220 Faul Bay, Regina, SK, S4V 2W9, Canada.

For all earmarked donations feedback on the amount utilised/ person benefitted will be given to the donor, if address is available.

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MUT mobilises prayer support by:

Publishing a prayer bulletin. Project updates in its newsletter 'Care & Serve'.

MUT actively raises volunteers:

Works with churches and mission organisations who can depute personnel to manage projects.

Financial support for the projects by:

Creating awareness in Christ-followers in India and abroad about the needs of missionaries.

Encourage missionary organisations to partner not just to receive support for their own but also support members of other organisations.

Encouraging missionaries to make affordable contributions towards specific projects to help them and their fellow workers. We have hospitals partnering with MUT in providing treatment for the missionaries challenged by health issues.

IMPACT

This Scheme was introduced in 1997 to help families of Christian workers in times of death of a member missionary. The objective of this scheme is to provide Calamity Relief assistance & sustained support to the family of a deceased member-missionary by providing financial assistance of Rs. 125000/- from member's contributions. They are also given child support, Christmas gift, financial Assistance for children higher education (Rs. 15000/- per year), Donor Support Payment of Rs. 10,000/- on the death of a member missionary through Support scheme.

Details of Deaths

Number of Deaths from August to 10.12.2019: 10 deaths

Number of Deaths since the inception of Scheme (1997) until date: 530 deaths.

Details of member-missionaries who had their home call since reported in last issue

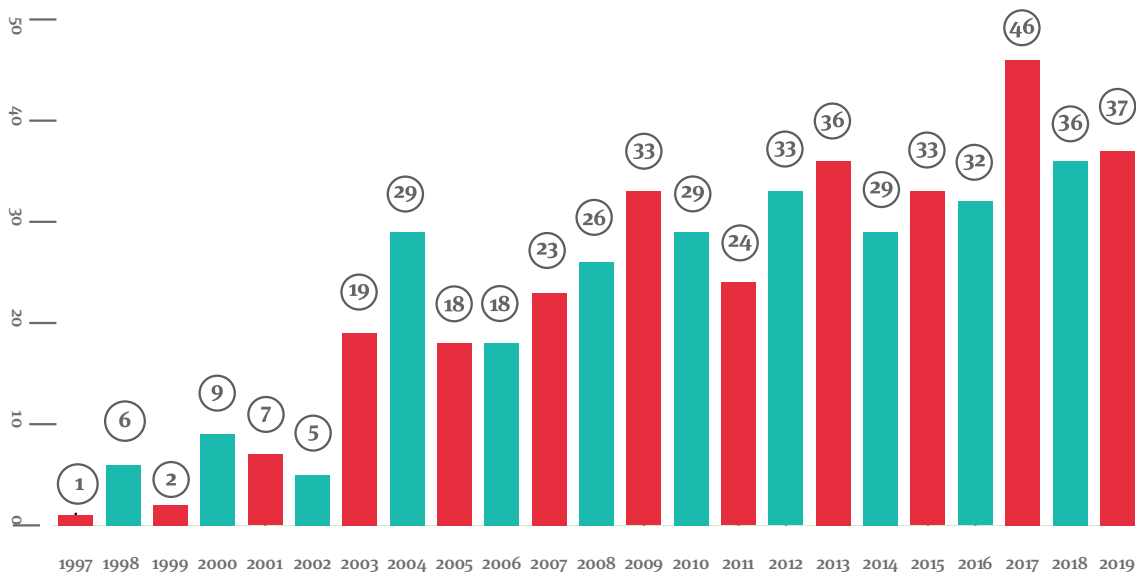
<i>Mr. Jasmin Subasito Soru</i>	<i>aged 46 years, of Indian Evangelical Team, Koraput Division died on 18.6.2019 due to snake bite. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Deepali Chhinchani and three children, Ipshita (11 Yrs.), Rishita (7 Yrs.), & Yashita (4 months).</i>
<i>Pastor Y. Israel</i>	<i>aged 62 years from Hindustan Bible Institute – passed away on 27.05.2019 due to cardiac arrest. He leaves behind his wife Sarojamma and four children (3 Sons: Johnson, Jonah Kumar, Titus Babu, and 1 daughter Christina)</i>
<i>Mr. Manish Kumar</i>	<i>aged 24 years from CFI Charitable Trust passed away on 26.05.2019, due to heart attack. He leaves behind his aged parents.</i>
<i>Mrs. Daisy Brenson</i>	<i>aged 32 years from Gospel Echoing Missionary Society passed away on 10.08.2019, due to very low blood pressure and dehydration. She leaves behind her husband Mr. Brenson and two children Hannah Angel 5 years old and Hadassah 11 months old.</i>
<i>Pastor Arun Bhuyan</i>	<i>aged 22 years from CFI Charitable Trust passed away on 11.08.2019, due to severe jaundice and kidney failure. He leaves behind his wife Milka Gomango and aged parents.</i>
<i>Mr. Manas Ranjan Nag</i>	<i>aged 49 years from The NMS passed away on 11.08.2019 on admission to the hospital after sudden breathing problems. He leaves behind his wife Nirmala Nag and 3 sons.</i>
<i>Pastor R. James Ponnusamy</i>	<i>aged 51 years from Hindustan Bible Institute – INEC, Karnataka passed away on 12.07.2019 due to cardiac arrest. He leaves behind his wife, Esther Devi and two sons Michel Raj (25 yrs.) and Michel George (23 yrs.) are studying in college.</i>
<i>Pastor Kalu Gajendra Bhbar</i>	<i>aged 32 years from Bethel Outreach Ministries, Jharkhand passed away on 20.09.2019 due to kidney problems. He leaves behind his wife Sama and daughter Mahesha. He laboured in Deipri, Banswad mission field in Rajasthan.</i>
<i>Mr. Chinnaswamy Isaac</i>	<i>aged 44 years from National Missionary Society of India, Jamunamarathur, Gundalathur passed away on 06.10.2019 due to cardiac arrest. He leaves behind his wife Esther Amutha (42 years), Son Samuel (2nd year BE Engineering) and daughter Christina (MBBS 1st year).</i>
<i>Mr. Ramesh Nayak D</i>	<i>aged 40 years from National Missionary Society of India, Bargur, Erode passed away on 07.10.2019 due to road accident while proceeding to the funeral of Mr. Chinnaswamy Isaac, NMSI missionary died on the previous day. He leaves behind his wife Jeevitha T, and 3 daughters Ruth (15 years), Jasmine (13 years) and Magima (10 years).</i>
<i>Mrs. Prabhavathi Devi</i>	<i>aged 52 years, from GEMS Bihar, passed away on 03.11.2019, due to Nasal Cancer. She is left behind her husband Mr. Nathuni Prasad (Philipose) aged 55 years, and four children</i>
<i>Mr. Chetan Bhai</i>	<i>aged 61 years, from FMPB, passed away on 05.11.2019, due to a massive heart attack. He leaves behind his wife; they have no children.</i>
<i>Mrs. Samadhanam</i>	<i>aged 62 years, from Mahanaim Ministries, passed away on 15.11.2019 due to paralytic stroke. She left her Husband Mr. Arumainayagam a pioneer worker, a missionary son and two other working sons. All of them are married.</i>
<i>Mr. Abhimonue Bhatra</i>	<i>aged 47 years, from BYM passed away on 04.12.2019, due to renal failure. He left behind a wife Mrs.Pramodhini Bhatra (Age: 43 yrs) and a daughter Mercy Bhatra (Age: 18 yrs) and a son Abhishek Bhatra (Age: 13 yrs).</i>

Christmas Get together with Beloved missionary families:

A Christmas Get together was organized for the beloved missionary families in Chennai on 04.12.2019, at the Parish Hall of CSI Good Shepherd Church, Velachery. 15 beloved families with our scheme support members participated in this program. Bro. Augustine Asir, Managing Trustee, Word for the World, Chennai delivered God's Message.

Christmas Gift to the Beloved Missionary families:

We provided a Christmas gift of Rs. 1200 to Rs. 2200/- to each of the 362 beloved families and 260 children of deceased missionaries during the first week of December 2019. The total expenditure was Rs. 4,86,400/-



Uphold these families in your prayers. Stand in the gap for missionaries who face ill health and other difficulties in life. Let us rise, bend our knees- to build a wall of protection for those who toil in the field.

As one!

Good Samaritan Fund

The GSF Scheme helps missionaries in meeting the following unmet needs during a crisis in their life and extended family's life. The respective mission leader is authorized to extend support to the missionary during the following crises and can claim reimbursement from MUT by forwarding the GSFund application along with the necessary documents.

1. Travel assistance to missionary and their family to attend the funeral of their parents by Flight/Train/Bus (Only for Onward Journey)
2. Travel assistance to the missionary to visit their parents during their serious sickness (one time only)
3. Travel assistance for missionary children to attend the funeral of their parents and to visit their parents when they are seriously sick (one time only)
4. Funeral expenses of dependent parents and dependent children.
5. Small assistance to meet the Major Medical expenses of their dependent parents.
6. Missionaries' daughter's first delivery expenses (Only for two daughters)
7. Assistance at the time of Natural calamities, Theft, and Persecution.

During this period from 01.08.2019 to 30.11.2019, 80 missionaries were assisted from GS Fund to the tune of Rs. 6, 27,940/- during various crisis situations. Out of donations raised, a missionary was assisted to the tune of Rs. 5000/-

During the four months period from 01.08.2019 to 30.11.2019 marriage support to First-generation Christian missionaries has been extended to 13 member missionaries to the amount of Rs. 91,000/- at the rate of Rs. 7000/- for one missionary from General Crisis.

During the same four months, period marriage support to First-generation Missionary kids has been extended to 13 member missionaries to the tune of Rs. 1, 30, 000/-.

During the death or serious sickness in a missionary's family, it will be of great help if volunteers from MUT visit them, pray with them and comfort them. We require more volunteers In Tamilnadu, Kerala, Karnataka, and Andhra so that they can attend the funeral of missionary's parents and comfort them and pray with them at the time of bereavement in their family.

Please do partner with us in praying, supporting the missionaries and to uphold them during the time of crisis.

The Bridegroom Soon to Come

Sarah Foulkes Moore

Very soon the Lord is coming. He is coming as a Bridegroom. He is coming for a Bride. He leaves Ivory Palaces to come for her because He greatly desires her beauty.

The beauty of the Bride of Christ is portrayed in the Bridal Psalm (45) as "all glorious within." The glory of the Lord is mentioned many times in Scripture. One translation of the word "glory" is beauty, meaning the beauty of the Lord.

Hence we worship the Lord in the beauty of His holiness (1 Chron. 16:29). So likewise His Bride, whom He comes from

Heaven to receive, is portrayed in prophetic type and antitype as adorned in the beauty of holiness.

Her clothing is of wrought gold (Psalm 45). Christ espouses to Himself a Bride who is glorious within and without. By revelation, Paul sees Christ presenting to Himself this Bride, "Glorious...not having spot or wrinkle" (Eph. 5:27).

John, the seer, envisions the Bride in Heaven. The one thing he emphasizes is the fact she has made herself ready! (Rev. 19:7).

Our Responsibility

The Church of the Firstborn (Heb. 12:23), is spoken of as a virgin, meaning a people separated from the world unto God. Paul wrote to the Christians under his ministry, "I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ" (2 Cor. 11:2).

Get Ready!

Christian, are you all glorious within? Are your spiritual robes without spot or wrinkle? God abhors garments spotted by the

flesh. He wants us to abhor them! (Jude, verse 23).

Christ is coming as a Bridegroom. He is coming for a Bride. Beloved, are you so spiritually beautiful that He will desire to return with you to His Throne, and to His Father and to His angels?

"Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments" (Rev. 16:15).

ODC Campus

Seminar

266 Missionaries from 21 member missions (AEFI, AGAPE, CGMM, COME, CGM, Corner Stone, EU, GM, Gilgal, ICGM, IMS, IEM, JR, KIM, MTB, MOM, MUT, Mahaniam, NMS, UCMSI, UMI, YWAM) apart from SMILE members & Independent pastors and few members interested in MUT, attended 15 seminars from July 19 to Nov19.

MUT Meeting

1. One-day meeting for MUT caregivers was conducted by Mr. Valentine Davidar on 26th July 19.
2. MUT Coordinators meeting on 27th July 19
3. MUT prayer day on 28th July 19
4. MUT board meeting on 29th July 19

Beloved families Volunteers Training

20 Volunteers from Chennai, Vellore. Coimbatore, Hosur, Palani & ODC attended the Beloved families volunteers training facilitated by Mr.Prem Kumar, MOM & Mrs.Hannah Alex on Aug 10th and 11th

Retired Missionaries Retreat

29 Retired missionaries from (FMPB, BYM, GPM, IEHC, NMS, JR, MUT, DMPB, TM) 10 member missions attended the retreat from 27th to 29th Aug 19 facilitated by Mrs. Juno Sudhakar & Team.

September Vacation '19

1. Twentythree missionaries (FMPB, BYM IMS) with their children studying in Santhosh Vidhyalaya, Dhonavur came on 21st Sept night to spend their Sept 19 vacation and left on 1st Oct 19
2. Medical Checkup was organized on 23rd evening. To follow up a few missionaries went to CFH. Almost daily they had shopping at ODC.
3. On 24th Sept evening, Dr.Susheel Tharien conducted parenting session.
4. One day picnic to Kombai was arranged on 25th, Talents night was organized on 28th Sept

M - Kids & Retreat

55 M-kids (BYM, FMPB, GEM, GMS, GPM, TPM, UMI, IMS, NSM, IEM & Others) attended M- kids retreat from 6th to 8th Oct facilitated by Mrs. Deepa Jebakumar & Team.

Medical

1. 41 missionaries came for treatment from (DMPB, ICGM, YWAM, GEMS, IEM, IMS, CGMM, ICRM, MTB, FMPB, NMS, BYM, Mahaniam, IBT) missions.
2. 21 Missionaries from (ICGM, UESI, NLCI, FMPB, BYM, MTB,

ICCC, GEMS) missions had MHC.

MUT Campus has a new look now, as painting as most of the building has been painted. Thanks to friends in Abudhabi, Dubai & Chennai.

Puppy

A Friend of MUT in Tirunelveli has given one black puppy Tommy on 7th Oct

Barnabas Room

Friends of MUT are giving enthusiastically send used dresses, Vessels, etc (new dresses too)

New things bought

1. Cordless mike
2. Two steel bureaus for the library.

New Home Enrichment Scheme

A group of friends of MUT in Oddanchatram decided to collect money / gift articles from donors and give the same to the missionaries. Who get married.

Gift worth of Rs.3000/- will be given to each missionary couple to meet their immediate needs in setting their home. Gifts will be given through Amazon or given directly if possible.

The details of gifts given from June 2019 to Dec 2019 are given below

New Home Enrichment Scheme

Gifts to newly married Missionaries

Period June 2019 to Dec 2019

Total no.of missionaries applied for gift	66
Total amount spent	1,23,740
No of Missionaries gifted through Amazon	46
No of Missionaries gifted directly	5
No of Missionaries not responded	10
No of Missionaries left the organization after marriage	4
No of Missionaries Declined gift	1

The missionaries who received the gifts are from the following missionary organization.

Blessing Youth Mission, CFI Ministry, Friends Missionary Prayer Band, Gospel Echoing Missionary Society, Grace Ministries, India Campus Crusade for Christ, Indian Evangelical Team, Indian Evangelical Mission, Indian Missionary Society, Jesus Redeems, Maharashtra Village Ministries, Mission To The Blind, New India Evangelistic Association, New Life Computer Institute, Pocket Testament League, Youth With A Mission,

Missionary Kids

This season had been quite a hectic period with lots of activities for Mkids. The Mkids retreat at ODC has been a great blessing to many missionary children. The entire activity was planned and executed by Madurai Team with the help of the experienced Neyveli Team members. This helped the Neyveli team to focus on retreats at Andhra Pradesh/ Telangana region. In the future, upcoming retreats will be held in Odisha and other parts of the country. We need continuous prayer support to organize these retreats.

We have received many applications for financial assistance and we were able to help about 80 children. As we expect more applicants in the coming financial year, we need adequate funds to help them. On the other hand, it has

been a real blessing as many Mkids who have received help by this scheme have come forward contributing and helping towards the same cause. We praise God for this.

The Music for Mission program held at Palayamkottai in November was a great blessing to both the MUT volunteers and the participants. Mr. J.J.Ratnakumar was the chief guest who challenged the participants. SKYLARK – a musical group from the local Engineering College sang for the glory of God. As always, the Palayamkottai team is busy with transportation assistance for the missionary children who will be leaving for their home town during this Christmas vacation. Marriage assistance for about 15 first-generation missionary children's marriage has been done during this season.

Missionary Kids Retreat ODC

By the amazing grace and love of God, YOUTH ENCOUNTER TN-19 was a blessing to 55 Mkids that took place from 6th October to 8th October at MUT Rest House, Oddanchatram. Rev. Isac S Raja enabled the Mkids to understand their parents' mission and the challenges faced by them especially their sufferings due to leaving their children in hostels.

Bro. Anbu and Bro. Brighton motivated the Mkids. Bro. Isaac Peterson and Sis. Deepa encouraged the Mkids to open up to their challenges through Brainstorming sessions. Isaac Peterson helped the Mkids understand who they are, how precious they are in the sight of God, and how to overcome fear in everyday life. He also gave guidance for their career and taught the Mkids, how to share Gospel.

Sis. Angelin led the Mkids into confirmation of SALVATION, how to overcome temptation, to live a practical Christian life in society and to build relationships with parents, siblings and other extended family members.

Bro. Brighton and Sis. Priscilla helped in leading Bible devotion. They also motivated the Mkids to comprehend their potentials, passion, and purpose and also guided them to overcome temptation and peer pressure

in separate sessions for both boys and girls.

Bro. Jerald led the Mkids in worshipping God by action songs which the children enjoyed. He also taught the Mkids about the fear of God.

Bro. Baskar Balan shared his experience on how he overcame his youth life temptations and received God's blessings as a Mkid. Rev. Samuel Ravi and his wife shared about their challenges, God's guidance and upliftment during their emotional struggles, physical and financial problems and God's blessings in all walks of life. They are parents of three daughters who studied in Santhosh Vidyalaya, Dohnavur.

Individual care was given to Mkids with emotional struggles to get relieved from them.

On the whole, their unanswered questions were answered, doubts were cleared and got a solution for their problems.

As always, the food was delicious and the accommodation was comfortable. Thanks to J.J. Ratnakumar Uncle, Shanthi Aunty and all the caregivers for their help, concern, love and guidance. The Neyveli and Madurai Teams thank God and the leaders of MUT for giving us this opportunity to serve and minister to the Mkids in building the kingdom of God.



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Training Calendar

Beloved Families Gathering

Date: Jan 01 to 02 | Medium: Tamil/English
Resource Person: Mrs. Heavenlin Theodore

Sharpening Your Interpersonal Skills

Date: Jan 07 to 12 | Medium: English
Resource Person: Mrs. Rebekkal Charles

Advanced Biblical Counselling Level – 1

Date: Jan 17 to 22 | Medium: English
Resource Person: Mr. Syraskumar

Youth Retreat (FOM)

Date: Jan 26 to 27
Resource Person: Mr. Mark Viswasam

Life Revision Seminar

Date: Jan 28 to Feb 02
Resource Person: Dr. K.O. John

Marriage Enrichment Seminar

Date: Feb 07 to 09 | Medium: English
Resource Person: Dr. Susheel Tharien

Biography Writers Workshop

Date: Feb 13 to 15
Resource Person: Dr. Chellappa

Lead Like Jesus Encounter

Date: Feb 22 to 22 | Medium: English
Resource Person: Rev. John Wesley

Inner Healing

Date: Feb 25 to 27 | Medium: Tamil/English
Resource Person: Dr. Latha Paul

Advanced Biblical Counselling

Date: Mar 05 to 10 | Medium: English
Resource Person: Mr. Syraskumar

Pre-Marital Counselling

Date: Mar 14 to 16 | Medium: Tamil
Resource Person: Mrs. Juno Sudhaker

Spiritual Development Seminar

Date: Mar 20 to 22 | Medium: Tamil
Resource Person: Mr. D. Ilango

Spiritual Enhancement Retreat

Date: Mar 26 to 28 | Medium: Tamil
Resource Person: Mr. Selvakumar

Beloved Families Retreat

Date: Apr 02 to 02 | Medium: Tamil
Resource Person: Mrs. Heavenlin Theodore

Biblical Counselling Seminar

Date: Apr 09 to 12 | Medium: Tamil
Resource Person: Mr. D. Ilango

Marriage Enrichment Seminar

Date: Apr 22 to 26 | Medium: Tamil
Resource Person: Mrs. Hannah Alex

Sharpening Your Interpersonal Skills

Date: Apr 29 to May 04 | Medium: Tamil
Resource Person: Mr. Antony Samy

Rest House

‘Rest House truly is a home away from home’. When a missionary thinks of taking a break, the first thing that comes to their mind is whether MUT has a Rest House in that place. Rest Houses are answers to the prayers of many missionaries, ‘where can I stay during treatment or for recuperation’? It is a place of comfort for those on long term treatment and on vacation. The purpose of MUT Rest Houses is to create a serene ambiance for missionaries who come with physical, emotional and spiritual challenges in their lives.

Caregivers and volunteers try their best to be sensitive to the emotional need of the missionary when they are caught unawares of hearing the news of sickness. The counsel and prayer backing help the missionaries to overcome their crisis, look forward, and keep moving. Journeying along with them in their pain and financial constraints is the key to member care in the Rest House ministry.

Rest House Otteri and Gandhi Nagar are mostly visited by missionaries who come for medical treatment. From August to November the average occupancy was 60%. At Otteri Rest House, all three Infection-free rooms are occupied by missionaries undergoing treatment for cancer. Apart from this at Gandhi Nagar Rest house, we have a bone marrow transplant patient and a missionary at Ebenezer home with both kidneys failure.

Rest House in Chennai: Mostly used as transit by missionaries. Praying for God to provide a place with more rooms.

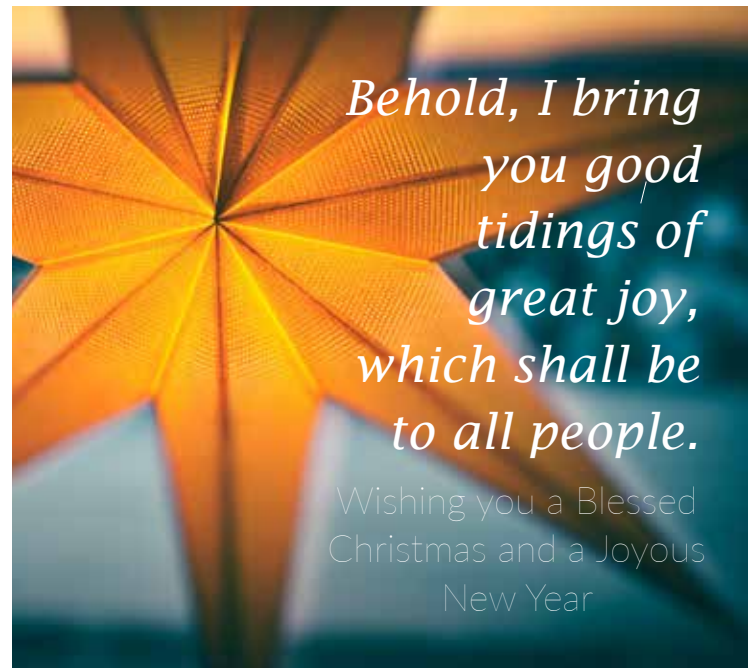
Rest House in Coimbatore: Basically, for missionaries who come for a break along with their children for vacation.

Rest House in Mumbai: Thanks to the total team in Mumbai

who in spite of their busy schedule continues to do their best in giving member care to the missionaries who go for treatment to Bethany Hospital in Mumbai.

Rest House in Bangalore: A room in Mr. Malcolm’s residence is used as Rest House.

Rest House in Puducherry: Used by missionaries who come for treatment to JIPMER. The volunteer team takes care of the same.



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Christmas at MUT // Pondicherry

We celebrated Christmas along with the neighbourhood folks at MUT Rest House on 05/12/19.

We had 20 children from other faith and 50 believers attended the celebration. Bro. Neil Armstrong delivered God's message.

The programme was initiated by Bro. Elango to conduct this evangelistic Christmas get together at MUT. Brother Sathish Sam, Brother Ranjith and Brother Vijaya Prabu helped in organizing the program. Cakes and puffs were distributed to all the participants. Praise be to God!



Christmas at MUT // Vellore



By God's grace, this year's MUT Vellore FOM Christmas get together was held on 7th December 2019 at Priya Mahal, Otteri. Around 225 members including FOMs, missionaries, volunteers & staff participated. It was a time of fellowship, renewing our friendship and partnership with our FOMs.

The program started with an opening prayer and few special songs. We had the blessing to listen to two testimonies by SU & BYM missionaries and a song by the inmate missionaries. Dr. Lionel Gnanaraj, a long-standing associate of MUT, retired from CMC and now serving in different Missions hospitals shared the Christmas message and exhorted us to share the gospel whenever we get the opportunity. Ms. Joanna Sudhaker conducted the program.

The Christmas celebration ended with a sumptuous dinner which was enjoyed by all. The good Lord met all the needs.

The program was coordinated by the Next Generation Staff of MUT with the guidance of Vellore leaders. We acknowledge and thank all the members for their willing contributions and active involvement

Christmas at MUT // Chennai

This year Christmas celebration took place at Chennai on 7th December with great fervour and enthusiasm as MUT Family joined together along with beloved families. Around 90 people graced the occasion.

The programme started with a word of prayer and singing 'Joy to the World, the Lord is come', followed by Praise and Worship in which the beloved family children volunteered to sing and glorify the Saviour.

Brother Hadon Manuel shared the MUT highlights which included the objectives of MUT Schemes, brief report of 2019 project statistics and the need for member care which was followed with a presentation by Dr. and Mrs. Rebecca Devaprasad 'Call for Volunteers' to bring awareness among

partners to join hands in helping and supporting the welfare of the Servants of God.

Reverend Isaac Johnson shared the word of God which encouraged us to Remember and Rejoice in God's faithfulness. Mr. Samuel Jebakumar introduced the beloved families, providing them with Christmas gifts and invited Brother Anbu to offer a word of prayer especially for all beloved families praying for God's comfort, consolation and sustenance. He also thanked all the caregivers who worked behind the scenes for the occasion. The closing hymn 'Silent Night' was sung by lighting candles and ended with a word of prayer and all joining together enjoying the fellowship dinner.

Member Care Day Celebration

In the last year after celebrating its Silver Jubilee in ministry, MUT announced that September 7 would be called as 'Member Care Day' to thank God for His faithfulness in facilitating missionary care in India. Around 60 people attended the meeting at Chennai.

Reverend RT. Jeyapaul, Christ for All Ministries and Pastor. Muthu, New Life Church shared their ministry experiences and how MUT helped them in their struggle by ministering emotional, physical and spiritual needs.

Bro. Augustine Asir, Managing Trustee (Word for the World, Chennai) delivered God's Message by stating that every believer/Christian must be a part of member care and encouraged the servants of God to hold on to their faith in this journey following Christ Jesus as the perfect example.

A brief presentation was given to the participants about the various MUT member care projects and activities. Mr. Ebenezer Joseph and Mr. Anbu led the way for forward session and prayer time. The meeting ended with a word of prayer.



1. *Biblical Counseling Seminar 1st to 4th July 19 - MUT ODC*
2. *Biblical Counseling Seminar 10th to 12th Dec 19 - MUT ODC*
3. *Biblical Counseling Seminar 14th to 17th Oct 19*

4. *Life Revision Seminar 2nd to 7th Dec 19*
5. *Life Revision Seminar Nov 19*
- 6, 7 & 8 *Retired Missionaries Retreat Aug` 19 @ ODC*

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