



# *Special Issue*

## Reflections on the Calendar

# CMC NEWSLINE

JANUARY 04, 2021

## **Renewal of Faith**

As we step into the New Year with the scars of the year just past, it is appropriate that we look at the theme “Faith”. Faith is the firm foundation that undergirds and overarches every situation and all circumstances that comes our way. In other words we have the firm assurance that in the midst of all turmoil and upheaval, the unchanging faithfulness of God is our anchor and fortress.

I would like to use the lyrics of the ageless hymn “Great is thy faithfulness” for our reflections on the theme of faith.

### **1. God’s faithfulness is unchanging**

In the midst of all the turmoil and upheaval, loss and grief we can be rest assured of the faithfulness of an unchanging God. His nature is to show compassion and this will not fail us. His compassion is not because we are good or we are worthy, but because He is good and He sees and knows what is best for us.

### **2. God’s faithfulness is new every morning**

Morning by morning, God showers on us a fresh portion of His faithfulness, sufficient to take us through the challenges of that day. As we enter into the new year, we can be absolutely confident that His mercies will be new, refreshing and sufficient for the year to come and He will not fail.

### **3. God’s faithfulness is declared in nature**

The constancy of God’s faithfulness is declared in nature. Summer and winter, springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars along with all nature declare the faithfulness of God. Just as surely as the rising of the sun, the courses of the stars, the surety of the seasons, God’s faithfulness is sure in our lives. The pandemic has wreaked havoc in our lives and has claimed many acquaintances if not loved ones. Turmoil prevails in many a society and has driven many to penury. However, we can confidently declare the constancy of God’s faithfulness in the midst of all the chaos, confusion and colossal loss. He is faithful, His nature is faithfulness and that will not fail.

### **4. God’s faithfulness leads to restoration and healing**

When our focus is on God’s faithfulness, He works in our lives to heal and give us a fresh start. Healing and restoration leads to enduring peace. More importantly His Presence uplifts us, is our compass, our strength for the day and a bright hope for tomorrow. Even though there is a crop failure and there are no sheep in the pen, our faith is in the faithfulness of our God. Hence we will rejoice in our Lord and be joyful in God our Saviour (paraphrased from Hab. 3:17-18).

Let that be our prayer and our declaration of faith as we enter into the New Year, being absolutely sure that God is Faithful and our faith is in the constancy and adequacy of the Faithfulness of our God and Father.

- Dr. Deepak Abraham  
Professor, Department of Endocrine Surgery



*Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.*

*Matthew 7:7*



# CMC NEWSLINE

JANUARY 04, 2021

## To Our Dear Readers...

The CMC 'Newsline' is an old tradition which dates back to the days of Dr. Ida Scudder. The Newsline serves as a reflection of all the events happening within the institution. It publishes the weekly events, academic developments, milestones, general announcements, congratulations and situations vacant. The Newsline encapsulates all the basic and general update in one glance. It connects the entire CMC family; whoever has had an association to CMC, as staff, student, alumnus, retired staff, supporters etc... all have one common connect - the CMC Newsline.

The year 2020 was challenging for the whole world, everything came to a standstill, but the Newsline continued. The publishing never stopped and surprisingly the contents got even better. The Newsline became an empty canvas, a platform for all to express their various feelings during the uncertain days of the pandemic. Many resorted to poetry or short writings to express what they were going through. We had inputs from a wide range of readers.

The Newsline did its part of comfort during the lockdown days.

In close association with the Newsline is the CMC calendar. It plays an important role by being a constant reminder on everyone's wall. Every year it bears new themes and photographs. For the year 2021, the theme is 'Renewal', something which we all need at this time. We need to be renewed and bring back all the positive vibes which took a back stand in 2020. Come what may, we have faced 2020 and 2021 shouldn't be that bad. The calendar each month therefore reflects on themes such as, faith, hope, peace, joy, love, courage, trust, grace, strength, heal, protect and rejoice. These qualities are what strengthens us and makes us who we are. 2021 should therefore be a year of content renewal.

Let us not forget 2020 too. It has made a huge and lasting impact on all our lives. We have made changes which we would never have made otherwise. Online classes became a norm, face masks a reality. We have survived a year of a pandemic and come this far. As a health care institution, the challenges were many. Every single person had put their lives on the line and contributed their services. Our year book for 2020-2021 will show exactly how much CMC has done during the pandemic. Our team had interviewed selected people from all categories during the lock down. It was an eye-opening and an inspiring experience to speak to all those who were closely associated with the COVID patients. The front line workers need a huge applause and they should be remembered forever for their selfless services.

From our desk we would love to acknowledge and thank all those who had contributed to the Newsline, Yearbook, Calendar and other publications and still continue to.

Looking back at 2020 with a sign of relief and looking forward to 2021 with renewed hope.

## Events from the American Heart Association, International Training Centre

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American Heart Association, International Training Center at Christian Medical College, has successfully completed the Basic Life Support (BLS) and the third and fourth Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) provider courses. The BLS provider



courses were conducted on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 and 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 by Dr. Ebor Jacob, Professor and Head, PICU, Dr. Siva Vyasam, PICU, Mrs. Lilly Prasad, Mrs. Amalor Pavamari Lucas, Mr. Dinesh Kumar S. and Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss, from College of Nursing. The ACLS provider courses were conducted on 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of December, 2020 at the New examination Hall, Bagayam following COVID protocols. Dr. Gowtham Kumar Juvva (AHA regional faculty, CMC alumnus, Emergency Department) was the lead instructor for ACLS and facilitated the training of instructors from CMC along with Dr. Solomon Decruz and Mrs. Dharani Preethi. Instructor monitoring was completed for Dr. Ekta Rai, Dr. Leah Raju George, Dr. Naveen Kumar S. and Dr. Jonathan Arul Jeevan Jayakar.

CMC is an International Training Centre, for American Heart Association accredited courses, with Dr. Subramani as the Training Centre Coordinator. BLS and PALS courses are conducted by the PICU team lead by Dr. Ebor Jacob and the ACLS course will now onwards be conducted by the Department of Anesthesiology.

A total of 32 participants were trained. The BLS course included blended training including both hands on training and theory sessions focusing on BLS in adults, children and infants. There was an intense practice session in the morning which was followed by theory and practical examination in the afternoon.

The two-day ACLS course trained delegates on how to initiate advanced life care in acutely ill adults, beyond BLS, through stabilization and transport phases of adult emergency. Theory sessions included videos on acute coronary syndromes, acute stroke care, team dynamics and coping with death. Delegates actively participated as team leaders and members in the practical sessions. They were facilitated by the instructors in identifying acutely ill adults, ECG rhythms, causes for cardiac arrest, treating, stabilizing and post cardiac arrest care.

The second day of the course had mega code practice sessions followed by a theory and practical examination.

The CMC - ITC encourages all to register and actively participate in these evidence-based courses.

## Dedication of the New State-of- The-Art Donier Compact Delta III Lithotripter

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The new state-of-the-art Donier Compact Delta III Lithotripter was dedicated in the Lithotripsy Suite on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020. Christian Medical College was the first teaching hospital to offer lithotripsy in the country way back in 1996. Since then the lithotripter has emerged as the cheapest and the only non-invasive modality for treatment of renal and ureteric stones. It is especially helpful for patients residing in and around Vellore as it is offered as an outpatient treatment”.



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**January 03 - 09, 2021**

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**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

<i>Directorate</i>	: Dr. J.V. Peter and Staff
<i>Promotion and PTP Office</i>	: Dr. Sowmya Sathyendra and Staff
<i>Hospitality and International Relations</i>	: Dr. Jayanthi Peter and Staff
<i>CMC Vellore Association</i>	: Mr. Barkos Warjri and Staff Dr. John Cherian Oommen and Staff
<i>Quality Management Cell</i>	: Dr. Binila Chacko and Staff
<i>Development Office</i>	: Mr. Hugh Skeil and Staff
<i>Missions Department</i>	: Dr. Thomas Samuel Ram and Staff
<i>Chittoor Campus</i>	: Dr. Kenny Samuel David and Staff Dr. Bala Seetharaman and Staff
<i>Kannigapuram Campus</i>	: Dr. Anil Kuruvilla and Staff
<i>CSI Tiruchy-Tanjore Diocese</i>	
Council Members :	Rt. Rev. Dr. D. Chandrasekaran Dr. D. Samson Daniel
Hospital :	CSI Mission General Hospital, Trichy and others

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**Congratulations!**

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• **Monica Peters**, final year MD trainee, Department of Biochemistry was awarded the first position in a national quiz for postgraduates, conducted by the Association of Medical Biochemists of India (AMBI), as part of AMBI-ON 2020 (a national update cum CME programme for postgraduates, held on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020).

• The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate Higher Specialty Examination** held in August 2020. **DM / MCh – August 2020 session :**

<b>D.M. Cardiology</b>	: Dr. Dhiraj Singh
<b>D.M. Clinical Haematology</b>	: Dr. Wanve Balasaheb Ajinath
<b>M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 Years) Part - III</b>	: Dr. Ananth P. Abraham
<b>M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 Years) Part - III</b>	: Dr. Phelix Rufus
<b>M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 Years) Part - III</b>	: Dr. Wilson Prashanth D'souza
<b>M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 Years) Part - I</b>	: Dr. Kent Reji K.
<b>M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 Years) Part - I</b>	: Dr. Pavan Kumar P.
<b>M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 Years) Part - I</b>	: Dr. Reni George

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**Retirements**

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• **Mr. M. Murugesan**, Hospital Housekeeping Attendant Gr.I, Department of Ophthalmology retired on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife, Mrs. Rani Murugesan is working as Hospital Housekeeping Attendant in L ward. They have two daughters and a son. Their second daughter, Ms. Revathi is working as Staff Nurse in G4 west ward and son, Mr. Saranraj is a Hospital Attendant in K ward.



• **Mr. K. Antony**, Sr. Hospital Housekeeping Attendant, Medical Ward retired on 31<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife, Mrs. Swarthama is working as Hospital Housekeeping Attendant in R ward. They have two sons and a daughter. Their elder son, Mr. Laban is working as Hospital Housekeeping Attendant in Surgical ward and younger son, Mr. Lawrence also works as Hospital Housekeeping Attendant in A Block.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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## Obituary

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**Mr. Mahimai Doss P**, father of Mr. Sam Sunder Singh, Radiographer, Department of Radiology passed away on 29<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Alice and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

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## Situations Vacant

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**1. Senior Resident with MD (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Critical Care Medicine (Neuro ICU)**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Apply to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002 or email to : [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in) with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **January 09, 2021** for Item 1.

**2. Centre for Stem Cell Research (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru) & Christian Medical College, Vellore.**

Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR) (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru), in collaboration with Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore invites applications for the Junior Research Fellow to work in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research.

**Junior Research Fellow**

**Job Code : 1358**

Qualification : M.Sc. and M.Tech Life Sciences / Biochemistry / Biotechnology Candidates with minimum of 55% of marks. Preference will be given to the candidates with CSIR / UGC / DBT / ICMR junior research fellowships.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

For more details of the positions and the application forms visit <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities/> Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to: [cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **January 18, 2021** for Item 2.



*And without faith it is impossible to please God, because any-one who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.*  
*Hebrews 11:6*



# CMC NEWSLINE

**JANUARY 11, 2021**  
**Renewal of Faith**

## **Dedication of the Phase Two Apartments at CMC Vellore Kannigapuram Campus**

On December 19, 2020, eight apartment blocks constituting the second phase of CMC's Kannigapuram residential campus were dedicated. This comprised 304 new apartments of B, C, D, and E grade housing, in addition to the four apartment blocks that were inaugurated in March 2020.

The programme was a meaningful and happy occasion for the CMC community. Rev. Finney Alexander, Sr. Chaplain led with the opening prayer. Dr. Selvamani B, Deputy Director (Housing), welcomed the gathering and extended a special welcome to the invitees including Dr. Premila Lee, former Nursing Superintendent and Head of Surgical Nursing. This was followed by Bible



reading by Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing and a message from Rev. Finney Alexander.



Mr. V. Jayasankar, Superintendent Engineer gave an overview of the residential campus and highlighted its new and special features. Occupancy of the apartments inaugurated in phase 1 has commenced. He also mentioned about additional features under development including a provision store, canteen and primary school. We hope these will become a reality soon and would meet the essential needs of the residents.

Felicitations were offered by Dr. J.V.Peter, Dr. Prasad Mathews and

Mr. David Chandran. The Director appreciated the team for their hard work and the tremendous growth in the campus. He specially thanked the former administrators, Dr. Sunil Chandy, former Director and Mr. Ebinezer Sundarraj, former General Superintendent for kickstarting the new campus with their hard work and dedication.



## Dedication of the Phase Two Apartments at CMC Vellore Kannigapuram Campus

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The ribbon cutting event of each of the eight new blocks followed, facilitated by the dignitaries: Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Mr. Ebenezer Sundarraj, former General Superintendent, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Premila Lee, former Nursing Superintendent, Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean College of Nursing, Dr. Chandrasingh, Associate Director (Finance), Dr. Joy Mammen, Associate Director (Medical), Dr. Thomas Ram, Associate Director (Missions), Dr. Anil Kuruvilla, Associate Director (Kannigapuram), Er. David Chandran, General Superintendent and Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent.



The programme concluded with a prayer of dedication before which Dr. Anil Kuruvilla extended his sincere thanks to the CMC Council members, administrative colleagues, the CMC engineering team headed by Mr. Jayasankar, the builders, the local panchayat and others for their constant support. A special mention of thanks was also made to the Ranipet District Collector and the district administration for their continuous support and having permitted construction work to proceed in the Kannigapuram hospital and housing projects through the lockdown period. Overall it was a great team effort which would not have been possible without the blessings of God Almighty.

## Department of Dietetics Organises Annual Staff Appreciation Awards 2020

Appreciation goes a long way in boosting up the morale and confidence of employees.

The Department of Dietetics organised its staff appreciation awards on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 to celebrate their employee's contributions to the department and to the institution. A 360 degree appraisal on every employee was carried out



predominantly focusing only on Good Qualities of the colleagues. This exercise is a strategy to train the minds to see only the good qualities in the colleagues and to eliminate negative thoughts. Every employee of Dietetics was bestowed with an award title and the teams' collective testimony printed version.

Dr. M.J. Paul Associate Director (HR), Er. David Chandran, General Superintendent and Mrs. Annie Valsan, Deputy General Superintendent were the Chief Guests for the occasion. An Audio Visual presentation for one minute on every employee was streamed and the awards were given by the Chief Guests. The Dietetics Team acknowledged the contributions of their leaders by awarding Er. David Chandran "The Phenomenal Leader" award and Mrs. Annie Valsan "The Charismatic Leader" award for their untiring support, involvement, motivation time and effort to the Department.

Using the reverse mentoring concept, the junior staff of the department was encouraged to shoulder the responsibility of organising the entire appreciation awards programme and the result was indeed commendable.

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**January 10 - 16, 2021**  
**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

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**Anaesthesia** : Dr. Raj Sahajanandan and Staff  
Dr. Tony Thomson Chandy and Staff  
Dr. Sajan Philip George and Staff  
Dr. Georgene Singh and Staff  
Dr. Ekta Rai and Staff

**Operation Theatre** : Dr. Amit Jiwan Tirkey and Staff  
Mrs. Sheela Durai and Staff

**SICU & HDU** : Dr. Subramani K. and Staff  
Dr. Premila Lee and Staff

**Christian Assemblies in India**

Council Members : Adv. Raju M. Koshy  
Dr. Samson K. Sam

Hospitals: Tiruvalla Medical Mission, Sankeshwar Mission Hospital,  
Ambajipeta Women's Hospital, Narsapur Christian Hospital and others.

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**Memorandum**

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**Dr. Selvamani B**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Pharmacy Services with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 for a four year term.

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**Congratulations!**

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**Dr. Nikash John**, PG Registrar, Department of Orthopaedics Unit-II, won a medal at the 8<sup>th</sup> annual conference conducted by the Geriatric Orthopaedic Society of India, GOSICON for his work on Pain control in total knee replacement.

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**Obituary**

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**Mrs. Durga Devi G.**, Staff Nurse Gr.III, passed away on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021. She joined CMC on 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2010 and worked in O-Block for 10 years with dedication, commitment and sincerity. She is survived by her husband Mr. Nandakumar, two daughters Miss.Thamizhini (9 years), Miss. Yazhini (7 years) and son Master Kavipriyan (5 years).

Let us uphold the bereaved family members in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.



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**Admission Notice**

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**Medical PG (MD/MS), Diploma in Clinical Pathology & M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 years) Courses Admissions – 2021**

Application form can be accessed & submitted only online through the College website <http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in/> till **17<sup>th</sup> March 2021** (Dates are subject to change. The last date for online submission of application will be after NEET PG-2021 exam and before the date of declaration of results).

Please refer to Admission Bulletin (available at our website) for course details, eligibility criteria etc.,

All courses and admissions to our College are subject to applicable regulations by University / Government / Medical Council of India / Court.

**REGISTRAR**  
[registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in)

## Institutional Recommendation for Postgraduate Admissions 2021

Applications are invited from candidates interested in applying for Institutional Recommendation\* for the specialties indicated in the tabular column:

Course	Department
MD. Anaesthesia	Anaesthesia, MICU, SICU, RUSHA and Emergency Medicine
MD. Community Medicine	Chittoor Campus
MD. DVL	Dermatology
MS. ENT	Institutional Sponsorship for Mission Hospital
MD. Geriatrics	Institutional Sponsorship for Mission Hospital
MD. Family Medicine	Family Medicine and RUHSA
MD. General Medicine	General Medicine, MICU, SICU, Pulmonary Medicine, Chittoor Campus and Emergency Medicine
MS. General Surgery	General Surgery, HPB Surgery, Chittoor Campus, RUHSA and Emergency Medicine
MS. Obstetrics & Gynaecology	Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Chittoor Campus and RUSHA
MS. Ophthalmology	Ophthalmology and Chittoor Campus
MD. Paediatrics	General Paediatrics, Paediatric HDU / ICU, Paediatric Emergency, Paediatric Haemato-Oncology, Paediatric Endocrinology & Metabolism / PIEM, Paediatric Nephrology, Developmental Paediatrics, Paediatric Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Paediatric Rheumatology, Adolescent Medicine, Community Health, Chittoor Campus, RUHSA and Neonatology
MD. Microbiology	Chittoor Campus
MD. Pathology	Pathology
MD. PMR	Chittoor Campus
MD. Psychiatry	Psychiatry and Chittoor Campus
MD. Radiodiagnosis	Radiodiagnosis and Chittoor Campus
MD. Radiotherapy	Institutional Sponsorship for Mission Hospital and Palliative Care
MD. Respiratory Medicine	Respiratory Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, MICU and Emergency Medicine
Orthopaedics	Chittoor Campus and Emergency Medicine
Emergency Medicine	Emergency Medicine and Chittoor Campus

**\*Recommendation does not guarantee selection into a course nor does it guarantee a teaching cadre. If selected, on completion of the course, sponsored candidates will be appointed to serve in any area considered appropriate by the Christian Medical College, Vellore. This could be either in the sponsoring department, other related departments or appointments in hospitals of supporting bodies and Churches of the Christian Medical College, Vellore Council.**

Application forms for sponsorship are available from the Vice Principal's Office PG Section or from the concerned departments. In case a candidate wants to apply for a particular specialty and it is not listed, then please contact Vice Principal's Office (PG Section). Kindly apply in duplicate to the Head of Department and Vice Principal's Office (PG Section) by **20.01.2021**. The decision of the CMC Recommendation Committee will be communicated to the candidates latest by **06.02.2021**. If you do not receive the same by the said date, please contact Vice Principal's Office, PG Section.

Dr. Simon Pradeep Pavamani  
Vice Principal (PG)

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The TCI-CMC Research Scholars Programme is designed for developing research and academic skills among postgraduate trainees and young faculty. This programme provides competitive research grants to support scholarly research and funding for short-term professional development training. The TCI-CMC Research Scholars Programme 2020-21 will be focused for assisting clinician-researchers and scholars in the disciplines of 'Infectious Diseases' and 'Traumatology' to develop their research skills and professional advancement in the respective specialty.

For further information please contact : 3079 (internal phone); email to : [traumasurg@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:traumasurg@cmcvellore.ac.in)

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## Situations Vacant

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**1. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Anaesthesia)** for the **Department of Anaesthesia**  
Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution for applying for Assistant Professor job.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002 or email to: [princi@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **January 16, 2021** for Item 1.

**2. Centre for Stem Cell Research** (a unit of inStem Bengaluru) & Christian Medical College, Vellore in collaboration with National Health Mission, Odisha invite applications for **Project Director Position**.

*Job Code :1359*

The Project Director will be responsible for overall management of the project including liaising and coordinating with leading partners in the Odisha state; supervising members of the project teams in Odisha and in Vellore and overseeing project implementation, financial and administrative oversight, reporting, and monitoring and evaluation of the project. These plans and outputs will be reviewed on regular basis and updated / modified as per the requirements of the project.

Remuneration : Rs.1,30,000.00/-.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Duration : Initial appointment for 1 year (Extendable).

For application forms visit <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities/>

Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to: [cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in)) or by hard copy Address to : The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **January 25, 2021** for Item 2.

**3. The Centre for Stem Cell Research and Christian Medical College, Vellore** invites applications for **Nurse Counselor** on term appointment basis to work in the project, Control of Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NAHD) - Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Disease Control Programme in collaboration with the Government of Odisha.

Job Location : Odisha.

Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing preferably with two years experience.

Salary scale : Consolidated pay (Rs.32,000/-), Accommodation not provided.

Job description : 1. To train ANM / District hospital nurses in pre and post test counseling.

2. To provide pre and post counseling for PND at Medical Colleges in Odisha.

3. To help disseminate the results of the Sentinel Surveillance Site.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004 on or before **January 23, 2021** for Item 3.



*"Have faith in God", Jesus answered. Mark 11:22*



# CMC NEWSLINE

JANUARY 18, 2021

## CRE on "Communication and Swallowing on Patients with Traumatic Brain Injury"



The Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation conducted the annual Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE) titled "Communication and Swallowing on patients with Traumatic Brain Injury" on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2020. The CRE was conducted in commemoration of "World Disability Day".

The virtual programme started on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020 with a word of prayer and followed by an introduction and welcome address by Dr. Jacob George, Professor and Head of PMR.

Dr. Judy Ann John, Professor and Head of PMR Unit-I proposed the vote of thanks at the end of the sessions on the second day.

The CRE had five scientific sessions on the first day and four sessions on the following day. The sessions were led by physiatrists, rehab nurse, occupational therapists, speech therapists and rehab engineers about their respective roles in the communication and swallowing in traumatic brain injury. There were eighty six multidisciplinary delegates from different states and other countries.



The CRE was well appreciated by the participants and faculty. The department looks forward to conducting more such CRE's on the rehabilitation of differently-abled persons and acknowledge with gratitude, Dr. Jacob George, for his constant encouragement, immense support and guidance and also our administration for allowing this to happen and the organizing team for their tireless efforts.

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**January 17 - 23, 2021**

**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

*Accounts* : Mr. Abraham Oommen and Staff

*Internal Audit* : Mr. Nandakumar T. and Staff

*Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church*

Council Members : Mr. K. Ravi Teja  
Mr. CND Prakash

Hospitals: Baer Christian Hospital, Chirala,  
Ruth Sigmon Memorial Lutheran Health Centre,  
Guntur and others

*Arcot Lutheran Church*

Council Members : Rt. Rev. V. Samuel Kennady  
Rev. A. Joshuva Peter

Hospital : Danish Mission Hospital, Tirukoilor and others

*All India Association for Christian Higher Education*

Council Member : Fr. Xavier Vedam S.J.

*Australian Board of Vellore CMC*

Council Members: Dr. Stephen Aseervatham  
Prof. David Runia

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**Memoranda**

- **Dr. Sathish Kumar T**, Professor, will continue as Head of Paediatrics Unit-II with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Kala Ranjini Sundaravalli**, Professor, is appointed as Head of PICU with effect from 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 for a four year term.

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**Welcome**

- **Dr. Sanjith Aaron**, Professor, Department of Neurology, on his return from sabbatical leave.
- **Dr. Georgie Mathew**, Assistant Professor, Department of Paediatrics Unit-II, on his return from study leave.

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**Notice**

**Short Course for Doctors in Diabetes Mellitus :**

The Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism will be organising an **Intensive Training Programme in Diabetes Mellitus for Doctors from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2021** with practical and theoretical intonation followed by an assessment. (5 days Online Theory Session + 4 days Practical Session). Certificates will be awarded on completion.

**WHO CAN APPLY** : MBBS / MD General Medicine / MD Community Medicine / MD Family Medicine.

**Submit your applications via Online - <https://www.cmcendovellore.org/online-application-form/>**

**COURSE FEE** : Rs.13,240/- (Incl of 18% GST and it covers Course Fee, Course Materials, Lunch and Refreshments).

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## Obituary

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**Mrs. Lily Wilson**, wife of Mr. Wilson Sundararaj, mother of Dr. Sam David, Missions Department passed away on 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

Let us uphold her husband, children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

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## Situations Vacant

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**1. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Paediatrics)** with 2 years experience of Fellowship in Paediatric Intensive Care for the **Department of Paediatrics (Paediatric ICU)**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002 or email to: [princi@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **January 23, 2021** for Item 1.

**2. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor** for the **Department of Pulmonary Medicine**

Qualifications required for applying **Assistant Professor post** : DM (Pulmonary Medicine) / Pulmonary & Critical Care / Pulmonary Critical Care and Sleep.

Qualifications required for applying **Senior Resident post**: MD (Respiratory Medicine / TB & Chest).

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002 or email to: [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **January 23, 2021** for Item 2.

**3. Technical Assistant (Project Mode)** for the **CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Qualifications: H.Sc., with CMAI Diploma in MLT.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies".

Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted. Applications will close on **February 01, 2021** for Item 3.

**4. Accountant cum Cashier Gr.III** for the **Centre for Stem Cell Research**

Qualifications : B.Com + one year computer training / experience + one year CMC trainee passed.

Salary Scale : As per institutional norms.

Those who have completed the "One year Graduate Trainee for Accounts Department" need only apply.

Apply with xerox copies of all your certificates to the Personnel Manager, Christian Medical College, Ida Scudder Road, Vellore - 632 004 on or before **January 20, 2021** for Item 4.

## A Glimpse of this week's Newslines, 49 years back...

Vol.XI No.1

17 January 1972

### Religious Work Dept:

Sunday, 23 January 1972: 6 pm.

Scudder Auditorium: Rev.A.C.Oommen.  
Hospital Chapel: Rev. De Bruin  
Marthoma Service: Holy Qurbana.  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
Rev. Joseph Chacko

### Debating Competition:

The annual interhouse debating competition will be held on Tuesday, 18 Jan. at 7:30 pm. in the Scudder Auditorium. The topic is: "for progress to be expedited the adoption of western attitudes and methods is imperative."

### Tuesday Night is Ladies Night:

All ladies (staff and students) are welcome to join in a game of Tennis from 8:30 pm. on Tuesdays at the Webb Court.(College Hill)

### Wedding:

Mr.R.Kuppuswamy (Neurology with Miss Bhanumathy in Madras.

Dr.P.Raghupathy with  
Dr.A.Manimekala in Katpadi.  
on 21 January 1972.

Our congratulations!

### Wanted:

Applications are invited for the post of Asst.Electrician in the scale Rs.130-3-172-EB-4-192 from candidates possessing Wireman Trade Certificate of any recognised industrial technical institute with at least one year's experience. Applications should be in the prescribed form which can be obtained from the Personnel Manager, CMCH, by sending an Indian Postal Order for Rs.2 payable to the Treasurer, CMCH. The last date for receipt of applications which should be addressed to the Personnel Manager is 1.2.1972.

### Pongal Celebrations:

Annual Pongal Celebrations at 6 pm on 18 January '72 at the Nurses' Quadrangle.

Public meeting: 6 pm; Entertainment: 7 pm; Dinner: 8 pm.

### Hospital Day: February 5th:

Pickles: Fish, Vegetable, Lime sold at Purchase office.

Jumble articles may please be sent to Mrs.Desmond at College and to Mrs.Mani at Hospital.

### Ladies hairdresser:

- will be coming to Vellore on 22 Jan. Please contact Mrs. Sukumar or Mrs.Milledge for appointment.

### To let:

Two bed room house available at Kodaikanal during summer.  
Contact: Rev.P.Asirvatham.

### For sale:

Philips portable four speed record player with built in amplifier and speaker, made in Holland.

Contact: Mr.Rohan Ganguli,  
--- Men's Hostel.

Royal Enfield, Ensign 1.5 H.P. Motor cycle for sale. 1960 Model. Top condition.  
Contact: James John, Transport.  
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A small quantity of pork-within 30 kg. available on 22 Jan. 10 am. Please book your order with New Life Centre.

### Visitors: (20 January)

75 - 100 delegates to the Joint Annual Conference of Physicians of India will visit CMCH.

Rev.William Murison, India Secretary of the Overseas Council of the Church of Scotland.

### Lost:

Cyclostyled papers on Medical Terminology are lost. Finder please return it to PRO.

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

It takes less time to do a thing right than to explain why you did it wrong.  
- Longfellow.



*Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.*

*Romans 10:17*



# CMC NEWSLINE

JANUARY 25, 2021

## Mrs. Stella Richard Retires

**Mrs. Stella Richard**, Sr. Gr. Charge Nurse retired on 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 after serving the institution for 30 years and 6 months. Mrs. Stella Richard completed Diploma in Nursing at Bangalore CSI Hospital in the year 1981. She joined CMC Hospital in the year 1982 as a staff nurse and worked in M ward till 1985. After that she resigned and worked in Muscat for 3 years. She again joined CMC in the year 1989 as a staff nurse in 'O' block. She studied PBB.Sc. Nursing from 1993-1995 under institutional sponsorship and joined as a Charge Nurse in O3 East ward in the year 1995. She started managing endoscopy room as Charge Nurse since 2008.



She is passionate towards nursing and takes care of the patients needs well.

She is a proactive and committed charge nurse. She took incharge of colonoscopy room in MTS3 which was started in 2011. She is good in managing the busy schedule of patient appointments. She had command over her job and was a commendable team leader. Her good interpersonal relationship with team members and other supportive services, can never be forgates.

Her Husband Mr. Richard Sounderrajan is a retired Supervisor of Saudia Airlines. Her son Mr. Ronald Simon is working with COVID project under QMC in Chittoor campus. Her daughter-in-law Dr. Annie Evangeline is doing her Fellowship in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in CMC. Her daughter Mrs. Rachel Sophia is pursuing M.Sc. Nursing in Bangalore, Son-in-law Mr. N. Pradeep (PWD class 2) is a contractor in Bangalore. She is blessed with a granddaughter Ketziah Miraclin.

CMC and the Nursing Service thank Mrs. Stella Richard for her dedicated service in this institution and wish her God's blessings on her retired life.

## The Department of Medicine conducts the 5<sup>th</sup> Medicine Annual Conference

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The Department of Medicine conducted the 5<sup>th</sup> Medicine Annual conference from November 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> virtually, through the Zoom webinar platform. The themes covered were, Obstetric Medicine, COVID 19 and vaccine development, Evidence Based Medicine, and Medical education in the COVID era.

The sessions had postgraduate teaching in the form of clinics and critical appraisal of clinical trials. The keynote speakers included experts in their field from London, Colombo, Malaysia, Vietnam, USA, speakers from secondary hospitals working in India and faculty of Christian Medical College, Vellore.

The department is thankful to Dr. Nick Grassly, Dr. Gagandeep Kang, Dr. Chandrika Wijeratne, Dr. Vincent Rajkumar, Dr. Ravichandran Jeganathan, Dr. Guy Thwaites, Dr. Cijoy Kuriakose, and Dr. Sedevi Angami for their time and academic input in making this conference a success. The contributions by Dr. Jiji Mathew, Dr. Balamugesh, Dr. OC Abraham, Dr. Vivek Mathew, Dr. Priscilla Rupali, Dr. J.V. Peter, Dr. Kishore Pichamuthu, Dr. Ravikar Ralph, and Dr. Priyanka Daniel were acknowledged by the team. The academic teaching for the postgraduate teaching sessions were delivered by Dr. Kurien Thomas, Dr. MS Seshadri, Dr. Thambu David, Dr. Ramya I, Dr. Samuel Hansdak and Dr. Anand Zachariah. A riveting debate on the topic, 'Need for Anticoagulation in COVID 19' between Dr. OC Abraham and Dr. Anand Zachariah was well appreciated.

The programme began with a prayer, led by Rev. Finney Alexander. The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Sowmya Sathyendra, Head of Medicine Unit-III. This was followed by felicitations offered by Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Thambu David, Head of Medicine, and Dr. Anna Pulimood, Principal. The overview of the conference was shared by Dr. Sudha Jasmine the Organizing Secretary of the Conference.

The Department of Medicine Unit-III, as the organizers for the conference, would like to acknowledge and thank Dr. Audrin Lenin, Dr. Sheba Meriam Thomas, Dr. Manna Jacob, Dr. Nalini Newbigging, Dr. Mohan Jambugulam, Dr. Josh Georgy Thomas, Dr. Punitha J.V., Dr. Tina George, Dr. Murugabharthy, Dr. Amith Balachandran, Dr. John Davis and Dr. Karthik G. for all their contribution towards the successful conduct of the workshop.

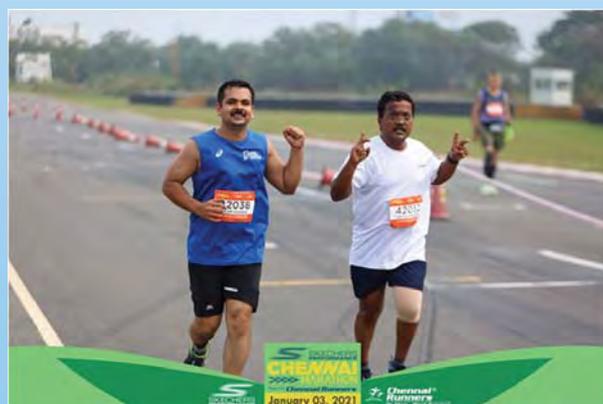
Over 600 registrations and 120 posters were presented during the poster presentations. The list of poster prize winners are displayed on the CMC MAC website : <https://www.cmcmac2020.com/>

The programme was awarded 30 CME credit points by the Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai.

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## Small but Steady Steps - A Marathon to Remember

"Little did 52 year- old Mr. Sathyamurthy realise that his cardiac problem is what would motivate him to take up running as a regular habit, and become a living example to a lot of people. It was on April 23, 2019 he had severe chest pain and was admitted in CMC following which he was diagnosed to have "cardiac arrest" and underwent angioplasty and a stent was placed in his blood vessel going to the heart. This incident would create apprehension for a lot of people, but not to Mr. Sathyamurthy, he took this as a challenge and actively participated in the Cardiac Rehabilitation programme initiated by the combined efforts of Cardiology department and Physiotherapy, PMR Department.



**Mr. Sathyamurthy's unwavering determination and training discipline**

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## Small but Steady Steps - A Marathon to Remember

Working as a micro financier in Vellore, he took small but steady steps towards his fitness journey which ultimately led to him completing a full marathon (42.195 km) in Chennai on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. He had earlier completed about five ten km races and five half marathons each prior to completing the full marathon. He had to run a total duration of five hours and twenty-three minutes to achieve this amazing feat. This was possible due to the coordinated efforts of the Physiotherapy and Cardiac team comprising of Physicians Dr. Oommen George, Dr. Anoop Alex and Dr. Muralidhar. Physiotherapy team comprising of Mr. Yasin Shereef, Mr. Lenny Vasanthan, Cardiac technologists - Ms. Sasi Rekha and nursing staff – Ms. Clara and Ms.Vani".



Mr. Sathyamurthy (white T shirt) completing Fullmarathon with Mr. Yasin Shereef, PT (Blue T shirt)

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## January 24 - 30, 2021

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Accident and Emergency :** Dr. K.P.P. Abhilash and Staff  
Mrs. Jayalinda Christopher and Staff

**CSI Karnataka Diocese**

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. Prasana Kumar Samuel  
Dr. John Ebenezar

Hospitals : CSI Hospital, Bangalore, CSI Bethel Mission Hospital, Gadag,  
CSI Holdsworth Memorial Hospital, Mysore and others.

**CSI Krishna - Godavari Diocese**

Council Members : Rt. Rev. T. George Cornelious  
Mr. Vijay Pradhan

Hospital : CSI Vathsalya Hospital, Vijayawada and others

**Friends of Vellore – Sweden**

Council Member : Dr. Sten Walther

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## Memoranda

**Dr. Anil Thomas Oommen**, Professor is appointed as Head of Orthopaedics Unit-II with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021 for a four year term.

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## Congratulations!

**Dr. Thomas Samuel**, Associate Director (Missions), Professor and Head, Department of Radiation Oncology Unit-I, successfully completed two years MBA (Hospital & Health Systems Management) course conducted by BITS, Pilani.

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## Obituaries

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- **Miss. K.W. Gladys**, retired Department Sister (M ward, 1999) passed away on 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.
- **Mrs. T. Navaneetham Theodore**, wife of Mr. Theodore Isaac, mother of Mrs. T. Grace, Staff Nurse, ABMTU (A-Block) passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2021.
- **Mrs. Ammini Paul**, Sel.Gr.Clerk, M Ward retired Staff, wife of Late. Mr. Paul Samuel passed away on 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the families in our prayers.

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## Situations Vacant

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### 1. Assistant Professor for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Paediatric Neurology)

Qualification : MD Paediatrics / DNB (Paediatrics) with two or more years specialised training in Paediatric Neurology or MD / DNB (Paediatrics) with DM in Neurology / Paediatric Neurology.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002 or email to: [princi@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **February 06, 2021** for Item 1.

### 2. Assistant Warden

Qualification : Graduate preferably with Home Science.

Candidate need to stay in the hostel. (Only female candidates need to apply).

Salary scale : As per institutional rules.

Preference will be given for single women.

Apply with biodata, photograph, copies of certificates, testimonial/s to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Ida Scudder Road, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **February 06, 2021** for Item 2.



*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him,  
so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Romans 15:13*



# CMC NEWSLINE

FEBRUARY 01, 2021

## Celebrating India's First Kidney Transplant



Shanmugam (Patient), Dr. Mohan Rao, Dr. Johny (Nephrologist), Dr. Martin Isaac (Anaesthetist), Dr. H.S. Bhat (Chief of Urology) and Nurse.

February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 announces the 50<sup>th</sup> year since the first successful kidney transplant in CMC. The same day in the year 1971, a highly skilled team of doctors and nurses in CMC performed the first transplant which was a milestone in the nation's history of health care.

Dr. Mohan Rao recalls the incidents which led to the first transplant. Previously, in 1965 and 1966, three attempts were made at kidney transplantation; two in Mumbai and one in Varanasi. All three were unfortunately unsuccessful even though they were performed by senior doctors. Meanwhile in the southern part of the country, CMC was planning to begin its transplant programme. The planning and learning process was tedious and thorough. Dr. Chandy had deputed Dr. Mohan Rao and Dr. K.V. Johny to Adelaide, Australia where the first successful transplant had taken place in The Queen Elizabeth Hospital. In 1970 after returning to Vellore they began planning the first kidney transplant in CMC. Dr. Mohan was cautioned by the then director Dr. Webb about the delicate nature and the significance of this first attempt. If the first attempt was unsuccessful, then there may be no more transplants in CMC, since patients may refuse to come. The

team was asked to go ahead with the transplant with whatever was available. With no two operating theatres (one for the donor and the second for the recipient) Dr. Mohan started the operation around 7.00 pm and finished close to midnight.

"I stayed with the patient till morning as I had no trained transplant nurses - a practice I continued till the team gained confidence. The transplanted kidney started producing urine on table and continued. There were no complications and patient was discharged after two weeks. We did not announce the news but it has leaked somehow and was on All India Radio and local news paper by morning. We did another transplant three weeks later with good result. That was the start of Kidney Transplantation in India."

### **"I Live With My Father's Kidney "- Excerpts from the thoughts of the first kidney transplant patient of CMC.**

..."I was informed that Dr. M. Mohan Rao, who had been doing kidney transplant operations in Australia, was coming back to India to start the same work at Vellore. His arrival and subsequently accepting me as the candidate for the first kidney transplant in this country looked like a good beginning.

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## Celebrating India's First Kidney Transplant

We were told that one of my close relatives should donate the kidney. All my relatives including parents, brothers, sisters and wife went through tests to see if any of them were suitable kidney donors. Results accepted my father's kidney. After the transplant I opened my eyes in the sterile room, I was surprised to find the full urine bag by my bed-side. I sent a message outside informing relatives about my health and inquiring about the health of my father, whose kidney had started doing its vital job in my body.

For about three weeks I recovered in a sterile isolated room.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> March, I was discharged from the hospital after seven months. It was a day which we all looked for. I was back with my family members. I was permitted to resume my normal official duties in August 1971.



A recent picture featuring Dr. K.V. Johny and Dr. Mohan Rao in a firm handshake. Along with Dr. Meshach G. Kirubakaran (R) and Dr. Chakko Korula Jacob (L).

Nearly two years have passed since my transplant. This period has brought me back as a normal man in all spheres of life. So much has been done by my doctors, relatives and friends; now the responsibility to maintain what has been achieved is mine. I must convey my thanks to the team of doctors, sisters, various departments of the hospital, my relatives and friends by whose efforts I am able to see this day; all those who must have prayed to Almighty God for my life. I pray to God that this hospital will always continue to offer this type of help to those in need"...

**Ever since then, The Departments of Urology and Nephrology has performed 3755 transplants and 188 deceased donor transplants. In 1992, the deceased donor transplant programme began followed by laparoscopic donor nephrectomies in 1999.**

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## COVID Vaccination Roll Out

Vaccination against COVID19 infection began in CMC in a pilot mode, starting on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Subsequently we have begun regular vaccination at the Paul Brand Building from 25<sup>th</sup> January onwards. Expanded sites RUHSA and New Exam Hall were added on from the 28<sup>th</sup> January. We are one of the few private Institutions in the State that has been co-opted to roll out the Phase 1 vaccination for health care workers. We have been provided with the Covishield vaccine. More than 1000 staff have received vaccination during the last 10 days. This included a cross section of medical, nursing, paramedical, clerical and house-keeping attendants. Most of the senior administrators including the Director, Principal, Medical Superintendent, Nursing Superintendent, General Superintendent among others had taken the vaccination within the week. No major incidents were reported. Most staff have not had any significant side effects, other than mild soreness at the injection site and occasional persons reporting low grade fever lasting 12-24 hours.

Staff are being scheduled through the CMC SMS gateway. Walk in staff are welcome between 9 am and 3 pm. Heads of Units and Departments are encouraged to arrange for staff to go in small batches during working hours to receive the vaccination. Related FAQs and the check list are available on the Intranet. Staff are requested to read it before they come for the vaccination.

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## COVID Vaccination Roll Out

It is still mandatory to wear masks, perform hand sanitizing and maintain social distancing after the vaccination. Remember that although the vaccination may not prevent infection, it is likely to reduce severity.

As we seek to come out from the pandemic time, it is hoped that the vaccination will help improve mobility and the opportunities to return to the new normal in short order, in terms of having departmental meetings, conducting training and workshops and institutional functions, while observing necessary precautions.

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### January 31 - February 06, 2021

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#### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Clinical Biochemistry* : Dr. Pamela Christudoss and Staff

*Biochemistry* : Dr. Molly Jacob and Staff

*CNI Synod - The Synodical Board of Health Services*

Council Members : Mr. Joshua Rathnam Chinthala  
Rt. Rev. B. K. Nayak

Hospitals: St. Stephen's Hospital, New Delhi,  
Lady Willingdon Hospital, Manali.  
Kristiya Seva Sansthan Sarenga, West Bengal and others

*Christian Service Society of Bengal,  
Orissa and Bihar Baptist Convention*

*Christian Mission Service, Germany*  
Council Member : Dr. S.R. Banerjee Jesudason

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### Memorandum

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**Dr. Rajiv Karthik**, Physician, Department of Infectious Diseases will be the Deputy Chairman for the Hospital Infection Control Committee till further notice with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.

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### Congratulations!

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The following candidates were successful in the Postgraduate **MD / MS** Examination held in **October 2020**.

#### MD MS – October 2020 session

<b>M.D. Anaesthesia</b>	:	Dr. Nirupama Arulappan
<b>M.D. Biochemistry</b>	:	Dr. Peter Monica
<b>M.D. General Medicine</b>	:	Dr. Esther Inbarani, Dr. Shibu V. Ignatious and Dr. Yara Kandoth
<b>M.D. Microbiology</b>	:	Dr. Lisha Jha
<b>M.D. Nuclear Medicine</b>	:	Dr. Junita Rachel John
<b>M.D. Paediatrics</b>	:	Dr. Samantha Cheryl Kumar
<b>M.D. Psychiatry</b>	:	Dr. Chithra U.
<b>M.D. Radiodiagnosis</b>	:	Dr. Anand A. and Dr. Franklin El. Irwin

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### Obituaries

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- **Mr. Deepak Khakha**, father of Ms. Shainey Alokith Khakha, Senior Research Fellow, Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory, Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences, Passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 at Jharkand.
- **Mr. J. Prakasam**, retired Staff, MRD, father of Mrs. Priya Edwin, Staff Nurse in LCECU and Mrs. Rebeccal, Staff Nurse in Main OR passed away on 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the families in our prayers.

## **Admission Notice**

Application forms and prospectus for admission to Balavihar Kids Corner, Junior and Senior classes for the year 2021-2022 will be available at Balavihar on payment of Rs.150/- from **8<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 between 9.00 am to 4.00 am.**

**Balavihar Kids Corner : (Junior)** Children of CMCH staff, who have completed 2½ years by 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 and not more than 3 years by 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2021 are eligible to apply. Parents residing in the Hospital Campus, whose child will complete 2½ years by 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 and would like to admit their child, also must apply now. Parents will be intimated if and when a vacancy arises after their child completes 2½ years.

**Balavihar Kids Corner : (Senior)** Children of CMCH staff, who have completed 3 years by 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 and not more than 4 years by 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2021 are eligible to apply.

**Note : The last date for submission of completed application forms along with a photocopy of the child's birth certificate and your salary slip is 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 by 4.00 pm.**

## **Situations Vacant**

### **1. Senior Resident with M.D. (Pharmacology) for the Department of Pharmacology and Clinical Pharmacology**

Age limit : <45 years.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002 or email to: [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **February 06, 2021** for Item 1.

### **2. Medical Officer for the Department of Paediatrics Unit-III**

*Job Code: 1360*

Qualification : MBBS.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Consolidated Salary : Rs.50,000/- per month.

Accommodation not Provided.

Download application from this link: <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send the filled application mentioning the Job Code either by soft copy to [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **February 12, 2021** for Item 2.

***Please mention the job code, applications forms without the job code will not be accepted.***

### **3. Technician Trainee in Medical Superintendent's Office (ACCESS)**

Qualifications : H.Sc., with computer skills, previous experience in insurance related work and those who would be able to communicate in different languages like Tamil, English, Telugu, Bengali and Hindi. Only candidates with experience need to apply. Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age limit : 30 years.

***Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.***

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". ***Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*** Applications will closed on **February 15, 2021** for Item 3.



*But the needy will not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the afflicted ever perish.*  
*Psalm 9:18*



# CMC NEWSLINE

FEBRUARY 08, 2021

## Lamp Lighting Ceremony - B.Sc. Nursing Batch of 2019

The Lamp Lighting Ceremony for the first batch (batch of 2019) of B.Sc. Nursing students of the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus was held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021, at the Hospital Chapel, Chittoor campus. During this solemn occasion, forty nine first year Nursing Students dedicated their lives to the noble profession of 'Nursing'. The Chief Guest Dr. Mary Sulakshini Immanuel, Former Dean of College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore addressed the students. She exhorted the calling of each student for this noble profession. She emphasized on the meaning of 'Light' and the importance of students lighting the lamp from the lamp lit by the faculty of Nursing.



She invited the students to be compassionate, competent and caring in providing patient care. Mrs. Rosaline Jayakaran, Principal, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus gave charge to the students and spoke on the significance of Florence Nightingale Lamp and the Ceremony. She advised the students to carry their lamp and keep it burning continually by fueling it with Gods constant presence and guidance.



Dr. Nihal Thomas, Head of Endocrinology Unit-I, CMC, Vellore was the guest of honour who addressed the students and lighted the Florence Nightingale lamp. He spoke on the significance of

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## Lamp Lighting Ceremony - B.Sc. Nursing Batch of 2019

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nursing in medical profession and compared the journey of a nursing student to the cutting of a diamond. Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, CMC, Vellore and Mrs. Rosaline Jayakaran, Principal,



handed over the lamps to the students. Rev.

Dr. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy offered the prayer of dedication and the benediction. The programme was attended by the administrative officers of CMC main and Chittoor Campus, Dean and Faculty College of Nursing, and medical and nursing staff of Chittoor campus. To view the ceremony kindly click on the following link : <https://youtu.be/4dSBzc6yy6U>



## CMC Observes Republic Day



The 72<sup>nd</sup> Republic Day was observed by the various campuses of CMC. At the hospital campus, the flag was hoisted by Dr. Vikram Mathews, Associate Director (Admin) and he delivered the message. The ceremony here was organised by Mr. K. Sundaram, Chief Security Officer and Mr. Natarajan, Chief Fire Officer and team. Dr. Sowmya Sathyendra, Deputy Director Promotions gave the message at the College Campus and Dr. C.E. Eapen, Head, Department of Hepatology hoisted the flag. The programme at the college campus was organised by Dr. Balaganesh, Physical Director and the vote of thanks was delivered by Ms. Reshma Rao, Student. The Chittoor campus family celebrated Republic day

starting with a chapel service attended by staff. The message was brought by Mrs. Rosaline Jayakaran, the Principal, College of Nursing, and she reminded the staff of our privileges and responsibilities as citizens of the country.



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## CMC Observes Republic Day



Mrs. Rosaline also did the flag hoisting following the chapel service, and inspected the parade by the campus security staff. The Department of RUHSA celebrated Republic Day. The National Flag was hoisted by Dr. Shantidani Minz, Head of RUHSA with the Campus Children. Sister Devika Donald, Staff Nurse gave the Republic Day Speech.

**February 07 - 13, 2021**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Chaplaincy* : Rev. Dr. T. Arul Dhas and Staff

*CSI Dornakal Diocese*

*Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI)*

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. Prof. K. Reuban Mark  
Mr. T. John Aaron Franklin

Council Member : Dr. Priya John

Hospitals : CSI St. Mary's Mission Hospital, Khammam  
and Bishop Whitehead Hospital and others.

### Memoranda

- The appointment of **Mr. Abraham Oommen** as Treasurer is extended for one year with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Mark Ranjan Jesudason**, Professor, is appointed as Associate Medical Superintendent for a four year term with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Ravish Sanghi Raju**, Associate Medical Superintendent will continue as Associate Medical Superintendent. He will primarily oversee the Kannigapuram Campus with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Rajesh I**, Associate Medical Superintendent will continue to primarily help in the Main Town Campus.
- **Dr. Julie Hephzibah**, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Director (Missions) for a four year term with effect from 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Dheepak Selvaraj A**, Surgeon / Associate Professor Gr.I, is appointed as Deputy Director (Supply Chain Management & Statutory Compliances) for a four year term with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Suganthi J**, Professor, is appointed as Registrar-Medical College for a four year term with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Tripti Meriel Jacob**, Professor, is appointed as Vice Principal (PG) for a four year term with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Manoranjitham Sathiyaseelan**, Professor of Nursing is appointed as Registrar (Pro-Term) UG and PG Nursing admissions-2021 with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- The appointment of **Dr. Lallu Joseph** as Associate General Superintendent (Acting) is extended for one year with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Rajiv Karthik**, Physician, Department of Infectious Diseases will be the Deputy Chairman for the Hospital Infection Control Committee till further notice with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.

### Welcome

Dr. Tarun John K. Jacob, Associate Professor, Department of Paediatric Surgery, on his return from study leave.

### Obituaries

• **Mr. Jacob Thilagaraj**, husband of Mrs. Amali Jacob, Sr. Auxiliary Nurse in Medicine OPD passed away on 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Amali Jacob, daughter Mrs. Siphra Shiney, son Mr. Nelson Joseph and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Manuel Mogandas**, father of Mr. Giftson James, Radiographer and Mr. Gladson Selvados, Radiographer, Department of Radiology, passed away on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021.  
Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Jayakumari, retired Charge Nurse, daughter-in-law Mrs. Esther Sharon (1<sup>st</sup> year M.Sc. Nursing) and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## **Notice**

• Christian Medical College Vellore is proposing to provide fire protection detection systems both active and passive systems for its Campuses. Interested reputed firms having relevant experience with successful commissioning may submit their proposal along with details of their available infrastructure, capabilities, specific role of the firm in previous projects and suitable reference to "The General Superintendent, Christian Medical College, Vellore-632 004, Tamil Nadu" by **12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 by 4.00 p.m.**

• Christian Medical College ,Vellore invites proposals from reputed and registered agency to operate four wheeler and two wheeler parking facility at the CMC, Vellore Chittoor Campus, 190 Ramapuram Village, 186 Kothapalli Post, Gudipala Mandal, Chittoor-517132.

The interested agency having prior experience in the said feild may submit their proposal to the Office of the General Superintendent,CMC Hospital, Vellore-632004 on or before **15<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 by 4.00p.m.**

## **Situations Vacant**

**1. Assistant Professor with D.M. (Neurology) for the Department of Neurological Sciences**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**2. Senior Resident Gr.III with M.D. (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit – II**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**3. Senior Resident with M.D. (Radiology) for the Department of Radiology**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore–632 002 or email to: [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **February 13, 2021** for Item 1 and **February 20, 2021** for Items 2 and 3.

**4. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Medical Superintendent's Office**

Qualifications : Degree with typing, Computer and shorthand skills (Preference will be given to those who have fluency in English, Hindi, Bengali, Telugu and Tamil). Female Candidates who have two years Medical Assistant experience in CMC will be given preference. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age limit : 35 years.

Job Description : Dealing with patient problems, translations, history taking of patients, assisting doctors in the outpatient services. Note: Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted.

**5. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Neurological Sciences**

Qualifications : H.Sc. Only male candidates need to apply.

Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted.

Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age limit : 30 years.

Nature of Job : To work in the Department of Neurosurgery O.R.

**6. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Radiodiagnosis, CMC, Kannigapuram and CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Qualifications : H.Sc. with two years CMAI Diploma in Radiodiagnosis Technology (or) B.Sc. Radiology also can apply. Salary scale : As per institutional rules. Age limit : 35 years.

Job description : Candidates will be posted in routine and special procedure areas including ultrasound in Main and Peripherals and will have to do shift duties. Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted.

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **February 15, 2021** for Item 4 and **February 22, 2021** for Items 5 and 6.



# *Special Issue*

## Reflections on the Calendar

# CMC NEWSLINE

FEBRUARY 15, 2021

### *The Colours of Hope*

A tangerine-coloured canvas, peppered by patches of violet, with snow-white blobs embedded on a celestial palette, soaring high above verdant virginity on the sprawling demesne below, with the occasional rooftop scarring the surface with flecks of synthetic red, white and blue..... Such was the elegance of the creator's chisel to carve, without anticipation, a sculpture in the sky, on the dawn of a pleasant October morning; captured through the prismatic lens of a passionate photographer.

Yet another moment, another morning, another miracle, indeed every moment bequeaths us with pristine mirabilia. So where lies the link between creation and hope?....."Hope is the doorway to belief, belief is the doorway to knowing, knowing is the doorway to creation, and creation is the doorway to experience" .....as inscribed by Khalil Gibran, more than four score and a half years ago, words that provide an armamentarium for the progression of thought, and will never fade through the passage of the sands of time.

And so, it came to pass, that in 2010, that there began a journey of faith and hope that through some divine perception, which may defy the basic proclivity of existence of an institution, that the idea of CMC, Vellore Chittoor campus was born.

But what is an institution?..... it is but is a paradigm of faith, that grows from deep within the entrails and the cleavage of a seraphic idea. As a standard bearer for the creator, it is these ideas that become perceptions, these perceptions evolve to thoughts and these thoughts render deeds. It is our FAITH, intermingled with a rational industrious attitude, that guides our thoughts to express noble deeds. But it is HOPE that provides the luxuriant silken cord that constantly connects, propels and emboldens us in a trajectory through the primordial idea, via protoplasmic perception, penetrating organized thought that indubitably conceives and expresses the nativity of the deed.

**Lest we be amnesic of our origins, let us reflect on the basis that we were created, which is indeed the equivalence of being fearfully wonderfully made. We are not simply receptacles to provide for others.**

**Nay, we are stellar contrivances to also create, to engender, to attempt to amalgamate the loam of the earth into crucibles for the betterment of the health of humankind. In doing so, let us maintain the sanctity of our habitat that encircles us. Let every footprint that we engrave on *terra firma*, be an invocation for engendering the sanctuary of the environment.**

**May we reinstate the sculpture of tranquil dawn once again and reflect in depth, on the aspects of HOPE. The tangerine hue is an exemplification of the intensity of our hope, it transforms our bellicosity into genuine forbearance. The violet tincture is an exposition of the gentleness of our hope, it transfigures our self-adulation into a royal purple mosaic, bearing an attitude of clemency. The white shade is an eponym of the clarity of our hope, it transforms our inadequacies into dexterity and proficiency. In the green herbage below, viridescence will prevail, being an expression of youth and perpetuity.**

**As we linger through a few eye-blinks, a glorious golden orb emerges over the horizon, the disclosure of fulfilment of our hopes seems complete. However, do the reverberations of hope seem so long to transpire? But then, how long is a millennium in the sight of God?**

*- Dr. Nihal Thomas, Professor & Head,  
Department of Endocrinology Unit-I*

*"If you can't? said Jesus. "Everything is possible for him who believes".  
Mark 9:23*



# CMC NEWSLINE

FEBRUARY 15, 2021

## College of Nursing - Virtual Alumni Meet - 2021



The College of Nursing Alumni reunion was held virtually on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2021 via zoom. This alumni meet was organised amidst the chaos of COVID-19 pandemic to reunite with those near and far, to reflect and to encourage each other. The programme commenced with a prayer song by the staff and students, followed by devotion by Rev. Aruldas reflecting on the abundant grace of our almighty God in each of our lives.

The Dean and President of the Alumni Association gave a warm welcome to those gathered for the occasion. Dr. J.V. Peter, our Director presented a brief report of the institutional activities of the year. He also gave a bird's eye view of the challenges faced by

the institution during the pandemic and how this huge herculean task was tackled by the commitment and cooperation of staffs at all levels. Dr. Vathsala Sadan thereafter gave a complete and thorough picture of the activities in College. She also elaborated on how students education was continued through virtual classes.

Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent presented a report on extension of services as part of covid management and other facilities for patient care. She also informed on how nursing fraternity contributed as frontline workers during this unprecedented crises. This meeting was attended by 756 alumni, 574 were extramural from all over the world and 182 were intra mural alumni.

There was a brief interval during this session where alumni actively participated in 'Kahoot' which had questions refreshing the memory lane of college. Thereafter the business session began with homage paid to some of our dear alumni who had departed from us. The president presented the general body meeting minutes followed by the secretary and treasurer's report. There were nominations held for those who have successfully completed their term of service in the alumni office. There was an interesting break out session that was organised as groups with facilitators to discuss on pertinent issues that were common to all. There was a special bonding that was evident while exploring the questions together as groups. It was a rewarding experience to have former teachers and leaders sharing their memories and experiences to motivate the group. The meeting came to a close with a light music and dance by our students followed by benediction and prayer. It was indeed a refreshing moment of joy and celebration and thanksgiving.



## Intra-gastric Balloon - A New Modality for Weight Loss

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The Department of Gastroenterology at Christian Medical College, Vellore has performed intra-gastric balloon insertion under endoscopic guidance in two patients and successfully removed the same after the stipulated period of six months. In both patients, the Orbera® balloon was placed under general anaesthesia with average duration of procedure being 20 minutes. The procedure was performed by the team led by Dr. Rajeeb Jaleel (Associate Professor, Gastroenterology). The first patient, a lady with baseline weight of 98 kg lost 14 kg while the second patient, a gentleman with baseline weight of 105 kg lost 32 kg. Both patients confirmed improvement in their general wellbeing and quality of life following weight loss. The Department is grateful to colleagues at Bariatric clinic; Dr. Nitin Kapoor (Professor, Endocrinology), Dr. Stephan Jiwanmall and Dr. Munaf Nandyal (both Associate Professors, Psychiatry), Mrs. Sandhiya P. (Nutritionist, Endocrinology) and the Department of Anaesthesia for their valuable contribution towards the management of these patients. This procedure is expected to benefit patients when diet modification and exercise have not helped obtain targeted weight loss

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Ida Scudder School* : Dr. G. Daniel and Staff

*Balavihar School* : Mrs. Manju Christopher and Staff

*Campus Kids Corner* : Mrs. Ann Arul Dhas and Staff

*College Hill Kindergarten* : Ms. Malar Selvi and Staff

*Catholic Health Association of India*

Council Member : Rev. Dr. Mathew Abraham

Hospital : St. John's Medical College and Hospital,  
Bangalore and others

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### Congratulations!

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• **Dr. Lallu Joseph**, Quality Manager & Associate General Superintendent (Ag.), has been nominated as an expert from India in the working group of International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Technical Committee 304 - Healthcare Organizations Management Standards.

• Professor **Grace Korula**, retired Head of Anaesthesia for being conferred the Distinguished Teacher Award by the Indian Society of Neuroanaesthesia & Critical Care in the virtual Annual National Conference held on 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, January 2021.

Dr. Grace was an alumnus of the Christian Medical College, Vellore and was the former Head of the Department of Anaesthesiology at Christian Medical College, Vellore. Dr. Grace was an excellent teacher, astute clinician and an intuitive researcher and has inspired and continues to inspire generations of anaesthesiologists trained under her. She was instrumental in the subspecialization in neuroanaesthesiology and started the Post-doctoral Fellowship in Neuroanaesthesia. Even after her retirement from CMC, she continues to actively involve in anaesthetizing and providing palliative care and pain relief to the underprivileged and marginalized through Bishop Walsh Memorial Hospital, Thadagam located at the outskirts of Coimbatore.

Congratulation to **Dr. Prasad Kanna**, Final Year Resident in Anaesthesia for being awarded the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Free poster presentation for his e-poster titled " Analgesic Efficacy of Epidural Morphine Vs Epidural Morphine with Ketamine for Postoperative analgesia in patients undergoing Lumbar Laminectomy with or without Discectomy- A double blind randomized clinical controlled trial" in the virtual Annual National conference of the Indian Society of Neuroanaesthesia and Critical Care held on 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, January 2021.

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### Retirement

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• **Mr. S. Samraj**, Sr. Hospital Attendant, Department of Radiology, retired on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2021, after 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a daughter and a son. His daughter, Ms. Sarala is a Staff Nurse in Operation Theatre and his son, Mr. Nithiyanantham has completed M.Com.

The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.



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## Obituaries

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• **Dr. Ramani Pulimood** (MBBS batch of 1953) (former Head of Clinical Pathology and Blood Bank, CMC, Vellore) wife of Late Dr. Benjamin Pulimood (former Principal and Director, CMC, Vellore) and mother of Dr. Anna B. Pulimood (MBBS batch of 1982) and Dr. Thomas Benjamin Pulimood (MBBS batch of 1987) passed away on 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 at Vellore due to age related illness. She was a member of the batch of 1953 for her MBBS at CMC Vellore. Following her graduation, she married Dr. Benjamin Pulimood.



For a brief while, she worked in UK, where she had accompanied Dr. Pulimood during his training. Upon her return, in response to the perceived Institutional need at the time, she did her postgraduation in Pathology at CMC and taught Forensic medicine and Parasitology before she joined the Department of Clinical Pathology and Blood Bank in 1973, then headed by Dr. Robert Carman. She continued to work in the department, developing Immunohaematology and had oversight over the blood bank. The transfusion service, which at the time, collected blood in glass bottles, with no provision for blood component preparation in the eighties, was transformed to a state-of-the-art blood component separation unit by the 90s. She worked tirelessly to change the mindset of clinical colleagues to get them to embrace the concept of component use and the rational use of blood and component.

Responding to the need of transplant physicians, she initiated the setting up of the Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) lab towards the late eighties and early nineties. With her wide network of friends and well-wishers, she got Dr. Paul Terasaki, world renowned Transplant immunologist to inaugurate the initiative with a workshop on HLA testing at CMC, Vellore. Having done the groundwork, the lab has now grown, and is able to provide high-end testing to many groups of patients. Together with her team, she introduced automation in the haematology lab – viewed as a luxury at that time, but one that paved the way for much more consistent, accurate and quality assured haematology results. Teaching and training was a priority for Dr. Ramani. She saw this as a core activity if the country's transfusion services were to improve. Towards this end, she co-ordinated with the Government, and the WHO in conducting capacity building programs for doctors, nurses, technologists, and drug inspectors from all over the country. She was on the CMAI Lab Technician Committee and was very involved in the DMLT training program She upgraded the technologists diploma course to a university approved Degree course (BSc MLT), which has been running for more than 25 years now.

With a firm conviction that knowledge should not be restricted, she embarked on all these training programmes, aimed at improving the transfusion services of India. She was also a university examiner for UG and postgraduate students within Tamil Nadu and outside and served on the Board of Students of The Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University. She cared for the staff who worked in the department and was very approachable. With a maternal instinct, she often gave good sensible personal advice to many a staff, when she sensed there were impending problems. With her patient centred approach to the subject, an open responsive mindset, and the courage to implement new initiatives, Dr. Ramani greatly impacted the growth of the department of Clinical Pathology and Blood Bank. The department today stands testimony to her work and stories of courage, empathy, and initiative that will pass down to many generations hence. She retired as Head of the Department in June 1996. Her Christian commitment and commitment to the Institution are notable. Their home was always open to students in the campus. She was very active in the community and found ways to engage all age groups of campus residents from students to elderly parents. She was the first woman lay leader in the St. John's Church, Vellore Fort and her determination and willingness to always say "yes" smoothed out the way for future generations. The rich tributes paid at her funeral today (8 February 2021) was witness to her life at CMC. She is survived by her daughter, Dr. Anna Pulimood (Batch of 1982), currently Principal, Christian Medical College Vellore, her son-in law Dr. Antony Devasia (Batch of 1976) and their children at Vellore, sons, Mr. Mani Pulimood and family (USA) and Dr. Thomas Pulimood (Batch of 1987) and family (UK). For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of her daughter Dr. Anna pulimood is given below: Email: [annapulimood@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:annapulimood@cmcvellore.ac.in)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

## Obituaries

• **Dr. S. Balasubramaniam** (MBBS batch of 1958-1959) passed away on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 in Anaheim, California, USA. He was married to Dr. Ulhas Nimbkar Balasubramaniam who is also an alumnus from the MBBS batch of 1958-59. Dr. Balasubramaniam did his MS at CMC, FRCS and American Board certified in General Surgery and Vascular Surgery. He was the head of Trauma and Emergency Medicine, Professor and Chief Physician at King Drew Medical Center. They have two sons Mr. Dushyant a lawyer and Dr. Vivek a physician. Dr. Balasubramaniam was a President of the National American Association of Physicians of Indian origin. Dr. Balasubramaniam changed the way trauma patients are transported to hospitals in India, similar to the way done here in the United States. He lectured all over India to implement this. He was well liked by all who knew him.



For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of the family members are given below : Dr. Ulhas Nimbkar Balasubramaniam (wife), Email: [ulhas@msn.com](mailto:ulhas@msn.com), Mr. Dushyant (son), [dushyantbala@hotmail.com](mailto:dushyantbala@hotmail.com)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.



• **Dr. Jacob Peter Verghese** (MBBS batch of 1966) passed away on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. Dr. Jacob Peter Verghese (June 29, 1949 - February 10, 2021) belonged to the CMC Vellore batch of 1966. He was born in Calcutta, West Bengal and completed his schooling at St Xavier's High School, Calcutta. His family was from Tiruvalla, Kerala. He was the grandson of Dewan Bahadur Verghese, on whose land the Tiruvalla Medical Mission Hospital stands. As an outstanding medical student at CMC, he received many medals and awards. After his MBBS, he did an MD in General Medicine, also at CMC, and received a Gold Medal for his exam performance from the University of Madras. Dr. Peter, or JPV, as he was known to his friends, was gregarious and always full of life. He excelled in field hockey and basketball, enjoyed acting in Men's Hostel and College plays and going on picnics. He got married in 1976 to Dr. Jayashri Kidao (MBBS batch of 1964), after which they moved to the US. He completed a Neurology residency at the University of Chicago, and a Neuromuscular fellowship at Tuft's University, Boston. He then did a year of research at USC, Los Angeles, before starting his Neurology private practice at Hoag Hospital, Newport Beach, California, USA in 1982. He was a brilliant neurologist, beloved by his patients and colleagues and judged to be the best neurologist in the area for over two decades. He was a wonderful host and enjoyed organizing parties for the large CMC community in Southern California.

With his passing, we have lost a true son of CMC – a brilliant student, a caring and well-loved physician, a beloved husband, father and grandfather, a cherished friend to many. Gone too soon, he will be greatly missed. Dr. Peter passed away at Hoag Hospital, USA on 10 February 2021 after a prolonged illness, ultimately succumbing to complications of COVID-19.

He is survived by his wife, Dr. Jayashri Verghese and his two children, Dr. Anjali (Anu) Verghese and Mr. Thomas (Tommie) Verghese. For those who would like to send condolence cards, the address is given below :

Dr. Jayashri Verghese (wife), 6 Charlotte, Irvine, CA 92603, USA.

Mob: 949-633-2562 Email: [jshriverg@gmail.com](mailto:jshriverg@gmail.com)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Mr. Daniel Devakumar**, retired Lab Technician, CHAD Hospital, Son of Mr. A. Devasirvatham, retired Sel Gr. Library Supervisor, Dodd Memorial Library passed away on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.

Let us uphold his Wife Mrs. Beulah Daniel, Son Mr. Prince Joshua, Sister Mrs. Victoria Devakirubai, Librarian, Dodd Memorial Library, Sister-in-Law Mrs. Gilda David, Charge Nurse, Schell Eye Hospital and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Jayaraman**, retired JE (Agri), father of Mr. Senthil, Electrician, Electrical Department (Kagithapattarai) passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.

Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Vasantha and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Assistant Professor with M.Ch. (Neurosurgery) for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Neurosurgery)

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 2. Senior Resident with MD (Anatomy) for the Department of Anatomy

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 3. Technical Assistant for the Department of Anatomy

Qualification : Graduate in Science (Regular Course) / Preference will be given for a person who has undergone Histopathology Technician Course.

Age limit : < 35 years.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

### 4. Senior Resident with MD (Dermatology) for the Department of Dermatology Unit-II

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Age limit : <45 years.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Apply to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002 or email to : [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in) with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **February 20, 2021** for Item 1 and **February 27, 2021** for Items 2, 3 and 4.

### 5. Research Assistant for the Department of Pathology

*Job Code: 1361*

Qualification : Graduate in science with 3 years experience or Mater's degree in life science with two years experience. Age limit : 30 years.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not Provided.

Download application from this link: <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send the filled application mentioning the Job Code either by soft copy to [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **February 22, 2021** for Item 5.

***Please mention the job code, applications forms without the job code will not be accepted.***

### 6. Applications are invited to fill a vacancy in the Anaesthesia Unit at CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus (Qualification : DA/MD/DNB in Anaesthesia, for the post of Sr. Resident / Assistant Professor / Assistant Physician / Associate Professor / Associate Physician)

Grade of appointment and salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience as per institutional rules.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Application may be submitted through the online application system by logging on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> and selecting the link “Vacancies” or through <http://www.cmcvellorechittoorcampus.ac.in>

## Situations Vacant

and selecting the link "Career". Alternatively, application with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies and contact information can be sent by email to : [dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in)

Applications will close on **March 01, 2021** for Item 6.

### 7. Receptionist Trainee (Project Mode) in OP Services

Qualifications : H.Sc. / Degree. Good communication and multilingual skills. Fluency in English is must.

Only Female candidates need to apply.

Stipend : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 30 years.

Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted.

Job Description : To guide patients in the OPD service areas.

### 8. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Neurological Sciences

Qualifications : Graduate in Life Sciences, preference shall be given to candidates with experience in Transcranial Doppler studies, Transcranial magnetic stimulation, Autonomic function test and in assisting for Chemodenervation.

Age limit : Below 35 years.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Applications will closed on **March 01, 2021** for Items 7 and 8.

### 9. Senior Research Nurse M.Sc. (N) to work in a project on term appointment basis. The project will be implemented under the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics Unit

Qualification : M.Sc. Nursing (Paediatric Speciality) with two years experience.

Salary scale : Consolidated pay, Accommodation not provided.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Ida Scudder Road, Vellore - 632 004 on or before **February 20, 2021** for Item 9.

### 10. Engineer

Qualifications : M.Tech. (Instrumentation and Control).

Consolidated Salary : Rs.25,000/-.

Preference will be given to candidates with experience in Software programming and Networking.

Please log on to : [http:// www.cmch-vellore.edu](http://www.cmch-vellore.edu)

Link : "Vacancies" Icon : "Engineer".

*Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Apply on or before **February 17, 2021** for Item 10.



*He saves the needy from the sword in their mouth; he saves them from the clutches of the powerful. So, the poor have hope, and injustice shuts its mouth.*  
*Job 5:15-16.*



# CMC NEWSLINE

FEBRUARY 22, 2021

## Mr. S. Anburaj Jayakumar Retires



**Mr. S. Anburaj Jayakumar**, Audit Officer retired from the Department of Internal Audit on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2021, after 15 years of dedicated service to the institution. After 17 years of service as Accounts Officer in Tea Plantation at Valparai he joined in Internal Audit department as Audit Officer in 2006.

He has served as Department Quality Manager since 2016 and as a member of Christmas Cheer Committee till his retirement. He also served as Honorary Treasurer in MBKG Pannai, Kasam for two years (2017-2019). His sound knowledge in finance and accounts are highly commendable and his contribution to the department and to the institution is marvelous.

His wife Mrs. Jalina Easter Rani is a homemaker. They are blessed with two sons and granddaughters. Their elder son, Mr. Prince Ashwinkumar has finished M.Tech. and is working as Advance Design Engineer in Honeywell Technology Solution, Bangalore, and the younger son, Mr. Allwyn Gnanadas, has also finished M.Tech. and is working as Assistant Professor in KPR College of Engineering, Coimbatore.

The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.

## CME in Forensic Medicine

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The Department of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology and the Department of Continuing Medical Education conducted a University accredited CME "CME in Forensic Medicine" on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2021. Dr. Daniel Manoj, Dr. Latif Rajesh Johnson, Dr. Mousumi Sen, and Dr. Ranjit Immanuel James took excellent talks on the following topics : Medico-Legal Cases and Medical Certification of Cause of Death:

The Fundamentals, Documentation and Wound Certification: Key Learning Points, What to collect in a Medico-Legal Case? Do you need Consent? and Medical Negligence: An Update. The carefully planned session used case scenarios to illustrate common errors and emphasize cardinal principles in this important domain of health care.

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## Food for Thought

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### *From the Other Side*

The circular was out. Doctors, irrespective of their specialization, would have to help in the Covid wards.

Beauty is skin deep, they say; so is Dermatology in which I am doing my MD. The Dermatologist, like the lepra bacillus, has a predilection to concern themselves chiefly with the skin. But the pandemic was everyone's concern and even the well moisturised skin of the dermatologist had to sweat inside the PPE suit. So, I spent my rotation in Covid isolation wards asking my patients, "How long have you had that cough? Did you have fever? Any difficulty breathing?" Few weeks later the same questions were asked by my colleague. This time I was on the other side doing the answering. It had never been a matter of "if", only been a matter of "when".

With the perks of being a doctor, I was admitted in a posh room (in comparison to my hostel room) of the Private ward complex. Reclining on the adjustable bed, I envisioned rest after a streak of Covid duties.

Or so I thought.

All I desired during my in-patient stay was to eat (as best as I could with my anosmia and dysgeusia) and sleep. Day one into my admission, I realised that a hospital admission can never mean any of the things I had fantasized. It included a battery of tests with multiple pokes. A chest x-ray was required and I heard the registrars commenting that my lungs were as clear as the sky is blue and that's all that mattered in the Covid ward.

A cheerful nurse (the smile hidden by the suit but evident in her eyes) came in Q6H to check my vitals. The diagnosis didn't affect me much and I was still me - sans taste and smell. So, every 6 hours, in spite of me reminding the nurse that I had never felt better, I was involuntarily having my vitals under check.

The hospital experience is quite an ordeal for those on the other side as I soon found out. The first vitals monitoring of the day would start at five thirty at dawn, followed by coffee, then a linen change, housekeeping coming to clean your bathroom when you need to use it the most - now that you've had that coffee, breakfast, nurse then insisting that you take a bath, consultant rounds, lunch, followed by the second vitals check, evening tea, vitals once again and then dinner only to be awakened again at five the following day for the same routine all over again. You soon begin to get the feeling that the nurse is obsessed with you.

This did not stop, mind you, even during the night hours. I would be awakened with a touch of someone dressed like a character out of a sci-fi movie trying to shove a thermometer into my axilla while the adductors of my shoulder went into spasm. It was quite a task for which I give credit to the sister, as I stubbornly refused to budge in my sleep. The discomfort of being a patient was realised only when I was on the other side and I longed to go to my room and not have my temperature plotted on a graph.

I recall the times when during rounds, the patients would ask the inevitable question as to when they would get discharged. I was now on the other side and itching to ask the same question.

From a patient's perspective, I comprehend the reason for their question. It's their longing to get back home, to sleep in peace without interruptions. As a health care worker, what am I doing to put my patient at ease? My experience has led me to ponder over this. There is more to healing than the routine monitoring of patients and administering of medicines.

Seven days into my admission, I was sick of being a patient and my condition at discharge was "very eager to go home" and to sleep and eat as and when required. That, I am certain would bring me a hundred percent cure.

- Hannah Alice, Registrar,  
Department of Dermatology

**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**Cardiology :** Dr. Oommen K. George and Staff  
Dr. Viji Samuel Thomson and Staff  
Dr. Paul V. George and Staff  
Dr. John Roshan Jacob and Staff  
Mrs. Jasmin Anand and Staff

**CSI Kanyakumari Diocese**  
Council Members: Rt. Rev. Dr. A.R. Chelliah  
Dr. S. Rajesh Sathya  
Hospital : CSI Hospital, Neyyoor and others

**Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery :**  
Dr. Madhu Andrew Philip and Staff  
Dr. Birla Roy D. Gnanamuthu and Staff  
Dr. Korah T. Kuruvila and Staff  
Mrs. Jasmin Anand and Staff

**CSI Karimnagar Diocese**  
Council Members:  
Rt. Rev. Dr. Prof. K. Reuban Mark  
Rev. K. Priscilla Parimala Reuben

**Friends of Vellore - Germany**  
Council Member : Dr. Peter Albrecht

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**Welcome**

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**Dr. Promila Mohan Raj**, Lecturer (NM), Department of Clinical Microbiology, on her return from sabbatical leave.

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**Obituary**

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**Mrs. Mercy Stella Bai**, retired Sr. Sel.Gr. MLT in Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology, wife of Mr. Edwin, retired staff in Medical Records, mother of Ms. Edithmary, Staff Nurse, Child Health OPD passed away on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

Let us uphold her husband, daughter, son Mr. Soni Samuel, former staff nurse in Gynae Oncology and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

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**Upcoming Events**

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The **59<sup>th</sup> National Pharmacy Week** will be celebrated from 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The theme for the year is "Pharmacists – Frontline Health Professionals". To commemorate this, we will be conducting various events:

1. **Essay and slogan competition (for healthcare workers and students)**  
Essay not more than 600 words in Tamil / English and Slogan not more than 12 words in English / Tamil.
2. **Essay and slogan competition (for patients / public)**  
Word limit for essay in Tamil / English 200 words and slogan in English / Tamil 12 words.
3. **Poster design Competition (for healthcare professionals and students)**  
Size A3 (294 x 420mm) – printed or handwritten or E-poster of PPT format in a single slide.
4. **Online quiz competition for healthcare professionals (2 rounds - preliminary and final)**  
Last date for registration **6<sup>th</sup> March, 2021**. Please see intranet for Registration link.
5. **Oral presentation (for healthcare professionals).**

For registration, submission of abstracts and 2 page summary please send email to [pharm.cpe.trg@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:pharm.cpe.trg@cmcvellore.ac.in) (Phone No. 0416 - 2282567 / 2135) by **6<sup>th</sup> March, 2021**.

For items 1 to 3 entries should be submitted in the pharmacy office 1st floor A block on or before **6<sup>th</sup> March 2021**, can also email the entries to [pharmacy@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:pharmacy@cmcvellore.ac.in) (Phone no. 0416 - 2282135).

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**Situations Vacant**

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**Erratum : 1. Senior Resident Gr.III with M.D. (Paediatrics)** – Preference will be given to candidates who have training in Paediatric Nephrology for the **Department of Paediatrics Unit – II (Paediatric Nephrology)**  
Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore–632 002 or email to: [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **March 06, 2021** for Item 1.

## Situations Vacant

**2. Senior Resident Gr.III with M.D. (Microbiology)** – Preference will be given to those who have one year experience in Virology for the **Department of Clinical Virology**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided: (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**3. Assistant Professor with M.S. (E.N.T)** for the **Department of E.N.T. Unit - I**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**4. Technical Assistant** for the **Department of Pharmacology**

Qualification : B.Sc. Chemistry (Regular Course). Age limit : <30 years.

Salary scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications should be sent by post to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002 or email to: [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in), with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **February 27, 2021** for Item 2, 3 and **March 06, 2021** for Item 4.

**5. Technical Assistant (Project Mode)** for the **Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology.** Qualifications : Graduate in Zoology, Botony and Biochemistry.

Age limit : Below 35 years. Stipend : As per institutional rules.

Job description : To collect blood from the patients for various tests.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

**6. Technical Assistant (Optical Dispensary Trainee – Project Mode)** for the **Department of Ophthalmology**

Qualifications : H.Sc (+2), with Diploma in Optometry or equivalent. Preference will be given to candidates with good inter-personal skills and customer relationship.

Job Description : Will be trained in the running and management of optical dispensary to improve skills in marketing and sales of spectacles.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided. Age limit : 30 years.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

**7. Technical Assistant (Optometrist)** for the **Department of Ophthalmology**

Qualifications : H.Sc. with 2 year Diploma in Optometry / B.Sc. Optometry (Preferably in CMC). Preference will be given to candidates with good inter-personal skills, who can speak more than 2 languages.

Job Description : To work in Ophthalmology Department in shift duty (Investigation Room / Outreach Clinic).

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided. Age limit : 35 years.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: “Vacancies”. *Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Applications will closed on **March 08, 2021** for Items 5, 6 and 7.

**8(a)** Applications are invited for the following post for the **CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus**

Applications are invited to fill a vacancy in the **General Surgery Unit at CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus**

Qualification: MS/DNB in General Surgery, for the post of **Sr. Resident/Assistant Surgeon/Associate Surgeon** / Grade of appointment and salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience as per in institutional rules.

**8(b)** Applications are invited for **Assistant Medical Officer at CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Qualification: MBBS. Grade of appointment and salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience as per in institutional rules. Salary : As per institutional rules.

Application may be submitted through the online application system by logging on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> and selecting the link “Vacancies” or through <http://www.cmcvellorechittoorcampus.ac.in> and selecting the link “Career”. Alternatively, application with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies and contact information can be sent by email to [dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in)

Applications will close on **March 08, 2021** for Items 8(a) and 8(b).



**MARCH 01, 2021**

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*

*John 14:27*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## ASHA-funded State-of-the-Art Equipment at the Departments of Obstetrics and Neonatology, CMC, Vellore

The Department of Obstetrics which began functioning as early as the 1900 has ever since been catering to the needs of the pregnant woman in and around Vellore and beyond. Even with the limited facilities of those days the ideals of community engagement, gender equality, women empowerment and leadership were upheld through providing the best health care possible.

CMC has a Labour Room with :

- 32 beds, 9 in high risk area, 21 in low risk area and 2 private rooms.
- 30 – 40 births on an average day
- Along with the Department of Neonatology, has a successful record of low maternal and neonatal mortality rate.



In collaboration with the Vellore CMC Foundation, CMC has been actively engaged in the USAID American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA), funded programme with the aim to improve maternal and neonatal health outcomes. With this proposal, granted in the year 2018 quality care is being given to mothers while ensuring dignity during labour and delivery. Survival outcomes of newborns with birth asphyxia are enhanced and many new born deaths have been avoided with these equipments. This project has made it possible to avoid deaths which could have been prevented otherwise. Training is also provided to the medical professionals from every part of India in the best techniques of Neonatal resuscitation and care.

The following commodities were acquired through the project :

**30** Specialised adjustable birthing beds

**16** Cordless base stations

**15** Roof lights

**1** Amplitude integrated EEG monitor

**1** Intellispace perinatal monitoring system

**1** Near Infra- red Spectroscopy

**16** Fetal monitors

**1** Neonatal Simulation Manikin

The project has a demonstrable developmental and public diplomacy (PD) impact on the community that goes beyond this project and its physical commodities. It provides high-quality low-cost health care for all people improving the health of the entire community, creating an ecosystem of equitable access to health care, and influencing the practice of health care in this region to create long term systemic change.

As part of the ASHA partnership, many activities in connection to women empowerment are being conducted on a frequent basis. The public diplomacy goals ensure that patients in south India receive access to better healthcare through all these projects.

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### **February 28 - March 06, 2021**

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#### **SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

*Biostatistics* : Dr. P. Prasanna Samuel and Staff

*Anatomy* : Dr. Suganthy J. and Staff

*Bioengineering* : Dr. Suresh Devasahayam R. and Staff

*Physiology* : Dr. Elizabeth Tharion and Staff

*Asha Kiran Hospital, Lamtaput*

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### **Congratulations!**

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• The following Students and Faculty were awarded the following prizes at the recently conducted NAPCON 2020 (Virtual), held between 27<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021:

**Dr. Balamugesh T**, Professor and Head of Pulmonary Medicine was awarded the **Dr. K.J.R. Murthy Oration Award** by the Indian Chest Society. He delivered a lecture on the title, "CPET a Valuable Addition to the Pulmonology Armamentarium".

**Dr. Priya N**, Assistant Professor, Pulmonary Medicine won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize for the category : NAPCON oral presentation- Lung Cancer'.

**Dr. Shona Arlin Christopher**, final year MD Respiratory Medicine won the following awards :

1<sup>st</sup> prize, National College of Chest Physicians Prof. S.N Gaur Young Scientist award

2<sup>nd</sup> prize, Indian Chest Society Dr. J.C. Kothari Young Scientist award

3<sup>rd</sup> prize, for the category, NAPCON Oral Presentation - Critical care

**Dr. Mathew Varghese Nellimootil**, final year MD Respiratory Medicine was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> prize for the category: NAPCON oral presentation- Interventional Pulmonology.

**Dr. Ancy Elsa Thomas**, final year MD Respiratory Medicine was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> prize for the category : NAPCON oral presentation-ILD.

**Dr. Richu Bob Kurien**, final year MD Respiratory Medicine was awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> prize in NAPCON oral presentation Category : Tuberculosis.

**Dr. Benjamin Earnest Williams**, Sr. Resident, Respiratory Medicine won the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize for the category : NAPCON oral presentation - Lung cancer interesting cases.

## Congratulatory!

- **Dr. Santosh Naga**, Assistant Professor, Department of Urology won the Dr. R. Sitaraman Memorial Essay 2021 for the essay titled “Future of Artificial Kidney” during Virtual USICON 2021.
- **Dr. Catherine Priscilla Victor**, PG Registrar, Surgery Unit - III (Upper GI Surgery), received the “best poster award” at the annual conference of the Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Surgeons – IASGCON 2021, held on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.
- **Dr. Sirish Chandra Srinath**, Associate Professor of Cardiology, was awarded the title, 'Certified ElectroPhysiology Specialist (CEPS)' by the International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners (IBHRE).

## Retirements



- **Mrs. Mary P. Watson**, Selection Grade I MRO and OPD Facility Co-ordinator in Outpatient Services retired on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 after 30 years of dedicated service in the Institution. She joined CMC in 1991 and worked in the department of Medical Records and Outpatient Services under various capacities. After working as Medical Records Officer in different outpatient clinics, she was entrusted with supervisory responsibilities from 2001. From 2010, she continued her work as Floor Manager in Outpatient Services and then as OPD Manager and Facility Co-ordinator from 2014. She has held the responsibility of Quality Manager for Outpatient Services, has been Internal assessor in QMC's Internal Assessments. She was also involved in teaching Medical Terminology and Medical Record Science to BMRSc and other AHS students. She was recommended as Director's Nominee to the Council for the year 2019-20. She actively accepted all her responsibilities and worked with dedication. She has a good rapport with all levels of staff in the department and institution.

After the demise of her beloved husband Mr. Watson Isaac in 2001, she brought up her two daughters. The elder daughter Dr. Sangeetha Isaac did her MBBS in CMC (batch of 2004) and is presently doing Internal Medicine in Alabama, US. Her younger daughter Dr. Shalom Isaac is working as Sr. Housesurgeon in MICU for the past two years.

- **Mrs. Besy Annapoornam**, Nursing Auxiliary Gr.I retired on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021 after serving this institution for 35 years. After completing Nursing Auxiliary training course in CMC between 1984 and 1986, she joined KN ward and had worked in Schell Eye Hospital & H ward. She had spent most of her time in H ward. She is very pleasant and has good interpersonal skills. She is a co-operative worker and is appreciated for her planning and completing her work on time.



She is married to Mr. Ramesh Babu, Hospital Attendant in OPD, CMC. Her elder son, Mr. Leo Stephen is working as Lab Technician in CMC and younger son Mr. Allen Christopher is studying B.Sc. Biotechnology at Chennai.



- **Mr. S. Premkumar**, Sr. Gr.II Clerk Typist, Medical Superintendent Office, retired on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2021, after 30 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife, Mrs. R. Thanuja is working as Sel. Gr. Lab. Auxiliary Gr.I in Transfusion Medicine & Immuno Haematology. They have a daughter and a son. Their daughter, Ms. Jayashree has completed B.E. and is working in private company at Vellore and son, Mr. Yogesh Kumar completed B.Sc. Anaesthesia in CMC, and is fulfilling 2<sup>nd</sup> year service obligation.

- **Mrs. Usha Marshal**, Sr. Secretary, Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-I, retired on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021, after 33 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband Mr. Marshal Vijayakumar is a retired staff from Highways Department as Assistant Divisional Engineer. They have two daughters and a son. Their son, Mr. M. Alex is a Nuclear Medicine Technologist in Astar Hospital, Bangalore.



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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## Obituaries

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• **Dr. Sarah Zachariah** (nee Sarah P. George, MBBS batch of 1954) passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 in Canada. Due to progressive disabilities of advancing years, Dr. Sarah had moved to an excellent care home in Hanover in April 2019. She passed away there aged 84.



Dr. Sarah was born in May 1936 as the first daughter of Mr. P. A. George and Mrs. Anna George, in the port town of Alappuzha in Kerala. As the family grew, she became a role model for seven younger siblings. Dr. Sarah had her school education in the Nicholson School for Girls in central Kerala, followed by two years of “intermediate” education in the Women’s Christian College, Chennai.

Thus Dr. Sarah came to Vellore in 1954 as a true product of the best of residential Christian education for women and joyfully fitted into the community life of CMC. She was an ardent student, eager to conform to the expectations from a “good” student. After graduation in 1959, she joined the Diploma in Child Health programme which was just getting started in CMC, under the tutelage of Dr. John Webb, Dr. Malathi Jadhav and Dr. Sheila Periera. Dr. Jacob John was among her fellow trainees. She then moved to the UK where she married Dr. Philip in 1963. While both of them were trying to make headway in their respective fields, their two sons arrived. Dr. Sarah became afflicted with an incapacitating debility which never fully left her. She slowly settled into the role of a full-time home maker.

They migrated to Canada. Dr. Philip chose to work as general surgeon in relatively small towns in Canada such as Wawa, Saskatoon and Sault Sainte Marie where he was welcomed for his wide-ranging expertise and professionalism. They finally settled in Hanover, Ontario where he continued to be involved in surgery well into his 80s. Dr. Sarah was part of the women’s volunteer group of the local hospital as also of the support group for the Leprosy Mission.

It was true of them that “though in distant parts we roam, her spirit will be dear”. CMC connections were an important part of their life. They were regular participants in the annual get-togethers of the American alumni as well as the class reunions in Vellore. In later years, they would escape from the harsh winter months in Canada to Vellore which was second home to them; Mrs. P. Zachariah is Sarah’s sister.

Dr. Sarah is survived by two sons, Mr. Kuruvilla, and Mr. George and his family. Those who wish to contact the family in their bereavement can reach Mr. George at [gtz2101@columbia.edu](mailto:gtz2101@columbia.edu)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Mrs. P.K. Gowri Narayanan**, retired Sr. Clerk in Theatre, mother of Mr. Krishnakumar in Pharmacy Department and Mr. Balasubramani in Endocrine Surgery Department passed away on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021. Let us uphold her husband, daughter and daughters-in-law Mrs. Jyoti Nair in Orthopaedics Department and Mrs. Subashini in Engineering Civil Department and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Gnanathiraviam**, wife of Mr. Soundararajan, retired staff in Transport Department, passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Let us uphold her husband, daughter, Mrs. S. Emarald Rajakumari, (former Nursing faculty in CHAD), sons and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Nirmala T.R.**, mother of Mr. Sudarsanam Ra, Selection Gr. MCTT Gr. II in Outpatient Services passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

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## Notice

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• Online applications for admission to **Pre School in the College Hill Kindergarten (CHKG)** will be open from **22<sup>nd</sup> February to 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.**

For applications : <http://172.16.11.221/selfservice/main.asp/kidsadmission>

Mandatory Documents : Immunization Certificate, Birth Certificate and Passport size photo.

Application fee Rs.500/- will be deducted through salary deduction.

For clarifications, please contact The Principal, CHKG at 4583 Between 8 AM and 4 PM on weekdays.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Senior Resident with MD (Anatomy) for the Department of Anatomy

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 2. Assistant Professor with DM (Neuro-Anaesthesia) / Senior Resident with MD (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Neuro Anaesthesia

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

Age limit : Should be < 45 years for applying for Senior Resident Post.

### 3. Senior Resident with M.S. (General Surgery) for the Department of General Surgery Unit-II (Colorectal)

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Age limit : < 45 years.

### 4. Occupational Therapist with BOT (Regular Course) for the Department of Psychiatry Unit-II

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Apply to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002 or email to : [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in) with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **March 06, 2021** for Items 1, 2, 3 and **March 13, 2021** for Item 4.

### 5. Technical Assistant (MCTT – Project Mode) for the OP Services

Qualifications : Graduates and who have completed 1 year MCTT training course in CMC. with good interpersonal skills, speed of work and ability to communicate fluently in English, Tamil and Hindi.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : To work in payment MCTT counters in CMC town, Kannigapuram Campus and other campuses duty will be in shift on rotation basis including night shift. They will also be posted to other units of CMC as per need.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: “Vacancies”. *Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Applications will closed on **March 15, 2021** for Item 5.

### 6. Ida Scudder School, Vellore - 632 006, Tamil Nadu (Affiliated to the CISCE, New Delhi)

The school invites applications for the following posts :

**(a) Principal :** Applicants must be post graduates proficient in English with B.Ed. preferably in the age group of 45 – 55 years with adequate teaching and administrative experience in reputed schools. Excellent communication and leadership skills required. Semi-furnished accommodation is provided inside the school campus. Only Christians need to apply for the Principal’s post.

**(b) Headmistress (for Kindergarden school) :** Applicants must be post graduates proficient in English with B.Ed. preferably in the age group of 40 – 55 years with adequate teaching and administrative experience in reputed schools. Excellent communication and leadership skills required. Only Christian ladies need to apply for the Headmistress post.

**(c) Senior School Teachers (6-12)** for English, Maths, History, Geography, Physics, Chemistry and Biology : Applicants must be post graduates proficient in English with B.Ed. with adequate teaching experience.

**(d) Junior School Teachers (1-5)** for English, Music and Physical Education : Applicants must be graduates proficient in English with B.Ed. with adequate teaching experience.

Apply to “The Correspondent” Ida Scudder School, No.1, Kalinjur Main Road, Viruthampet, Vellore – 632006, Tamil Nadu, on or before **March 12, 2021** furnishing the CV, latest passport size photograph, photo copies of all the necessary certificates & other related documents, and contact details in the application format available at the school website : [www.scudderschool.ac.in](http://www.scudderschool.ac.in)



MARCH 08, 2021



*God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. Psalm 46:5*

# CMC NEWSLINE

## **e-Seminar organised on 'Nutrition: A Key to Early Recovery in Surgical Patients'**

The Departments of Surgical Nursing and Continuing Nursing Education & Research of College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore organised an e-Seminar on 'Nutrition: A Key to Early Recovery in Surgical Patients' on February 23, 2021. Dr. Vinitha Ravindran, Professor and Head of CNE & Research welcomed the participants followed by felicitations by Mrs. Alice Sony, Deputy Dean, College of Nursing. Mrs. Ida Nirmal, Professor and Organising Secretary, Surgical Nursing, gave an overview of the seminar and proposed the vote of thanks. There were five sessions conducted which covered topics such as Nutrition and Dietary Requirements, Nutrikinetics, Nutritional



Assessment, Nutrition in Surgical Patients and Modes of Nutrition Therapy. The speakers were from the Departments of Dietary and Surgical Nursing. There were informative videos on enteral feeding and TPN administration. The seminar also had a panel discussion which provided vital information on diet education following hepatobiliary, colorectal, oral, oesophageal, gastric and orthopedic surgeries. Participants actively participated in Zoom polls and post test. A total of 45 participants registered and attended the seminar through zoom meeting room. All the sessions were highly informative and participants gave positive feedback.



## *International Women's Day - 2021*

*We need to "Choose To Challenge"- Anything that stands in the way of women achieving their full potential, that prevents them from making their contributions or diminishes them .*





**March 07 - 13, 2021**

**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**General Superintendent's Office :**

Er. David Chandran and Staff

**Personnel Office :** Mrs. Hannah Paul and Staff

**Hospital Management Studies and Staff Training and Development :**

Dr. Samuel N.J. David and Staff

**Hospital Annexe :** Mr. Joseph Yesunesan and Staff

**Transport Department :** Er. David Chandran and Staff

**CSI Coimbatore Diocese**

Council Member : Rt. Rev. Timothy Ravinder

Hospital : CSI Hospital, Erode.

**Canadian Baptist Overseas Mission Board**

**Canadian Council of Churches**

**Vellore-Ludhiana Committee of Canada**

Council Member : Mr. Douglas Virgin

**Memorandum**

The Administrative Committee has in accordance with MCI norms, decided to name the **Department of Reproductive Medicine** as the **Department of Reproductive Medicine & Surgery**.

This Department will henceforth be called the "**Department of Reproductive Medicine & Surgery**".

**Retirement**

• **Mr. V. Asokan**, Sel. Gr. Rota Print Operator, Mechanical Engineering Department, retired on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021, after nearly 40 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a daughter and two sons. His son, Mr. Vinoth Kumar is an Hospital Attendant in Neuro Ward.

The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.



**Situations Vacant**

**1. Senior Resident Gr.III with M.S. (OG) for the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**2. Senior Resident /Assistant Professor with M.S. (ENT) for the Department of ENT Unit -II**

Should have at least one year teaching exp as (Asst.Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**3. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Pulmonary Medicine**

Qualifications : B.Sc. Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc. with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy (CMC).

Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Age limit : 35 years. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

**4. Physiotherapist (Term Post) with BPT Degree IAP recognized College / University for the Department of P.M.R.(Physiotherapy)**

Should have completed 6 months of compulsory internship on or before 15.02.2021.

Note : BPT Graduates from CMC Vellore should complete their service obligation before 15.05.2021.

Age Limit : Below 30 Years. Consolidated Salary : As per the Institutional rules.

Accommodation: not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". Hard copies and emails will not be accepted. Applications will closed on **March 13, 2021**

for Items 1,2 and **March 15, 2021** for Item 3 and **March 17, 2021** for Item 4.

**5. Senior Research Fellow for the Department of Infectious Diseases**

**Job Code: 1362**

Qualification : Pharm D (0-1 year experience).

Mode of appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

## Situations Vacant

### 6. Training Officer for the Department of Distance Education Unit

**Job Code: 1363**

Qualification : Any PG Degree with minimum three years of relevant work experience in online and blended learning distance courses coordination and administration, preferably in a higher medical / distance educational institution. Job involves management of online/onsite contact programs for blended learning course, student support and reply to student queries through email/phone calls, liaising with the departments' course faculty/ other department medical faculty and overseeing contact program arrangements, effective organizing and team interaction skills with online course website and contact program management team, good written and verbal communication skills in English, needs to travel within the country during onsite contact programs, familiarity with Google Drive, maintenance of Google sheet databases for online/blended learning courses data management, coordinating enrolling candidates for convocation and registration. Preference will be given to candidates with experience working in any blended mode of medical learning, must be aware of hosting online meetings using platforms such as Zoom, Google Meet etc.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link: <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send the filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the Job Code either by soft copy to [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **March 15, 2021** for Item 5 and **March 22, 2021** for Item 6.

***Please mention the job code, applications forms without the job code will not be accepted.***

### 7. Dy. Security Officer

Qualifications : Any graduate with minimum 25 years of experience in Armed Forces.

Consolidated Salary : Rs.28,000/-.

Preference will be given to candidates with experience in hospital setting and fluent in Telugu

Please log on to : [http:// www.cmch-vellore.edu](http://www.cmch-vellore.edu)

Link : "Vacancies".

***Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.***

Apply on or before **March13, 2021** for Item 7.

### 8. Clerk Typist (Term appointment basis for selection work)

Qualifications : Graduate (regular course). should be proficient in English with adequate computer knowledge

Consolidated Salary : as per institutional rules

Those who have worked earlier for selection work need not apply

Please log on to : [http:// www.cmch-vellore.edu](http://www.cmch-vellore.edu)

Link : "Vacancies". Icon: " Clerk Typist"

***Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.***

Apply on or before **March 22, 2021** for Item 8.



MARCH 15, 2021

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Dr. Abraham Peedicayil Retires

**Dr. Abraham Peedicayil**, Professor, founder and former Head, Department of Gynaecologic Oncology retired on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 after 34 prolific, laudable years of dedicated service to the institution. To the CMC community, he was a true son of the soil, brought up in the campus as firstborn to Dr. Abraham Varghese and Mrs. Annamma Abraham. He secured first division from Ida Scudder School and obtained his MBBS degree from Christian Medical College, Vellore in 1981. He then served as a demonstrator in the Department of Anatomy, CMC, as a medical officer with the Missionaries of Charity, Calcutta and at St. Lukes Hospital, Hiranpur and joined CMC back for a post graduate degree in obstetrics and gynaecology in 1985. He was awarded the Ida Scudder Gold Medal for the Best Postgraduate student in Obstetrics and Gynaecology in 1988 and continued to pursue academic excellence as he obtained his membership and fellowship from the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.



He joined the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology as faculty in 1988 and was a perfect blend of clinician – researcher- epidemiologist. He was formally trained in public health, majoring in epidemiology. He carried out his roles as teacher, mentor and researcher with diligence, ensuring a congenial atmosphere at work with his colleagues and in the true spirit of CMC, ensured that no patient was turned away from the hospital for want of money.

He was interested in Gynaecologic Oncology and realized the need and practical benefit of subspecialization. He led by example and acquired a Fellowship in Gynaecologic Oncology from Mayo Clinic, Rochester, USA, 23 years after postgraduation. He, along with other senior faculty envisaged and pioneered the expansion of the department of OBG into 5 units with subspecialisation. After his return from study leave, he joined the OG-I unit which besides general Gynaecology, specialized in treatment of Gynaecologic cancers. He instituted the 2 year post doc fellowship training in Gynaecologic Oncology in 2012 this was granted recognition by the Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University in 2015. Under his leadership, the OG-I unit became the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology in 2015, a department solely specialized to treat gynaecologic cancers.

## Dr. Abraham Peedicayil Retires

He worked relentlessly and with much tenacity to ensure that the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology was certified by the Medical Council of India, as a training centre for the M.Ch. degree in Gynaecologic Oncology in 2016 with an annual intake of 2 candidates per academic year. He was a natural leader and assumed leadership responsibilities in national forums, projecting the department to the national front. He was responsible for organizing three national Gynecologic Oncology conferences at CMC, Vellore. He was a brilliant surgeon with total commitment to patient care. He was a great teacher and ensured his team of faculty and students learnt to operate beyond the realm of the pelvis involving them complex oncologic surgeries. For him, the department had to work in a cohesive, progressive and comprehensive manner that kept the patient's interest uppermost. His genuine concern for the team members was notable.

Dr. Abraham, a natural academician, has many publications to his credit. He along with his wife Dr. Priya Abraham, Professor, Department of Virology and now Director, National Institute of Virology, Pune have co-authored 13 epidemiological papers studying the Human Papilloma Virus in association with cervical neoplasia. They together played an important role in the hospital as administrators. Dr. Abraham was Deputy Director (Promotion and PTP Office), was in charge of the Alumni Office, Clinical Epidemiological Unit and core theatre committee and editor of the Alumni journal. Despite his role as leader, administrator and an academician par excellence, he was easily approachable and ready to have any discussion - academic or nonacademic, political or non-political with anyone who climbed with him the 7 flights of stairs to his office or who came to him in his office, outpatient department or anywhere in the campus.

Dr. Abraham and Dr. Priya Abraham also believed in community development as they fostered many medical and paramedical students, who were away from home. They have a son Dr. Ananth Abraham, a neurosurgeon, a third generation doctor in CMC and recently celebrated his marriage to Dr. Merin Abraham.

Dr. Abraham has stepped down and is retiring after firmly establishing the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology. The department held a farewell CME, themed “..Lessons from the past, visions for the future on the 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2021, honoring his contribution to the department. As a former Gynaecologic Oncology alumni mentioned, he leaves behind a planet sized void and the department is grateful to him to all the lessons learnt. The Department join the CMC family in thanking him for the many years of service and dedication to the institution and community.

## Release of Postal Cover to Commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Dr. Ida Scudder

To commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> birth Anniversary of Dr. Ida S Scudder, Founder Christian Medical College Vellore, a special postal cover was released on the occasion of Women's Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 by Thiru Somasundaram, Director of Postal services Chennai City Region. The event was held at the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, and Thiru Somasundaram handed the first cover to the Director of CMC Dr. J.V. Peter, Principal Dr. Anna Pulimood, Dean Dr. Vathsala Sadan and Nursing Superintendent Dr. Bala Seetharaman. The students of the College of Nursing performed a special programme on the theme "Choose To Challenge" to celebrate Women's Day.

Dr. Ida Scudder challenged by the plight of women in India, trained to be a medical doctor and pioneered medical education for the women of India. She committed her life with purpose and chose to challenge the then existing system towards uplifting and empowering the women of India and transforming healthcare.

The postal cover was released to honour and remember this commitment of Dr. Ida.



## Workshop Conducted on Inspirational Writing

Chaplaincy conducted “Workshop on Inspirational Writing” on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 at J.C. David Hall, ASHA Building. The resource persons were Mrs. Usha Jesudasan and Dr. Pippa Deodhar. As a prolific devotional writer Mrs. Usha Jesudasan encouraged the participants to write inspirational writings through her experiences while Dr. Pippa Deodhar meticulously covered the methodology and technical aspect of writing. 37 participants from CMC community were benefitted through this workshop. The sessions were moderated by Rev. Dr. Finney Alexander and Dr. Reena George.



March 14 - 20, 2021

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Radiology** : Dr. Gibikote Sridhar V. and Staff

**Radiodiagnosis** : Dr. Elizabeth Joseph and Staff

**Interventional Radiology** :

Dr. Shyamkumar N.K. and Staff

**South East Asia Union Mission of SDA Singapore :**

Council Members : Dr. Edward Nathan

Dr. Thomas Tean Wing Nyin

Hospital : Penang Adventist Hospital.

**Baptist Missionary Society World Mission :**

Council Member : Ms. Valerie Ann Bothamley

### Memoranda

- **Dr. Paul V. George**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Cardiology with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 until further notice. He will continue as Head, Cardiology Unit-II with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. George Joseph**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Cardiology Unit-I with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Dincy Peter C.V.**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Dermatology, Venereology & Leprosy with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Ebby George Simon**, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Director (Faculty Mentoring) with effect from 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 for a four year term.

### Congratulations!

- **Dr. Shyamkumar N. Keshava**, Professor & Head of Interventional Radiology, was awarded Dr. Ida B. Scudder Oration at the State Annual Conference of the Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry chapter of Indian Radiology and Imaging Association (IRIA) on 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2021 held online at Hotel ITC Grand Chola, Chennai on the topic - "Radiology : Thinking Out of the Box".
- **Dr. Dhivya Roy**, Alumini Batch of 2017, has secured top position in University for MD (Respiratory Medicine) exam and received the following Gold Medals :  
**Dr. M. Santhosham Memorial Endowment Gold Medal Doctor of Medicine**  
**Dr. K.V. Krishnaswami Gold Medal**  
**Lupin Gold Medal.**

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## Retirements

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• **Mr. K. Govindaraj**, Sr. Hospital Attendant, Department of General Pathology, retired on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021, after 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has three daughters. His elder daughter, Ms. Vijayalakshmi is working as Hospital Attendant in Q5 South, second daughter, Ms. Jayapriya completed Diploma Nursing and younger daughter, Ms. Roja is working as Staff Nurse in Cardio Cath Lab.



• **Mr. S. Paulraj**, Hospital Attendant Gr.I, Electrical Department, retired on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021, after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has two daughters and a son. His elder daughter, Ms. Mary Jenifer is a Nurse Manager in Maternity Ward, second daughter, Ms. Rachel Nancy is working as Lab Technician in General Pathology and son, Mr. Arul Albert is working abroad as Radiographer.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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## Obituary

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**Mrs. J. Jessie**, retired Teacher, wife of Late. Mr. A. Joshua, mother of Ms. Jeslet, Staff Nurse in Well Baby Clinic, passed away on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

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## Situations Vacant

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**1(a) Senior Resident Gr.I** for six months only for the **Department of Endocrinology**

Qualification : DM / DNB (Endocrinology).

**1(b) Registrar Non-PG with MBBS (Term Appointment)** for the **Department of Endocrinology**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Hard copies and emails will not be accepted. Applications will closed on **March 20, 2021** for Items 1(a) and 1(b).

**2. Technical Assistant (Project Mode)** for the **CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Casualty Unit)**

Qualifications : B.Sc. (Emergency Care Technician Course) with one year Internship.

Note : Only Recognised University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age limit : 35 years.

**3. Technical Assistant (Project Mode)** for the **OP Services**

Qualifications : Graduates with computer knowledge, interpersonal skills and multilingual capabilities.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 30 years.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

Job Description : To work in MCTT Counters in CMC and peripheral units. Duty will be in shift on rotation basis including night shift.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Applications will closed on **March 29, 2021** for Items 2 and 3.

**4. Applications are invited to fill a vacancy in the PMR Unit at CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Qualification : MS / DNB in PMR, for the post of **Sr. Resident / Assistant Surgeon / Associate Surgeon** /

Grade of appointment and salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience as per institutional rules.

Salary: As per institutional rules.

Application may be submitted through the online application system by logging on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> and selecting the link "Vacancies" or through <http://www.cmcvellorechittoorcampus.ac.in> and selecting the link "Career". Alternatively, application with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies and contact information can be sent by email to [dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in)

Applications will close on **March 29, 2021** for Item 4.



MARCH 22, 2021

*Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and every way.  
The Lord be with all of you.*

*2 Thessalonians 3:16*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Operation Theater Dedicated in Memory of Dr. Sunil Agarwal at KMF, Kotagiri

Kotagiri Medical Fellowship (KMF), Kotagiri in the Nilgiris District is one of the mission hospital revival projects of CMC Vellore through the Missions Department. Over the last three years the hospital has been gradually but steadily growing, fulfilling a major need for quality and reliable healthcare in the region.

One of the significant medical needs identified, was varicose veins and its complications especially among the tea-garden workers which is one of the predominant economic activities in the Nilgiris.

Understanding this need, Late. Dr. Sunil Agarwal, and his team from the Department of Vascular Surgery at CMC Vellore readily responded by initiating vascular surgery services at KMF Hospital. Since March 2018, clinics have been organised with a visiting team comprising usually of two vascular surgeons, an anesthetist and a vascular technician. This also includes planned surgeries with the latest endovenous Laser / MOCA procedures. The staff of KMF are also trained in follow-up patient care. The services of the Vascular team have been fulfilling a tremendous need and the people who have benefitted from this have expressed their gratitude.

In February of 2020, while travelling to Kotagiri by car, Dr. Sunil Agarwal, who had pioneered this programme met with an unfortunate accident, leaving the team in KMF in profound shock. Considering his extraordinary commitment to Kotagiri, the KMF hospital felt it was only fitting that his memory is honoured by dedicating the operation theater in his name. A special programme was held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March in the presence of his wife Dr. Indira Agarwal, Paediatric Nephrologist in CMC Vellore, his brother Mr. Arvind Agarwal and sister-in-law Mrs. Nonita Agarwal. Dr. Tony Abraham Thomas, Medical Superintendent of KMF paid a tribute to Dr. Agarwal and Dr. Indira spoke about the kind of person that Dr. Sunil was, his dedication to service and his plans to continue serving mission hospitals after retirement. This was followed by a formal dedication of the operation theater which was renamed Dr. Sunil Agarwal operation theater. Following the programme, the vascular team had their consultation which was restarted following a halt during the pandemic.



## KMF – Dedication of operation theater in memory of Dr. Sunil Agarwal



Dr. Sunil Agarwal was an extra-ordinary man, a friend of Kotagiri, who understanding the need, willingly and eagerly gave himself to persevering his mission despite the constraints of a busy schedule in his alma mater. And there is no doubt that his legacy will have a long-term impact on the people of the Nilgiris for many years.

## CME on Consent for Surgery



The Departments of Endocrine Surgery and Continuing Medical Education conducted a TNMC accredited CME “Consent for Surgery: Ethical and Legal Aspects” on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. Dr. M.J. Paul, Professor, Department of Endocrine Surgery and Associate Director (HR) highlighted the importance of obtaining informed consent, the process required to be followed by law, and the ethical principles involved. He had also illustrated with examples

as to when consent is obligatory and when it is not. The programme was ably moderated by Dr. Antony Devasia, Professor of Urology who had made his valuable contributions in tailoring the answers to the questions submitted by the participants. The organizers gratefully acknowledge the expertise of Mr. Samuel Abraham and Dr. Mousumi Sen in the preparation of the content and thank Mrs. Hasna Rajesh and the Telemedicine team for their continued support.

## Diploma in Hospital Administration (DHA)

The Department of Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training and Development (DHMSSTD), Christian Medical College, Vellore in collaboration with the Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI), New Delhi started the Diploma in Hospital Administration (Distance Education Programme) course from 2019. This course was designed mainly for those working in the Mission Hospitals willing to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to become efficient managers and leaders while continuing to serve their institutions. It will help them to integrate theoretical and scientific frameworks with their own experience in order to implement best practices in their hospitals which would provide them the ability to deal with a range of management issues.



The second batch of participants had their mandatory contact programme from 1<sup>st</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The contact classes started with prayer and welcome address by Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Sr. Manager & Head, DHMSSTD & Chairperson, CMAI Administrators section. During the contact programme, the day started with prayer followed by detailed classes on 8 subjects (*Basic principles of management, Basic medical terminology, Basic accounting and finance, Managing Patient Care and Hospital Facilities, Hospital information systems, Human resources management, Hospital governance and statutory requirements, Material management*) lead by various intramural and extramural faculty. The participants visited various departments and gained practical administrative knowledge on its functioning. The participants were addressed by Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, CMC, Vellore who encouraged the participants through his talk about Crisis Management during COVID-19 pandemic.

## Diploma in Hospital Administration (DHA)

The contact programme was attended by 18 participants which included medical doctors, nurses and administrators representing nearly 11 mission hospitals across the country. During the programme, the participants were taught the theoretical and practical aspects of Hospital and Health Systems Management through interactions, department visits, presentations, group discussion, etc. The programme was well appreciated by all the participants. They described as a, "Well coordinated programme, with friendly & knowledgeable faculty. The topics were relevant for day to day management, with lots of ideas to implement in the hospital". The participants gained great knowledge and felt they were a part of a bigger network.

Admissions for the 3<sup>rd</sup> batch is expected in July 2021. For more details kindly contact the department of Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training, CMC Vellore through [stafftraining@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:stafftraining@cmcvellore.ac.in) or 0416 - 2283535 / 6099 / 6098.

**March 21 - 27, 2021**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*College of Nursing*  
*College of Nursing Library*  
*Community Health Nursing &*  
*Student Nurses Hostel :*  
 Dr. Vathsala Sadan and Staff

*CNI Uttar Pradesh Regional Board of Health Services*  
 Council Member : Dr. H.J. Lyall

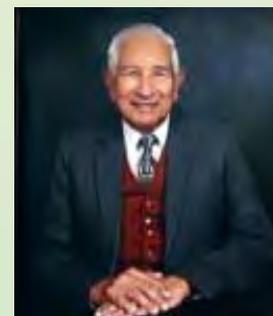
Hospital : Christian Hospital, Kasganj, Memorial Hospital, Farrukhabad and others.

## Welcome

**Dr. Sreekanth R**, Surgeon / Associate Professor, Department of Hand Surgery, on his return from study leave.

## Obituaries

• **Dr. Zal Kutar** (MBBS batch of 1952) passed away on 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. He joined for his MBBS course in Christian Medical College in the year 1952. He later completed a fellowship in UK. He was married to Dr. Irene. Zal's father was the Director of Tata Iron and Steel in India and later personal Advisor to Shah of Iran. Dr. Zal Kutar and Dr. Irene joined the Clara Swain Mission Hospital, Dr. Zal Kutar as the Medical specialist and Dr. Irene as Head of the Obstetrics & Gynecology Department. The Kutars with their extensive contacts, obtained IOCL management grant to manage the IOCL Hospital. Dr. Zal loved the outdoors and joined the mountaineering club.



Dr. Zal and Dr. Irene moved to Lansing Michigan, USA and Dr. Zal set up a practice. Dr. Zal and Dr. Irene then moved to Mississauga Ontario, Canada with his aging mother. Taking care of his mother and Dr. Irene became his full time duty. Even in his later year his speech was very clear. He took a keen interest in gardening and felt fulfilled in it.

He bought a small home in Florida after the passing of his mother and wife however the Florida trip did not last long as he needed more supervision and home care. Back in Canada, he was getting more frail and required further care as he was losing balance and so was admitted to a nursing home. Although the pandemic isolated him more, he now and then attended a party and loved to meet his children and grandchildren. On February 7, 2021 he died in his sleep.

Dr. Zal ardently believed man's goodness whether in religion or his daily work and had the ability to judge the best in the staff. Dr. Zal was one of a kind and extraordinarily talented. He was a good humanist, friend, colleague and a dedicated worker. For his relatives, friends and patients Dr. Zal was an icon of goodness and followed the motto of CMC "By love serve one another". Truly it can be said 'O death where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory'. (1Cor.15:55).

For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of his children are given below:

Mr. Tehnaz Robinson (son), Email : [tehnaz@gmail.com](mailto:tehnaz@gmail.com)

Dr. Rohini Becherl (daughter), Email : [rohini.becherl@hhchealth.org](mailto:rohini.becherl@hhchealth.org)

Ms. Niloufer Mathews (daughter), Email : [nmathews@mac.com](mailto:nmathews@mac.com)

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

## Obituaries

- **Mrs. Daris Flary David**, mother of Mr. Shadroch Kingsley David, Pharmacist, mother-in-law of Mrs. Sarah Shadroch, Associate Professor, Community Health Nursing, Addl. Deputy Dean, College of Nursing, passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mr. John Suvesishamuthu**, father of Mrs. Joy Flora, Staff Gr. Assistant Engineer, Electronics Department, father-in-law of Mr. Joseph Johnson, retired staff in Mechanical Engineering Department passed away on 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Kanagam, Granddaughters, Dr. Juliya Pearl Consultant in SICU, Dr. Asha Chrysolyte, MD final year, Paediatrics and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Admission Notice

### Nursing Postgraduate/Post Basic Degree & Diploma/Fellowship Courses Admission -2021

Applications are invited for Nursing Postgraduate / Post Basic Degree & Diploma / Fellowship Courses commencing in 2021. Application forms can be accessed **ONLY ONLINE** through the Christian Medical College website : <http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in> from **March 16, 2021 onwards**. Admission Prospectus and Bulletin are available at the website.

<b>16.03.2021</b>	Applications can be accessed online
<b>31.05.2021</b>	Last date for downloading online application form till 24:00 hours (12.00 midnight).
<b>07.06.2021</b>	Last date for receipt of payment proof including supporting documents.
<b>14.06.2021</b>	Last date for receipt of sponsorship forms.

**DEAN, COLLEGE OF NURSING**

## Situations Vacant

**1. ID Physician for the Department of Infectious Diseases** **Job Code : 1364**  
 Qualification : MBBS, MD (0-1 year Experience). Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.  
 Salary : As per Institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**2. Medical Officer for the Distance Education Unit** **Job Code : 1365**  
 Qualification : Any MBBS with minimum 5 years of relevant work experience of any MD/DNB/PG Diploma with 2 years of relevant work experience. Candidates with curriculum development and instructional design experience in online or blended distance learning platforms and Rehabilitation Medicine experience in primary or secondary care settings are preferred. Additionally experience and /or training in research methodologies and medical education is helpful. He/She must be willing to travel periodically to teach in the department's contact programmes to be held at contact centers located within India. He /She should be able to coordinate a multidisciplinary teaching team consisting of academic, administrative and technical staff in order to facilitate the instructional design and running of a blended distance learning course.  
 Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Salary : As per Institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff.

Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to : [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu, on or before **April 02, 2021** for Items 1 and 2.

**3. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Neurology ICU**  
 Qualifications : B.Sc. Critical Care Technology degree of the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University.  
 Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.  
 Job Description : To look after ICU Equipment and to assist with the care of critically ill patients.

**4. Assistant Social Worker (Project Mode) for the Department of Clinical Haematology**  
 Qualifications : M.S.W (Master of Social Work).  
**Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**  
 Preference will be given to people who have at least 3 years experience in working in a hospital.  
 Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.  
 Job Description : Counseling patients and relatives and doing socio economic assessment.

## Situations Vacant

### 5. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Cytogenetics Unit

Qualifications : B.Sc. (Life Sciences) with PG Diploma in Cytogenetics with two years prior work experience in a Cytogenetics laboratory. Student who will complete their course prior to August 2021 may also apply.

Candidate should also ideally have some experience of performing molecular work and be comfortably conversant with both spoken and written English. Age limit : 35 years. Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Applications will closed on **March 29, 2021** for Items 3, 4 and **April 05, 2021** for Item 5.

**6. The Centre for Stem Cell Research and Christian Medical College, Vellore** invites applications for **Nurse Counselor** on term appointment basis to work in the project, **Control of Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NAHD) - Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Disease Control Programme in collaboration with the Government of Odisha**. Job Location : Odisha. Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing preferably with two years experience.

Salary Scale : Consolidated Pay (Rs.32,000/-), Accommodation not provided.

Job Description : 1. To train ANM / District hospital nurses in pre and post test counseling.

2. To provide pre and post counseling for PND at Medical Colleges in Odisha.

3. To help disseminate the results of the Sentinel Surveillance site.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **April 12, 2021** for Item 6.

### 7. Assistant Engineer (Degree) (Term Appointment basis)

Qualifications : B.E. (E.C.E.). Age : Less than 35 years.

Experience in maintenance of Communication & Networking. Salary : Rs.30,725/-.

Preference will be given to candidates with minimum 2 years of experience in hospital setting. Communication & Networking and Equipment maintenance and documentation.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies".

### 8. Assistant Engineer (Degree) (Term Appointment basis)

Qualifications : B.Tech. (Mechanical). Age : Less than 35 years. Salary : Rs.30,725/-.

Experience in maintenance of Electro Mechanical equipment and services and also in mechanical workshop.

Preference will be given to candidates with minimum 2 years of experience in hospital setting. Handling Water Treatment Plant, etc. Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies".

### 9. Administrative Assistant (Project) for the Materials Department

Qualification : Graduate + PGDHA / Diploma in Materials Management / MHA / MBA.

Consolidated Salary : Rs.20,000/-. Age Limit : 30 years and below.

Preference will be given to candidates with prior experience working in a Materials Department of any organisation possessing excellent computer skills.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Administrative Assistant".

### 10. Management Intern for QMC (for a period of 6 months).

Qualifications : Fulltime MBA / MHA / Bachelors in Engineering / Masters in any Science discipline / P.G. Diploma in Hospital Administration. Consolidated Stipend : Rs.10,295/-. Preference will be given to Male candidates willing to work in night shifts and having good communication and computer skills.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Management Intern".

**11. Jr. Fire Officer (Term Appointment).** Qualification : Graduate + 1 year Diploma in Fire & Safety Engineering. Age : Less than 30 years. Consolidated Salary : Rs.19,350/-.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Fire Officer".

*Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.* Apply on or before **March 27, 2021** for Items 7, 8 and **March 29, 2021** for Items 9, 10 and **April 05, 2021** for Item 11.

**12. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri - 632 106** invites applications for the following post : **Specialist - Pathologist**. Qualification : MD Pathology.

Interested candidates can apply with their bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and send it to address to the Director, SIH-R & LC., Karigiri, Pin - 632 106. Or email your updated resume along with the scan copies of all your testimonials to [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) or [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org) Last date for receipt of applications is **March 27, 2021**.



MARCH 29, 2021



# CMC NEWSLINE



*Eden Garden, College Campus*

## Renewal of Peace *Bridges of Peace*

*"Because life has many deep valleys and bottomless precipices, you will always need high bridges and resolution is the highest bridge you can ever have!" - Mehmet Murat ildan.*

When 2021 was born, the world lunged into it, expecting the pandemic to rebate. But here we are re-living the past year to date, going back, where we started from.

But this time we are stronger with a renewed attitude towards life. The calendar for this month is a picturesque depiction of a beautiful, yet sturdy bridge. The month of March was when it all began. The dangers persisting are very real, but we have begun to move on and live life adapting to the new lifestyle.

Finding peace and calm at a time like this is indeed a challenge. When the disciples of Jesus were caught in the midst of the rough sea, all they were told was. "Where is your faith?" This little rebuke was enough to bring back the lost hope and instil a renewed peace within.

We are safe on the bridge.

The troubled waters below may bellow and shake at our very feet. These waters always exist; there will always be times when a person has to face their share of trials and turmoils. But the most important thing to keep in mind is that, we are never alone in anything. God has always made ways to keep us afloat and eventually we will reach the shore. Sure enough, we can never stay dry during the storm but we won't drown if our faith is strong. The peace which follows this is blissful. The peace which passeth all understanding is what eventually prevails and will be our bridge of survival. During these days let us be aware of the bridge beneath us and appreciate its strength and endurance.

Let us not forget, in turn, to be bridges to others in their times of trouble and carry them over as God carries us, forever treasuring the peace which is within us.

*My peace I give unto you  
It's a peace that the world cannot give  
It's a peace that the world cannot understand  
Peace to know peace to live  
My peace I give unto you*

**Sunitha Serena**  
*Publicity & Information Officer  
Promotion & P.T.P.*



MARCH 29, 2021

*You, O Lord, keep my lamp burning; my God turns my darkness into light.  
With your help I can advance against a troop; with my God I can scale a wall.*

*Psalm 18:28-29*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Dr. I. Rabi Raja Singh Retires

**Dr. I. Rabi Raja Singh**, retired on 23<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 after his dedicated service to the Institution. He joined Christian Medical College, Vellore as a Lecturer in Radiation Physics in July 1990 after completing the prestigious post-graduate diploma in Radiological Physics (27<sup>th</sup> batch) at the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre in erstwhile Bombay. Hailing from Neyyoor (Kanyakumari District), a picturesque town in the southern part of India and better known for the International Cancer Centre where his father Mr. Iyyadurai served as the administrator, Dr Rabi drew inspiration from him to work in the challenging field of cancer. At CMC, he taught Radiation Physics and Safety to several batches of budding Radiation Oncologists, Medical Physicists, Radiographers and Radiation Oncology Nurses and is specially known for his passion in teaching the *Interaction of Radiation with Matter*. His imaginative style of teaching, laced with humour was known to draw the attention of his students while enabling even a layman, new to the field, to understand the subject with ease.



Dr. Rabi Raja Singh served as the Convenor for the Grievance Redressal Cell (GRC) for more than nine years sharing his Godly wisdom and counsel for those in need. He held the post of Chief Superintendent of Examinations of CMC from 2015 to 2021, a challenging period during which several infrastructural developments had to be made in order to comply with new regulations. Dr. Rabi was also the warden of the DJ Hostel for a term.

Since 2014 he has been the Convenor of the Medical Technologists Training Committee (MRTTC) of Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI) and currently serves as the Chairman of the Central Education Board of CMAI. Dr. Rabi is a guide for the doctoral programme in Medical Physics recognised by the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University and has been examiner for several doctoral and post-graduate programmes of other universities as well.

In the year 1999, he carried out research work in the Medical College of Ohio, USA for three months as a recipient of Senior Training Fellowship programme awarded by our institution. As part of his doctoral work, he worked on developing a computerised multileaf collimator (CMLC) system for the telecobalt unit, a first of its kind and funded by the Board of Research in Nuclear Sciences (BRNS). He played an important role in the Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS) team in the commissioning and clinical implementation of the SRS programme

## Dr. I. Rabi Raja Singh Retires

in CMC, during which he developed cost-effective cones to accurately treat small lesions and tumors. He was awarded the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) Fellowship twice to visit the University of Nebraska during which he performed dosimetric simulations for stereotactic radiosurgery on a telecobalt unit and studied the feasibility of delivering Intensity Modulated Radiotherapy (IMRT) on the same unit under the guidance of Dr. Komanduri Ayyangar. In the year 1999, he received the Indo-US best paper award (USIMPF) at the National Conference of Association of Medical Physicists of India held at Bhopal for his pioneering work on the dosimetric study of narrow beams on a Cobalt-60 teletherapy unit for stereotactic radiosurgery.

After the completion of his Ph.D in the year 2006, his research interest leaned towards Radiation Dosimetry that led him to invest more time in developing novel detectors for the detection of radiation. Innovations such as the mobile radiation detector app (*SPRADDET*) and the cost-effective CMOS radiation detector were initiated by him and developed by his postgraduate and doctoral students of Medical Physics with the help of project engineers under his able guidance. His dedication as the Institutional Radiation Safety Officer for two decades and seven years as convenor of the Standing Committee on Radiation Safety brought in a significant transformation in the aspect of Radiation Safety and its awareness. This included the implementation of the Online TLD Management software that was initiated by Dr. Paul Ravindran and supported by the Quality Management and Safety Cells to efficiently manage the Radiation Monitoring Service of over a thousand TLD badge holders in our institution.

Dr. Rabi Raja Singh is a unique physicist who apart from his clinical service spent time serving God in different ways. He is a person who is known for his exuberant preaching and had a sincere burden for our patients to experience holistic healing from our Lord Jesus Christ. This was demonstrated in the Benagli Patients' Ministry that was first initiated for the patients undergoing Radiation Therapy and later opened to others as well. His compassion for the economically downtrodden was seen in the way he helped organise the Christmas Programme for the patients at Chattram and the security personnel of CMC every year. He is also actively involved with the Prison Ministry. The RT carol rounds, another of his initiatives, used to travel far and wide from Bagayam to Gudiyattam, with the jolly bandwagon of staff and students, to visit the current and especially the former staff of the department, to ring aloud the love and joy of Christ into each home.

He is married to Dr. Suganthy Rabi who is Professor and Head of the Department of Anatomy and they are blessed with two daughters, Dr. Hallel Reba who is doing her PG in General Medicine and Dr. Tephilah who is working in the Department of Neurological Sciences. As Dr. Rabi Raja Singh successfully completes his term, having served our institution with faithfulness and diligence, and as a shining witness to our Lord Jesus Christ, we wish and pray that God will richly bless him and his family in all their endeavours.

## Workshop conducted by the Department of Anaesthesia



The Department of Anaesthesia, conducted a one day workshop “**Difficult Airway**” on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 at New Examination Hall, Bagayam. The Theme of the workshop was Difficult Airway techniques. It was a unique conference to train anaesthetists, emergency physicians and intensivists

all aspects of Difficult Airway Management (Video Larngoscope, FOB, ILMA, Intubation through LMA, front of neck access, JET ventilation, Rigid, Bronchoscopy, Airway Management-Neonate, Paediatric Difficult Airway and Airway Ultrasound).

The faculties were Dr. Sajan Philip George, Dr. Raj Sahajanandan, Dr. Ekta Rai, Dr. Tony Thomson Chandy, Dr. Ramamani M, Dr. Georgene Singh, Dr. Anita Shirley J, Dr. Sathish Kumar D, Dr. Karen Lionel, Dr. Gladly George,



Dr. Rahul Pillai, Dr. Leah Raju George, Dr. Bernice Theodore, Dr. Amit Mathew, Dr. Anand Babu Medidi, Dr. Jacob Chandy, Dr. Amitav Philip, Dr. Ira Dhawan, Dr. Noble E Cherian, Dr. Andrew Solomon. The CME and workshop was well appreciated by all and awarded 15 CME credit points from The Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University.

## Event from NMC–Nodal centre - Medical Education Department



The NMC Nodal centre for National Faculty Development, CMC Vellore conducted the four NMC Revised Basic Course workshop & AETCOM for In-house CMC faculty from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021 & 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021. The objectives of the programme was to sensitise the participants to the implementation of the competency based Attitude, Ethics and Communication AETCOM Module which is to be implemented as per NMC Directives. The programme aimed to train the trainers to capacitate medical educators of the 23 affiliated medical colleges under the NMC – Nodal Centre.



**March 28 - April 03, 2021**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *CSI Jaffna Diocese*

Council Members : Rt.Rev.Dr. Daniel S.Thiagarajah  
Dr. D.S. Rajasingham

Hospital : Green Memorial Hospital, Manipay

#### *CSI Tirunelveli Diocese*

Council Member : Dr. Jeyam Juliet

Hospitals : CSI Jeyaraj Annapackiam Hospital,  
CSI Bellpins Indrani Chelladurai Mission  
Hospital, Palayamkottai and others.

#### *Palm Sunday Musicals*

## Memorandum

**Dr. Priya Mary Mammen**, Professor, is appointed as Deputy Registrar, Medical College, with effect from 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 for a four year term.

## Congratulations!

**Dr. J.V. Peter**, Director, CMC, Vellore was awarded the "Indian Society of Critical Care Medicine (ISCCM) Presidential Citation for the year 2020 for contributions to the society during the year 2020 at the Annual General Body Meeting of the ISCCM which was held on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.

## Obituaries

• **Mrs. Mariamma Cherian**, retired Nursing Staff (CSSD) passed away on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2021. Let us uphold her husband, children, and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Saroja Kanagavelu**, mother of Mrs. Indumathi Arunachalam, Sr. Secretary, ENT Unit-V, passed away on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Obituaries

• **Mr. Yesuraja**, Hospital Housekeeping Attendant Gr.IV, Personnel Manager Office (Relief Pool) passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2021. Mr. Yesuraja joined CMC in the year 1993. He is survived by wife, two sons and a daughter. His wife, Mrs. Ramana is a HHKA in ISSCC OPD. His elder son, Mr. Stephen is working as Hospital Attendant Trainee in PMO (Relief Pool), younger son, Mr. Chinnaraj is Urology Technician in Urology Department and daughter, Ms. Christy has completed Diploma Nursing in CMC.



Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Assistant Professor Gr.II for the Department of Head and Neck Surgery Unit-I

Qualification : M.S. (ENT) or equivalent with prior experience as Assistant Professor in Head and Neck Surgery as per MCI regulations. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 2. Senior Librarian Gr.IV for the Department of Library Services

Qualification : Graduate + MLIS + PGDLAN / 3 years experience in E-Resources.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 3. Lecturer (AH) Gr.III for the Department of E.N.T.

Qualification : Master of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology (MASLP).

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 4. Physiotherapist (Term Post) with BPT (Regular mode) for the Department of Respiratory Medicine

Consolidated Salary : As per the institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 5. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Family Medicine) for the Department of R.U.H.S.A.

Candidate with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest MCI criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 6. Occupational Therapist (Term Post) with BOT Degree (Regular Course) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit - I

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 7. Demonstrator (NM) (Term Post) with M.Sc in Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics / Food Science & Nutrition / Food Service Management & Dietetics with B.Sc. degree in Nutrition / Dietetics/ Food and Nutrition or Home Science for the Department of Dietetics

*Only regular mode (No Correspondence course) will be accepted.*

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Hard copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **April 03, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **April 10, 2021** for Items 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

### 8. Ida Scudder School, Vellore - 632 006, Tamil Nadu (Affiliated to the CISCE, New Delhi)

The school invites applications for **Middle Level Teachers (to teach in classes 6 to 8) in English, Maths, Physics and History.**

Applicants must be graduates, proficient in English and registered for B.Ed. Apply to "The Correspondent" Ida Scudder School, No.1, Kalinjur Main Road, Viruthampet, Vellore – 632 006, Tamil Nadu, on or before **April 05, 2021** furnishing the CV, latest passport size photograph, photo copies of all the necessary certificates & other related documents, and contact details in the application format available at the school website : [www.scudderschool.ac.in](http://www.scudderschool.ac.in)

APRIL 05, 2021

HAPPY  
*Easter*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Easter Message

### Power of the Risen Christ

*“But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee;  
there you will see him, just as he told you”* *Mark 16:7*

Recently, a lady chaplain was talking to a patient about the life of Jesus - teachings, miracles, cross and crucifixion of Jesus. When she said that Jesus rose from the dead after the burial, the patient was so happy. He had not heard about the resurrection till then. He thought that the whole story ended with the death and the burial. Till now he thought that the life of such a compassionate, just and kind person came to an end with the cross in the hands of unjust, uncaring and ruthless system and people. He was comforted to know that that was not the case.

Resurrection of Christ was an event that happened due to the power of God. God was able to raise Jesus from the dead. It was a divine act which unmistakably communicated that truth wins. When we see so much injustice, corruption, callousness and suffering in our world, we wonder whether they will win and they have the final say on things.

Jesus spent much of his ministerial times in Galilee. All the good and compassionate works which he accomplished came to a halt after the events in Jerusalem during Passover. The disciples were sad, frightened and disillusioned. The message from the angel near the tomb was good news to them. The risen Jesus has gone back to Galilee, the place of ministry. Compassion, service, standing for truth and the righteous life for God's kingdom are not just make-shift arrangements. They are here to stay. Jesus has gone to Galilee and there the disciples will see him.

In the place of ministry, the disciples will see Jesus. In the place of compassion, justice and sacrificial love, the disciples will see their master again. What a great news! The news of resurrection is the victory of life over death, victory of love over hatred, victory of compassion over selfishness. In total, it is the victory of Truth.

In our personal and public lives, we might have faced situations where we were afraid whether things other than truth might win. The risen Christ gives us power to continue our ministry of love and compassion. In the place of ministry, we will see Him. When we see Him, we will be empowered, we will understand that we are not alone, we will be working with the risen Christ. “There you will see Him”

“Because Christ lives, we can face tomorrow

Because Christ lives, all fear is gone

Because we know Christ holds the future,

And life is worth the living just because He lives” (Adapted from “God sent his Son”)

Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas T.  
Chaplain

April 04 - 10, 2021

## SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Chaldean Syrian Church of the East*

Council Members : HG Dr. Mar Aprem  
Mr. Bobby James

Hospital : Mar Timotheus Charitable Hospital, Trichur.

*Council of Christian Hospitals*  
Council Member : Dr. P. Judson

Hospitals : Serango Christian Hospital  
Christian Medical Centre, Pithapuram  
CBM Bethel Hospital, Vuyyuru  
Star of Hope Hospital, Aikividu

## Memoranda

- **Dr. Samuel N.J. David**, Senior Manager (Administration) is appointed as Associate General Superintendent with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 till his superannuation. He will oversee campus maintenance, external manpower services, canteen and dietary.
- **Mr. Anand John Samuel G**, Associate General Superintendent will primarily oversee the Kannigapuram Campus from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.
- **Mr. S. Sukumar Solomon**, Associate General Superintendent will primarily oversee the Chittoor Campus from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021.
- **Mr. Reni Charles** and **Dr. Lallu Joseph** will continue in their present roles as Associate General Superintendent & Associate General Superintendent (Ag.) respectively.

## Obituaries

• **Dr. Anulota Mahanty** (nee Basumathary) (MBBS batch of 1945) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021. Dr. Anulota was the embodiment of the cliché that everything good comes in small packets! Diminutive in stature only, but enormous in impact on those who knew her: her family, her patients, her profession and without being whimsical, society. She was a true pioneer for female doctors in a tough male dominated arena at a difficult time, the early 60s – she achieved much and was amongst just a few who really did some “hard yards” to break down barriers.



She was redoubtable, genial, cheeky, friendly, humane and generous. She had an infectious laugh as well as a girlish giggle. She also had a beautiful dramatic coloratura soprano voice and could often be heard singing. She was well-travelled; had many interests including gardening and cooking but she was at her most animated when she watched sports and in particular wrestling – she would sit on the edge of her seat and shout instructions at the participants. This made for a hilarious picture given how humane an individual she really was!

But her life began in the humblest of fashions – born into a rural Assamese family, the youngest of 9 siblings. She lost her mum at an early age and was brought up by her sisters. They also engineered her move to an American mission where she entered mainstream education and where she met the people who became her mentors and life-long friends.

At 17, she won a scholarship to study Chemistry at Isabella Thoburn College in Lucknow. She had fun there, made good friends, got a 1st Class Honours degree, enjoyed fresh mangoes off trees, then won another Scholarship to study Medicine at the brand new Christian Medical College in Vellore – for young female students. It was started by two world famous doctors, one of whom was Dr. Paul Brand who pioneered the restoration of hand function to leprosy patients.

She graduated at the very top of her class, learned Tamil, spent the next 5 years working in deprived and austere areas where she learned the art of extemporization and making do – this ability to improvise never left her through her career. A mark of her innate generosity was that she supported the education of several poor children to give them the very opportunities that had been bestowed upon her. She also met Mr. Mahanty during this period.

Married, with 3 children, they both left for England in the early 60s. She worked wherever she was able to get work – in any part of the wider profession; work was not always forthcoming. She doggedly persisted and eventually forced an opening and got sponsored as an obstetrician and gynaecologist. She was well into her 50s before she became a Consultant and Fellow of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

Amongst her many accomplishments two are particularly worthy of comment. Dr. Anulota was instrumental in setting up the Maternity Wing at Whipps Cross Hospital in London; it endures. She also was an acknowledged expert in fertility treatment. Her counsel and practices were keenly sought by patients and colleagues alike. She engendered extraordinary loyalty in her patients and support staff, the latter of whom she always took pains to ensure were appropriately rewarded. She practiced into her 70s after retirement from the NHS, however it was mostly gratis, and her legacies are that many people owe the lives of their progeny to her professionalism and there is a cadre of practitioners who benefited from her expertise.

Having latterly become frail of body, she retained her tack-sharp brain and sense of humour right until the peaceful end. Dr. Anulota Mahanty has left for a different place – mum, mother-in-law, wife, sister, aunty, grand ma and great grandma to a growing tribe of actual and acquired family.

For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of the family members are given below: Ms. Anita Hoxha (daughter), Email: d.hoxha@ntlworld.com

Mr. Arup Mahanty (son), loumahanty@gmail.com

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Dr. George P. Varkey** (MBBS batch of 1950) on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2021 in his home in London, Ontario aged 90. Born in Kottayam, Kerala, Dr. Varkey had his early education in the local CMS College. He joined CMC in the class of 1950 which was to leave its mark on their college. His classmates Drs. Abraham Verghese, Chinoy Chacko, George Cherian, Stanley John, P.M. Stephen, Grace Koshy, and Sylvia Walter all went on to play stellar roles in the consolidation of their chosen departments in CMC, in that formative phase of the institution. In the same spirit, Dr. George Varkey joined the Department of Anaesthesia in CMC which was struggling to fulfil its indispensable role in the pioneering development of surgical subspecialties. For specialty training, he proceeded in 1958 to Case Western University in Cleveland and then on to residency in Montreal Neurological Institute and Montreal General Hospital, leading to FRCP in 1961.



Returning to Vellore in 1962, he took over as the chief of Anaesthesia and coordinator of the hard-pressed surgical rooms. In the same year he married his classmate Dr. Mary (Leela) Joseph. For almost a decade, Dr. George Varkey played a decisive role in establishing CMC's status as the go to place for specialised surgical care in many of the new fields in Medicine and also in developing a much needed and influential training programme in Anaesthesia. With his organizing ability and interpersonal skills, he also contributed to the community life in CMC, particularly in establishing the Ida Scudder School of which he was the first Correspondent. Much to everyone's regret in Vellore, the Varkeys moved to Canada in 1971.

After a couple of years in Sherbrooke, Quebec, he moved to the present Western University in London, Ontario. Becoming professor, Dr. Varkey continued there till retirement in 1996. His field was neuro-anesthesia, with a great interest in pain management as well. He was a perfect senior anaesthetist in every way, highly regarded for his expertise, versatility in diverse subspecialties in this discipline and utter reliability. With his spontaneous empathy, he put at ease and gave courage to the apprehensive patients. For all in the operating team, his presence was a sobering and steadying influence in potentially volatile situations. For numerous international trainees, Dr. Varkey was the perfect mentor, in the department and outside. On his retirement, he was designated Professor Emeritus.

He then returned to his long-standing interest in chronic pain management, establishing the London Pain Management Centre. Till the age of 80, he continued to offer his best in this difficult and neglected field. For all who came to know him over his long life and across the oceans, as patient, colleague, acquaintance, friend or family member, he was above all a fine human being.

## Obituaries

CMC has always remained special for the Varkeys and the chapel in the Rehabilitation Institute is a gift from Dr. Mary Varkey and her sisters in memory of their late brother.

For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of the family members are given below : Dr. Mary (Leela) Varkey (wife), Email: [varkeys@rogers.com](mailto:varkeys@rogers.com)

Mr. Joe Varkey (son), Email: [joevarkey@rogers.com](mailto:joevarkey@rogers.com)

Mrs. Renu Maslovich (daughter), Email: [rmaslovich@gmail.com](mailto:rmaslovich@gmail.com)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

## Situations Vacant

**1(a) Assistant Professor with DM (Interventional Radiology) or MD / DNB (Radiology) with 2 years Special Training in Interventional Radiology for the Department of Interventional Radiology**

**1(b) Senior Resident with M.D. / DNB (Radiology) for the Department of Interventional Radiology**

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest MCI criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, Depending on availability).

**2. Occupational Therapist (Term Post) with BOT (Regular Course) for the Department of PMR (Occupational Therapy)**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**3(a) Senior Resident with MD (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Anaesthesia**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

**3(b) Senior Resident Gr.III with MD (Anaesthesiology) for the Department of Anaesthesia**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **April 17, 2021** for Items 1(a), 1(b), 2, 3(a) and 3(b).

**4. Project Manager for the Department of Haematology**

**Job Code : 1366**

Qualification : BAMS / BDS / BHMS / M.Sc. / PG Degree with postgraduate in Clinical Research of Health or Life Sciences.

Mode of appointment : Project mode. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the Job Code either by soft copy to [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002 on or before **April 16, 2021** for Item 4. **Note : Please mention the Job Code in the application form. Applications without Job Code will not be accepted.**

**5. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Dietary**

Qualifications : PG Diploma in Dietetics / Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics / Food Science & Nutrition / Food Service Management & Dietetics. The candidates should have Dietetics / Food Science and Nutrition or Home Science degree at undergraduate level. (OR) M.Sc. in Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics / Food Science & Nutrition / Food Service Management & Dietetic with B.Sc. degree in Nutrition & Dietetics / Food and Nutrition.

**Note : Only from Recognized University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will not be accepted.**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years

Job Description : To provide Nutritional care for patients.

## Situations Vacant

### 6. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Respiratory Medicine

Qualifications : B.Sc. Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc. with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy (CMC).

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies".

**Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **April 12, 2021** for Item 5 and **April 19, 2021** for Item 6.

### 7. Applications are invited for the post of **Research Nurse B.Sc. (N)** to work in a Project on term appointment basis. The project will be implemented under the **Department of Haematology**

Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing. Salary Scale : Rs.25,000/- Consolidated pay, Accommodation not provided.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **April 19, 2021** for Item 7.

### 8. Administrative Assistant for Promotion & P.T.P. Office

Qualification : Graduate in English Literature + 5 years experience in CMC.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Preference will be given to candidates with M.A. Literature, experience in writing and editing promotional material content on both soft and hard copy.

Application forms to be downloaded from [www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in](http://www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in) Link: "Vacancies"

Icon : "Administrative Assistant". Apply with xerox copies of all your certificates to the Personnel Manager, Christian Medical College, Ida Scudder Road, Vellore - 632 004 on or before **April 12, 2021** for Item 8.

### 9. Computer Terminal Operator to work in a project on Term Appointment basis. The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. The project will be implemented under the **Department of Neurological Science**

Qualification : Graduate (regular course) + Proficiency in English + Adequate computer knowledge.

Consolidated Salary : Rs.18,112/-.

Preference will be given to candidates with B.Sc. Biochemistry.

Please log on to : [www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in](http://www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in) Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Computer Terminal Operator".

**Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.** Apply on or before **April 19, 2021** for Item 9.

### 10. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri - 623 106 invites applications for the following post : **Telephone Operator (preferably male)**

Qualification : High School (H.Sc.) Pass with one Year experience as telephone operator.

Interested candidates can apply with their bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and send it to address "the Director, SIH-R & LC., Karigiri, Pin - 632 106. Or email your updated resume along with the scan copies of all your testimonials to [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) or [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org)

Last date for receipt of applications is **April 10, 2021** for Item 10.



APRIL 12, 2021



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Renewal of Joy

### **Ripples of Joy**

Joy is an emotional response of experiencing something good. The ultimate source of all good things and goodness is God Himself. God created the world and made everything good. God rejoiced in His creation.

### **Joy is our response to God's goodness in creation**

God delighted in making us. God delighted in wisely, beautifully, strategically, creatively shaping and giving life to a world that we could enjoy.

The pandemic has made us cherish every little happiness around us. How do we find joy when there is injustice and tragedy? Amidst all these terrible things; God's goodness is still found. One way to find joy in this broken and fallen world is to use the five senses that God gave you – hearing, seeing, tasting, smelling and touching. Hearing the chirping of birds, admiring the luscious green of the nature, tasting the delicious food and appreciating its aroma and holding a newborn in your arms brings pure joy to our hearts.

Despite continuous dramatic increase of material wealth, this affluence or prosperity has not remotely led to joy. The true source of joy does not consist on any worldly commodity or any self centered, hedonistic pursuit, but instead a spiritual gift, bestowed by almighty God. As the scripture rightly says, "Joy of the Lord is my strength" let us derive our strength from Jesus Christ.

### **Joy is the result of fulfilling Gods creation.**

God says to the first man, and to all of humanity; to do two things – to cultivate the world and to care for it (Gen:2:15). If we do these two things we will experience joy. God said take care of my creation; what does that mean? I know that there is nothing better for the people than to be happy and to do good while they live that each of them may eat and drink and find satisfaction in all their toil – this is the gift of God (Ecc 3:12-13). In your daily task, do you ever take time to savor the work of your hands when you have done a job and done it well? Whether you have been paid for the work or not, whether it's work for you family, preparing a meal, volunteer work, ministering, something you accomplish in your career. You say where do I find joy, in this world full of sadness?

Joy is our response to God's creation. It is also the result of us taking care of God's creation and improving it. The joy of caring for the sick, sharing the little that we have, serving the downtrodden, giving generously, showing kindness to the needy and mentoring our students.

When we are filled with joy uncontainable and overflowing; we spread it around us and become a channel of blessing to many. John 16: 22 says "...and your hearts will rejoice and no one will take your joy from you".

### **The ultimate joy**

The Bible begins with God's creation and the bible ends with this final vision in revelation 21:1 then I saw a new heaven and new earth. The birth of Christ brought a great joy to the mankind (Luke 2:9-11 do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people) and we await the Lord's coming which is the ultimate joy we hope for. The Lord is coming back to free the world from sin and suffering and sickness and sorrow. No more disease, no more distress, no more disappointment and no more death. Our responsibility as a creation is to preserve the works of our master and sustain it and spread the joy around us till our creator comes back.

As the bible says, a cheerful look brings joy to the heart and good news to the bones (Pro 15:30), let us be the ambassadors of Christ and spread the joy of God's love to everyone around us.

As the famous Sunday school song goes "JOY JOY this shall surely mean; Jesus first and yourself last and others in between", Let us keep God and others in front of us in everything we do.

**Jesus – Others -Yourself**

*Dr. Vathsala Sadan  
Dean, College of Nursing*

APRIL 12, 2021



Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. James 1:2-3



# CMC NEWSLINE



## 59<sup>th</sup> National Pharmacy Week Celebrations



The Department of Pharmacy organised the 59<sup>th</sup> National Pharmacy Week celebrations from 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The celebrations this year were based on the theme, “Pharmacists: Front Line Health Professionals”. As part of the celebrations, various competitions such as oral presentation, e-Poster designing, poster designing, slogan writing, essay writing and e-quiz contest were organised. More than

three hundred participants took part in these events. The valedictory function was held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The ceremony began with a word of prayer by Rev. Margaret Deborah, Chaplain and Dr. Selvamani.B, Professor and Head, Pharmacy Department welcomed the gathering. This was followed by Dr. S. Annadurai, Professor, Pharmacy Department addressing the gathering on the theme. Dr. Kenny S. David, Associate Director, Chittoor Campus was the Chief Guest and delivered the Chief Guest’s address. The other dignitaries present were Dr. Amit Jiwan Tirkey, Deputy Medical Superintendent and Mrs. Jeyalinda, Deputy Nursing Superintendent. Dr. Reena George, Professor and Head, Department of CME spoke about her experience with Pharmacy, this was followed by a presentation by Mrs. Mary Jenifer, Nurse Manager, Maternity ward on the topic “Preventing Medication errors – causes and benefits of reporting errors”.



The programme came to an end with the vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Rajaganapathy, Department Vice Secretary.

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## Prize Winners List - 2021

<b>I Quiz Competition</b>	<b>VI English Essay Competition (For Health Care Professionals)</b> <b>(For Patients / Public)</b>
First Prize Rini Selva Grace	First Prize Mr. B. Jayaraman
Second Prize Priya Nandhini	Second Prize Ms. Jane Miracline.J
Third Prize 1. Bessy Prakash 2. Michael Austin	Third Prize Mr.Nandhagoban.J
<b>II Oral Presentation</b>	<b>VII Tamil Essay Competition (For Health Care Professionals)</b>
First Prize Ms. Mary Jenier	First Prize Ms. N.C. Mageshwari
Second Prize Ms.Sheeba Mabel	Second Prize Dr.Ramya
Third Prize 1. Ms.Himavarshini 2. Mr.Jayakumar	Third Prize Ms.Alamelumangai.R
<b>III E-Poster Competition (Inter College Level)</b>	<b>(For Patients / Public)</b>
First Prize K. Yuvaraj , ParimalaPandurangan College of Pharmacy, Walaja	First Prize Mr. N.P. Chandramohan
Second Prize 1. Thalari Anil Kumar, Annamacharya College of Pharmacy 2. AdhiMoolamRadha, ParimalaPandurangan College of Pharmacy	Second Prize Ms. Esther
Third Prize 1. Delhi Ganesh 2. ThottaSrimanNarayana	Third Prize Mr. J. Prahalathan
<b>IV E-Poster Competition</b>	<b>VIII English Slogan Competition (For Health Care Professionals)</b>
First Prize Ms.Shadhiya	First Prize Mrs. E. Nirmala
Second Prize Mr. Mubarak Ali	Second Prize Ms.Sheeba Mabel
<b>V Poster Competition (For Health Care Professionals)</b>	Third Prize 1. Ms.Emmimal 2. Ms.Suganthi Grace
First Prize Ms.Ilakkiya	<b>(For Patients / Public)</b>
Second Prize Ms. S. Maheswari	First Prize Mr. P. Gladson
Third Prize ms. S. Shalini	Second Prize Mr. Enoch Thomas.P
<b>VI English Essay Competition (For Health Care Professionals)</b>	<b>IX Tamil Slogan Competition (For Health Care Professionals)</b>
First Prize Mr.Asif	First Prize Mr. K. Prabakaran
Second Prize Ms. Annie Evangeline.J	Second Prize Dr. Ramya
Third Prize 1. Dr.Lavanya	Third Prize 1. Ms. Caroline Sheeba 2. Mr. N. Santhosh Kumar
Special Prize 2. Dr.Reena George	<b>(For Patients / Public)</b>
	First Prize Mr. N.P. Chandra Mohan
	Second Prize Ms. J. Kavitha



April 11 - 17, 2021

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Medical Superintendent's Office :**

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff

**Private Consultation Facility**

**(Alpha Clinic) :** Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff

**Main Hospital Extension**

**Clinics (MAHE) :** Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff

**Information Reception and Main Enquiry :**

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff

**International Relations Office :**

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff

### Memoranda

The **Department of Urology** will function as four Units with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021.

- **Dr. Santosh Kumar**, Professor, will continue as the Head of the Department of Urology and Urology Unit-II, as per the notices dated 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 and 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018.
- **Dr. Chandrasingh J**, Professor, will continue as Head of Urology Unit-I, as per the notice dated 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2018.
- **Dr. Nirmal T.J**, Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of Urology Unit-III, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Rajiv Paul Mukha**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Urology Unit-IV, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Sarah Mathai**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Paediatrics Unit-I with effect from 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 for a four year term.

The following members are nominated for Shiloh 2021 to be held from 30<sup>th</sup> September to 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 in Scudder Auditorium.

- **Dr. Jesu Kirupa S**, Assistant Professor, Cardiology - Co-ordinator.
- **Dr. Audrin Lenin**, Assistant Professor, General Medicine - Co-ordinator.

### Congratulations!

The **Department of Biomedical Engineering**, Christian Medical College, Vellore has been granted the **National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL)**, accreditation.

### Retirements

• **Mrs. Nirmala Kesavulu**, Senior Technologist, Department of Neurological Sciences, retired in 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018, after 40 years of dedicated service to the institution. She joined as a student in 1980 and after completion of her training in electrophysiology joined as a staff in 1982. She has contributed 40 years of service to the department and has seen the transformation from the mechanical paper EEG to the era of digital EEG. She has been a constant pillar in the ever-changing milieu of the neurosciences department in CMC and leaves behind a legacy reaching back to the origins of neuro-electrophysiology in India.



As a senior staff in the laboratory she was keen to train her juniors and was always the last word went it comes to reporting EEGs. She was always up-to-date with her knowledge and to further her skills she went for a Senior training fellowship to Cleveland clinic in 2014 where she trained in advanced EEG techniques, ICU EEG monitoring under Dr. Hans Luders.

She is a well-loved teacher and is known for her connection with the younger generations and has trained more than 100 students over her career. She is extremely enthusiastic about research and has encouraged all the graduate students to take up research projects. Under her leadership a number of students have won research awards and few have gone on to do Masters and Ph.D. in Neurosciences.

On her personal front, she got married in 1987 to Mr. C. Kesavulu who was a School Headmaster and they have been blessed with two daughters. Her elder daughter Hemalatha is a software Engineer who was working with Infosys. Her younger daughter, Dr. Ashvini is CMC MBBS alumnus, and now doing MD Respiratory Medicine. She retired in October 2018 and was superannuated. She continued to actively participate in the neuro-electrophysiology training programme till March 2021.

## Retirements

• **Mr. Y. Andrews**, Sr. Hospital Housekeeping Attendant, M.S.O.P.D., retired on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2021, after 39 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has three sons. His elder son, Mr. Sunil Kumar is working as Hospital Housekeeping Attendant in Hospital Maintenance Department, second son, Mr. Ezra Babu is working as Hospital Attendant in Laundry Department and younger son, Mr. Enoch is working as a Hospital Housekeeping Attendant in PMO (R.P).



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

## Obituaries

• **Mr. Sundaram**, father of Dr. Henry Kirupakaran, retired Head of Staff Student Health Service, passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

• **Mr. Emmanuel Premraj**, retired Secretary, Curriculum Office, passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Metilda Premraj, retired Secretary, Medicine Unit - III, Son Mr. Jebaraj Fenn, Principal's Office, daughter Mrs. Shirley Victor, son-in-law Mr. Victor, Radiology, daughter-in-law and Grand children and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

## Notice

**American Heart Association – International Training Centre (CMC, Vellore)**

**American Heart Association – Basic Life Support Course (AHA - BLS)**

**Provider level course**

American Heart Association -Basic Life Support (AHA-BLS) provider level course will be held on **8<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at the Asha Building, CMC, Vellore**. This one day course is designed for healthcare providers (doctors, nurses, paramedics) and the curriculum consists of video based, interactive lectures and skills training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), use of Automated External Defibrillator and relieve choking in a safe, timely and effective manner to **all ages –Adult, Pediatric and Infants**. The number of participants is strictly restricted to 18 per course as per AHA guidelines. **The registration fee is Rs. 2,500/-** (cost of study materials included) and the last date for registration is **16<sup>th</sup> April, 2021**. **For registrations, Please contact Mrs. Nitha Cathuan or Mr. Ganesh, Paediatric ICU (Phone No.0416-228-3366).**

## Situations Vacant

**1. Lecturer Gr.III (NM) for the Department of Radiation Oncology (Medical Physics)**

Qualification : M.Sc. in Medical Physics (AERB recognized) or M.Sc. Physics with Diploma Radiological Physics (BARC) and eLORA Radiation Professional registration number.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **April 17, 2021** for Item 1.

**2. Scientist - B for the Centre for Stem Cell Research**

**Job Code : 1367**

Qualification : MBBS. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**3. Research Fellow for the Department of Wellcome Research**

**Job Code : 1368**

Qualification : MD - Microbiology / Biochemistry / Pathology. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Description : Standardize and carry out Laboratory assays, prepare reports and presentations, with field visits occasionally. Salary : Rs.51,460/- per month. Accommodation not provided.

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**Situations Vacant**

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**4. Research Fellow** for the **Department of Wellcome Research****Job Code : 1369**

Qualification : Ph.D., (Laboratory).

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Description : Standardize and carry out Laboratory assays, prepare reports and presentations, with field visits occasionally.

Salary : Rs.40,000/- per month. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link: <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff.Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the Job Code either by soft copy email to : [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **April 26, 2021** for Items 2, 3 and 4.**5. Project Co-ordinator** to work in a project on Term Appointment basis. The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. The project will be implemented under the **Department of Community Health**

Qualification : Masters in Public Health / Social Work with one year experience in the field and good computer skills.

Consolidated Salary : Rs.25,000/-.

Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.

Please log on to : [www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in](http://www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in)

Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Project Co-ordinator"

**Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**Apply on or before **April 26, 2021** for Item 5.



APRIL 19, 2021

*The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose water never fail.*

*Isaiah 58:11*

# CMC NEWSLINE



## CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus Celebrates World Tuberculosis Day -2021

In commemoration of the World Tuberculosis Day, observed on 24<sup>th</sup> March every year, a health awareness for the patients, educational sessions and various competitions for the staff and students, was organised by CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus. The celebrations were in collaboration with the College of Nursing, Community Health, Pulmonary Medicine and General Medicine under the leadership of Mrs. Rosaline Jayakaran, Principal, College of Nursing, Chittoor Campus, and Dr. Kenny David, Associate Director, Chittoor campus. The theme for this year was, “The Clock is Ticking”.



The world TB Day activities and programmes began from March 04, 2021 onwards with educational sessions on “New Trends about TB” by Dr. Deva Jedidiah, Assistant Professor, Pulmonary Medicine for all Chittoor campus staff and students, which was held in two sessions on 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of March prior to the competitions. A total of 93 staff and students participated in the sessions and were enriched. The competitions included Quiz, Poster, and Slogan, there were 13 groups for quiz, 22 participants for poster competition and 6 participants for slogan competition. All the students and staff of CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus were encouraged to participate. Attractive prizes and certificates were awarded to prize winners and participants.



On March 24, 2021, the inauguration programme was organised at the waiting area, of the OPD Block. Dr. Deva welcomed the gathering. Dr. Kenny S. David, Associate Director (Chittoor Campus), Mrs. Rosaline Jayakaran, Principal College of Nursing, and Dr. Reginald Alex, Professor, General Medicine gave their felicitations. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Dr. Anand Zachariah, Professor and Head, Medicine Unit-I, CMC Vellore. In his address he clearly explained about Tuberculosis and the burden of

## CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus Celebrates World Tuberculosis Day -2021

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the disease in our country as a whole, and also locally in Chittoor District. He appreciated the participants of the various competitions and distributed the prizes to the winners following which Mrs. Nirmala Immanuel, Vice Principal, College of Nursing, Chittoor Campus, proposed the vote of thanks.



As part of the health awareness programme for the public, various posters based on the theme “The Clock is Ticking” were displayed on the risk factors, the causes and warning signs of TB and also preventive measures. The Nursing staff and students of Community Health Nursing, College of Nursing, Chittoor Campus, took an active part in delivering the health education through activities such as Puppet show, Songs emphasizing the concept of “Prevention, Early detection and prompt action” for TB. A total of 35 people participated actively in several batches to ensure adequate social distancing.

## 59<sup>th</sup> National Pharmacy Week Celebrations

*Photos of prize winners*



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## 59<sup>th</sup> National Pharmacy Week Celebrations

### Photos of prize winners



\* Photos of prize winners to be continued in the next Newslines.

### April 18 - 24, 2021

#### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

##### *Dodd Memorial Library :*

Dr. Azariah Jeba Kumar I. and Staff

##### *Gault Library :*

Dr. Azariah Jeba Kumar I. and Staff

##### *Archives :*

Dr. Reena Mary George and Staff

##### *CSI Madras Diocese*

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. J. George Stephen  
Dr. J. Jerene Jayanth

Hospitals : CSI Kalyani General Hospital, Chennai  
CSI Rainy Multi Speciality Hospital  
CSI Hospital, Ikkadu and others.

### Memoranda

- **Dr. Donae Elizabeth George**, Associate Professor, is appointed as Ag. Head of Psychiatry Unit-II, with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Simon Pradeep Pavamani**, Professor, will continue as Head of Radiation Oncology Unit-II, with effect from 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 until further notice.

### Congratulations!

**Dr. Santhosh Kumar E**, final year DM Hepatology registrar won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in oral presentation titled “*Low volume plasma exchange and low dose steroid improve survival in alcoholic ACLF patients*”, the Tamil Nadu ISG Conference 2021 was held at Tuticorin on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

### Retirements

- **Mr. Kathavarayan** retired on 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 after dedicated and sincere service to the institution. He joined on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 1984 as Technician trainee in the erstwhile Department of Chest Diseases. He worked for 10 years providing ventilators for the ICU and other parts of the hospital and in the Pulmonary Function Lab (PF Lab), performing pulmonary function testing. He was the first confirmed technician in the PF lab. On 1<sup>st</sup> April 1994, the PF Lab started functioning independently and the ventilator service was annexed with MICU. He continued in the PF lab, which subsequently became part of the pulmonary medicine department which was formed in the year 2000. He has continued to serve this department and worked in the upgraded PF lab and Bronchoscopy service. He is known for his high level of sincerity and honesty and has mentored and tutored many respiratory therapists during his career.



## Retirements

His wife, Mrs. Ambiga is a home maker. His daughter Mrs. Gayathri has completed her B.E. and works as a Software Engineer in Alstom in Bangalore. His Son-in-law is an Engineer in DHL Bangalore. He was recently blessed with a grand-daughter, Ms. Neha Nakshatra.

• **Mr. J. Ravi**, Hospital Attendant Gr.I, Medical Ward, retired on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021, after 33 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a daughter and a son. His daughter, Ms. Ramya has completed M. Tech and his son, Mr. Ajay has completed B.Sc. Radiology at Kalyani Hospital, Chennai.



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Senior Resident with MD (General Medicine) for the Department of Medical Oncology

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **May 01, 2021** for Item 1.

### 2. Project Officer for the Department of Distance Education

**Job Code : 1370**

Qualification : Graduate with Software / Engineering degree either (BE (Computer Science) / B.Tech (IT) or BCA with 2 years of relevant work experience which includes institutional designation, curriculum development, web development (including HTML, CSS, java script, forms development and multimedia production) tasks and in administration, preferably in an higher medical / distance educational institution.

Description : Job involves online design / course content creation / uploading, Moodle LMS administration, developing online applications and hosting it in the courses website, coordinate animation and multimedia support, administration of online course student support and technical support for online Faculty Development Programs. The individual should be able to host and manage online contact programs for students and troubleshooting course website issues. He / She must have good communication skills. Familiarity with Google Drive and technical management are required along with a basic knowledge of finance/ accounting. Preference will be given to candidates with experience working in any blended mode of medical learning; must be aware of hosting online meetings using platforms such as Zoom, Google, Meet etc.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : 25,000/- per month.

Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> / → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to: [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy Address to: The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **May 03, 2021** for Item 2.

### 3. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Clinical Haematology

Qualifications : B.Sc. (Life Sciences) with PG Diploma in Dialysis Technology or B.Sc. Dialysis Technology.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : Below 35 years.

Job Description : To performing whole blood and apheresis collection procedures.

**Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

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## Situations Vacant

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### 4. Technical Assistant (Project) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

Qualifications : H.Sc. with CMAI Diploma in Hand and Leprosy Physiotherapy Technician Training (HLPT) Course.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : Plaster Technician.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **May 03, 2021** for Items 3 and 4.

### 5. Junior Lecturer for the Department of Continuing Nursing Education

Qualification : M.Sc. Nursing (any speciality).

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004 on or before **April 28, 2021** for Item 5.

**6. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri - 632 106**, invites applications for the following post : **Specialist (Anaesthesia)**.

Qualification : MD / DNB in Anaesthesia.

**Salary commensurate with qualifications and Experience.**

**Semi Furnished accommodation will be provided.**

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and send the PDF scanned file to the [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) or [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org)

Last date for receipt of applications is **April 24, 2021**.



APRIL 26, 2021

*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Where am I when I need myself most?

Where am I when I need myself most?  
Am I at school learning Maths at my desk?  
Or am I somewhere more picturesque?  
Am I a bird gliding in the breeze,  
Or am I on a hill climbing trees?  
Am I reading a library of books,  
Or am I becoming an amazing cook?  
Am I casually living life without any form of hardness or strife?  
Or am I consumed with sadness and doubt  
Because Covid broke out?  
Am I in a distant land?  
Or am I holding my life in the palm of my hand?  
Am I contemplating life in a field,  
Strengthening my emotional shield?  
As I see ice melt  
I wonder how life's cards have been dealt  
Will I live a life of sorrow and doubt?  
Or will my true feelings come out  
As happiness and joy  
Without having to think of a ploy  
To supply myself with hope,  
Just the right amount, to cope  
The sadness of the current situation  
We all had a revelation  
As long as we keep our loved ones near,  
We will eventually hear the news that Covid is over.  
After fighting so hard day and night  
To get through this plight  
We will then learn  
That the only thing to help us cope  
Is the small thing we call hope  
So where am I when I need myself most?  
I am inside my soul waiting,  
For the time of greatest need.

*Katharina Pongratz, 10 years old*

*Daughter of Dr. Serena Salis, Alumnus Batch of 1990*

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## CME on Oral Antidiabetic Agents

The Department of Endocrinology and the Department of Continuing Medical Education conducted a CME Oral Antidiabetic Agents : A Case Based Approach for the Clinician on 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Dr. Nihal Thomas, Professor and Head, Department of Endocrinology Unit - I, drew from his rich clinical and research experience in the field to provide clear guidelines on how different classes of oral anti- diabetic drugs should be used singly or in combination. Clinical scenarios were used to illustrate practical application and the scientific rationale for these choices. The CME was accredited by the Tamil Nadu Medical Council.

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## 59<sup>th</sup> National Pharmacy Week Celebrations

*Photos of prize winners*



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April 25 - May 01, 2021

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**CHIPS** : Mr. Ebenezer Sundarraj and Staff

**United Methodist Church of America, USA**  
Council Member : Dr. Arvind Roop Kumar

**Voluntary Health Association of India**

Council Member : Mr. Alok Mukhopadhyay

**Vellore CMC Foundation Inc.**

Council Members : Dr. Philip T. Ninan

Mr. John Anthony Riehl

### Obituaries



• **Dr. Emily Vasantha Chella** (*nee Johnson*) (MBBS batch of 1953) passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Dr. Emily Vasantha Chella was born in Tanjore, India on April 18, 1932 to Mr. A.S. Johnson and Mrs. Bessie Lucia Johnson. She was the second of seven children. She graduated from Christian Medical College, Vellore, India and served as a General Physician, Dermatologist and Medical Administrator.

Dr. Vasantha gave her heart to the Lord Jesus as a young lady and grew in her love for Him over the years. Her greatest joy was in reading His Word. The fruit of the Spirit in her life was clearly evidenced by the manner in which she loved her family and friends. After retirement from the government service, she moved to the USA to be closer to her siblings though her heart never left India.

Dr. Vasantha's heart's desire was that all family and friends should be saved through faith in Jesus Christ alone, and gather together at His feet to glorify Him through all eternity. She was laid to rest next to her husband in New Jersey on the 17<sup>th</sup> April after Church service. She is survived by a multitude of family and friends whom she loved dearly.

For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of her brother is given below :  
Dr. Albert Johnson, Email : [bertiejohnson@comcast.net](mailto:bertiejohnson@comcast.net)

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• **Mr. A.N.G. David**, father of Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Associate General Superintendent and Head, Department of Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training and Development, father-in-law of Mrs. Diana David, Professor, College of Nursing passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2021.

Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Christobel David, grandchildren Dr. Joanne Lydia, Geriatrics Medicine, Dr. Prabhakar, Department of Neurology, Dr. Daniella David, Ms. Gabriella Sharon David, 1<sup>st</sup> year MBBS, CMC and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Notice

• **The Florence Taylor Memorial Library, College of Nursing** will remain closed for **Annual Inventory** from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

• **INDVAC 2021 - NINTH ADVANCED COURSE IN VACCINOLOGY IN INDIA**  
**WHEN: SEPTEMBER 20 – 29, 2021**

**WHERE: Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.**

### **Who can apply?**

Anyone working in the field of vaccinology, with knowledge of biology is eligible to apply. INDVAC is aimed at specialists in Infectious Diseases, Pediatricians, public immunization officers, research nurses and team members of vaccine trials, members of contract/clinical research organizations and vaccine industry professionals.

**Course Fees: Rs.25,000/-**

**For NGO, Government medical Colleges: Rs.10,000/-**

*Scholarships are available.*

**REGISTRATION OPENS: April 01, 2021** at [www.indvac.org](http://www.indvac.org)

**REGISTRATION CLOSES: May 31, 2021**

**SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS by: June 30, 2021**

**SUPPORTED BY: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Christian Medical College, Vellore.**

*For further details and enquiries : Email us: [indvac.cmc@gmail.com](mailto:indvac.cmc@gmail.com) Website: [www.indvac.org](http://www.indvac.org)*

## Situations Vacant

**1(a) Senior Resident with MD (General Medicine / Pulmonary Medicine / Anaesthesia) for the Division of Critical Care Medicine (Medical ICU / HDU)**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**1(b) Assistant Professor with MD General Medicine / Pulmonary Medicine / Anaesthesia + 2 Years special training in Critical Care (Fellowship in CMC only) or DM in Critical Care Medicine) for the Division of Critical Care Medicine (Medical ICU / HDU)**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **May 08, 2021** for Item 1.

**2. Assistant Social Worker (Project Mode) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit – I (Paediatric Oncology)**

Qualifications : M.S.W / M.A., (Social Work / Sociology) / M.Sc. (Medical Sociology).

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

**3. Sr. House Surgeon (Short Term Appointment) for the Medical Superintendent's Office**

Qualifications : MBBS with State Medical Council Registration Number.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Note : 24 hours registration permitted without penalty, 2 weeks before the announced date of PG NEET.

## Situations Vacant

### 4. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Paediatric ICU

Qualifications : B.Sc. Critical Care Technology degree of the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR. Medical Univeristy (or) H.Sc. with Diploma in Critical Care Therapy Course (CMAI) obtained from CMC Hospital.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

### 5. Staff III / Staff II Medical Lab Technician (External Designation – Project) for the Centre for Stem Cell Research

Qualifications : B.Sc. MLT / H.Sc. with CMAI Diploma in MLT with 2 years experience.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Age Limit : 35 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Job Description : To work in the project Novel Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NAHD) – thalassemia and sickle anemia control programme in collaboration with the Government of Odisha.

Job Condition : Selected candidate has to work in Odisha Station.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: “Vacancies”. *Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Applications will close on **May 03, 2021** for Item 2, **May 10, 2021** for Items 3, 4 and 5.

**6. The Centre for Stem Cell Research and Christian Medical College, Vellore** invites applications for **Nurse Counselor** on term appointment basis to work in the project Control of Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NAHD) - Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Disease Control Programme in collaboration with the Government of Odisha. Job Location : Odisha.

Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing preferably with two years experience.

Salary Scale : Consolidated pay : Rs.32,000/-. Accommodation not provided.

Job Description : • To train ANM / District Hospital Nurses in pre and post test counseling.

• To provide pre and post counseling for PND at Medical Colleges in Odisha.

• To help disseminate the results of the Sentinel Surveillance Site.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004 on or before **May 10, 2021** for Item 6.

**7. The Centre for Stem Cell Research (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru) and Christian Medical College, Vellore** invites applications for the following positions to work under the project title : Noval Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NAHD) - thalassemia and sickle cell anemia control programme in collaboration with the Government of Odisha. Work Location : Odisha.

**a) District Coordinator (8 Nos) - Qualification : MSW (Age not more than 35 years).**

**b) Technical Officer (Communication)**

Qualification : Health graduate with training in health education / PG in Mass Communications.

**c) Office Secretary - Qualification : Any Degree.**

For more details about the job and application forms visit : <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities/>

Applications will close on **May 10, 2021** for Items 7(a), 7(b) and 7(c).

**8. Applications open for the post of Business Manager at Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Washim, Maharashtra** (Currently managed by CMC Vellore, EHA & Church of the Nazarene).

Qualifiacion : Masters degree in business, management, hospital administration, finance or related fields.

Experience: Minimum of 10 years experience.

Preference will be given to those with work experience in a hospital.

Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies and send scanned PDF file to [missionoffice@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:missionoffice@cmcvellore.ac.in)

Last date for receipt of applications is **May 01, 2021**.

MAY 03, 2021



*The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.*

*Psalm 33:5*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## World Voice Day Celebrations 2021

The World voice day is celebrated across the globe on 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 every year aimed at creating awareness and celebrating one of the most important and often misused God given gift to humankind - THE VOICE. World voice day was initially observed as the Brazilian voice day after a group of voice care professionals decided to celebrate it in 1999. Every year the World voice day is celebrated with a different theme, the theme for 2021 being - ONE WORLD, MANY VOICES. As part of this year's celebration, the Department of ENT Unit 5 held an E-poster competition and had an educational video on voice hygiene and care displayed in all CMC OPDs on 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. The winners for the E-Poster competition are :

**Junior Category :**

1. Ms. Serena Jasmine
2. Master. Haminston H.
3. Master. Harriston H.

**Senior Category :**

1. Ms. Beautlin Deva Sunitha
2. Ms. Helen Sofiya
3. Mr. Dinakaran J.

**Consolation Prizes :**

- Ms. Divya B.  
Ms S W Naomi Nancy

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**May 02 - 08, 2021**

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Department of Medicine :**

Dr. Thambu David Sudarsanam and Staff  
Dr. Anand Zachariah and Staff  
Dr. Sowmya Sathyendra and Staff  
Dr. Samuel George Hansdak and staff  
Dr. I. Ramya and Staff  
Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Staff

**Geriatric Medicine :**

Dr. Surekha Viggeswarpu and Staff  
Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Staff

**Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology:**

Dr. John Mathew and Staff

**Medical ICU and HDU :**

Dr. Kishore Kumar Pichamuthu and Staff  
Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Staff

**Clinical Epidemiology Unit :**

Dr. Thambu David Sudarsanam and Staff

**Acute Medicine :** Dr. K.P.P. Abhilash and Staff

**CSI North Kerala Diocese**

Council Members: Rt. Rev. B.N. Fenn  
Dr. Jairaj Periyar

Hospital : CSI Mission Hospital, Codacal and others

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## Memoranda

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- **Dr. Joe Varghese**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Biochemistry with effect from 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Julie Hephzibah**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Nuclear Medicine with effect from 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Ashish Kumar Gupta**, Professor and Head, Plastic Surgery Unit-II, is appointed as Head of the Department of Plastic Surgery with effect from 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Shashank Lamba**, Professor, is appointed as Ag. Head of Plastic Surgery Unit-I with effect from 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Sivakumar Balasubramanian**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Bio-engineering with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 until further notice.

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## Congratulations!

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- **Dr. Avinash A. Nair**, Assistant Professor, Pulmonary Medicine has been awarded "Fellowship of Asian Pacific Society of Respiriology (FAPSR)".

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## Retirement

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**Mr. Mathew Rajan**, Sr. Sel. Gr.II HLPT Technician, Department of Hand Surgery retired on 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2021 after 24 years of dedicated and sincere service to the institution. Mr. Mathew Rajan was a DHLPT student of CMC in 1990. On 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1997 he joined as a Physio Technician in the HLPT Section of Department of Hand Surgery. He mentored and tutored many therapists and students during his career. His wife Mrs. Elizabeth Nirmala earlier worked as a Staff Nurse in Saudi Arabia and now she is a home maker.

The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.

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## Obituaries

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• **Dr. Inbakumar Joseph** (MBBS Batch of 1972) passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Inba, as he was affectionately known (Inba = joy and happiness), was born on 30 April 1953. He was a campus kid at CMC Vellore. His father was the late Dr. L.B.M. Joseph (Professor of Surgery and later Director). A fellow campus kid remembers : *As children, Dr. L.B.M. had decided that Nesa would do medicine and Inba would do engineering. So Nesa was given a plastic skeleton fixit set and Inba got a meccano set.* But Inba's destiny was elsewhere.



He attended school at Vellore and joined the MBBS Batch of 1972. After completing his MBBS course he went to work at the Rural Unit for Health and Social Affairs (RUHSA, Kavanur). He spent his entire career in CMC at RUHSA except for a break to acquire his DGO at CMC Vellore. Dr. Padmini Jasper remembers: *He was always willing to help; was kind to patients and went out of the way to help the poor and needy. When I used to point out mistakes he had made, he was willing to accept and correct.* Inbahad the knack of bringing out the best in the juniors who worked with him; especially those who did not possess a brilliant academic track record. After retirement he moved first to a rural mission hospital in Dahod, Gujarat (8 years) and recently to Jobat, Madhya Pradesh. He succumbed to complications of COVID19 infection while working in Jobat.

Dr. Inbakumar lived a simple life and gave himself completely to the care of the poor. He saw Christ in every patient he treated. There are many, many stories of him spending his salary on poor patients at the beginning of every month in RUHSA, Dahod and Jobat. It was Dr. Inbakumar's way of paying back what he had received. He never preached; he only practiced. The left hand really did not know what the right hand did.

There are other lesser known facets to Dr. Inbakumar's personality. He was a keen photographer while in college and was the unofficial batch photographer. He was also a nature lover who loved to wander around the many forests in central and western India. He loved watching wild animals in their natural habitat. He had a permanent badge as a Volunteer Forest Ranger. Both his parents spent their last years at his home. He was a loving son and cared for them deeply. He had a phenomenal memory for birthdays and wedding anniversaries. He was often the first one to greet his batchmates on special occasions. He was a "master" blood donor and

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perhaps holds the record for maximum number of blood donations by a volunteer. He loved electronics and was an amateur ham radio operator.

Whoever came into contact with Dr. Inbakumar, loved him and will sorely miss him.

Dr. Inbakumar is survived by his daughter Angela Joseph, brother Mr. Nesakumar Joseph, sisters Mrs. Shanta Solomon and Dr. Dhayakani Selvakumar.

For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details are given below :

Dr. Dhayakani Selvakumar +91 96777 86750 [dhaya\\_selvakumar@hotmail.com](mailto:dhaya_selvakumar@hotmail.com)

Mrs. Shantha Solomon +91 98869 09688 [shanthasolomon@yahoo.co.in](mailto:shanthasolomon@yahoo.co.in)

Mr. Nesakumar Joseph +91 82968 35274 [nesaj50@yahoo.com](mailto:nesaj50@yahoo.com)

• **Dr. Louisa Madhukar Deshmukh** (*nee Solanki*) (MBBS batch of 1955) passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Dr. Louisa Madhukar Deshmukh was born on 17<sup>th</sup> November 1936 in Miraj, Maharashtra. She spent her early years in Indore, attended a school that was supported by the Canadian Church and Mission. As a young girl she aspired to become a medical doctor and was accepted to the medical school at CMC Vellore sponsored by the Canadian Mission in 1955.



She married Dr. Madhukar Vasant Rao Deshmukh whom she met in her final year at CMC Vellore. On completion of their MBBS, a meeting with their Principal Dr J.C. David motivated them to join Evangelical Mission Hospital, Tilda in Chhattisgarh. At the time there was a dire need for doctors in rural India. Louisa and Madhukar, both worked and served at Tilda Mission hospital from 1962 to 1994 for 32 years for which Dr. Madhukar was awarded the Paul Harrison award.

The hospital had a A Grade GNM & Midwifery Nursing School started by an American Nurse Ms. Miinie Gadt in which Louisa taught students. Initial work as doctors in a poor and backward part of India with lack of electricity and water was difficult, but both of them encouraged each other to carry on God's work. At times they even did Surgeries by torch light in extreme heat and trying circumstances at odd hours at night.

Initially there was enough aid for running the hospital and doing medical work but this aid was gradually reduced to a point wherein the institution had to generate its own funding from the poor patients who could hardly afford the treatment and hospitalization costs. However, this did not deter them and they continued to work under these very trying circumstances.

The Mission boards did help them with providing doctors to assist them in their work as best as they could. Dr. Louisa got an opportunity to train in Johns Hopkins, USA, on Laparoscopic Tubectomy in 1976. This gave a boost to the patients coming to the Hospital with Maternity and Gynaecology problems and enabled them to provide surgical care at a bare minimal cost to the patients.

In 1978 she joined the Gynaecology Department at C.M.C. Ludhiana to pursue her MD and returned to continue to serve the Mission, on completion of her MD. In 1980 she got an opportunity to speak as an Indian Missionaries at the World Council of Churches which was highly appreciated. This also led to the Deaconess Mission from St Louis, USA to come forward to help the Tilda Hospital in providing financial aid to renovate the buildings and improve the water and electricity supply. In 1993 she was invited to Deaconess Hospital, St Louis, MO for training programme in Ultra Sound.

The work of Louisa and Madhukar drew the attention of Medical Students from the UK who came to do their electives in a Developing country at Tilda. Ms. M.N. Conacher R.N., from Scotland, also worked with them and was later awarded the OBE by the British Government for her service in EMH Tilda.

Through the help of the Scottish Church Louisa and Madhukar added a CSSD, upgraded the Operation Theatres and Building repairs and also got Neonatal Incubators for the Hospital. Dr. Binayak Sen had joined Tilda for 4 years and contributed to the care of Mother and Child at the Hospital.

Years of work at the hospital with children in Hostels in Jabalpur then made her take a sabbatical to help the children in College for 3 years in 1986 to 1989. On her return to Tilda, she then chose to give part time services to the Mission Hospital with some time to do private practice in the town so that she could build a house, which was not possible with the meagre salary of the Hospital.

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She was a woman of great faith and a member of St. Thoma Church Tilda and actively led the local Church group and Women's fellowship, whilst serving at the Mission hospital. She was a great inspirational and motivational person to the people whose lives she touched and was a part of. She was a deeply admired and respected social figure in the local community and beyond. She witnessed incredible changes to her world and kept up with the ever-changing technology. She kept in touch with children, grandchildren and great grandson and her friends from childhood and all walks of life till the very end. She made friends wherever she went and kept in touch with them. She was the beloved mother of Anil and Anshu (spouse), Arvind and Rachna (spouse), Rajeev and Neelima (spouse) and Anita and RajaMohan (spouse), and their children Ashwani and Nicole (spouse), Neeraj, Aman, Rohit, Manisha, Pankhuri and great grandson Ezra.

She loved to travel and was forever planning trips to visit her children. Most of all she loved her family and instilled in them strong values that have served them well. She will be dearly missed and be forever in our hearts.

For those who would like to get in touch with the family, the contact details of her son Dr. Arvind Deshmukh is given below : Dr. Arvind Deshmukh, Mobile: +91-99842-36888 Email : [deshmukharvind35@gmail.com](mailto:deshmukharvind35@gmail.com)

• **Mrs. Kunjamma Mammen**, mother of Dr. Manju Deena Mammen, Assistant Professor, ENT-IV and mother-in-law of Dr. Selvin Theodore Jayanth, Associate Professor, Department of Urology passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Let us uphold her husband Mr. P.O. Mammen, children, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Peace Renuga Padmini Jacob**, Principal of St. Mark's School, Vellore, mother of Dr. Caroline Ida, Post Graduate Registrar in Department of Psychiatry and mother-in-law of Dr. Immanuel, Center for Stemcell Research, CMC passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Let us uphold her husband Mr. Jacob, Correspondent, St. Mark's School, granddaughter and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Gnanavel**, father of Mr. Rajesh Kumar.G (Pharmacist, A-Basement Pharmacy) passed away on 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

## Notice

### SUMMER ADMISSIONS NOTICE 2021

<b>Group A</b>	MBBS, BSc Nursing and Allied Health Sciences Degree Courses
<b>Group B</b>	Diploma in Nursing, Diploma Courses in Allied Health Sciences, Post Graduate Diploma courses, Fellowship in Antimicrobial Stewardship for Clinical Pharmacists and Hospital Chaplaincy. M.Sc. Bioethics, Biostatistics, Medical Physics, Epidemiology, Clinical Nutrition & Nuclear Medicine Technology. MPH (Master of Public Health) & MHA (Master of Hospital Administration).
<b>B.Sc. Nursing course by College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus</b>	
<b>M.P.T. (Master of Physiotherapy)</b>	
For more details refer Admission Bulletins available at CMC, Vellore website <a href="https://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in">https://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in</a>	
The last date for online application submission with payment is <b>15<sup>th</sup> June 2021</b> .	
PLEASE NOTE : WE DO NOT ADMIT STUDENTS THROUGH AGENTS OR AGENCIES	
<b>Important Information:</b> "The admission process contained in the Bulletins shall be subject to any order that maybe passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court or the High Court in the proceedings relating to the challenge to the NEET or any other statutory enactments that maybe passed by the Central or State Government."	
Kindly visit the website <a href="https://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in">https://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in</a> for regular updates.	
<b>REGISTRAR</b> (e-mail: <a href="mailto:registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in">registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in</a> )	

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### M.S. Bioengineering Admission 2021

Applications are invited for the M.S. Bioengineering course commencing in August 2021. Details regarding application procedure and eligibility are available at our website <https://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in>

Last date to submit the completed application form with payment and relevant enclosures / documents to the Registrar, CMC, Vellore is **15<sup>th</sup> June, 2021**. Eligible candidates will be called for written test followed by an interview at the end of **August 2021**.

The M.S. Bioengineering degree at CMC, Vellore is awarded by Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum (an Institute of National Importance, Government of India).

**REGISTRAR** (e-mail: [registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in))

### Medical Postgraduate and Post-Doctoral Fellowship Admissions-2021

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Applications are invited for the Medical Postgraduate and Post-Doctoral Fellowship Courses as given in the admission bulletin.

Admission Bulletin and Application form can be accessed only on-line at the website

<http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in/>

The last date for online application submission with payment is **15<sup>th</sup> June 2021**.

The last date for submission of supporting documents, where applicable, is **22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021**.

**REGISTRAR** (e-mail: [registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in))

### Medical PG (MD/MS), Diploma in Clinical Pathology & M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 year) Courses Admissions – 2021

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Application for Medical PG (MD / MS), Diploma in Clinical Pathology & M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 year) has been extended until further notice. Application forms can be accessed & submitted only online through the College website <http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in>

Please refer to Admission Bulletin (available at our website) for course details, eligibility criteria etc.

All courses and admissions to our College are subject to applicable regulations by University / Government / National Medical Commission / Court.

**REGISTRAR** (e-mail: [registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:registrar@cmcvellore.ac.in))

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### Situations Vacant

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**1. Associate Research Officer (ARO) for the Department of Infectious Diseases** **Job Code : 1374**

Qualification : M.Sc. Life Science, B.Sc. Nursing, PC, B.Sc. Nursing.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Salary : As per institutional rules.

Duration : 1 year. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link: <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the Job Code either by soft copy email to : [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **May 17, 2021** for Item 1.

**2. Assistant Engineer (Diploma) (Term appointment) for the Department of Biomedical**

Qualifications : Diploma in Electronics / Electrical / Biomedical / Instrumentation Engineering.

Candidates with DHEM and hospital experience will be given preference.

Age Limit : 35 years and below. Consolidates Stipend : Rs.16,650/-.

Job Preference : Candidates with DHEM and hospital experience will be given preference.

Note : Those who have already applied for the above post need not apply again.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies".

**Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Apply on or before **May 15, 2021** for Item 2.



MAY 10, 2021

The Lord will keep you from all harm- he will watch over your life; Psalm 121: 7



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Reflections on the Calendar - May – Month of Love

### ABC of Love

If we keep the discussion and reflections of love in our hearts and minds, it is of not much value. We are in a context much more than ever where we are called to demonstrate this in action. How do we experience love? Or how do we express love so that others will experience it? In a context where so many are carrying their burdens physically, emotionally, financially and socially due to the pandemic, what is the meaning of love? Love is something which surpasses the boundaries of family, familiarity, liking, colour, creed, caste and nationality. We need love, others need love.

Love is accepting: How do we accept others? Our love is expressed in the way we accept other people. Each one has his/her idiosyncrasies. When it comes to loving others we tend to love others who are like us. We tend to accept them and get along with them in life. We tend to judge others when they are not like us – in the looks, thoughts, behaviours, etc. Accepting and judging are at loggerheads with each other. Whomever we judge, we do not accept; whomever we accept, we do not judge.

When 20 year old Mala returned to her parents after three weeks of absconding, her mother opened her house with tears to let her in. The warm hug did not have even a trace of rejection, questioning or judgment. It looked as if all the hurting words exchanged three weeks back were completely forgotten. Mala truly experienced a non-judgmental love and acceptance. There was healing in the tears. There was love in the hug. The opposite of accepting is judging. Often we are very quick to judge others in thought, word or deed. When we remind a mistake or hurt caused, there is more and more pain. In the midst of such reminders, accepting the other is a balm of healing which can bring peace and joy in relationships. In the Scripture, God is portrayed as someone who accepts us in spite of what we are (Luke 15:20).

Love is 'being with': We create distance with people whom we do not want to love. Often distance is a symbol of lack of love. Distance here does not mean a physical one, but a metaphorical one. We experience oneness when there is love.

Once seen as a perfect couple, Peter and Susi did not pay attention to the gap which was created between them over the past six months. They were in the same room but became far apart from each other emotionally. They did not realise that their love towards each other has gone cold. It was long since they held each other's hands with warmth and affection. After work one day, Peter came home in the evening and said that he was extremely sorry for the way he used hurting words against Susi. Susi cried and Peter also cried. That evening was the time of healing in their home. From that day onwards, they could experience togetherness and love in their marriage once again.

Keeping distance is just the opposite of being with. When we are being with someone we have to face some bare feelings and facts. We can understand why many do not want to be with others as they want to avoid such hard feelings. Many 'run away' from situations of close understanding. If I share the pain and suffering of someone, that will lead me to do something about it. I cannot ignore or act as if nothing existed. While in utter pain, Jesus requested his disciples to be with him and to stay with him (Matthew 26:38).

Love is caring: Showing our concern and care to someone is a clear expression of love. Caring is doing something which the other person needs. Is it possible to understand/know what other person "needs? Often people do not share with their neighbours what they need. In such context, how do we perceive other's needs and respond to it? A significant amount of sensitivity is involved in caring. Everyone in the room heard the reprimand Mohan got from his boss due to an unfinished task he was supposed to do. The past few weeks were not easy for Mohan. The teenage children took much of his attention at home. His wife, diagnosed with cancer, was getting ready for chemotherapy. He was trying to balance the demands of his office and home but not with much success. The next day, Mohan did not even bring his lunch. His colleague Babu, realising the situation, invited Mohan for a lunch together and spent some extra time with him. Love gets expressed in caring. Caring has different faces. It may be a small gift given quietly. Someone may choose to complete some daily chores of the other. It may even be doing some shopping for the other person. It could be lending some money or some material things of use. We all love someone caring for us. It is time for us to care for someone.

If our department cares, it is a loving department. If our church cares, it is a loving church. If our institution cares, it is a loving institution. Care is an indicator of love. Being apathetic and unconcerned is the opposite of caring. Often we take the route of apathy thinking that care will consume our time and energy. It is true that caring takes time and energy. However, the joy we receive while caring cannot be compensated with any kind of material benefits. God loves us and therefore cares for us (I Peter 5:7).

Love accepts, love stays with, love cares. May we experience such love from God and may we share such love with others.

Arul Dhas T, Chaplain, Christian Medical College, Vellore, 07.05.2021

## **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Indian Society of Neuro-Oncology (ISNO)**

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Indian Society of Neuro-Oncology (ISNO) was held as a virtual conference from 15-17 April, 2021 hosted by the Christian Medical College, Vellore. The theme for the conference was "Tumours of the spine and spinal cord; and CNS tumours in Teens and Young adults". Dr. Geeta Chacko, Neuropathology, Department of Pathology and Dr. Ranjith K. Moorthy, Neurosurgery, Department of Neurological Sciences were the organizing chairperson and secretary respectively. Despite the meeting being held through a virtual platform, there were more than 300 registrants and the sessions were well attended with active participation from the delegates who were from the disciplines of Neurosurgery,

Neuropathology, Neuroradiology, Radiation and Medical Oncology (Adult and Paediatric) and Basic Neuroscience.

The following participants from Christian Medical College won awards during the meeting.

1. Dr. Akhilesh Ravichandran, postgraduate registrar, Department of General Pathology, won the best Eposter award for his presentation titled “Transcription factor expression profile in immuno negative pituitary adenomas.”
2. Dr. Abhijit Goyal-Honavar, Junior Clinical Assistant, Neurosurgery Unit I, won the award for the best oral presentation in Clinical Neuro-Oncology for his talk titled “Aclinicoradiological analysis of silent corticotroph adenomas after the introduction of pituitary specific transcription factors”
3. Dr. Charan Makkina, postgraduate registrar in Neurosurgery, Department of Neurological Sciences, was the runner-up in the national level quiz competition on Neuro-Oncology.

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Nursing Superintendent's Office :*  
Dr. Bala Seetharaman and Staff

*CSSD :* Mrs. Florence Ponnice and Staff

*Staff Nurses Hostel :* Ms. Amirtha Renjitham and Staff

*Christian Nurses League of CMAI*  
Council Member: Ms. Jancy Johnson

*CMC Ludhiana, Punjab*

Council Member: Dr. William Bhatti

*CNI Nagpur Diocese*

Council Members: Dr. Vilas Manohar Shende  
Rt. Rev. Andrew B. Rathod

Hospital : Mure Memorial Hospital, Nagpur.

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### Obituaries

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**Dr. P.S. Peter** (MBBS batch of 1961) passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Dr. P.S. Peter was born on 4 November 1939 in Karimnagar, Andhra Pradesh into a poor family. He lost his father in his 2nd grade and his mother struggled to bring him up. He studied PUC followed by BSc at Wesley high school and college, Hyderabad. It was here that he attended a meeting organized by “Youth for Christ” and committed his life to the Lord Jesus on 15/1/1959.

He joined CMC Vellore in 1961, sponsored by the CSI mission. He was actively involved with EU ministry at Vellore. His best friend at Vellore, Dr. Meshach Kirubakaran remembered him as a true Christian in very sense of the word and lived a saintly life. He was very gentle, extremely kind to everyone and was a worthy witness to the love of God. His unshakable faith in the Lord was a guiding light to all of us. His blessed family is the living proof that God was very pleased with him. After completing his MBBS he joined CSI Mission Hospital at Karimnagar. In 1970 he was married to Dr. Jayaprabhavathi and together they served in CSI Dornakal and Kammam mission hospital for few years. Later in 1974, they revived CSI Jagityal mission Hospital. The fact that his father had died due to lack of adequate medical facilities urged him to do so. Though CSI mission had planned to send him to England for higher studies, he rejected that offer and obeyed the vision the Lord gave him, to move to Metpally, a town in Karimnagar district, in Andhra Pradesh, which was a barren land.

In 1978 they were the first to start a 15 bedded private hospital in Metpally. They were the only doctors for about 70 villages, and they were also the only Christians in that area. They later started church ministry along with



Bro Bhakth Singh. Though the church had only 2 families to begin with, it continued to grow and by 2018 God enabled them to reach out to nearly 50 villages and also planted 10 churches in the surrounding villages. In the midst of great persecution in the town, they stood strong for the Lord and many could come to know Christ, many benefitted by his healing ministry. In 1995 Dr. Peter underwent CABG when his three children were still studying. His daughter was in 3rd year MBBS, elder son completed 12th standard, and the younger son was in 8th class. Their children's future looked very bleak but God sustained them through his word from Ezekiel 36:11 and soon he was able to restart work in the hospital and church. After a few years, he developed Parkinson's disease and his health gradually deteriorated. But God did not forsake him and continued to shower His grace upon him and his family.

His beloved wife also went to be with the Lord 10 days after he passed away. She was a great support to him and the ministry. They together encouraged many doctors to work in rural areas.

Dr. P.S. Peter is survived by his daughter Dr. Hannah MD (physiology) son-in-law Dr. Paul Rajaram MS (both Professors at Warangal Govt Medical College and their two children (Heber Isaac and Nissi Jemima), elder son Dr. Jacob Kiran (Radiologist) and his wife Dr. Hepsiba (MBBS batch of 1994) their two children Deona and Levi, who are now continuing their mission at Beersheba hospital, Metpally, and younger son Jesurun Raj Kumar and his wife Elizabeth and their son Jove Cleon, who are also serving the Lord.

For those who would like to get in touch with their family, the contact details of his son Dr. Jacob Kiran are given below.

Dr. Jacob Kiran, Mobile: 9849401508, e mail: jacobkirankumar@gmail.com

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

**Mrs. Vimala Dhanasingh**, mother of Mrs. Rebecca Sumathi Bhai, Professor College of Nursing and Mother-in-law of Mrs. Sandrilla Immanuel, professor, college of nursing on 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. let us uphold her son Mr. Immanuel Sundersingh, Pharmacist, CHAD, grandchildren Mrs. Deborah Daphne, Mr. Jason Justus, Mr. Franklin Jebasingh and Esther Jebapriya in our prayers.

**Mr. Sundaram Mudaliar**, father of Mrs. Kodhainayagi, Secretary, Neurology Unit, father-in-law of Mr. Sivaprakasam, Accounts Department, passed away on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. let us uphold his wife Mrs. Vasugi, daughter, Mrs. Thanuja, grandchildren, Tharun and Harini and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers

## Situations Vacant

### **1. Senior Resident Gr.III with MD(Pulmonary Medicine) for the Department of Pulmonary Medicine**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation : partly furnished, depending on availability.

Please log on to : [http:// www.cmch-vellore.edu](http://www.cmch-vellore.edu) Link : "Vacancies".

***Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.***

Apply on or before **May 22, 2021** for Item 1.

### **2. Project Assistant /JRF for the Department of Medical Genetics Job Code-1375**

Qualifications : M.Sc Life Sciences with minimum of 55% of marks with experience in molecular biology techniques. The candidates with CSIR-JRF/NET/GATE fellowships will be considered for the post of JRF.

Mode of Appointment: Project Mode . Salary : As per CSIR fellowship guidelines Duration: 1 year

Accommodation: not provided.

### **3. Research Associate for the Department of Urology Job Code- 1376**

Qualification: PhD with experience in cell culture, immunophenotyping and molecular biology techniques. Preference will be given to the candidate with prior experience in musculoskeletal research.

Mode of Appointment: Project Mode Salary : As per Institutional rules Duration: 1 year

Accommodation: Not provided

Download application from this link: <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> - General - Vacancies - Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to: [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy Address to: **The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021, for item 2 and item 3**

4. The Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR) (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru) in collaboration with Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the and Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore invite applications for **Junior Research Fellow (JRF) / Project Associate positions to work in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research.**  
**Job Code- 1377**

Post:Project Associate / Junior Research Fellow

Qualification:M.Sc. and M. Tech. Life Sciences / Biochemistry / Biotechnology candidates with minimum of 55% of marks. Preference will be given to the candidates with CSIR / UGC / DBT / ICMR Junior Research fellowships.

Salary:26000/- per month      Duration:1 year      Mode of Appointment:Project Mode

5. The Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR), a unit of inStem, Bengaluru, in collaboration with Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore, invites applications from Veterinarians.  
**Job Code:1378**

**Post:Veterinary Officer**

Qualification: M.V.Sc. with 1-3 years' experience / Freshers (Candidates with experience in laboratory animal handling will be preferred).

Job Description: Should demonstrate skills related to laboratory animals (rodents, rabbits & farm animals) handling, dosing, anesthesia/euthanasia, blood sampling, animal housekeeping, health monitoring and clinical sings observation etc.Awareness of national and International standards related to laboratory animals (CPCSEA and cGLP etc.,). A cGLP facility experience will be an advantage for working with scientists on translational science projects.

Salary:Commensurate with experience      Mode of Appointment : Project Mode

For more details about the position and the application form visit <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities/>

Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to: [cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy Address to: The Principal, Christian Medical college, Bagayam Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **24<sup>th</sup> May 2021**, for item 4 and item 5

**6. Assistant Engineer (Diploma) (Term appointment) for the Department of Biomedical Engineering**

Qualifications : Diploma in Information Technology      Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Consolidated Stipend : Rs.16,950/-.

Job Preference : Candidates with teleconferencing experience for atleast 3 to 5 years will be given preference.

**7. Non-Technical Assistant (Term appointment) for the Development Office**

Qualifications : Any graduate

Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Consolidated Stipend : Rs.18,034/-.

Job Preference : Candidates with experience in fund-raising activities, good written and spoken English skills will be given preference.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore-edu> link: vacancies . only online applications will be accepted .

Hard copies will not be accepted. Apply on or before **15<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 for items 6 and 7.**

**8. Vacancies in Campus Kids Corner and Ida Scudder School,**

1. **Campus Kids Corner**, CMC Campus, Bagayam, Vellore, invites women graduates proficient in English, with B.Ed. or Montessori Training for the post of teacher.

2. **Ida Scudder School, Vellore - 632 006**, Tamil Nadu (affiliated to the CISCE, New Delhi) invites applications for the post of Administrative Assistant. Graduates below the age of 35 years, who are proficient in English and Computer can apply. Experience in School bus maintenance, handling government approvals will be preferred.

Apply to “The Correspondent”, Ida Scudder School, No.1, Kalinjur Main Road, Viruthampet, Vellore–632 006, Tamil Nadu, on or before **17<sup>th</sup> May 2021** furnishing the CV, latest passport size photograph, photocopies of all the necessary certificates & other related documents, and contact details in the application format available at the school website: <http://www.scudderschool.ac.in>



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*The way of the Lord, is a refuge for the righteous, but it is the ruin of those who do evil.*

*Proverbs 10:29*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## New State-of-the-Art ICU Facility inaugurated: CMC Vellore Kannigapuram Campus Rises to the Need



Left to right – Dr. J.V. Peter, Dr. Manoj Job, Dr. Binila Chacko, Dr. Ashwin Oliver and Dr. Kishore Pichamuthu.

CMC, Vellore responded to the urgent need of the hour and inaugurated a new twelve bedded intensive care unit (ICU) facility at the Kannigapuram campus. The fully furnished and equipped ICU was made functional at very short notice which initially felt like an impossible task.

The Medical ICU team, headed by Dr. Kishore Pichamuthu was asked to open out another ICU since the number of patients affected by Covid-19 requiring critical care was rapidly increasing. He was extremely thankful to the administration for having met all their needs. The task of setting up an entire ICU was not easy but was made possible only through the dedicated efforts of various teams involved in the

Kannigapuram project including architects, engineers, builders, consultants, and others along with medical, nursing and other personnel of CMC.

The inauguration took place on May 13, 2021. A small group of dignitaries were present at the inauguration and lauded all the teams for their hard work and unparalleled service to humanity. The dignitaries present included Dr. J.V. Peter, Director; Dr. Anil Kuruvilla, Associate Director (Kannigapuram); Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent; Dr. Rajesh I, Associate Medical Superintendent; Dr. Anna Pulimood, Principal; Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent; Mr. Anand J. Samuel, Associate General Superintendent; and others.



The programme began with prayer followed by Bible reading by Mrs. Bharathi, Nurse Manager. Rev. Finney Alexander spoke about the significance of the work being done in the institution, especially the new ICU which we pray would save many lives.

## New State-of-the-Art ICU Facility inaugurated: CMC Vellore Kannigapuram Campus Rises to the Need



Felicitations were delivered by Dr. J.V. Peter, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Dr. Anna Pulimood and Dr. Bala Seetharaman. The Director reiterated his gratitude towards the team in Kannigapuram for having established such an excellent facility at short notice. His thoughts were echoed in the felicitations of the other dignitaries, who also expressed the significance of the timely response to the current need. Dr. Bala Seetharaman spoke about the struggle faced by the nursing team in setting up the ICU, and getting adequate manpower. The need to have a Charge Nurse and Nurse Manager who were experienced in ICU care was also met. She specially thanked Mr. Anand Samuel, Mrs. Annie Valsan and others for having catered to all their needs quickly.

Dr. Anil Kuruvilla gave the vote of thanks acknowledging the many people present and many more who worked hard behind the scenes to get all the services ready rapidly for the ICU to function. Dr. Anil also mentioned how the Kannigapuram campus has been blueprinted to be a Trauma Care Centre and has had to be repurposed temporarily during the first and second waves to manage the pandemic situation. As always, CMC's response to needs of the district and the nation has been spontaneous and efficient. The programme concluded with a prayer of dedication by Rev. Finney.



## Faculty Mentorship Programme - Commencement of 2<sup>nd</sup> batch of mentees

The Faculty Mentorship Programme is an endeavour launched by Human Resources, Directorate in 2019 with the aim of linking junior faculty with experienced mentors to provide them a support network as they settle into their roles as teachers, clinicians and researchers within the institution.



This year, seventeen senior faculty came forward to mentor the second batch of eighteen mentees. Two mentee training workshops were held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021 and 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 while a mentor training workshop was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021 to prepare both groups for their respective roles in the process. The programme was formally initiated on 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 during which Dr. M.J. Paul, Associate Director (HR) welcomed the gathering and Dr. Ebby Simon, Deputy Director (Faculty Mentoring) provided a brief overview for the year ahead and acknowledged the contributions of his predecessor Dr. Sudha Jasmine who was instrumental in setting it up. Thereafter, the session closed with mentors and mentees having their introductory meeting over lunch.

We sincerely hope and pray that this programme will provide a good platform for cultivating and passing on the ethos of the institution to succeeding generations of faculty.

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**May 16 - 22, 2021**

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**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**Clinical Haematology :** Dr. Biju George and Staff  
Mrs. Amalorpavamari Lucas  
and Staff

**Medical Oncology :** Dr. Ashish Singh and Staff  
Mrs. Amalorpavamari Lucas  
and Staff

**Centre for Stem Cell Research :**  
Dr. Alok Srivastava and Staff

**CSI Madhya - Kerala Diocese**

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. Sabu K. Cherian  
Rev. Jacob Daniel

Hospitals : Rev. George Mathew Mission Hospital and  
Bishop Jacob Memorial Hospital

**CSI Madurai - Ramnad Diocese**

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. M. Joseph  
Rev. A. David Jebaraj

Hospital : CSI Christian Mission Hospital, Madurai

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**Welcome**

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**Dr. Deepa Ramaswamy**, Professor, Psychiatry Unit-II, on her return from sabbatical leave.

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**Memoranda**

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• The Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-II is renamed as **Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-II** and **Urogynaecology** with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

• **Dr. Siby Simon S.**, Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of Dental and Oral Surgery Unit-I with effect from 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 until further notice.

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**Retirements**

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• **Mr. Joseph S.**, Sel. Gr.II MCTT, OP Services, retired on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021, after 27 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife, Mrs. Gomathi is working as Social Worker in the Department of Haematology and daughter, Mrs. Mariya Priyadarshini is settled in Australia and son, Mr. Prasan Amalnath is working in CITI Bank, Chennai.



• **Mr. James C.**, Sel. Gr.I MCTT, OP Services, retired on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021, after 38 years of dedicated service to the institution. He joined in CMC in 1983 as Clerk Cum Typist in MRD and he was promoted as MCTT in 1993 and was posted as MCTT supervisor from 2003 till his retirement. His wife, Mrs. Esther Annie Margret is working as Staff Nurse in Qatar and his son, Mr. Allen Juda is working as an Occupational Therapist in CMC.

• **Mrs. B. Nirmala**, Sr. Secretary, Directorate (Legal Cell), retired on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021, after 38 years of dedicated service to the institution. She started her career as Stenographer in RUHSA Department and was transferred to Personnel Department in the year 1994. Since then she was assisting the Personnel Managers and Legal Officers in Consumer, Medico Legal, Civil and Labour cases filed in different courts and Legal Forums. She has indepth knowledge about all such cases and is a meticulous worker.



Her husband, Mr. P. Narasimha Moorthy retired as a Superintendent from Government Agricultural Services. They have two sons. Their elder son, Mr. Madhan Sundhar works as a Manager in Welspun Global Brand Limited at Hyderabad. He is married and settled at Hyderabad and younger son, Mr. Sudhan Srinivas is an Architect and is pursuing his Master's degree in M.Plan at Chennai.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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**Obituaries**

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• **Mrs. Premakumari**, House Keeping Attendant, PMO (R.P.), passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold her Husband Rev. Dr. Devasahayam (Church of Living God, Kaspa), sons Mr. Joses, Mr. Boonson, Mr. Gideon, daughters-in-law and Grand children and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers. Her first daughter-in-law, Mrs. Helen Mary works as a staff Nurse in Paediatric Wards.

## Obituaries

- **Mr. David K.**, father of Dr. Daisy Anu David, Trainee in MS ENT, CMC, father-in-law of Dr. Dawn Kuruvilla, Senior Registrar, Department of Medicine, passed away on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Sisy David, children and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Rt. Rev. Dr. Nirmal Minz**, father of Dr. Shantidani Minz, Professor and Head, RUHSA Department, passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 in Ranchi, Jharkhand. He was the First Bishop of the North-Western Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church and Founder Principal of Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Theological College. Bishop Dr. Nirmal Minz was a pioneer in the development of Adivasi Theology.  
Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Paracleta Minz, four daughters, sons-in-law, nine grand children and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mrs. J. Priscilla Tagore John**, retired Maternity Nurse, Vellore Corporation, mother of Mr. Kingsley John Edinborrow, Electrician, Electrical Department and mother-in-law of Mrs. Sheeba, Medical Records Department, passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Let us uphold her husband, Mr. A. Tagore John, children, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mr. Deva Irakkam**, father of Ms. Anitha Stephen, Main OR, passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.  
Let us uphold his wife and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mrs. Susamma Andrews**, mother of Dr. Shoma V. Rao, Professor, Surgical ICU and Mother-in-law of Dr. Vinay M. Rao, Asst. Professor, Cardiothoracic Surgery, passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.  
Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Miss. M. Gladys Arulmani Kasthuribai**, retired ward clerk in Causality and S ward passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. She is the aunt of Mr. Y. Moses Franklin Kirubakaran, Sel. Gr.I Pharmacist, Mrs. Y. Mercy Gnana Prakasham, Nurse Manager, G4 North, Mr. D. Prabhakaran Samuel, Sel. Gr. Critical Care Therapist in MICU, Mrs. D. Mercy Sharmila, Sel. Grade II Sr. Pharmacist. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mr. S. Rajagopal**, retired Attendant, Anatomy Department, father in-law of Mrs. Selvamani, Hospital Attendant, Dental Unit-II passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Padma, daughters Marthal, Mariyal, Velankanni and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mrs. Sylvia Gilbert**, alumni of B.Sc. Nursing batch of 1984 and served as O Block Department Sister and in MTS4 for 22 years, mother of Mrs. Shirley Daniel, Pharmacist and mother-in-law of Mr. John Daniel, Pharmacist passed away on 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold her elder daughter, Mrs. Roshin (Dolly), Histopathology batch 1992 and son Mr. Samson Gilbert, MRD, Batch of 1998 and their grand children in our prayer.
- **Mrs. Rajamani George**, mother of Dr. Sarah Mathai, Paediatrics and mother-in-law of Dr. John Mathai, Paediatric Surgery and grandmother of Dr. Vineeth J. Mathai (MBBS Batch of 2013) and Dr. Preethi S. Mathai (MBBS Batch of 2015) passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at Kakanad Kochi. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Notices

### • CMC CMAI DHA 2021

Admission for 3<sup>rd</sup> batch of Diploma in Hospital Administration (DHA) one-year distance education course offered in collaboration with Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI), New Delhi and Christian Medical College, Vellore is open. The Programme details and the application are available at [www.cmch.edu](http://www.cmch.edu) → News → Courses and Admissions.

### • LIBRARY NOTICE - ANNUAL INVENTORY 2021

LIBRARY	PERIOD	TIME
Dodd and Gault Libraries	24 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> May, 2021 29 <sup>th</sup> May, 2021	8.00 am to 04.30 pm 8:00 am to 12.00 pm
Both the Libraries will remain closed for <b>ANNUAL INVENTORY</b> from 24 <sup>th</sup> to 29 <sup>th</sup> May, 2021. However reference facilities will be available during the above timings. Your kind cooperation is much appreciated.		
<b>- Head, Department of Library Services, CMC.</b>		

## Notices

### **SPONSORSHIP FOR STAFF CHILDREN – ADMISSIONS 2021 – 2022**

Applications are invited from staff for sponsorship of their children for admission to the various training courses in the Christian Medical College, Vellore for the Academic Year 2021 - 2022. Online sponsorship forms will be available in the Intranet page → Staff Self Service → Sponsorship Portal from 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021 onwards. Retired Staff can kindly contact Directorate for applying online sponsorship form.

**A. Eligibility:** (Cl.Min.No.5188-11-79; 7449:6:93 & 9282:1-2003)

1. Only children of confirmed C.M.C staff members who:

- (a) have put in 10 years of continuous service including period of probation and are currently in service in any capacity in the Institution as on 30<sup>th</sup> June of the year under consideration; (OR)
- (b) have retired after at least 15 years of continuous service in the Institution, or have taken voluntary retirement after 25 years of continuous service; (OR)
- (c) have been discharged from service on medical grounds after at least 15 years of continuous service; (OR)
- (d) have died during service after at least 10 years of continuous service in this Institution are eligible to apply for sponsorship.

2. Legally adopted children of staff members whose adoption was finalized at least five years before the date of application are also eligible for sponsorship, subject to the above criteria.

3. Regarding a confirmed staff member who died during service to the institution and whose spouse has been given a job in CMC in place of the deceased staff member, dependent children of the deceased staff member will be eligible for CMC sponsorship if the cumulative years of service of the deceased staff member and his/her spouse (including probation and confirmed periods) exceeds 10 years; in case the child applying for sponsorship was legally adopted by the deceased staff member, the adoption of the child should have been finalised :

- (a) prior to the death of the deceased staff member, and
- (b) at least five years before the date of application for sponsorship.

**B. Conditions for sponsorship of staff children** (Cl. Min.5789:3-84)

- (a) Only one child from a family can be admitted in a year to any single course.
- (b) Children from the same family can, however, be admitted to different course in the same year.
- (c) Sponsorship is allowed from only one sponsoring body, so children applying for C.M.C. sponsorship cannot also be sponsored by one of the supporting Churches of the Council.
- (d) Where there is more than one sponsorship obtained, the one received first which satisfies the criteria will be accepted. (e) No withdrawal of first received valid sponsorship is allowed.

*Staff children, even with CMC sponsorship, must still meet the minimum academic qualifications for the courses for which they are applying. Staff are urged to check the prospectus to ensure the eligibility of their children for the various courses before submitting their applications.*

**Important deadlines : 4.30 pm of 16/06/2021: Last date for submitting sponsorship application forms (hard copy) to the Director, Christian Medical College, Vellore.**

**Last date for submission of copy of self-attested mark sheet of qualifying examination to be announced. Please watch the CMC Intranet Home page for details. (Please note as per Tamil Nadu Government Orders – for MBBS admission First and single attempt marks only will be considered).**

## Situations Vacant

**1. Centre for Stem Cell Research (a unit of in Stem, Bengaluru) & Christian Medical College, Vellore.**

The Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR), a unit of in Stem, Bengaluru, in collaboration with Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore, invites applications for **Research Associate post**. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. **Job Code : 1379**

Qualification : Ph.D. in Life Sciences with experience in gene therapy or cell and molecular biology will be desirable. Job Description : To work in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research.

For more details about the position and the application form visit <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities/> Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to : [cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to The Principal, Christian Medical college, Bagayam Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **May 31, 2021** for item 1.



**MAY 24, 2021**

*So, in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.*

*Matthew 7:12*



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Mrs. Kamakshi Retires

**Mrs. Kamakshi**, Sr. Gr. Charge Nurse retired on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 after serving this institution for 32 years.

After completing her B.Sc. Chemistry in Pudukottai under Madras University, she joined CMC as a Diploma Nursing student in 1985 and passed with distinction. Mrs. Kamakshi joined as Staff Nurse in 1989 and was promoted as Ward Sister of OR in the year 1997 after her Post Basic B.Sc. (N). She continued to work there until her retirement.

Mrs. Kamakshi was an efficient Charge Nurse who had exemplary managerial and communication skills. Her sound knowledge in Operating Room Technique skills was well appreciated and utilized. She was a highly motivated person who as a Charge Nurse managed the ward diligently and tried her best to maintain the unity of her unit at all times. Mrs. Kamakshi embodied enthusiasm, cheer and initiative and was held with high regard by the multi-disciplinary health care team. She spoke her mind and carried out her work faithfully. In 2010 after her Internal Quality Assessor Training she has been involved in Quality Assessing in her clinical area. Her enthusiasm and involvement in workshops and conferences both in professional and extracurricular activities is commendable.

Mrs. Kamakshi and her husband Mr. Munirathinam, Ophthalmic Technician in RUHSA are blessed with two children. Their elder son Mr. Bala Vignesh, a B.E. (Marine Engineering) graduate is working in Singapore as a Safety Officer and is married to Mrs. Sneha a Computer Engineer. Their daughter Miss Pavithra Bhavani, an M.Tech graduate is currently doing her Internship in VIT.

The CMC family is thankful to Mrs. Kamakshi for her efficient and dedicated service to this institution and wishes her God's blessings in her retired life.



## Third Annual CME and First Annual CTE - --- Organised by the Department of Nuclear Medicine

The Department of Nuclear Medicine conducted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Continuing Medical Education (CME) and 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Continuing Technologist Education (CTE) for Nuclear Medicine post-graduates and technologists on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. The online conference was broadcasted from CMC hospital campus. Even during the on-going pandemic it was felt that the academics of the students should not be compromised.

## Third Annual CME and First Annual CTE - Organised by the Department of Nuclear Medicine

Eminent national faculty of Nuclear Medicine were invited to deliver comprehensive lectures to around hundred participants from all over the country. There were several academically enriching sessions including principles of radiation safety, radiation physics, radiopharmacy, theranostics and response assessment in immunotherapy, clinical case discussions, scan reading sessions and online practical demonstrations. This was awarded 20 CME credit points under Category III by the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University.

May 23 - 29, 2020

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### Dental and Oral Surgery:

Dr. Jagadish Ebenezer and Staff

Dr. Siby Simon S. and Staff

Dr. Soumya S.V. and Staff

#### Kotagiri Medical Fellowship Hospital, Kotagiri

Council Members : Dr. J.V. Peter

Dr. Tony Abraham Thomas

#### CSI Medak Diocese

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Dr. A.C. Solomon Raj

Dr. K. Dayanand Karunakar

## Congratulations!

- **Dr. Sujith Thomas Chandy**, Assistant Professor, Department of Respiratory Medicine has been awarded 'The European diploma in Adult Respiratory Medicine' by the European Chest Society, held on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2021, Kolkata.
- **Dr. Avinash A. Nair**, Assistant Professor, Department of Respiratory Medicine has been awarded 'The Fellowship of Asian Pacific Society of Respirology (FAPSR).
- Radiology, CMC Vellore team - **Dr. Rosh Georgey V.**, Senior Resident, **Dr. Shikhar Garg**, DM Interventional Radiology and **Dr. Shoban H.**, DM Interventional Radiology, won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the national level quiz competition conducted in the World Congress of Emergency Radiology held from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> April in virtual format.

## Retirements



- **Mr. J. Asokan**, Sr. H.H.K. Attendant, Department of Hospital Maintenance, retired on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2021, after 37 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a daughter and two sons. His second son, Mr. Arun Kumar is working as Hospital Attendant in the Department of Microbiology.

- **Mrs. Akila Williams**, Sr. Sel. Gr.II Technician, Department of Anatomy, retired on 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 after 28 years of dedicated service to the institution. She joined the department in September, 1993 as a cytogenetics technician and later continued as a histology technician. She was meticulous and diligent in her work and contributed significantly in expanding the department's repository of histology slides. She was always willing to help the faculty and PG students in research activities with her winning smile and pleasant demeanor. Her husband, Dr. Roopkumar Williams is a retired Professor of History in Voorhees College, Vellore. They are blessed with two daughters, the elder daughter Mrs. Divya Evelyn is currently doing M.Sc. Nursing in Psychiatry in CMC and the younger daughter Ms. Diana Monisha is pursuing Ph.D in English Literature in Auxillium College. The CMC family extends its gratitude to Mrs. Akila Williams for her dedicated service in this institution and prays her retired life would be enriched by God's blessings.



- **Mr. K. Kanniyappan**, Sr. Gr.II Artisan (Non ITI), College Maintenance, retired on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021, after nearly 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has two daughters. His elder daughter, Ms. Suhasini is a Staff Nurse in Adukambarai Government Hospital and younger daughter, Ms. Anitha is an Engineer in Bio Medical Engineering Department, CMC.

## Retirements

• **Mrs. K. Vasantha**, Staff Clerk Gr.I, Postal Section, retired on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021, after 15 years of dedicated service to the institution. She has a daughter, Ms. Monisha Priya who is married.



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

## Obituaries

• A tribute to late Dr. Inbakumar Joseph by his daughter, Ms. Angela Joseph.

### My final goodbye

This is a tribute to my father, late Dr. Inbakumar Joseph (who sadly passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. To those taking the time to read this I thank you. To those who gave me this opportunity to pay homage to my father - I am so grateful for the kindness you've shown me.

Moved by grief and a deep desire to honour a parent in these unprecedented times, I feel compelled to share a public declaration of the love I have as a daughter for a man who many of you knew and respected. Alongside this, I would also like to pay homage to CMC, an institution where my father dedicated most of his career.

Vellore and particularly CMC is a place close to my family's heart. It is the place my father, mother, grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins have served and continue to serve.

To my dad, RUHSA, in particular, was a special place. When I lived there I remember how popular he was with people from the neighbouring villages and staff in the hospital.

I recently heard stories of how he generously gave medicines and food from his own pocket to families who were unable to afford most of their basic needs. In the same vein, we were often gifted bags of either crop, rice or peanuts from people who were treated by my dad. Back then, I never understood what that meant, but looking back I see what an impression and impact my dad had made on them. I guess generosity begets more generosity.

As an adult, I have loved getting to know my father and the man he was. He made me see how patient, kind and dedicated he was. Over the last few years I have often sought his input on matters with work and life and found him insightful and wise. He often spoke from his experiences and used it as a teachable moment.

My father's life of service to others will now be my solace and inspiration. He truly lived an exemplary life of generosity and charity, which was never limited by his circumstances. He loved what he did (as a doctor in CMC & Jobat and even more the people he served. He gave his whole heart to helping the poor and disadvantaged. There is so much I/we can learn from the life he lived - his open arms to tend to those in need and the generous heart with which he gave.

CMC was the ground where my father served and pursuing Jesus was the fuel for his fire. CMC enabled my father to weave his individual story alongside the stories of the people that went before him and build on our family's legacy.

God calls those he loves to be closer to Him, and my father has been called home because he was a good and faithful servant. I am proud and honoured to have known him and to call him my dad. I know as his daughter my calling is bound in his story. I pray God inspires me while I work through my grief to seek opportunities to serve, and hope one day to make my father proud by furthering his legacy as his daughter. With a heavy heart I bid him farewell; till we meet again. (If you would like to share your journey with my father please feel free to write to me on [ajoseph.aj@gmail.com](mailto:ajoseph.aj@gmail.com). I would love to read / hear them).



## Obituaries



• **Mr. V. Venkatesan**, House Keeping Attendant, Hospital Maintenance Department, passed away on 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Jamunarani, H.K.A., Q1 East Ward, son Mr. Venkatachalapathy, Daughter-in-law Mrs. Swetha, H.H.K.A., OG OPD, Daughter Mrs. Uma Maheswari & Son-in-law Mr. Samuel, H.H.K.A., AK Lab in our prayers.

• **Rev. Arul Johnraj**, retired Missionary, Indian Evangelical Mission (IEM), former Presbyterian, St. Peter's Tamil Church, Nagpur. He is the father-in-law of Rev. Deepak Gnana Prakash, Chaplain, Chaplaincy Department, passed away on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Grace Johnraj, daughters Mrs. Beulah, Mrs. Kathy Deepak, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. S. Madhavan**, Father of SRM Raghurammraj, Hospital Attendant, Department of Biostatistics, passed away on 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Yesudoss**, retired Senior Clerk, ENT Department, husband of Mrs. Lilly Christy, father of Mr. Prabhudoss, Mr. Basker, OPD in-charge and Mr. Karunagaran M. Doss, Audio Technician, ENT-IV, Mrs. Stella Sathya, alumnus and former Staff Nurse in W- ward, father-in-law of Mrs. Sunitha Basker, Charge Nurse in H ward and Mrs. Margaret Karuna, Secretary in Chaplaincy and grandfather of Mr. Prasanna Doss, Hospital Attendant in Schell Eye Hospital, passed away on 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Vasudevan**, father of Mr. Vinoth Kumar, Project Engineer in Electrical Department, Kannigapuram passed away on 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Santhalakshmi, Daughter Mrs. Suganya, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Subramani Naidu**, husband of Mrs. Radhammal, retired Nurse of CMC and father of Mr. Suresh L.S., Sr. MRT Gr.III, MRD, passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Jose E.P.**, father of Dr. John Jose, Professor, Cardiology Unit-II, passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Mary Jose, and the extended family in prayer.

• **Ms. Lalitha Lazarus**, retired staff of Blood Bank, passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

• **Mrs. Nithya Kalyani Samuel**, wife of Mr. Samuel J. Ravikumar, Area Supervisor, P & O Services, PMR Department, passed away on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold her husband Mr. Samuel J. Ravikumar, son Moses Giftson Paul and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Premila James**, wife of Late Mr. Edwin James, former Chief Accounts Officer, mother of Dr. Christina James Irwin (MBBS batch of 1978) and Larry Jacob James (MBBS batch of 1982), passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

• **Mr. Murugesan**, father of Mr. M. Dhandapani, Hospital Attendant, Department of Clinical Immunology & Rheumatology, passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his sons, Daughter, Daughters-in-law, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Christian Krishnamurthy**, husband of Mrs. Parameswari, father of Mrs. K. Imayarasi, Asst. Veterinary Officer CMC (Lab Animals Unit), father-in-law of Mr. Pradeep Rajkumar, Lecturer, Department of Pharmacy, passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. P. James Paul**, father of Mr. J. Wesley Jones, Junior Engineer, Electrical, College Maintenance, father-in-law of Mrs. Parimala Stanley, Staff Nurse, OPD, passed away on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Jayaseeli, sons, daughters, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Sardar Baig Y.**, father of Mrs. Arifa S., Sel.Gr.II Medical Assistant working in M.S. Office and father-in-law of Mr. Syed Noorullah, Sr. Medical Record Technician Gr.II working in Medical Records, passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021.

• **Mrs. Lily Edwin**, Mother of Mrs. Saral Jasmine, Tutor, Community Health Nursing Department and mother-in-law of Mrs. Grace Abigail, Staff Nurse, OG OPD, passed away on 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold her husband Mr. Edwin Paul and the extended family in our prayers.

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## Situations Vacant

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### **1. Assistant Professor with M.D. (Pathology) for the Division of Gastrointestinal Sciences (Wellcome Research Laboratory)**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution.

Salary scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### **2. Senior Resident with MS (OG) for the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-III**

Salary scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **May 28, 2021** for item 1 and **May 29, 2021** for item 2.

### **3. Centre for Stem Cell Research (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru) & Christian Medical College, Vellore.**

The Centre for Stem Cell Research, (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru), and the Christian Medical College, Vellore in collaboration with National Health Mission, Odisha invite applications for **Associate Project Director** Position. **Job Code : 1373**

Qualification : Post Graduate qualification in management / finance. Preference will be given to candidates with skill in financial management and experience in managing large community projects.

Remuneration : Salary commensurate with experience.

Duration : Initial appointment for 1 year (Extendable).

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

For more details about the position and the application form visit <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities/> Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to : [cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **June 07, 2021** for item 3.

### **4. Administrative Assistant for Mission Outreach Office**

Qualification : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA or 5 years experience in CMC / FHA.

Age limit : 35 years and below.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Preference will be given to candidates with 3 to 5 years of experience in coordinating various activities relating to Mission Hospitals with good written and oral communication skills.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Administrative Assistant"

Apply on or before **May 26, 2021** for item 4.



MAY 31, 2021

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practise hospitality. Romans 12:12-13



# CMC NEWSLINE

## UDHAVI - CMC's Newly Launched COVID Helpline

The UDHAVI initiative is a collaboration which caters to every query and need of anyone who dials. The COVID helpline is open on all days of the week and functions from 8.00 am to 8.00 pm. COVID positive patients and their care givers can now be connected always and also feel a lot more secure with guidelines and help at fingertips.

UDHAVI has four channels:

**1. General Information** - This channel caters to providing reliable information about the infection, testing, vaccination and home isolation.

**2. Medical Channel** - will offer two levels of advice. The services are based on the latest guidelines from Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)/ Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), which recommends Home Isolation for patients who are pre-symptomatic or have very mild symptoms, and are either positive or suspected of COVID-19.

**3. Counselling Channel** - will offer counselling over telephone to those who request for it.

**4. Logistics Channel** - will assist in routing calls for assistance to locate medication, oxygen and essential services. These may be services by partner NGO and civil society organizations.

Kindly share with friends, family and in social media. Our primary objective is to extend our 'udhavi' to all those in our local community.

Contact : **044 4631 3199** Timing : **8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.**

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## Mr. S. Suresh - Beyond the Prison Walls

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For Mr. Suresh, CMC, Vellore has a whole new connotation. For him CMC is beyond a hospital, it where he received his freedom.... freedom to walk and use his left arm.

Imprisoned for life, Suresh is an inmate of the Vellore prison. He had made some bad decisions in the past and his actions of haste resulted in him harming a person to a very serious extent. It did not stop there, Suresh went onto take his own life, which ended badly and left him without his right leg and left arm.

A significantly disabled person bearing scars of his suicide incident physically and bearing the unseen yet quite strong scar and stigma of a prisoner, Suresh was left behind bars. Living in the prison is never a pleasant ordeal, for Suresh it was worse since he had to depend on others for his every small need.

Eventually he became one of the first such cases to be treated and rehabilitated in a private hospital; this where he was introduced to this life- saving institution in Vellore.

Soon enough, with the compassionate and holistic care provided here coupled with sound expertise, Suresh was able to adapt well to rehabilitation.

He was given an artificial lower limb and a mechanical prosthetic arm. He was meticulously provided training over and over a till he learned to make the artificial limbs a part of his own body. He mastered its use and soon learned to go about his life like anyone else. This independence meant more to him than anything else.

At last he was able to do things without having to depend on others all the time.

He did not leave his time in prison to be of no use. He took advantage of his new found, mobility and learned to work from the prison. He joined a shoe factory and received training. His prison job kept him occupied and also gave him few earnings. He learned to increase his savings and find a purpose in his life.

### What did Suresh do with his earning?

He took a sum of 5000 Rupees, (which is a large amount for anyone especially for a prisoner working from the prison using his artificial limbs) and donated it to CMC, Vellore. His gesture of gratitude makes a huge difference in the care for the needy patients. In a world where generosity and care for others is diminishing at a fast pace, Mr. Suresh stands tall and his gesture can never be forgotten.

*As he looked up, Jesus saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. I tell you the truth, he said, this poor widow has put in more than all the others. All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on.*

*Luke 21:1-4*

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May 30 - June 05, 2021

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Laundry :** Mr. Anand John Samuel G. and Staff

**Security Services :** Mr. K. Sundaram and Staff

**Hospital Maintenance :**

Dr. Samuel N.J. David and Staff

**Baptish Church of Mizoram**

Council Members : Rev. R. Lalbiakliana  
Dr. Lalramzauva

**College Maintenance :**

Mr. T. Prasad and Staff

Hospitals : Christian Hospital, Serkawn  
Christian Hospital, Lawngtlai.

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## Congratulations!

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➤ **Dr. Jolly Chandran**, Associate Professor, Paediatric ICU has been awarded FCICM by the College of Intensive Care Medicine of Australia & New Zealand.

➤ **Dr. Jolly Chandran**, Associate Professor & **Dr. Siva Vyasam**, Assistant Professor, Paediatric ICU for successfully completing the Level 3 Faculty Development Programme of Simulation Training of Trainers by PediSTARS (Paediatric Simulation Training and Research Society of India).

➤ **Dr. Ebor Jacob J.** Professor and **Dr. Siva Vyasam**, Assistant Professor, PICU won the following awards at the 6<sup>th</sup> National Simulation Conference (Virtual) of PediSTARS held on April 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 2021.

## Congratulatory!

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize in the e-Poster presentation titled "Feasibility and perceived efficacy of a novel Low-cost Tele-simulation method for training Paediatric acute care team".
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize in the Oral Presentation titled, "The Creation of Annenberg Hotkeys for Tele-Simulation". *This novel innovative tool made in collaboration with Children's Hospital of Philadelphia & PediSTARS to make tele simulation more realistic and interactive also bagged first prize at the first International Tele-simulation in Healthcare Conference conducted by Weill Cornell Medicine and New York-Presbyterian Center, USA.*

**Dr. Ebor Jacob**, Professor, PICU has been selected as the President – elect of Pediatric Simulation Training and Research Society of India.

## Obituaries



• **Dr. Beulah Stephen** (nee Priyalatha Swamickan) (MBBS batch of 1979-80) passed away on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Dr. Beulah Stephen nee Swamickan was born in Bahrain and had her primary schooling (till 5th grade) there at the Sacred Heart's Convent. Dr. Beulah completed her high school at Baldwin Girls' School, Bangalore, where she was a boarder. Even as a student, Dr. Beulah was very responsible and took care of her brother and sister when they came to India to study. Dr. Beulah loved to serve people; she volunteered at The American Mission Hospital, Bahrain for the 6-month break after her ICSE. After her pre-university course at Mount Carmel College, Bangalore, she joined CMC Vellore, in the year 1979.

Beulah, "Beuls" or "Beuli" as her batchmates called her, was a simple, gentle, very kind and considerate person. She was able to help those who had never stayed away from home adjust to hostel life. She took everything in her stride and was adept at adjusting to whatever came her way. Though she had a lovely sense of humour and joined in all the laughter, she would never hurt anyone's sensibilities. She will be remembered for her prayerful life, her ability to help those in need and being a true friend.

One could sense the calm came from a fearless space because of her deep faith and loving nature; brightening up the days with her sense of humour and ending her day in prayers.

Dr. Beulah had a lovely voice and sang in the choir regularly. On Sundays she would never fail to attend the first service at St. John's church or the evening chapel, always elegantly draped in Kashmiri silk sarees with fragrant jasmines in her hair.

Dr. Beulah did her service obligation at Scudder Memorial hospital, Ranipet where till date she is remembered with much affection by the staff of that time. She was much appreciated by the late Drs. Earnest and Beulah Baskar for her calm competency as a doctor and her integrity. Dr. Beulah was a very sincere and diligent doctor whose bedside manners and patient care were excellent.

In 1989, Dr. Beulah married Mr. Enoch Stephen (brother of Dr. Eunice Stephen, MBBS batch of 1974) and thereafter moved to Coimbatore where he worked in the electricity board. They were very active members of the All Souls' Church, Coimbatore and as a family were always there for other church members in need. The following is an excerpt from a friend and church member;

“As a Sunday school teacher, her prayerfulness, sincere efforts and earnest engagement for the young souls have impacted many children. She was active in the church choir, and was one of the powerful sopranos in the city. She was also active as an auxiliary in the Gideon's International, leading prayers, and participating in conventions. She loved the Lord with all her heart. The quiet confident smile and thoughtful words were her hallmark. She was truly a friend of noble character. She has been a great and silent witness as a wife, mother, daughter, and friend. Her life embodied women of noble character that we read about in Proverbs 31. Her life was worth far more than rubies and today she wears a crown of rubies with our loving saviour, husband and her father - and scores of the faithful.”

Through her husband Mr. Enoch's illness at a young age of 48 years, Dr. Beulah, her children Sarah and Mark most lovingly cared for him till his passing on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2020. She was ably supported by both their families.

## Obituaries

Despite being passionate about clinical work, she decided to work in Anatomy, to spend more time with her children as well as to look after family, specially because Mr. Enoch had a transferrable. Amidst nursing her husband and the children's education, she completed her MS Anatomy as the first candidate in PSG. Dr. Beulah taught at PSG Medical College, Coimbatore from 1989 till she moved to Vellore for her treatment in 2020.

Dr. Beulah was diagnosed with an aggressive multiple myeloma in Jan 2020, which she faced with much courage and underwent the treatment with valiant dignity. She remained steadfast in her faith in the Lord all through and was able to say "I have committed myself to the Lord and let God's will be done". She went to be with the Lord on 24th March 2021. On Sunday the 21st, when a couple of her batchmates went to visit her at her sister-in-law's place in Chittoor, despite her very advanced illness and pain, she was able to sit up, greet them with her brilliant trademark smile and was very cheerful, insisted on walking up to the living room and sat there and joined in singing "What a friend we have in Jesus" and prayed with them and bid them goodbye.

Dr. Beulah was laid to rest on 25th March 2021 after a service at the All Soul's church in Coimbatore. Dr. Beulah lived a life of faith and followed what is said in Philipians 4: 6 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

She leaves behind her children, Sarah Stephen who is doing her masters in Maxillofacial surgery, Mark Stephen who is an engineer working for an IT firm, her elderly mother, her siblings Dr. Priscilla Swamickan and Dr. Reuben Swamickan as well as her sister-in-law and her husband Mr. Enoch's family. The family wants to thank God for His faithfulness, grace and mercies which has seen through these difficult times.

For those who would like to get in touch with the family the contact details are as below :

Dr. Sarah Stephen(daughter)	+91 99445 61470, Email : <a href="mailto:sarah.heaven@gmail.com">sarah.heaven@gmail.com</a>
Mr. Mark Stephen (son)	+91 96293 88027, Email : <a href="mailto:markstephen27@yahoo.com">markstephen27@yahoo.com</a>
Dr. Eunice Stephen (sister-in-law)	+91 98846 46323, Email : <a href="mailto:euniceselvaraj@gmail.com">euniceselvaraj@gmail.com</a>
Mrs. Daisy Swamickan (mother)	+91 94424 17472

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.



• **Dr. Paul Sathiasingh Chellappa** (MBBS batch of 1963) passed away on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Dr. Paul Sathiasingh Chellappa joined Christian Medical College, Vellore as an MBBS student in 1963, sponsored by the CSI Madurai Ramnad Diocese. After completing his MBBS, he worked in St Martin's Hospital, Ramanathapuram to fulfill his service obligation. He joined the Swedish Mission Hospital, Tirupattur, Sivagangai District in 1972.

He joined CMC, Vellore in 1973 for his post graduate training in Oto-Rhino-Laryngology. After completing DLO/MS, he returned to Swedish Mission Hospital, Tirupattur and served there, till 1978. He then started his own hospital in Karaikudi along with his wife, Dr Alice who was a Paediatrician.

Dr. Paul Chellappa is remembered for his warm, cheerful and friendly nature. He had a flair for music : he played the violin, sang in college and church choir while in Vellore, and later on, took to conducting his church choir in Tirupattur and Karaikudi, which he did till the end. He was a sportsman, a sprinter and basketball player.

Dr. Paul Chellappa was the President of Karaikudi Rotary Club, District Governor of Y's Men's Club, Karaikudi, State Vice President IMA, Tamil Nadu. He was member of the Medical Board of his Church, TELC and represented TELC, in the CMC Vellore Association and Council.

He had been under treatment for malignancy for the last three years and succumbed to it on 24<sup>th</sup> May in his house in Karaikudi. In spite of pain and discomfort, he was always cheerful when he spoke to his class mates on the zoom meetings. We will always remember his characteristic laughter, smiling face, twinkle in his eyes and bounce in his step. He has left behind his wife, Dr Alice Chellappa, nee Jonathan ( batch of 1963), and daughter Dr Anupama Gnanamuthu.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details are as follows : Dr. Anupama Gnanamuthu, 'Deva Illam', 17, Subramaniyapuram 5<sup>th</sup> Street, South Extension, Karaikudi - 630 002. Phone : 0044 7944554446, 07358974712, 09443127566, 09080047268.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

## Obituaries

• **Mrs. Elizebeth Kalawathy**, Retired Staff Nurse in CB OR and volunteer in Radiology Department passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

Let us uphold her son, Mr. Raja Samuel and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Notice

All staff members under the General Superintendant who would like to **Surrender** their annual leave for encashment purposes are requested to feed the number of days they wish to surrender in the leave management programme with the approval of the Head of the Department to the Personnel Manager, before **30.06,2021**. Please note that no application for this purpose will be entertained after 30.06.2021.

## Admission Notice

### Nursing Postgraduate / Post Basic Degree & Diplom / Fellowship Courses Admission - 2021

Applications are invited for Nursing Postgraduate / Post Basic Degree & Diploma / Fellowship Courses commencing in 2021.

Application forms can be accessed **ONLY ONLINE** through the Christian Medical College website : <http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in> from **March 16, 2021 onwards**. Admission Prospectus and Bulletin are available at our website.

<b>16-03-2021</b>	Applications can be accessed online
<b>20-06-2021</b>	Last date for downloading online application form till 24:00 hours (12:00 midnight)
<b>30-06-2021</b>	Last date for receipt of payment proof including supporting documents
<b>30-06-2021</b>	Last date for receipt of sponsorship forms

DEAN, COLLEGE OF NURSING

## Situations Vacant

**1. Senior Resident with MD (General Pathology) with Post-doctoral fellowship in Cytogenetics for the Department of Haematology**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**2. Senior Resident with MD (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Anaesthesia**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

**3. Senior Resident with MD (Psychiatry) for the Department of Psychiatry Unit-II**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**4. Associate Research Officer Gr.IV with M.Sc. in Medical Microbiology / Applied Microbiology / Molecular Virology for the Department of Clinical Virology.**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **June 05, 2021** for Items 1, 2, 3 and **June 12, 2021** for Item 4.

**5. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism**

Qualifications : B.Pharm with Pharmacy Council Number. Consolidate Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years. Nature of Job : To work in Clinical Trials as a Non-Medical Co-ordinator.

**6. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Department of Clinical Virology**

Qualifications : B.Sc., MLT or B.Sc., with 2 Years DMLT (CMAI).

Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **June 07, 2021** for Item 5 and **June 14, 2021** for Item 6.



*Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.*

*Psalm 86:11*



# CMC NEWSLINE

JUNE 07, 2021

## Dr. Suresh Roland Devasahayam Retires



**Dr. Suresh Roland Devasahayam**, Professor and Head, Department of Bioengineering, retired on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021, completing his 31 years long academic career, the last 19 years at our institute. Dr. Suresh did his schooling in Chennai, at CSI Bain School, and at the MCC School. He received his Bachelors in Electronics and Communication Engineering from the College of Engineering, Guindy, in 1983. He received his Master of Science and Ph.D. in Bioengineering from the University of Illinois, Chicago, in 1987 and 1989, respectively, specializing in Physiological Systems and Biocontrol. He spent a year as a post-doctoral fellow at the Division for Neuroscience, University of Alberta, Canada. He joined IIT Bombay as an assistant professor in 1990 and was promoted as an associate professor in 1994. Dr. Suresh took a

sabbatical in 2002-2003 to work as a senior scientist at the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, CMC Vellore. He founded the Department of Bioengineering in 2004 and has been a professor and head of the department since then. During this tenure at the institute, Dr. Suresh has served on various committees in CMC, including the institutional review board, IT committees, etc.

Dr. Suresh's sharp intellectual ability and his keen interest in almost everything are quite well known. His research and teaching interests are broad. Some of the areas of research he has explored in his remarkable career include biophysical modeling, signal processing, instrumentation, interactive physiological simulations and rehabilitation engineering. This incredible bandwidth he possesses comes along with a lot of depth in most of these areas.

He was the lead scientist who spearheaded the Bombay-Vellore Hand, which he started working on while at IIT Bombay and continued this work in his early years at CMC. This was one of the first affordable motorized artificial hands in India. During his tenure at CMC Vellore, he worked on various research and development projects in the areas of biomedical instrumentation and rehabilitation engineering, such as data acquisition systems (CMC DAQ), functional electrical stimulation for correcting drop foot, bladder control, implantable myoneural interface, FES bicycling for spinal cord injury, transcranial magnetic stimulator, and more recently transcranial electrical stimulator, etc.

## **Dr. Suresh Roland Devasahayam Retires**

Apart from being an accomplished researcher, Dr. Suresh is also a great teacher. He has this remarkable ability to make very complex and challenging ideas look simple through simple examples and analogies. His courses are incredibly popular among the students in the institute, his lectures are like watching a master at work. The command he displays over science and engineering, his ability to ask the right questions, his systematic approach to unraveling complex problems, all come across beautifully when one interacts with him. One of Dr. Suresh's most significant accomplishments is the number of students he has inspired over the years through his interactions with them. His humble nature, the way he treats students with respect, and his availability for them both professionally and personally, are all traits that have left indelible pleasant memories among his students.

Dr. Suresh is married to Mrs. Isobelle Devasahayam, who was a teacher of literature at the Ida Scudder School. They have three daughters Dr. Mallika Suresh who is a post-doctoral fellow in Physics in Germany, Ms. Marita Suresh, who is pursuing a Ph.D. history in Goa, and Ms. Alina Suresh, who is a special educator with a degree in psychology. Dr. Suresh will be joining the Indian Institute of Technology Jammu as a Professor in Electrical Engineering later this year.

The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.

## **Notice**

### **COVISHIELD VACCINE NOW AVAILABLE IN CMC, VELLORE**

**Vaccination has emerged as the potential mainstay to reduce risk of COVID-19 infection, reduce severity of infection and break the chain of transmission.**

**We are administering vaccines between 9.00 am to 4.00 pm on Monday to Friday.**

**As per government norms: 18 to 44 years – only with registration and appointment through <https://www.cowin.gov.in/>**

**45 years and above appointment slots are available online at the same site. Limited slots available for “walk-in” vaccination.**

**Protect yourself and your community!**

**Medical Superintendent**

## **CMC, Vellore opens the First Computed Tomography Scan Machine for COVID Services at Kannigapuram Campus**

The Siemens SOMATOM go. Top 128 Slice CT at the Kannigapuram Campus has been inaugurated to be used for COVID related services. This new addition to COVID care will hasten the process to provide quality care to the patients.

The formal ceremony took place on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 in the presence of administrators and other dignitaries. The SOMATOM go. Top is a newly designed machine which can take a maximum table load of 307 kg. The innovative hardware comes with a patient table equipped with newly designed accessories, an infusion stand and storage box. Apart from innovations in design, the rotation time is up to 0.33 seconds using a high voltage of 70-140 Kilovolts ensuring high quality images.

The dedication began with a prayer by Dr. Roshan Livingstone, Department of Radiology and welcome address by Dr. Anil Kuruvilla, Associate Director (Kannigapuram). Felicitations were offered by Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Elizabeth Joseph, Head, Department of Radiodiagnosis and Dr. Rajesh I, Associate Medical Superintendent.



## CMC, Vellore opens the First Computed Tomography Scan Machine for COVID Services at Kannigapuram Campus

The programme concluded with the prayer of dedication by Rev. Finney Alexander, and a vote of thanks by Mr. Arul Prakash, Head, Biomedical Engineering. He thanked all those involved in procuring the Siemens SOMATOM CT, deploying it in the midst of the pandemic and having it accessible now for COVID-19 services.



## Dedication of the Paul Brand IP Pharmacy

The dedication of the **Paul Brand IP Pharmacy** was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2021. Rev. Deborah, Chaplain offered the dedication prayer and the Pharmacy was inaugurated by Mrs. Vasanthi, Sr. Selection Grade Pharmacist. This facility is located at the Ground floor of the Paul Brand Block and it caters to the patients admitted in the wards and ICU in Paul Brand Block.



June 06 - 12, 2021

## SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

### Distance Education :

Dr. Rebekha Dass Zechariah and Staff

### Khasi Jaintia Presbyterian Assembly

Council Members: Rev. P. Hynniewta  
Dr. R. Nongrum

### Endocrinology : Dr. Thomas V. Paul and Staff

Dr. Nihal Jacob Thomas and Staff

Hospitals : Dr. H. Gordon Roberts Hospital, Shillong,  
Norman Tunnel Hospital, Jowai.

## Welcome

- **Mrs. Sonia P. Abraham**, Professor, College of Nursing, on her return from sabbatical leave.
- **Mrs. Helen Sujatha Charles**, Professor, College of Nursing, on her return from sabbatical leave.

## Congratulations!

• **Dr. Chilaka Rajesh**, second year Sr. Registrar, Department of Nephrology has won the second prize in SVIMS University Gold Medal for Annual Nephrology Essay completion - 2020 for DM / DNB Nephrology students for the topic "Understanding podocyte Biology in the management of Nephrotic syndrome".

• Respiratory Medicine Consultant, **Dr. Sujith Chandy**, was awarded "European Diploma in Adult Respiratory Medicine" by the European chest society upon successfully passing the Hermes exam 2.0 held in Kolkata on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

**Dr. Revan Alan Sidda**, fellow in Pulmonary Medicine was awarded "European Diploma in Adult Respiratory Medicine" by the European chest society upon successfully passing the Hermes exam 2.0 held in Kolkata on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

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## Retirements

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• **Mr. P. Manogaran**, Hospital Attendant Gr.I, O Block, retired on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a son and a daughter. His son, Mr. Suresh is working as Hospital Attendant in Mental Health Centre, Bagayam.



• **Mrs. R. Shanthi**, Instructor I Graduate MLT, Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology, retired on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021 after 38 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband is Mr. G. Ravi Kumar, Retired Station Manager, Indian Railways. They have two children, Mr. R. Ashwin Kumar, B.E, M.B.A, working as Software Engineer in MNC, Bangalore and their daughter Ms. R. Lakshmi Priya, M.Tech. in Software Engineering, VIT University is currently doing her internship in Aptiv Components (Former Delphi Technologies), Bangalore.

• **Mrs. Alice Rachel Varghese**, Sr. Secretary, College of Nursing, retired on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021, after nearly 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. She was involved in assisting workflow relating to Post Diploma Courses at College of Nursing. She is hard working, pleasant and dependable person who organised her work well and executed it meticulously, CMC is grateful for her long years of dedicated service. She has two daughters, who are both alumnus of College of Nursing.



• **Mrs. Stary Juliot**, Sr. Secretary, Bio Medical Engineering, retired on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021, after nearly 33 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband, Mr. Samuelraj Jeyakumar is doing Ministry. Their elder son, Mr. Daniel Manuel is working in Sharja as Perfusionsit, second son, Mr. Abishek Rajan is studying second year PC B.Sc. in CMC and younger son, Mr. Devakumar Joseph is a Critical Care Therapist in MICU, Daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jenifer Nancy is working as Critical Care Therapist in SICU.

• **Mr. R. Krishnaswamy**, Accounts Officer, Accounts Department, retired on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2021, after 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife is Mrs.K. Padma, former Accountant at Big Bungalow, Bagayam. Their daughter, Dr. Poornima is a Registrar in C.M.C.



• **Mrs. M. Premalatha**, Sr. Gr.I Clerk-Typist, College Maintenance, retired on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021, after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. She has a son and a daughter. Her daughter, Mrs. S. Agnes Selina is a Junior Research Fellow in Center for Stem Cell Research. Her Son, Mr. K. Vinu Sherwin is a Refractionist in Ophthalmology.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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## Obituaries

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• **Dr. V.R. Isaac** (MBBS batch of 1957) passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Dr. V. R Isaac was born on 12<sup>th</sup> September 1937 in Nagercoil, Kanyakumari District. His schoolings were in Sacred Hearts Boys School, Bombay and Model School Thycaud, Trivandrum. He was an active member in the Methodist Church, Mumbai. He was very good singer.

He joined CMC Vellore in 1957, sponsored by the CSI mission. He was a jolly good person and earned lots of friends whom he was maintaining friendship till the end. He worked in Neyoor Mission Hospital in 1964 for 2 years. He got married to Mrs. Sally Isaac from Trivandrum in 1965.



He completed D.Ortho in 1970 from Madurai Medical College and there after worked in Madurai Government Hospital and also settled on Madurai.

## Obituaries

He did M.S Ortho in Madras Medical College in 1984-1986. He was posted as a Surgeon in Tirunelveli Medical College in 1993. He worked as a Consultant in Christian Mission Hospital, Madurai in the Dept of Orthopedics after retirement from 1995 to 2001.

He worked as a principal in Pioneer College of Physiotherapy in Ramnad for 3 years 2003 to 2006. He was a director for a Medical Transcription, an America based Company named Valley Soft from 2006 to 2009. He was tutoring Medical Terminologies and Medical Transcription. He was keeping himself occupied after retirement as a Reader in Medical College, Madurai.

He was a man of strong will power and confidence, he never lets himself down even though he lost both his legs because of diabetes. He was prompt in his work till the end and was on time to his clinic. At the age of 84, he was handling fracture and traction cases at home with the help of a nurse and his grandkids. In fact, he was a living example who lifted up people who come to his clinic in distress, pain and agony.

Dr. V.R. Isaac is survived by three children, Mrs. Renuka Sathiyaraj, Mrs. Lekha Fenn and Dr. Dinesh Isaac and their families.

For those who would like to get in touch with their family, the contact details of his daughter, Mrs Lekha Fenn is given below : Mobile : 94440 49187 Email : [jai\\_lek@yahoo.co.in](mailto:jai_lek@yahoo.co.in)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Mr. Ranga Das S**, father of Ms. R. Rajeswari, Clerk Typist, Office of the Nursing Superintendent passed away on 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

• **Mrs. Julie Dorothy**, Senior Supervisor in Vellore Good Samaritan Welfare Association passed away on 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. Let us uphold her husband, Mr. Joseph Kennedy and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mrs. Stella Clements**, Mother of Mrs. Shirley Anandanathan, Secretary in Centre for Stem Cell Research, Bagayam, retired Secretary of Directorate, Mr. George Clements (Vellore), Mr. Melwyn Clements & Mr. Rex Clements of Australia & Mrs. Sylvia Samuel, Mother-in-Law of Mr. Samuel Anandanathan, Former In-charge of Heritage Centre, CMC, Mrs. Sheila, Mrs. Irene, Mrs. Jenita and Mr. Victor Samuel & Grandmother of Mr. Ralph, Radiology Department and Mr. Richard Anandanathan, Canada and 9 more grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren in India and abroad, passed away on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2021.

• **Mr. N. Selvaraj**, retired Electrician in Electrical Department, passed away on 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2021.

• **Mrs. Prema James**, mother of Ms. Jasmin Joy Sweety K, Charge Nurse, Chittoor Campus passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the families at this time of grief and loss.

## Admission Notice

### MBA in Hospital and Health Systems Management (HHSM)

MBA (HHSM) is a 4 semester Work Integrated Learning Programme conducted in collaboration with Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS), Pilani, Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore and Bombay Hospital, Mumbai.

This course provides a unique opportunity to experience firsthand administration and allow participants to learn firsthand how to efficiently run the day-to-day operations and manage the various functions of a large hospital. The programme emphasizes on Experiential Learning that allows learners to apply concepts learnt in classroom in simulated and real work situations through:

- Hospital immersion sessions at CMC Vellore.
- Simulation & Modeling exercises
- Case Studies and Assignments
- Project Work
- Digital Learning
- Continuous Assessment

#### **Eligibility:**

Minimum eligibility to apply: Employed professionals in the healthcare industry, holding an MBBS/ Integrated First Degree of BITS Pilani or its equivalent with at least 60% aggregate marks, and minimum one year of relevant work experience are eligible to apply to this programme.

## Admission Notice

The programme is designed for :

- Doctors, Dentists, and other Medical professionals working in Public/ Private/ Non-profit hospitals who are involved in the management and administration of the hospital and related services.
- Doctors, Dentists, and other Medical professionals who are running their own hospitals and want to enhance their management skills to deliver superior service and improve the top line and bottom line.
- Para-Medical professionals working in the healthcare industry and looking to upgrade their skills and thereby accelerate their career growth.
- Non-medical professionals working in the healthcare industry in support and administrative functions who are looking to upgrade their skills and thereby accelerate their career growth. These would include professionals working in such diverse areas as Finance, Billing, HR, Customer Service, Hospital Supplies and General Administration.

**Admission:** Application is usually advertised twice a year from BITS (online) in March/April and October / November. Applicants must apply before the last date after obtaining prior permission from their employer. Admission is open for July intake and the last date for applying is **14<sup>th</sup> June 2021**. Interested candidates could access the following link for more information: <https://bits-pilani-wilp.ac.in/mba/hospital-health-systems-management.php>

If you need any clarification please contact Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Sr. Manager and Head, Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training on 3535, who is also the course co-ordinator for this programme.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Senior Resident with MD (Pathology) for the Department of General Pathology

Age limit : <40 years. Salary Scale: As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability). Initial appointment will be as Senior Resident for one year and can be upgraded to Assistant Professor in the second year. (As per the latest NMC guidelines). Those appearing for MD (Pathology) exams in 2021 may apply. Appointment will be subject to providing provisional pass certificate.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **June 19, 2021** for Item 1.

### 2. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology

Qualifications : B.Sc., MLT or H.Sc., with 2 Year DMLT (CMAI).

Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Salary Scale: As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

### 3. Staff III Dietitian (External Project) for the Department of Paediatric Unit-III

Qualifications : B.Sc. with P.G. Diploma in Dietetics or M.Sc. in Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics / Food Science & Nutrition / Food Service Management & Dietetics.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **June 21, 2021** for Items 2 and 3.

**4. Computer Terminal Operator** to work in a project on Term Appointment basis. The term of appointment is co- terminus with the duration of the project. The project will be implemented under **Haematology Department**. The name of the project is Establishing of clinical trial units across sites". Funded by BIRAC, New Delhi.

Qualifications : B.Sc. Science graduate with D.C.A and English Typewriting Knowledge.

Age Limit : 35 years and below. Consolidated Stipend : Rs.20,000/-.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies".

Apply on or before **June 12, 2021** for Item 4.

Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.



*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 5:3*



# CMC NEWSLINE

JUNE 14, 2021

## Dr. Immanuel Sampath Karl Retires

**Dr. Immanuel Sampath Karl** superannuated on 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. He entered CMC as a medical student, in 1974. His athletic talent, unassuming ways, participation in Christian activities of the CMC community choir, St John's Church Sunday school and willingness to take on any task endeared him to many.

Dr. Sampath obtained his M.B.B.S, M.S. (Gen. Surgery) and M.Ch. (Paediatric Surgery) from C.M.C.H Vellore in the years; 1979, 1988 and 1998 respectively. Soon after his MBBS he had the opportunity to spend time with the Missionaries of charity at Kolkata, which left a lasting impression on him to serve the needy from all walks of life; with unflagging enthusiasm, discipline and dedication.

His surgical training; ultimately leading onto M.Ch. in paediatric surgery, was marked by stints at various mission hospitals in South India. This brought out a pragmatic, cost conscious approach towards the surgical patient.

With his approachability, ready smile and willingness to go the extra mile, he easily won over the fearful child and their parents. His dedication to patient care is legendary. At times some of his paediatric patients have shared his home on the campus, while he observed them unobtrusively, for an elusive diagnosis in a congenial milieu. Patients and their families ended up being his friends for life.

He is willing to share his vast experience and knowledge. He has mentored many trainees across many disciplines in the health sciences and is warmly remembered by many for his contribution in their professional development.

He is a skilled and versatile surgeon, with his main interest being paediatric urology; notably Hypospadiology. He has presented at many national conferences, authored papers, set question papers and been an examiner for paediatric surgery under the MGR medical university and the Addis Abbaba university in Ethiopia. He worked at the IbnSina hospital Kuwait on sabbaticals for a year and a half. He is at home, operating with elan in tertiary care centres or in any of the mission hospitals, across the length and breadth of our country.



## Dr. Immanuel Sampath Karl Retires

Apart from being a widely respected consultant, he was always a keen learner willing to learn from any of his colleagues, readily acknowledging their role. Recently he has been acquiring new endoscopic skills in gastroenterology. He has also shouldered administrative responsibilities of unit head and departmental head from 2010 to 2016.

He is an accomplished pianist and avid cross-country runner who has won many races. Early this year he was placed third in his very first marathon from Vellore to Ranipet.

He shares his home with his supporting wife Dr. Ruby, professor of Community medicine at LCECU and their adoring daughter Joanna, speech therapist, both alumni of CMC. Their open home, warm hospitality and Christian fellowship will always be inviting.

We in the department will miss his experience and dependable support. The department and institution thank him for his faithful service lasting two decades. We thank God for him and wish him God's best for a fruitful, satisfying life, as he enters this new phase.

## Bubbles

When I was young I stood spell bound  
Watching soap bubbles float in the air  
Catching light as they went around  
For a few seconds but I did not care

Later came different bubbles  
A housing bubble burst in 2008  
Subprime mortgage caused the troubles  
Markets collapsed and the loss was great  
Jim Carrey in the movie The Truman Show  
Lived in a bubble that gripped audiences  
The whole world could watch and know  
His daily life and his experiences

There are bubbles in this pandemic  
ICUs sealed off with ill patients  
Healthworkers caring for the sick  
Isolated souls and isolated nations

When this is over will the bubbles disappear?  
Will we break out and mix again?  
Questions to ponder and doubts appear  
Are we an island or part of the main?

*Dr. Cherian Thomas (MBBS Batch of 1960)*

## Dedication of the KPICU Pharmacy



The dedication of the **KPICU Pharmacy** was held on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 in the presence of Dr. Selvamani, Head, Pharmacy Department, Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudas, Deputy Nursing Superintendent, Mrs. Jeyalinda, Deputy Nursing Superintendent and



Mrs. Bharathi, Nurse Manager, Kannigapuram. The dedication prayer was offered by Rev. Finney Alexander. The Pharmacy was inaugurated by Dr. S. Annadurai, Professor, Pharmacy Department. This new facility is located at the second floor of the DOT Block and it caters to the need of patients admitted in the ICU's and wards of Kannigapuram campus.

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## World Earth Day 2021 Celebration

The international World Earth Day 2021 event was commemorated on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021. The year's theme for Earth day was 'Restore our Earth'. The need for oxygen at this pandemic would also be benefitted by saving our earth from global warming. As part of remembering the day's event, Youth Red Cross (YRC) from College of Nursing CMC Vellore executed a planned action of planting trees. On 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, Ninety eight students of I Year B.Sc. Nursing enthusiastically took initiative in planting trees in their homes. They also expressed in words their desire of saving the Earth by tree plantation activity. They sent the pictures of planting trees in their home town and the collection of those photographs were displayed in College of Nursing by Ms. Shalini Getsy, YRC programme officer and Ms. Angeline Jeya Rani, Reader and faculty advisor, College of Nursing. The work done by our students were commendable and well appreciated. The insight of saving our world from deleterious dangers were deeply rooted in the minds of our nursing students through this act of caring. A sincere thanks to Dean Dr. Vathsala Sadan and the Dean's Office for motivating the desire of safe world.



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**June 13 - 19, 2021**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *Obstetrics and Gynaecology*

Dr. Jiji Elizabeth Mathew and Staff  
Dr. Elsy Thomas and Staff  
Dr. Lilly Varghese and Staff  
Dr. Anuja Abraham and Staff  
Dr. Manisha Madhai Beck and Staff  
Mrs. Ebenezer Ellen Benjamin and Staff

#### *Gynaecologic Oncology*

Dr. Anitha Thomas and Staff  
Mrs. Ebenezer Ellen Benjamin and Staff

#### *Reproductive Medicine Unit:*

Dr. Aleyamma T.K. and Staff  
Mrs. Ebenezer Ellen Benjamin and Staff

#### *Neonatology Unit:*

Dr. Kurien Anil Kuruvilla and Staff  
Dr. Manish Kumar and Staff  
Mrs. Ebenezer Ellen Benjamin and Staff

#### *Menonite Medical Board of the Mennoite Church in India*

Council Member : Dr. Sandeep Patonda  
Hospital : Dhamtari Christian Hospital,  
Chattisgarh and others.

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### Congratulations!

• **Dr. Ravikar Ralph**, Associate Professor of General Medicine Unit-I has been selected for inclusion in the "World Health Organisation's Global Roster of Experts and the International Technical Advisory Group on the Prevention and Control of Snakebite Envenoming".

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### Retirements

• **Mr. Samuel Ravichand**, Instructor, Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology, started his career as Junior Laboratory Technician from 12<sup>th</sup> November 1984 and retired as a Instructor on 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. He worked in the department of the Clinical Pathology and Blood Bank that is now called Transfusion Medicine and Immunohematology. In this period he had been for two overseas training and one sabbatical leave. Beginning with done bench work and later taking on teaching responsibilities for various groups of students and visitor observers, including theory and practical training. There is another unique angle to his story: His father Mr. Jayapaul Lazarus worked here as Manager for the AV unit.



His wife, Mrs. Selvie Stella worked here as B.Sc. Nurse then moved to Dubai where she works for the national health authority. His elder son, Dr. Enoch Paul is working towards his postgraduate training and the younger one, Elisha Paul at college in SRM University, Chennai. In his words, "God has been kind enough to complete my service with this prestigious Institution".



• **Mrs. Mary Leadial**, Staff Nurse Gr.I is retired on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 after serving this institution for 23 years. She completed GNM from SMH, Ranipet in the year 1984. She joined CMC in the year 1997 and was working in S Ext. ward. She is hardworking and committed to her work. She played a major role in meeting spiritual needs of her patients. She maintained cordial relationship with team members.

## Retirements

Her husband, Mr. Raja Santhakumar, former Lab Technician is doing ministry in Eden Praise Mission. Her 1<sup>st</sup> son Mr. R. John Santhakumar completed B.Sc. Nuclear Medicine in CMC and now working in KLES Dr. PrabhakarKore Hospital, Belgaum. 2<sup>nd</sup> son Mr. R. Joshua completed B.Sc. OR & Anesthesia Technique and doing internship in CMC, Vellore.



• **Miss. Ponmani**, Sr.Gr. Nursing Auxiliary is retired on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 after serving this institution for 33 years. After completing Nursing Auxiliary training course from CMC in 1983, she joined as N/A in December 1983 in N1 ward and had worked in I & M ward till June 1987. After a short break, she rejoined M ward in July 1987 and was transferred to A block in the year 2007 as private block was moving to A block. She is highly committed and dependable. She volunteered to help the unit by assuming special responsibilities. She spent time to counsel patients and their families apart from meeting their health needs. Her IPR is commendable. She was awarded the Best Nursing Auxiliary Award for the year 2019 by the institution for her exemplary nursing care. She is living with her cousin Mr. Ebinezer Sunderraj's family in Gandhi Nagar, Vellore.

• **Mrs. K. Vasantha**, Staff Clerk Gr.I, Postal Section, retired on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 after 15 years of service to the institution. She was Incharge for Postal Section handling the incoming / outgoing posts from departments across the Institution. She is blessed with one daughter Mrs. Monisha Priya K.S. completed B.E., MBA and is currently working in IBM, Bangalore.



• **Mr. J. Raja**, Sr. Field Worker, CHAD, retired on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021, after 33 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a son and a daughter. His son, Mr. R. Nandhakumar is a Clerk-Typist in Haematology Department. and his daughter, Ms. R. Nandhini is a Diploma Nurse in Neonatology Department.

• **Mr. K. Babu**, Sr. Gr.I Radio and Television Mechanic, RUHSA, retired on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2021, after nearly 15 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a son Mr. B. Deepak is a Pharmacist in CMC.



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

## Obituaries

• **Dr. Alice Juliana Chellappa** (nee Jonathan) (MBBS batch of 1963) on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2021. Dr. Alice Juliana Chellappa joined CMC as an MBBS student in 1963, sponsored by the CSI Medak Diocese. After completing her MBBS and sponsorship service obligation with her parent church, she joined St. Martin's Hospital, Ramanathapuram in 1971 after her marriage to her batchmate, Dr. Paul Chellappa. In 1972, Drs. Alice and Paul Chellappa joined the Swedish Mission Hospital, Tirupattur, Sivagangai District. In 1976, she joined CMC, Vellore for PG training in Child Health. On completing DCH, she returned to the Swedish Mission Hospital, Tirupattur, and worked there till 1978.



Drs. Alice and Paul Chellappa moved to Karaikudi in 1978 and set up their own hospital which was well known in the area for its excellent care. Dr. Alice was able to establish Immunisation and Child welfare programmes in the community. She is remembered for her clinical skill, professionalism and integrity. She won the Best Paediatrician award in Sivagangai district. She was the President of the Inner Wheel Club of Karaikudi. She was an active member of the Rotary Club, Y's Mennette club and several social organisations.

Drs. Alice and Paul have a daughter, Anupama, a doctor trained in Madurai and now settled in the UK, with her doctor husband and two children. Dr. Alice had a placid nature, a good sense of humour and was always fun to be with.

Drs. Paul and Alice Chellappa left for their heavenly home within a week of each other, May 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> respectively.

## Obituaries

Dr. Alice succumbed to Covid infection. They leave behind their family and friends who will always remember them for their kind hospitality.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details are as follows :

Dr. Anupama Gnanamuthu, 'Deva Illam', 17, Subramaniyapuram 5<sup>th</sup> Street, South Extension, Karaikudi-630 002.  
Phone : 0044 794454446 / 07358974712 / 09443127566 / 09080047268

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Dr. Sharad Godbole** (MBBS batch of 1968) passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Dr. Sharad Godbole joined CMC Vellore in 1968, having had his school education in Pune and Ahmednagar in Maharashtra. After completing the MBBS he served at Wanless Hospital, Miraj. He returned to CMC to complete an MS in ENT, after which he joined the faculty of Government Medical College, Miraj. After a decade in Miraj, he moved to Malaysia, where he spent three decades serving as a consultant surgeon and head of the ENT departments at Sarawak General Hospital in Kuching, and Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Kota Kinabalu. He was a compassionate doctor who had patients at his heart. He was involved in the postgraduate training programme of University Malaya and University Kebangsaan Malaysia from 1996 to 2003. He was regarded as a fine surgeon and guided many postgraduate students and younger colleagues in developing their ENT skills. He successfully played several roles in his life and touched the lives of many. In 1988 he took short fellowships in ENT and head and neck surgery in Oklahoma City and Pittsburgh in the USA. Dr. Sharad's main areas of interest were middle ear micro-surgery, endoscopic sinus surgery, obstructive sleep apnea and tracheal stenosis. For the last chapter of his career, he joined Penang Adventist Hospital in Georgetown, Malaysia.



Dr. Sharad was a dear member of the 1968 batch. The batch enjoyed his company because of his cheerful disposition, easy smile and likeable personality. He was popular in the common room as a table tennis and carroms player and placed in the rankings of the Mr. Men's Hostel competition. Throughout his career he seemed to have colleagues from CMC Vellore. Dr. Sharad was known for his culinary skills, especially his recipe for biriyani. He is survived by his beloved wife Dr. Saroj (MBBS batch of 1966), a dermatologist, and their children: Pankaj, an engineer in Pune, Meghana, a psychiatrist in London, and Alpana, a dentist in Pune.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details are as follows:

Dr. Saroj Peter (wife) Email : [pollyann77@yahoo.com](mailto:pollyann77@yahoo.com)

Ms. Meghna (daughter) Email : [sarojjade99@gmail.com](mailto:sarojjade99@gmail.com)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Ms. Susmitha. K.**, Staff Nurse, Chittoor Campus, passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

• **Mrs. Vasundhra Devi Asirvatham**, retired supervisor in ALC Department, wife of late Rev. Philip Asirvatham, retired former Telugu Chaplain, Chaplaincy Department, mother of Mrs. Pushpa Louis, retired staff, PRO Department, Mr. Mathew Asirvatham, retired Training Officer, RUHSA Department, grandmother of Mrs. Preeti Tabitha Louis, Lecturer in College of Nursing, passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Rajan Devavaram. K.**, retired Asst. Director of Statistics, father of Mr. R. Dinesh, In-charge, Communications Department, passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

• **Mr. C. Durai Raj**, retired Headmaster, father of Mr. D. Samuel Raja, Senior Librarian, Dodd Memorial Library passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. D. Chandrabai, daughter-in-law Mrs. Tamilaga Ponvalivu, grand childrens Mr. Jim Jebastin, Ms. Jasmine Jebamalar, II Year B.Sc. Nursing Student and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Baktha Jeyasingh**, retired Sr. Accounts Officer, Accounts Department, husband of Mrs. Mercy Jeyasingh, Charge Nurse, Shalom Family Medicine, passed away on 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

Let us uphold his son, brother Mr. Cladston Joseph, Accounts Officer, sisters Ms. Mary Samadhanam, Staff Nurse, CHAD, Ms. Margaret Thatcher, Staff Nurse, B.Sc., A-Block and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Sivanandam C.**, father of Ms. Subalakshmi S., Sel.Gr.III, Medical Assistant working in M.S. Office passed away on 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## **Situations Vacant**

**1. Assistant Professor Gr.II with M.S. (ENT) + 2 years fellowship in Head and Neck Surgery for the Department of Head and Neck Surgery Unit-II**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

**2. Senior Resident with MS (Ophthalmology) for the Department of Ophthalmology**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **June 19, 2021** for Items 1 and 2.

**3. Project Manager for the Department of Haematology**

**Job Code : 1366**

Qualification : BAMS / BDS/ BHMS / M.Sc. / PG Degree with postgraduate in Clinical Research of Health or Life Sciences.

Mode of appointment : Project mode. Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : Below 35 years.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>/→General →Vacancies →Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the Job Code either by soft copy to [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002 on or before **June 19, 2021** for Item 3. **Note : Please mention the Job Code in the application form. Applications without Job Code will not be accepted.**

**4. Sr. Chaplain Gr.V for the Chaplaincy Department**

Qualifications : Graduate + B.D., Preferable : Ordination.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **June 28, 2021** for Item 4.

**5. Non Technical Assistant for the Communication Engineering Department**

Qualification : Any Graduate + 1 year CMC Training Passed.

Age Limit : 35 years and below. Stipend : As per institutional norms.

Preference will be given to those who have successfully completed one year training in CMC.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Non Technical Assistant".

Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.

**6. Assistant Engineer (Diploma) in the branches of Electricals / Mechanical / Environmental / Civil / Biomedical / Communication.**

Qualifications : Diploma (Full time) in Electricals / Mechanical / Environmental / Civil / Biomedical / Communication.

Age Limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated Stipend : Rs.16,950/-.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : Asst. Engineer (Diploma).

Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.

**7. Assistant Engineer (Degree) in the branches of Electricals / Mechanical / Environmental / Civil / Biomedical / Communication.**

Qualifications : B.E. / B.Tech. or B. Arch (Full time) in Electricals / Mechanical / Environmental / Civil / Biomedical / Communication.

Age Limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated Stipend : Rs.30,725/-. Icon : Asst. Engineer (Degree).

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies".

Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.

Apply on or before **June 17, 2021** for Item 5 and **July 09, 2021** for Items 6 and 7.



*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord, As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

*Isaiah 55:8-9*



# CMC NEWSLINE

JUNE 21, 2021

## CME on Osteoporosis: A Synopsis for the GP

The Department of Endocrinology and the Department of Continuing Medical Education conducted a TNMC-accredited online CME on Osteoporosis: A Synopsis for the GP on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

Dr. Nitin Kapoor gave a clear and succinct presentation covering the impact of osteoporosis, screening in primary care settings, and cost-effective diagnostic and therapeutic strategies.

Dr. Judy Ann John, Professor and Head, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Unit - I, contributed her expertise in facilitating the Question-Answer Session.

We thank Dr. Nitin Kapoor Dr. Judy Ann John for their scientific contributions and Mrs. Hasna and the Department of Telemedicine for technical support.



## Events from the Department of Radiology

The Department of Radiology and the Department of Continuing Medical Education conducted two TNMC-accredited CMEs. The CME titled "The Chest X-ray in the Patient with Cough: The Good, The Bad, and The Deadly" was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> April, and the second CME titled "The Chest X-ray in the Patient with Chest Pain: The Good, The Bad, and The Deadly" took place on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

Dr. Shalini Sahu was the speaker for the first CME held on 24<sup>th</sup> April and the session was ably moderated by Dr. Richa Gupta, Professor and Head, Department of Respiratory Medicine. Dr. Matthew Monachen delivered his talk at the second CME held on 15<sup>th</sup> May and Dr. Viji Samuel, Professor, Department of Cardiology, shared his expertise as moderator.

These online CMEs aimed at the level of doctors working in mission hospitals, other peripheral hospital, GPs and junior doctors, were well received by the participants and appreciated for their emphasis on fundamental principles applied to the interpretation of a wide range of radiographs. We thank Dr. Aparna Shyamkumar, Panelist and facilitator, and the Department of Telemedicine for making the programme possible.

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Civil Engineering :**

Mr. V. Sankar and Staff

**Planning Engineering :**

Mrs. Nirmala Samuel and Staff

**Mechanical Engineering :**

Mr. T. Prasad and Staff

**Electrical Department :**

Mrs. Sarala Stanley and Staff

**Air Conditioning Engineering :**

Mr. Eswaran and Staff

**Environmental Engineering :**

Mr. K.R. Ramakrishnan and Staff

**Electronic Engineering:**

Mr. Arul Prakash and Staff

**Communications :**

Er. David Chandran and Staff

Mr. Dinesh and Staff

**CSI Rayalaseema Diocese :**

Council Members:

Dr. B. Wesley

Dr. G. Augustine Raj

Hospitals: CSI Arogyavaram Medical Centre, Arogyavaram and MLL Hospital, Madanapally and others

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### Welcome

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**Mrs. Mary Anbarasi Johnson**, Professor, College of Nursing, on her return from sabbatical leave.

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### Memoranda

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- **Dr. Shalini Nair**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Neuro-ICU with effect from 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Surekha Viggswarpu's** term as Head of the Department of Geriatrics is extended till 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.
- **Dr. Gopinath K.G.**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Geriatrics with effect from 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 for a four year term.

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### Retirements

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- **Mrs. Gunasundari**, Sr.Gr. Nursing Auxiliary retired on 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 after serving this institution for 39 years. She completed her Nursing Auxiliary training course from CMC in March 1982. She was working in OR since 1982. She is a person of great integrity and reliable. She was committed to her work and showed interest in learning new skills.

Her husband, Mr. R. Kumar is having his own business. Her 1<sup>st</sup> daughter Miss Hemavathy finished B.Tech. (Biomedical) in VIT, Vellore and is preparing for M.Tech. 2<sup>nd</sup> daughter Ms. Sneha is studying 1<sup>st</sup> year B.Sc. Nursing in College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore.

- **Mrs. Rita Antony Das**, Sr. Gr.I Clerk Typist, CHIPS, retired on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021, after 30 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband, Mr. Luke Antony Das is retired staff of PATC. Their daughter, Ms. Pavithra Agnello has finished her MSW and is married.



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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### Obituaries

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- **Dr. Elwin Vedamony** (MBBS batch of 1970) on 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Dr. Elwin Vedamony was born on 12<sup>th</sup> April, 1949 to Pastor and Mrs. Gnanakkan Vedamony in Bangalore, as the fourth child of a family of five children, comprising three boys and two girls. After his early education in Kudikkadu and high school education at Lowry Memorial High School, Dr. Elwin went on to Spicer Memorial College to do his premedical studies.

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## Obituaries

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He joined Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore, to do MBBS in 1970. In 1983, Dr. Elwin married Dr. Jaya Hutton who is also a medical doctor who graduated from CMC (MBBS batch of 1978). Dr. Elwin returned to CMC and completed his post-graduate studies in Orthopaedic surgery. Dr. Elwin worked as a medical doctor in several Adventist mission hospitals for 35 years.

Dr. Elwin's mission services touched several Adventist hospitals: SDA Hospital, Ranchi, as Medical Director, METAS Adventist Hospital, Surat, Ruby Nelson Memorial Hospital, Jalandhar, Simla Sanitarium and Hospital, Simla, Pune Adventist Hospital, Pune, Giffard Memorial Hospital, Nuzividu and SDA Hospital, Ottapalam.

During his tenure, Dr. Elwin started the School of Nursing and School of Medical Records Technology at SDA Hospital, Ranchi. He was known as a person of integrity and was "true to duty as needle to the pole." Countless people have been treated and blessed by his service. He retired from mission service in 2007 and continued his service in Nuzividu for another 3 years.

Quiet by nature, Dr. Elwin was studious and meticulous. He was an avid reader and was knowledgeable in many topics. Dr. Elwin was a Bible scholar too, who articulated his Sabbath School lesson studies, Children Sabbath school powerpoint, Sermons and Bible seminars with passion and clarity. He was also passionate about his medical ministry and served the people selflessly and tirelessly.

Drs. Elwin and Jaya moved to Vellarada near Trivandrum to continue their work at RM Devi Hospital, a charitable trust hospital situated at the border of Kerala and Tamil Nadu. He was a consultant and also helped out in the teaching program in the College of Nursing at the same hospital.

Drs. Elwin and Jaya have two grown children Joel and Janelle, daughter-in-law Sarla, and two precious grandchildren Lyla and Levi.

About a month ago, Dr. Elwin suffered from a urinary infection and eventually contracted CoVID-19 despite being fully vaccinated. Dr. Elwin Jeyaraj Vedamony rested in the Lord on June 13, 2021 after a battle with CoVID-19 at a hospital in Trivandrum, Kerala.

Now he rests in peace, waiting for the resurrection day. Dr. Elwin has been a pillar of strength to his own family and to his extended family members, both in India and abroad. May the hope of Jesus' second coming and of resurrection, keep our hearts awaiting the great reunion with him and all those who have gone before us. As the Word of God says, "Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

For those who would like to contact the family, the details are as follows :

Dr. Jaya Vedamony (wife), Mobile : +91 97460 11678, Email : [jayavedamony@gmail.com](mailto:jayavedamony@gmail.com)

Mr. Joel Vedamony (son), Mobile: 8220094922, Email : [joelvedamony@yahoo.com](mailto:joelvedamony@yahoo.com)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

- **Mrs. D.Chandrabai**, mother of Mr. D. Samuel Raja, Senior Librarian, DODD Memorial Library on 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Let us uphold her daughter-in-law Mrs. Tamilaga Ponvalivu, grand children, Mr. Jim Jebastin, Ms. Jasmine Jebamalar, II Year B.Sc., Nursing Student and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

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## Admission Notice

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### Medical Post-Doctoral Fellowship Admissions – 2021

The last date for submission of online application for Post-Doctoral Fellowship Courses has been extended till 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Please refer the admission bulletin available at our website : <http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in/>

Relevant enclosures / documents, should reach the Office of the Registrar not later than **2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021**.

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### Situations Vacant

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#### 1. Assistant Research Officer (Term Post) for the Department of Radiation Oncology

Qualification : M.Sc in Medical Physics (AERB recognised) or M.Sc. Physics with Dip. Radiological Physics (BARC) and eLORA Radiation Professional registration number.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

#### 2. Senior Resident with MD (Paediatrics) for the Developmental Paediatrics Unit

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (subject to availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: “Vacancies”. **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **June 26, 2021** for Items 1 and 2.

#### 3. Centre for Stem Cell Research (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru) & Christian Medical College, Vellore.

Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR) (a unit of inStem, Bengaluru), in collaboration with Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore invites applications for the Junior Research Fellow to work in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research.

##### Junior Research Fellow (JRF)

**Job Code : 1380**

Qualification : M.Sc. and M.Tech Life Sciences / Biochemistry / Biotechnology Candidates with minimum of 55% of marks. Preference will be given to the candidates with CSIR / UGC / DBT / ICMR junior research fellowships.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Accommodation not provided.

For more details of the positions and the application forms visit <http://www.cscr.in/research-opportunities> Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to: [cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:cscrcedu@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **July 05, 2021** for Item 3.

#### 4. Medical Officer for the RUHSA Department

Qualifications : MBBS + 9 years recognised appropriate experience (or) MBBS + Diploma + 7 years recognised appropriate experience.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: “Vacancies”. **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **July 05, 2021** for Item 4.



*To the Lord I cry aloud, and he answers me from his holy hill. Psalms 3:4*



# CMC NEWSLINE

**JUNE 28, 2021**

## **Vaccination as an emerging protection from COVID-19**

*Excerpts from the article about the CMC, Vellore study published in The Hindu dated June 11, 2021.*

“Our study shows that COVID-19 vaccines have a great benefit in reducing infection and severity of disease. Vaccination helps in breaking the chain of transmission,” says Dr. Joy J Mammen, Professor at the Department of Transfusion Medicine, CMC Vellore and the corresponding author of the paper.

“We were not able to individually study the efficacy of Covishield and Covaxin as only a few received Covaxin,” Dr. Mammen said. Though over 93% received Covishield, the study only shows that vaccinated individuals are better protected compared with unvaccinated individuals.

In total, 8991 (84.8%) health-care workers were vaccinated between January 21 and April 30 2021. A majority of them (nearly 8,400) received Covishield. The incidence of infection and hospitalisation was studied between February 21 and May 19.

- Not a single death was reported among the 8,958 vaccinated individuals, there was one death among the 1,609 unvaccinated health-care workers.
- Among the 7,080 health-care workers who received two doses, the vaccines offered 65% protection against infection, 77% protection against hospitalisation,
- 92% protection against the need for oxygen and 94% protection from ICU admission, among the fully vaccinated.
- Among the fully vaccinated individuals, infection was seen on average 47 days after the second dose.

The study found that even a single dose of COVID-19 vaccine offered significantly high protection against both infection and hospitalisation. In 1,878 health-care workers who received only one dose, protection against infection was 61%, while protection against hospitalisation was 70%. In the case of those needing oxygen care and ICU admission, the protection offered by a single dose was 94% and 95%, respectively. Among the 1,878 health-care workers who received only one dose, 200 (10.6%) were infected, while only 22 (1.2%) needed hospitalisation.

....Among the 1,609 health-care workers who had not received any vaccination, 438 (27.2%) got infected, while 64 (4%) needed hospitalisation. Eleven (0.7%) individuals who did not get any vaccine needed oxygen support and eight (0.5%) needed ICU care"

Ever since the second wave struck the world, CMC Vellore has been an efficient vaccine provider and promoter. We have been vaccinating as many staff a possible and is the centre for public as well.

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## Department of Urology conducted its 8<sup>th</sup> annual virtual Master Class

The Department of Urology conducted its 8<sup>th</sup> annual virtual Master Class for postgraduates on 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June 2021 in Telemedicine Hall. This is the oldest, most sought after and well attended program of its kind in the country. There were 245 final year postgraduates from across the country who registered for the event. The program had 630 active viewers. Fifteen distinguished faculty and Heads of Urology from various premier Centre's in India participated in this extremely popular and highly rated teaching programme. It included nine lectures on contemporary topics delivered by the teaching faculty of our department and 16 cases were discussed. There was an hour session on instruments. The participants gave an excellent feedback regarding the programme which was indeed gratifying.

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *Gastrointestinal Sciences :*

Dr. A.J. Joseph and Staff  
Mrs. Jasmin Anand and Staff

#### *Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology:*

Dr. A.J. Joseph and Staff  
Dr. Ebby George Simon and Staff  
Dr. Uday George Zachariah and Staff  
Mrs. Jasmin Anand and Staff

#### *Wellcome Trust Research Laboratory:*

Dr. C.E. Eapen and Staff

*Clinical Genetics :* Dr. Sumita Danda and Staff

#### *Jeypore Evangelical Lutheran Church*

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Asish Kumar Pal  
Dr. Hema Prabha Mohanty

Hospital : Christian Hospital, Nabarangpur and  
Bissamcuttack.

#### *Church Mission Society*

Council Members: Mr. Hugh Skeil  
Rev. Vinod Victor

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## Memoranda

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- **Dr. Vikram Mathews'**, term as Associate Director (Admin) is extended from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022.
- **Dr. Kurien Anil Kuruvilla's** term as Associate Director (Kannigapuram) is extended from 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022.
- **Dr. Anna B. Pulimood's** term as Principal is extended from 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022.
- The appointment of **Mr. David Chandran** as General Superintendent is extended from 17<sup>th</sup> July 2021 to 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022.
- **Dr. Sanjit Aaron**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Neurology with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Mohan Shashikant Kamath**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Reproductive Medicine & Surgery with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Rajesh I**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Radiation Oncology Unit-II with effect from 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 for a four year term.

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## Congratulations!

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- **Dr. Lallu Joseph**, Quality Manager & Associate General Superintendent has been elected as an institutional member to the Executive Board of the Asian Society for Quality in Health Care (ASQua) for the term 2021 to 2023. The Asian Society for Quality in Health Care (ASQua) is a network of National Societies from the Asian region and Australia dedicated to the improvement of quality in healthcare at national and international levels founded by a group of National Societies for quality in healthcare under the auspices of International Society for Quality in Healthcare (ISQua).
- **Dr. Rajan Sundaresan**, Professor, ENT-I has been conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy for his thesis entitled, "Modifying Post-Surgical Wound Healing" on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021 by the University of Adelaide, Australia.
- **Dr. Anjana Joel**, Associate Professor, Department of Medical Oncology won the following awards :  
(1) Best oral paper award at the 44<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Indian Cooperative Oncology Network (ICON) held on

## Congratulatory!

19<sup>th</sup> June 2021, for the paper titled "Do baseline mutant allele frequency (MAF) and MAF clearance at first follow up, predict survival outcomes among patients with advanced EGFR-m lung cancer.

(2) The "Young ICON competitive Molecular Oncology Grant" at the 44<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Indian Cooperative Oncology Network (ICON) held on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 for the research proposal titled "Serial monitoring of serum micro RNA 371p among patients with germ cell tumours: Can this guide escalation strategy and treatment course?"

## Obituary

**Dr. Shevanthi M.G. Bastiam Pillai** (MBBS batch of 1974) on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021. Born in 1955, Dr. Shevanthi started her schooling in Colombo and finished at Spicer Memorial High School, Pune, India. She joined the MBBS course at Christian Medical College, Vellore, in 1974. She went on to complete her post graduate degree (MD) in General Medicine from the University of Colombo, specialised in Cardiology & completed a Master's in Education from Queen's University, Belfast.



Dr. Shevanthi worked in Kandy, Colombo & Northern Ireland & retired from Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast. After many years as a consultant devoted to clinical service and teaching both undergraduates as well as postgraduates, increasing incapacitation from lifelong arthritis limited her physically but left her spirit untouched. She took over the role of lead specialist in echocardiography, was involved in research on coronary artery abnormalities in Northern Ireland & continued to treat, mentor, teach and guide. She looked out for the student who needed emotional support, for the immigrant who was yet to settle in, or the young woman with marital problems, always catering to mind and soul. Her plans for retired life included extending her work in the community as 'doctor on call' for church led initiatives.

Dr. Shevanthi was a mighty witness to her Lord. She was an active member of the church, led Bible studies & was a regular speaker at Sabbath School. Her deep, abiding faith and extensive theological knowledge never got in the way of unceasing altruism & love for the neighbour in need. Extremely generous with her time and money, she never let the left hand know what the right hand was doing. Dr. Shevanthi was a consummate cook, avid gardener & was known for her legendary hospitality. One of the many ways in which Dr. Shevanthi ministered, was through music. She was formally trained in music & was awarded a silver medal from Trinity College London for the degree examination. She conducted choirs, tolerated the attempts of her batchmates to sing at Christmas Carol services, class prayers and alumni reunions. With equal ease, she encouraged where necessary, aborted fits of giggling among batchmates and valiantly drowned out mistakes with accompaniment on piano or accordion.

Dr. Shevanthi is survived by her daughter, a brother and a sister. Her musical ability and deep faith live on in her daughter, Archana. Shevanthi or Shev as she was fondly known, had retired in 2019, from a lifetime of the practice of cardiology in Belfast and was visiting family in Colombo, when the pandemic prevented her return. She succumbed within three weeks of contracting COVID-19. Throughout the period of illness, in Dr. Shevanthi's own words, she sought her Master's perfect will.

If there is anything that stands for who Dr. Shevanthi was, it is that challenges that came her way were transformed into stepping stones that enabled, not obstacles that hindered. The first verse of the hymn, Dr. Shevanthi desired to have sung at her funeral, typifies the undergirding of her life....

“Through all the changing scenes of life,  
In trouble & in joy,  
The praises of my God shall still  
My heart & tongue employ”.

If and when we have a contact detail of the family, we shall inform the alumni. Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

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## Admission Notice

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Department of Hospital Management Studies, Staff Training & Development in joint collaboration with the Department of Bioethics and Distance Education Unit as well as The Centre for Bioethics (TCB), New Delhi are planning to start admissions for the Post Graduate Diploma in Christian Bioethics (PGDCBE), a two year distance programme from this academic year onwards. The details of this course have also been included in this year's prospectus.

### CMC TCB PGDCBE 2021

Admission for the first batch of Post Graduate Diploma in Christian Bioethics (PGDCBE) two year distance education course offered in collaboration with The Centre for Bioethics (TCB), New Delhi and Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore is open. The programme details and application are available at [www.cmch-vellore.edu?News?Courses and Admissions](http://www.cmch-vellore.edu?News?Courses%20and%20Admissions)

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## Situations Vacant

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### 1. Medical Officer for the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU)

*Job Code: 1381*

Qualification : M.B.B.S / M.D. (Paediatrics) preferable.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to: [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy Address to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **July 12, 2021** for Item 1.

### 2. Jr. Accountant (Project Mode)

Qualification : B.Com + one year computer training.

Age limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated stipend : Rs.18,034/-.

### 3. Jr. Artisan (Carpenter / Welder) (Project Mode)

Qualification : 10<sup>th</sup> + one year ITI trade certificate.

Age limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated stipend : Rs.13,668/-.

Preference will be given to the candidates with 2 years experience.

### 4. Jr. Artisan (Fitter) (Project Mode)

Qualification : S.S.L.C. + two years Govt. ITI.

Age limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated stipend : Rs.14,773/-.

Preference will be given to the candidates with 2 years experience in Hospitals.

### 5. Assistant Boiler Attendant (Project Mode)

Qualification: S.S.L.C. + two years Govt. ITI. + 2<sup>nd</sup> class certificate of competency under the Indian Boilers Act.

Age limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated stipend : Rs.16,950/-.

Preference will be given to the candidates with 2 years experience.

### 6. Jr. Mechanic (Electronics / A.C. / Instrument) (Project Mode)

Qualification: S.S.L.C. + two years Govt. ITI.

Age limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated stipend : Rs.14,773/-.

Preference will be given to the candidates with 2 years experience in Hospitals.

### 7. Jr. Electrician (Project Mode)

Qualification: S.S.L.C. + two years Govt. ITI + 'B' Licence.

Age limit : 30 years and below. Consolidated stipend : Rs.14,773/-.

Preference will be given to the candidates with 2 years experience in Hospitals.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies".

**Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.** Apply on or before **July 12, 2021** for Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.



Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. *Proverbs 16:3*



# CMC NEWSLINE

JULY 05, 2021

## Congratulations!

### CEOWORLD Magazine : CMC Vellore World Ranking

The CEOWORLD magazine has published their world rankings for the best medical schools for the year 2021. The Christian Medical College, Vellore has been conferred with the 49<sup>th</sup> rank with a score of 80.83. The small town of Vellore stands tall as a shining beacon of health care and medical education in the world ranking. The CEOWORLD magazine with a view of over 12 million is the world's leading business magazine for CEO's, CFOs, high-level executive professionals, business leaders, and high net worth individuals.

46	Emory School of Medicine	Atlanta, Georgia	US	81.46
47	Faculty of Medicine - The University of Tokyo	Tokyo	Japan	81.08
48	UBC Faculty of Medicine	Vancouver	Canada	80.96
49	Christian Medical College	Vellore	India	80.83
50	University of California, Irvine School of Medicine	Irvine, California	US	80.78
51	Faculty of Medicine - University of Amsterdam	Amsterdam	Netherlands	80.68
52	Monash School of Medicine	Melbourne	Australia	80.11

### India Today Ranking

In the India Today ranking on India's best medical colleges, CMC, Vellore is ranked third in the nations list of colleges.



### B.Sc (Bachelor of nursing)

Rank	2021
1	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi
2	Christian Medical College, Vellore
3	College of Nursing, Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research (JIPMER), Puducherry
4	Manipal College of Nursing
5	Armed Forces Medical College, Pune
6	Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh
7	Sri Ramachandra College of Nursing, Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research, Chennai
8	Madras Medical College, Chennai
9	College of Nursing, Lady Hardinge Medical College, Delhi
10	Institute of Nursing, King George's Medical University, Lucknow

### Education World

Top Ten Institutes for most Popular Undergraduate Courses-under this category, the College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore has been ranked second.

## Congratulatory!

### • India Today's Ranking for Private Colleges with subsidised Educational Fees.

The issue dated 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 also contains an interview taken of Dr. Anna B. Pulimood, Principal and Ms. Sara Jacob, final year student.

TOP 10 PRIVATE COLLEGES WITH LOWEST FEES			
RANK	COLLEGE	CITY	COURSE FEES* FOR ENTIRE DURATION (₹)
1	CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL (CMC)	Vellore	1,57,880
2	MAHATMA GANDHI INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES	Wardha	6,74,550
3	ARMY COLLEGE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES	New Delhi	19,44,000
4	DAYANAND MEDICAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL	Ludhiana	25,60,597
5	ST JOHN'S MEDICAL COLLEGE	Bengaluru	26,13,500
6	PSG INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES & RESEARCH	Coimbatore	34,80,000
7	DR PINNAMARENI SIDDHARTHA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES & RESEARCH FOUNDATION	Vijayawada	37,21,250
8	CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE, LUDHIANA	Ludhiana	40,59,365
9	M.S. RAMAIAH MEDICAL COLLEGE	Bengaluru	41,52,885
10	MAHARASHTRA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL EDUCATION & RESEARCH MEDICAL COLLEGE, TALEGAON DABHADE	Pune	47,25,000

July 04 - 10, 2021

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Dietary** : Dr. Samuel N.J. David and Staff  
Mrs. Manimegalai B. and Staff

**Dermatology** : Dr. Dincy Peter C.V. and Staff  
Dr. Dharshini S. and Staff  
Mrs. Ananda Ruby Jacob and Staff

**Assemblies of God in North India :**

Council Members : Mr. Sanjay Prasad  
Mr. Prabhakar David

Hospital : Mission of Mercy Hospital and  
Research Centre, Kolkota

## Cochrane India, CMC Vellore Affiliate

In May 2021, Cochrane (Formerly Cochrane Collaboration) and CMC Vellore (Principal Dr. Anna Pulimood on behalf) signed a memorandum of understanding registering CMC Vellore as a Cochrane India Affiliate Center. Earlier we were the South Asian Cochrane Network Centre. Now the network has been revised as Cochrane India, with 9 centers chosen as Cochrane India Affiliate Centers.

The main aim of the center is to promote the use of evidence based medicine in decision making. We do this

by training and developing in systematic reviews as well as advocating the use of systematic reviews by policy makers at various levels. We help translate summaries of reviews in local languages as well as make simple plain-english summaries. We have center comprises the Clinical Epidemiology Unit (CEU), its project the BV Moses Centre (BVMC) as well as the department of Biostatistics.

There are many CMC faculty and students who have undergone training in systematic reviews. We invite members of the CMC Vellore faculty from any division in CMC to join us. You could learn systematic reviews, teach evidence based medicine, help make simple summaries in english or local language or help disseminate reviews of public health importance.

We hope the center serves its role in promoting the vision of CMC in building the kingdom of Christ.



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## Retirements

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• **Mrs. Chitra Udayakumar**, Sr.Gr. Nursing Auxiliary, is retired on 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 after serving this institution for 42 years. She completed Hospital Auxiliary course from CMC in 1979 and started working in Schell Eye Hospital. She continued to work in OR – Schell until her retirement. She is hard working and has good interpersonal relationship skills. She is knowledgeable about her work area and protocols. She was bestowed “The Best Nursing Auxiliary” award in the year 2011.



Her husband Mr. Udayakumar, is Clerk Typist retired from Microbiology Department, CMC, Vellore. Her daughter Miss Aswini, completed B.Sc. Zoology in DKM College, Vellore and further completed Laboratory Auxiliary Training in the Transfusion Medicine Department, CMC, Vellore.



• **Mrs. Elizabeth Rani**, Sr.Gr. Staff Nurse is retired on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021 after serving this institution for 20 years 8 months. She Completed General Nursing and Midwifery course from Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet in the year 1983 and worked as Staff Nurse in Scudder Memorial Hospital till 1987. She joined CMC in the year 1989 and worked in OR till 1996. She left CMC in 1996 and rejoined in the year 2000 and was working in Day care OR till date. She is sincere and faithful worker, skillful scrub and circulatory nurse. She had given innovative ideas for better functioning of the clinical unit.

Her husband, Mr. D.Santhosh Samuel is a retired Railway employee. Her 1<sup>st</sup> daughter Mrs. Deepa Dorathy, completed MCA in GTEC, Vellore (Gold Medalist) and is working as a Sr. Programmer in CHIPS department, CMC, Vellore, married to Dr. Praveen, BDS owning Prince Dental Clinic in Vellore. 2<sup>nd</sup> daughter Mrs. Angel Rebecca, completed M.Phil. in Computer Science and working as Lecturer in DKM College, Vellore, married to Mr. Sathish, M.Tech., working in a private company in Bangalore. She is blessed with 4 grandchildren.

• **Mrs. Vimala Backiaroyan**, Sr. Gr.I Telephone Operator, Telephone Exchange retired on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021, after nearly 38 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband, Mr. Backiaroyan is an Engineering Contractor in C.M.C. They have two daughters and a son. Their elder daughter, Mrs. Gladys Maria has completed her MBA and younger daughter, Ms. Shareen Stella is a Molecular Genetics Technician in Haematology, C.M.C and son, Mr. Charles Abraham is a Management Intern in C.M.C.



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God’s blessings on their retired life.

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## Obituaries

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• **Mr. G. Sekar**, husband of Mrs. Jayalakshmi, retired staff, Ortho Theatre Technician, father of Mr. Arul Selvan and Mr. Krishnamoorthy (former student BPT Batch of 2003), passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

• **Mr. T. Jeyaraj**, father of Mr. T. Sundararaj, Accounts Officer, Accounts Department and Mrs. J.Victoria, Staff Nurse, Urology OPD, grandfather of Dr. Creeper Elsi, (MBBS 2015 batch) and Dr. Jerlin Susanna, (MBBS 2012 batch) passed away on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the families in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

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## Situations Vacant

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**1. Assistant Professor with M.Ch. (Trauma Surgery)** for the **Department of Trauma Surgery**

Salary : As per Institutional Rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**2. Senior Resident with M.S. (General Surgery)** for the **Department of General Surgery Unit-II (Colorectal)**

Salary : As per Institutional Rules. Accommodation provided: (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

**3. Associate Professor** with MD (TB and Chest Diseases / TB and Respiratory diseases/Pulmonary / Respiratory Medicine) / DNB (Respiratory Medicine / TB & Chest Diseases), MD (Medicine) with DTCD acceptable according to the MCI norms and regulations for the **Department of Respiratory Medicine**

## Situations Vacant

Experience : Should have five years teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution with 2 papers published during the Asst. Professor period (as per the latest NMC guidelines).

Salary : As Per Institutional Rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **July 10, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **July 17, 2021** for Item 3.

#### 4. Medical Officer for the Paediatric Unit-III

**Job Code: 1382**

Qualification : M.B.B.S.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Age Limit : Below 40 Years.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to: [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **July 09, 2021** for Item 4.

#### 5. Lab Technician (External Designation-Project) for the Department of Clinical Heamatology

Qualification : B.Sc., MLT with first class/ B.Sc. Life science with first class. Preference will be given to PG Diploma (Molecular Genetic/Cytogenic Technician) holders. Age Limit : 35 years

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Job description: to work in project

#### 6. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Radiation Therapy

Qualification : H.Sc. with Diploma in Radiotherapy Technology / B.Sc. in Radiotherapy Technology from any recognised University approved by AERB.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **July 12, 2021** for Item 5 and **July 19, 2021** for item 6.

#### 7. Manager for Development Office (Project Mode)

Qualification : B.E. / B.Tech. / MBBS + MBA. Finance, HR, HA, MM, / MHA. M.Phil. HHSM / PGDM / PGDBA 2 years full time course-approved by AICTE and certified by AIU as equivalent to MBA and 12 years experience. Consolidated Salary : Rs.86,728/-.

Please log on to : [www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in](http://www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in) Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Manager".

**Only Online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Apply on or before **July 10, 2021** for Item 7.

#### 8. Officer (Fund Raising) on Project Mode for Development Office

Qualification : Any Postgraduate Degree. Consolidated Salary : Rs.35,100/-.

Candidates with minimum 10 years experience in fundraising or social work only can apply.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Officer".

**Only Online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Apply on or before **July 10, 2021** for Item 8.

#### 9. Jr. Engineer (Project Mode)

Qualification : D.M.E. Consolidated Salary : Rs.25,712/-.

Please log on to : [www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in](http://www.home.cmcvellore.ac.in) Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Engineer".

**Only Online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Apply on or before **July 07, 2021** for Item 9.



*Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.*

*Matthew 7:7-8*



# CMC NEWSLINE

**JULY 12, 2021**

## **Excerpts from the 'Study on the Not-for-Profit Hospital Model in India' by NITI Aayog**

In the recent study conducted by NITI Aayog on the Not-for-Profit hospitals in India, CMC, Vellore was included as a part of their case study. The NITI Aayog is a State-of-the-Art Resource Centre, of the Indian Government equipped with the necessary resources, knowledge and skills, that will enable it to act with speed, promote research and innovation, provide strategic policy vision for the government, and deal with contingent issues.

The 44 page study published in the June 2021 issue is a well-written clear analysis of the significance of the Not-for-Profit hospitals and about their challenges and future developments. Few excerpts from the study is published in this issue which will talk about the definition of a Not-for-Profit hospital. Excerpts on the four types of such a set-up, the analysis and challenges faced by these hospitals will be published in the forthcoming issues.

*“The “Not-for-Profit” Hospital Sector has the reputation of providing affordable and accessible healthcare for many years.”* Says Dr. Vinod K. Paul, a member of NITI Aayog ; in his forward to the edition.

*“This sector has done yeoman service over the years with some institutions from even before Independence. Although various institutions have been established for different purposes, this sector provides not only **curative healthcare**, but also **preventive healthcare**, and links healthcare with **social reform, community engagement, and education**. They utilize the resources and grants provided to them by the Government to provide **cost effective healthcare** to the population without being overly concerned about profits.”*

With this as the background the study aims at exploring this sector of hospitals, *“to understand the operating model of some of the prominent institutions across the country, including their premise of service, human resource availability, cost containment levers, and the challenges they face. This study will facilitate policymakers in deciding how they can assist this sector to sustain, grow, and in turn, help reach the unreached sections of society.”*

A Not-for-Profit hospital does not make profits for its owners from the funds collected for patient services.

The service fees are generally lower than for-profit hospitals and the income from fees are reinvested in the hospital.

Not-for-Profit hospitals are a potential remedy to the challenges of unavailability and unaffordability of healthcare in India.

## Excerpts from the 'Study on the Not-for-Profit Hospital Model in India' by NITI Aayog

With the over whelming population of 1.380 billion or 1.380 million or 138 crore people in 2020, quality resources including basic health care is not accessible to a large portion of the population. Apart from the public services, the private hospitals are playing a great role in trying to meet the needs of the population which includes the for profit hospital and the Not-for-Profit hospitals.

*“Private hospitals are largely divided into “for-profit hospitals,” which account for 23.3% of treated ailments and “not-for-profit hospitals,” which account for only 1.1% of treated ailments, as of June 2018”.*

**Following week we will cover the types of Not-for-Profit hospitals and CMC, Vellore as a faith based hospital.**

They create a perception of goodwill in the country through selfless healthcare services with a social cause, community engagement programs for education, vocational training, hygiene, sanitation, women's empowerment and employment.

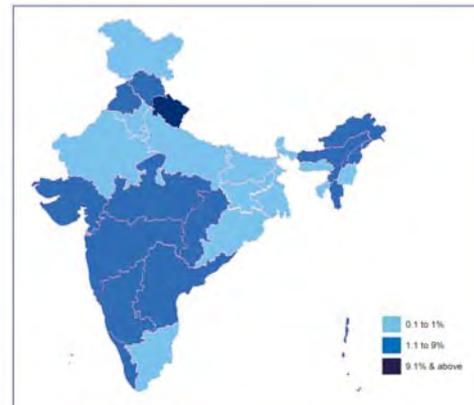


Fig.5: Percentage of treated ailments (OPD) by Not-for-Profit Hospitals state-wise

Source: NSS 75th round survey

## Food for Thought Save the Saviours

Primum non nocere - “first, do no harm”

If only the phrase could work both ways, literally.

A conventional day - ward rounds, post rounds work, sending samples, fixing radiology appointments, admissions, discharges, forever grounded in the casualty with a patient and spasmodic sprint to the canteen to catch up with our gastric juices.

Where does “Happy” fit in this ?

The dictionary defines a doctor as one who is trained and licensed to heal the sick or injured. As would be the instance with any other profession, our status is achieved through our work.

Would we jeopardize that ?

The greatest satisfaction for a doctor is when a patient walks out of the ward “cured”.

A doctor may or may not be patient, but as a doctor, he will always have patients.

Admittedly, the adjective form of the word, is applied almost always only sparingly in our day to day lives. After all “To err is human.....”

Breaking the gender and age barrier, the contrasting homo sapiens, in the field are under an oath to save lives, to prevent diseases whenever they can, treat patients with empathy, to apply trained skills for prevention and cure and to experience the joy in healing.

Would it be challenging if that favour were returned ?

‘The Best Way to Find Yourself Is To Lose Yourself In The Service of Others’ said Mahatma Gandhi. We have come in terms with being lost in the service, but to find ourselves in the process, seems to be on the other end of the rainbow.

Save the Saviours, the theme for the year 2021, seems a farce in the current situation, bringing to mind the saying, “An apple a day keeps the doctor away”.

Well if you aim it right and throw it hard enough it certainly would.

**Dr. Hannah Alice**

PG Registrar, Dept. of Dermatology

## Congratulations !

• **Dr. Garima Upreti**, Post Doctoral Fellow in ENT- Head Neck and Skull Base Surgery has won the first prize in the surgical webinar of OTOFRONT 2020 held from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> December 2020 organised by AFMC, Pune. 2

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*General Pathology* : Dr. Geeta Chacko and Staff

*Forensic Medicine* : Dr. Mousumi Sen and Staff

*Cytogenetics* : Dr. Mary Purna Chacko and Staff

*Council of Baptist Churches in North East India*

Council Members : Rev. Dr. Akheto Sema  
Dr. Bamin Tada

Hospital : Satribari Christian Hospital, Guwahati

*Johart Christian Medical Centre*

*Tura Christian Hospital*

*Christian Hospital, Babupara and others*

*Eastern Regional Board of Health Services*

Council Members : Dr. Minal K. Nanda  
Mr. Milind Gude

Hospital : Evangelical Hospital, Khariar

*Christian Hospital, Mungeli and others*

*Friends of Vellore, U.K.*

Council Members : Dr. Dayalan Clarke  
Mrs. Ruth Tuckwell

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### Retirement

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**Mrs. Esther Aaron**, Senior Librarian, Grade-I of Florence Taylor Memorial Library, College of Nursing superannuated on the 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 after thirty eight years of dedicated service to the institution. She started her career as a part time Departmental Librarian in the Department of Neurological science in 1983 and moved on to be the librarian in the College of Nursing in 1986. She obtained Bachelor of Library and Information Sciences and Masters from Madras University.

Mrs. Esther Aaron worked meticulously along with her colleagues towards the expansion of the Library with upgraded facilities and was instrumental in planning and designing the Florence Taylor Memorial Library in the new College of Nursing, Kagithapattarai Campus which was built with the ASHA Grant. She was diligent in improving the resources in the library by adding books and journals along with the suggestions given by the faculty and was ready to render help to the students and faculty in finding the necessary references. She kept her knowledge up-to-date by participating in conferences and workshops and publishing papers.

Mrs. Esther is a simple, God fearing person, humble and slow to anger. Her husband, Mr. Aaron retired as a Non – Medical Supervisor from CHAD after 32 years of service. She is blessed with two children and two granddaughters. The CMC community is thankful to Mrs. Esther Aaron for her many years of sincere and faithful services and wishes her God’s blessings as she enters a new phase of life.

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### Obituaries

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• **Mrs. Rose**, mother of Mr. Elango, Engineer, RUHSA Department passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

• **Mrs. Rachel Evelyn Rajkumar**, Instructor Grade-I in Cytology, Department of General Pathology, passed away on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021. She joined the Department of General Pathology in September 1983 and headed the Cytology Laboratory for the past two decades.



Mrs. Rachel epitomized all the virtues of a perfect team member and leader. She taught several batches of technicians and post graduates for more than 3 decades. She was always hardworking, organized and ever willing to incorporate new methods. She embraced the new techniques of automation and was instrumental in training the technicians for on-site evaluation for Endoscopic and Endobronchial ultrasound guided fine needle aspiration cytology. Her high standards of quality and accuracy were appreciated by all. She was always cheerful and cared very lovingly for her Cytology family. She has left a very big void in the Department of Pathology and the institution which she served faithfully.

Let us uphold her husband Mr. Vincent Rajkumar, daughters Rebecca (Lecturer, Auxilium College), Abigail (Final year BOT student, CMC Vellore) and Karen (First year Respiratory Therapy, CMC Vellore) and all the bereaved family members in our prayers.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the families in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

## Notice

### Aunt Ida & College Hill Scholarships (2021 – 2022)

Applications are invited from CMC Group D staff whose children are studying Standard I to XII. Family income - Gross (Husband/Wife together) should not exceed Rs. 25,000/- per month. **Only one application will be accepted from a family.**

The application form may be printed from the attachment or from **CMC Intranet Home page**.

Last date to submit the filled in application form is **July 30, 2021**.

### அன்னை ஐடா மற்றும் காலேஜ் ஹில் கல்வி உதவித்தொகை 2021-2022

ஒன்றாம் வகுப்பு முதல் பன்னிரண்டாம் வகுப்பு வரை படிக்கும் சி.எம்.சி Group D ஊழியர்களின் பிள்ளைகளுக்கு கல்வி உதவித்தொகைக்கான விண்ணப்பங்கள் வரவேற்கப்படுகின்றன.

குடும்ப மாத வருவாய் (கணவன், மனைவி இருவருக்கும் சேர்த்து) ரூபாய் 25,000/-க்குள் இருக்க வேண்டும். ஒரு குடும்பத்துக்கு ஒரு விண்ணப்ப படிவம் மட்டுமே. இதனுடன் இணைக்கப்பட்ட விண்ணப்ப படிவத்தை CMC intranet Home page-ல் இருந்தும் பெற்றுக்கொள்ளலாம்.

பூர்த்தி செய்யப்பட்ட விண்ணப்பத்தை போதகப் பணித்துறையில் சமர்ப்பிக்கும் கடைசி நாள் ஜூலை 30, 2021.

Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas T.  
Head of Chaplaincy

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Assistant Professor with (MD / DNB Radiology) for the Department of Radiodiagnosis

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI / NMC recognised teaching institution.

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest MCI / NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 2. Assistant Professor with MD General Medicine / Pulmonary Medicine / Anaesthesia + 2 years special training in Critical Care (Fellowship in CMC only) or DM in Critical Care Medicine for the Division of Critical Care Medicine (Medical ICU / HDU)

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 3. Senior Resident with MD (General Medicine) for the Department of General Medicine Unit - I

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 4. Senior Resident with MD (Community Medicine) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

Salary : As per Institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 5. Senior Resident with MD (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit - I

Salary : As per Institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 6. Senior Resident with MD (RT) for the Palliative Care Unit

Salary : As per Institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 7. Lecturer Gr.III (AHS) for the Department of Prosthetics & Orthotics (P.M.R)

Qualification : Master in Prosthetics & Orthotics (MPO).

Experience : Should have 5 years of teaching experience in Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) recognised Prosthetic & Orthotic Institution along with 3 publications.

Salary: As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 8. Senior Resident Gr.III with MD / DNB (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Anaesthesia

Salary : As per Institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **July 16, 2021** for Item 1 and **July 17, 2021** for Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and **July 24, 2021** for Items 7 and 8.

## Situations Vacant

### 9. Professor with MS (General Surgery) for the Department of General Surgery Unit - III

Experience : Should have at least nine years of teaching experience (five years of Assistant Professor followed by four years of Associate Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution with papers published as per the latest NMC guidelines). Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Apply to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, email : [princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.staff@cmcvellore.ac.in) with bio-data, certificates, testimonial copies contact number email ID and address on or before **July 17, 2021** for Item 9.

### 10. Medical Officer, Project YUVA, Adolescent Medicine for the Department of Paediatrics. Project YUVA is an adolescent health education programme in schools and community in Vellore District and through a mobile App. for the Paediatrics Unit-III Job Code :1383

Qualification : M.B.B.S. and above. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to: [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy Address to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **August 09, 2021** for Item 10.

### 11. Medical Officer – 2 Nos. for the Department of Community Health Job Code :1384

Qualification : M.B.B.S. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : Rs.60,000/-. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to: [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **August 02, 2021** for Item 11.

### 12. Technical Assistant (Project) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

Qualifications : Graduate with 1 year In-Service training.

Note : Only Recognised University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

### 13. Technical Assistant (Project) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Casualty Unit)

Qualifications : B.Sc. (Emergency Care Technician Course) with one year Internship.

Note : Only Recognised University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

### 14. Assistant Social Worker (Project Mode) for the Department of Psychiatry Unit-I

Qualifications : Masters in Social Work (Medical and Psychiatric). Only candidates with atleast one year of clinical experience in managing psychiatric disorders need apply.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : Clinical Work in Psychiatry Unit-I.

### 15. Assistant Social Worker (Project Mode) for the Department of Medical Oncology

Qualifications : Masters in Social Work (Medical / Psychology) with good working knowledge of English / Tamil / Bengali and Hindi

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : Below 35 years.

## Situations Vacant

Job Description : 1. To assist patients to apply to the Prime Ministers, Chief Ministers relief fund, TNCMCHIS, Health insurance companies and other trust for financial help.  
2. To monitor, regulate and help with the treatment of patients in 'L' ward and Day care.  
3. To liaise with various philanthropic agencies and get financial help for our patients.

### 16. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Dermatology

Qualifications : H.Sc. with 2 Year DMLT (CMAI accredited will be given preference).

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

### 17. Graduate Technician Trainee for the Department of Paediatrics (Well Baby Clinic)

Qualifications : B.Sc. Graduate. Preference will be given to those who have prior work experience in hospital side.

Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : Below 30 years.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Job Description : To work Well Baby Immunization Clinic.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.** Applications will close on **July 26, 2021** for Items 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17.

### 18. Administrative Assistant for Paediatrics Unit - III (Project Mode)

Qualification : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA.

Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Administrative Assistant".

### 19. Study Co-ordinator for Paediatrics Unit - III (Project Mode)

Qualification : Master's Degree in Biological Sciences.

Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Study Co-ordinator".

### 20. Project Co-ordinator for Paediatrics Unit - III (Project Mode)

Qualification : Master's Degree + 1 year experience in office record's management.

Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Project Co-ordinator".

Apply on or before **July 19, 2021** for Items 18, 19 and 20.

### 21. Ida Scudder School, Vellore - 632 006, Tamil Nadu (Affiliated to the CISCE, New Delhi).

The school invites applications for the posts of **Senior School Teachers for History / Geography and Chemistry.**

Applicants must be post graduates proficient in English with B.Ed. and have adequate teaching experience. Apply to "The Correspondent" Ida Scudder School, No.1, Kalinjur Main Road, Viruthampet, Vellore – 632 006, Tamil Nadu, on or before **15<sup>th</sup> July, 2021** furnishing the CV, latest passport size photograph, photo copies of all the necessary certificates and other related documents, and contact details in the application format available at the school website [www.scudderschool.ac.in](http://www.scudderschool.ac.in)



Worship the Lord in the splendour of his holiness; tremble before him,  
all the earth.

Psalm 96:9



# CMC NEWSLINE

JULY 19, 2021

## Vaccinate Vellore! Campaign

*"Reach the Unreached" – Enabling communities to remain safe during the COVID-19 Pandemic*

**Vaccination for COVID-19**, in the first phase, began in CMC on the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021, free of cost from the Government for health care workers. In Phase 2, the Government made the vaccine available on a subsidised basis for the vulnerable population of 60 years and above and those above 45 years with co-morbidities. In all, we had together given more than 25000 doses of Covishield™ (the Oxford- AstraZeneca vaccine, manufactured in India by M/s Serum Institute of India - SII) and Covaxin™ (Indigenously developed vaccine manufactured by M/s Bharath Biotech Pvt Ltd, in India) with no major adverse events recorded from January to April 2021. Once the processes for direct purchase was notified, we purchased vaccines from M/s Serum Institute of India.



Vaccination camp at Nagal Village, KV Kuppam (RUHSA)



CHAD Hospital - awareness session

### Phase 3 Roll out:

As a commitment to the local community around us, CMC set apart some of the initial supply to provide vaccines to the rural and vulnerable population, targeting those who have difficulty in accessing the urban centres. Vaccines were provided free of cost through the four departments that work in the community.

In most areas, the Departments worked with community volunteers who have been associated with healthcare in their respective areas. Through education programs, they were motivated to take the vaccine and subsequently these volunteers helped to create awareness in their respective villages and enable roll out of the vaccine.

All the vaccination centres had teams with nursing, medical and social workers who were trained by the Emergency Department for resuscitation. Each centre was provided with cold chain equipment, ancillary medical equipment such as monitors and defibrillators, to manage any untoward reaction in recipients. An ambulance was stationed exclusively for facilitation of patient movement in an emergency.

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## Vaccinate Vellore! Campaign



Awareness camp for construction labourers at Kannigapuram (CONCH)

RUHSA started the community roll out on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021, followed shortly by CHAD, LCECU and CONCH on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2021. While RUHSA has been working in the villages around KV Kuppam, CHAD has begun to offer the service in the areas surrounding CHAD hospital (semi-urban and rural) as well as in their villages. CONCH has been providing vaccination to the labourers at CMC's new campus development site at Kannigapuram, as well as the surrounding villages and LCECU has been targeting the urban poor in their service area within the city.

**Together, the four units have delivered more than 4800 doses until 09<sup>th</sup> June 2021.**

## Excerpts from the 'Study on the Not-for-Profit Hospital Model in India' by NITI Aayog (Part-II)



The NITI Aayog, a State-of-the-art Resource Centre, of the Indian government in its recent 44 page study has done a study on the not-for-profit hospitals in India. The previous issue looked into the significance of a Not-for-Profit hospital. This issue will throw light on the four types of such a setup and how CMC, Vellore is a iconic example of a faith-based hospital.

### CMC, Vellore as a Faith-Based Hospital

According to the study a faith-based hospital works, *“on the premise that selfless service to the society is done as service to God. A noteworthy feature of all major faiths has been their emphasis on charity and sharing wealth with others, especially the poor. Throughout the ancient and medieval periods, voluntary activity found its natural expression through religions institutions. This concept further accelerated with the advent of western influence and presence in India. Individual missionaries or religious trusts have founded many such hospitals based on the principles of religions or deities.”*

### Features of a Faith-Based Hospital

Large number of general wards where underprivileged patients pay minimal costs and receive full/partial charity.

Some hospitals provide free services to all patients.

Economies of scale through high volumes allow low cost of care and internal cross-subsidization in services.

Serve in remote areas, where there is no access to quality healthcare - engage the local population through various projects on health and sanitation education, empowerment, vocational training, and so on.

Few private wards, where affording patients pay slightly more than basic costs.

Provide Secondary-Tertiary level of care, some even provide Quaternary care.

Doctors and staff sacrificially volunteer to serve for salaries, which are about 50% or more lower than other hospitals.

The capital expenditure, and at times, operational expenditure is funded by generous donations from devotees or from funds accumulated by the trusts.

## Excerpts from the 'Study on the Not-for-Profit Hospital Model in India' by NITI Aayog (Part-II)

One of the unique features of CMC is that its motto, *not to be ministered unto but to minister*, is sewn into the very fabric of its existence. With GOD as the central pivot, the hospital works towards selfless service to the marginalised. When Dr. Ida Scudder began medical service in the year 1900, she worked towards fulfilling her vision of doing God's work in a place where medical and health care was nil. When this college was built in the desolate town of Vellore, Dr. Ida said; *"First ponder, then dare. Know your facts. Count the cost. Money is not the important thing. What you are building is not a medical school. It is the Kingdom of God. Don't err on the side of being too small."*

Keeping true to this, till today the CMC, family has been building and developing this 'Kingdom of God'. The vision statement of the institution talks about; CMC being a healing ministry of Christ: *"The Christian Medical College, Vellore seeks to be a witness to the healing ministry of Christ, through excellence in education, service and research"*.

In all the three main components, faith is and will always be the underlying common principle. Service through faith can be seen in every aspect in the hospital. Apart from the three main campuses; town campus, Chittoor and Kannigapuram, the most significant are the periphery units of CMC (CHAD, RUHSA, LCECU, CONCH and Shalom). These units reach out to the poor and needy and offer high quality, holistic medical care at the lowest cost and most often free of cost too. The aim here is to make the same quality health care which is available to the affluent, accessible to the marginalised too.

### The four types of Not - for - Profit hospitals are :

- Faith -based hospitals
- Community-based hospitals
- Cooperative hospitals
- Private-trust hospitals

### Community-based Hospitals :

These hospitals are not necessarily influenced by any faith but operate on the premise that selfless service to the underprivileged will result in all-round social reform. Highly motivated doctors, or a team of likeminded doctors, desiring to give back to society, have founded many such hospitals, often in the same community where they were born /raised.

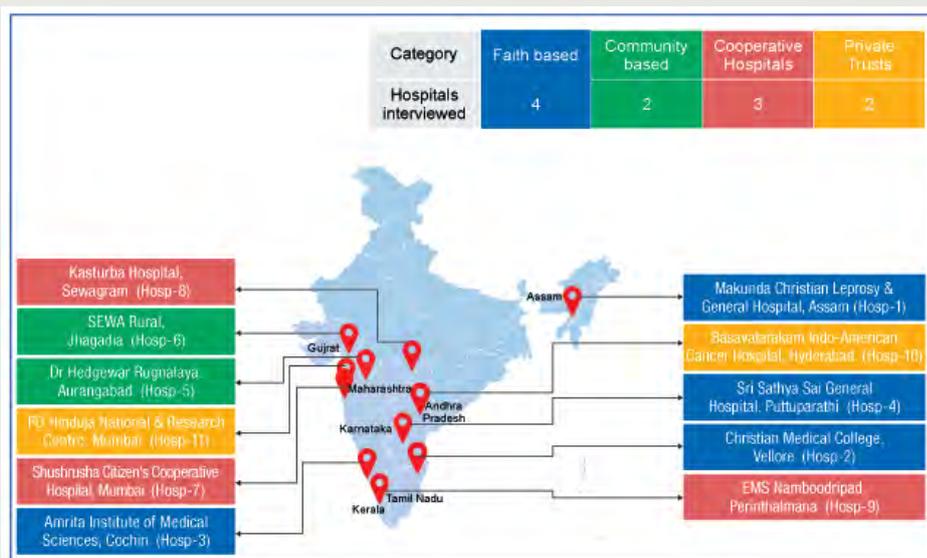
### c. Cooperative Hospitals :

These hospitals are set up on the premise of self-sufficiency in healthcare by self-participation. They believe that quality healthcare at an affordable cost (commensurate to the locality of the hospital) is a right of all citizens and can result in the overall benefit of both the hospital and its patients. Individual doctors or a likeminded team of doctors convinced of the same philosophy, have founded many such hospitals.

### d. Private Trust Hospitals :

These hospitals operate with the premise of no profit and no loss and are primarily located in Tier 1/ Tier 2 cities. Famous businessmen/ philanthropists/ politicians, have founded many such hospitals in response to social causes based on individually observed needs.

Following week we will talk about the challenges faced by the not-for-profit hospital and the ways and methods to promote them.



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July 18 - 24, 2021

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *Neurological Sciences :*

Dr. Baylis Vivek Joseph and Staff  
Dr. Christhunesa Soundararajan C. and Staff  
Dr. Sanjith Aaroon and Staff  
Dr. Krishna Prabhu R. and Staff  
Dr. Ranjith K. Moorthy and Staff  
Dr. Srinivasa Babu and Staff  
Dr. Geeta Chacko and Staff  
Dr. Maya Thomas and Staff  
Mr. Anirudha George and Staff  
Ms. Mercy Jesudoss and Staff

*Neuro ICU :* Dr. Shalini Nair and Staff  
Ms. Mercy Jesudoss and Staff

*Department of Infectious Diseases :*  
Dr. George M. Varghese and Staff

#### *CSI South Kerala Diocese*

Council Members : Dr. P. Stanly Jones  
Dr. J. Bennet Abraham

Hospital : Dr. Somervell Memorial CSI Medical College  
and Hospital, Karakonam and others.

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### Welcome

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**Mrs. Anandha Ruby Jacob**, Professor, College of Nursing, on her return from sabbatical leave.

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### Memoranda

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- **Dr. Suja Kurian**, Professor, will continue as Head of Psychiatry Unit-III with effect from 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Sunil Abraham**, Professor, will continue as Head of the Department of Family Medicine with effect from 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 until further notice.

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### Obituaries

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- **Mr. B. John Baskaran**, retired Clerk Typist, Department of Clinical Microbiology passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Sheela Janet and daughter Ms. Felicia Praisly Angelin and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mrs. Elizabeth Moses**, wife of Late Rev. John Moses, mother of Mrs. Hannah Paul, Senior Personnel Manager, PM Office, passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Let us uphold her son, two daughters, four grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mr. Paulraj**, father-in-law of Dr. Reeta Vijayaselvi, OG Department and father of Mr. Magizhan, passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Victoria and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

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### Situations Vacant

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- 1. Tutor with Ph.D. in Bio-Medical Sciences** (Preference will be given to the candidates who worked in molecular haematology) for the **Department of Clinical Haematology**  
Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.
- 2. Assistant Professor with MD (Paediatrics) + 2 Years special training in Paediatric Neurology (Fellowship in CMC only) or DM in Neurology / Paed. Neurology** for the **Department of Neurological Sciences (Paediatric Neurology)**  
Salary : As per institutional rules.  
Accommodation Provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).
- 3. Senior Resident with MD (Anatomy) for the Department of Anatomy**  
Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.  
Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).
- 4. Senior Resident with MD (Paediatrics) for the Department of Community Health**  
Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.  
Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).
- 5(a) Senior Resident with MCI-recognised postgraduate degree in MD Pathology / MD Transfusion Medicine** for the **Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology**  
Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.  
Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

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## Situations Vacant

### 5(b) Senior Resident Gr.III with MD Pathology / MD Transfusion Medicine for the Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **July 24, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **July 31, 2021** for Items 3, 4 and 5(a), 5(b).

### 6. Project Coordinator for the Centre for Stem Cell Research

**Job Code : 1385**

Qualification : MBBS / BDS / B.Sc. (Nursing) with MPH or MD (Community Medicine) or M.Sc. (Community Health Nursing) Desirable : • Experience in community based development / health programme at the district level • Knowledge of local language (Odiya).

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Accommodation not provided.

### 7. Associate Research Officer Gr.IV for the Department of Wellcome Research

**Job Code : 1386**

Qualification : M.Sc. in Life Sciences.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per CMC Scale.

Accommodation not provided.

### 8. Research Assistant for the Department of Clinical Microbiology

**Job Code : 1387**

Qualification : M.Sc. Bioinformatics / Life Sciences / B.Tech Biotechnology.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : Rs.31,000/- per month.

Accommodation not provided.

### 9. Scientist C (NM) for the Department of Clinical Microbiology

**Job Code : 1388**

Qualification : Ph.D. Bioinformatics / Life Sciences.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : Rs.50,000/- per month.

Accommodation not provided.

### 10. Research Assistant for the Department of Clinical Microbiology

**Job Code : 1389**

Qualification : M.Sc. Bioinformatics / Life Sciences.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : Rs.32,350/- per month.

Accommodation not provided.

### 11. Project Assistant for the Department of Radiation Oncology Unit-II

**Job Code : 1390**

Qualification : M.Sc. in any discipline of Sciences / B.Tech with minimum 65% marks or equivalent grade from any recognised University. Programming skills mandatory – preferably Python.

Experience : • Excellent communication skills both in verbal and writing in English • Be able to organise your own work with minimal supervision and prioritise work to meet deadlines • Experience in image processing or data science will be highly considered.

Job Description : The Radiation Oncology imaging lab uses radiological image descriptors (Radiomics) to investigate their role in predicting disease outcome in cancer. The successful candidate will contribute in projects with experiments related to image harmonization and machine learning based outcome prediction model development. The person will also assist in daily operations of the lab including co-ordinating patient recruitment and consent, basic image processing, organizing and performing statistical analyses on datasets from imaging, handling data back up and contributing to research proposals, articles, and presentations. Training and mentorship specific to the project will be provided.

Age Limit : Less than 35 years.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to : [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **August 02, 2021** for Items 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

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## Situations Vacant

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**12. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Hospital Infection Control Committee (M.S. Office)**

Qualifications : B. Pharm (Degree).

Appointment will be given only for pharmacists who have registered in the Tamil Nadu State Pharmacy Council. Preference will be given to Pharm D candidates with minimum 1-2 years of experience in Infection Control and Antimicrobial stewardship in a teaching tertiary care hospital. Candidates proficient in conducting audits, surveillance with good written, spoken English and computational analysis skills will be preferred.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 Years.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

**13. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Pharmacy Services and Peripheral Units (Vellore and Chittoor)**

Qualifications : D. Pharm / B. Pharm.

Candidates with typing and computer skills will be preferred.

Appointment will be given only for pharmacists who have registered in the Tamil Nadu State Pharmacy Council and who are completed 1 years traineeship in the Department of Pharmacy.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 Years.

Job Description : Dispensing of Drugs, Charging the prescription, receiving cash and other roles assigned.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Applications will close on **July 26, 2021** for Item 12 and **August 02, 2021** for Item 13.

**14. Staff Nurse B.Sc. to work in a project on term appointment basis. The project will be implemented under the Department of Child Health Unit - III**

Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing.

Salary Scale : Rs.35,000/- (Consolidated Pay).

Accommodation not Provided.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **July 31, 2021** for Item 14.



*Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.*

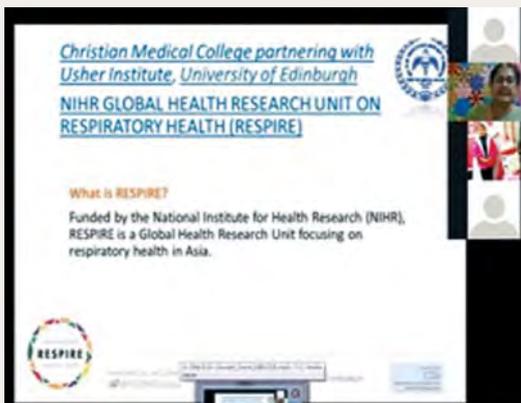
*Matthew 11:28*



# CMC NEWSLINE

**JULY 26, 2021**

## **An Online Course on Evidence Based Care for Chronic Respiratory Diseases for the CMC's Network of Secondary Hospitals Organised by RUHSA Department**



Over the past few years, RUHSA has developed and implemented a comprehensive program for the management of Chronic Respiratory Disease using primary health care approach as part of a multi-country research project in collaboration with NIHR Global Health Research Unit on Respiratory Health (RESPIRE) University of Edinburgh. This includes community based screening by trained health workers, structured care pathway, prudent investigations and evidence based management in the secondary hospital setting. In view of the positive feedback from the community, an online course was planned to share the knowledge and experience with CMC's network of secondary hospitals across the country.

## **CMC Vellore, Kannigapuram Campus, Inaugurates Novair Oxygen Concentrator Donated by French Government**

On 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 the Novair Oxygen Concentrator gifted by the French Government was inaugurated. The oxygen concentrator installed at Kannigapuram facility is an advanced model manufactured by French manufacturer Novair, who are specialized in medical gas systems for more than 40 years in the healthcare and industrial domains. The oxygen concentrator can produce 440 litres of upto 95% pure oxygen per minute. The Novair Oxygen concentrator is also equipped with a booster compressor which helps in filling oxygen cylinders.



The Novair Oxygen concentrator arrived when Covid-19 admissions were at the peak at the Kannigapuram hospital facility. The facility has treated more than 2500 patients requiring all levels of care, starting from June 2020 until July 2021.

The inauguration programme began with the opening prayer by Rev. Finney Alexander. The Director of CMC Vellore, Dr. J.V. Peter, welcomed the gathering and extended a special welcome to the Chief Guest, 1

## An Online Course on Evidence Based Care for Chronic Respiratory Diseases for the CMC's Network of Secondary Hospitals Organised by RUHSA Department

Along with 'RESPIRE' research partners, a course consisting of 10 sessions, each for 2 hours, covering diagnosis and treatment, community engagement strategies & methods, pulmonary rehabilitation, spirometry in small hospitals and evaluation of the programme was conceived. In view of the pandemic and associated restrictions, a decision was taken to hold it on an online platform. There was an overwhelming response with over 72 candidates from 14 organizations registering for the course. The candidates consisted of Physicians, junior medical officers, nurses and technicians. The course began on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May and ended on 22<sup>nd</sup> of June, with two sessions per week. The faculty comprised of Dr. Deepa Das, Pulmonologist, Bangalore Baptist Hospital; Dr. Monsur Habib,

**Chronic Respiratory Diseases Burden in India**  
(Asthma, COPD, ILD, Pneumoconioses)

	GLOBAL	INDIA	% of Global
Prevalence	595.63 M	93.5 M	15.69%
Deaths	3.50 M	1.06 M	30.28%
DALY's	90.40 M	29.00 M	32.07%

(Global Burden of Disease Report, 2016)

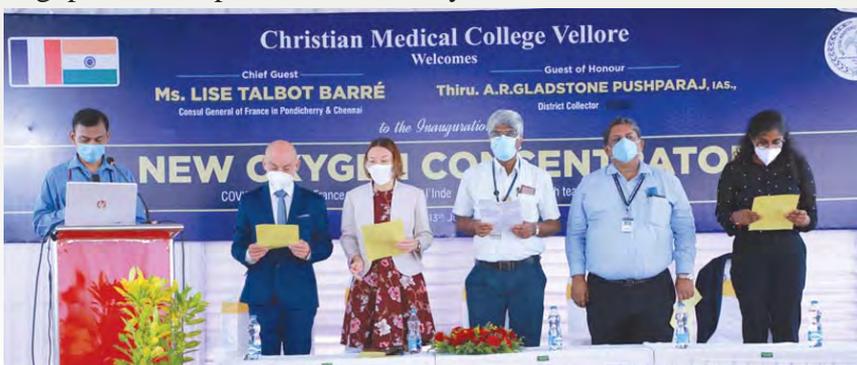
Primary Care Respiratory Physician, BPCRS, Bangladesh; Dr. Genevie Fernandes, Stakeholders Engagement Lead, RESPIRE team, University of Edinburgh; Mr. Paul Jebaraj, training officer; Mr. Surendar, Social worker; Dr. Biswajit Paul, CMC; and Dr. Rita Isaac, CMC. The course was coordinated by Dr. Harsh, RUHSA. In order to make the sessions as interesting as possible, break-out room group discussions, quizzes, problem solving and assignments after class were incorporated.

The response and feedback after the course from the candidates were very positive with many hospitals planning to start their own chronic respiratory disease programs. Many have planned to ramp up their own screening and testing facilities using the latest evidence based protocols. To encourage further work in the field, RUHSA and RESPIRE are collaborating with a few hospitals to conduct case studies in chronic respiratory disease care. This will include long term capacity building and technical support from the institution. With the programme being a resounding success, plans are afoot to regularise the course and have on-site training as well.

## CMC Vellore, Kannigapuram Campus, Inaugurates Novair Oxygen Concentrator Donated by French Government

Ms. Lise Talbot Barré, Consul General, French Consulate in Chennai and Pondicherry. Dr. Peter expressed his sincere gratitude to the French government for having extended such a generous gesture which will be extremely helpful during the ongoing pandemic and beyond. Other dignitaries present were Mr. Bruno Nguyen, Head of Bureau de France, Chennai, Ms. Apinayaa Uthayakumar, Economic and Political Affairs Officer and Mr. Nicolas Joffroy, Communications Officer.

They were felicitated and welcomed by Associate Director, Kannigapuram, Dr. Anil Kuruvilla, Principal Dr. Anna B. Pulimood, General Superintendent Mr. David Chandran and Nursing Superintendent Mrs. Bala Seetharaman. Following the welcome address, an overview of the campus was given by Dr. Anil Kuruvilla and details of the oxygen concentrator with its technical aspects were provided by Mr. J.P. Peter, Special Officer, Kannigapuram campus. The ceremony came to an end with the ribbon cutting by the Chief Guest.



## Webinar Conducted on 'Building Self-esteem' by LeanonMe Counseling Services

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A webinar on '*Building Self-esteem*' was conducted on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 2021, by LeanonMe Counseling Services, the emotional wellbeing partner for CMC. 'Self esteem is basic to psychological health, achievement, personal happiness and positive relationships' quotes Nathaniel Brandon, the author of the popular book, 'The Six Pillars of Self Esteem'. Low self-esteem can come in many guises and often impacts different areas of our lives. The webinar on Building Self Esteem began with a small exercise for the attendees, to list out as many positives in them in a minute's time and, thereafter reflect on how much each one recognises them and values them. It is often noticed how hard it is for one to focus on making the right judgments about oneself, but easy to downplay one's own capabilities and strengths.

Building lasting self esteem was the key focus of the webinar held, throwing light on what the indicators of high or healthy self esteem are, the signs of low self esteem, understanding the possible causes of low self esteem, knowing other factors that influence self esteem and there on, moving further to the practices and tips to build healthy and lasting self esteem.

The full recording of the webinar on *Building Self esteem* (July 3, 2021) is available through the link shared here: <https://www.dropbox.com/home?preview=Building+Self+Esteem.mp4> ('In order to view the full recording, copy and paste the required link to your browser and further, save to your personal dropbox OR download to your device')

Here below are the links for the previous webinars ('In order to view the full recording, copy and paste the required link to your browser and further, save to your personal dropbox OR download to your device')

*Knowing Your Partner* (April 17, 2021)

<https://www.dropbox.com/home?preview=Knowing+Your+Partner.mp4>

*Building and Rebuilding Trust* (May 1, 2021)

<https://www.dropbox.com/home?preview=Building+%26+Rebuilding+Trust.mp4>

*Care for the Caregiver* (May 15, 2021)

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/avohhs6rh6v60wc/CMC%20Webinar-20Care%20for%20the%20Caregiver.mp4?dl=0>

*Facing Fear & Practising Self Compassion* (June 12, 2021)

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/4yoc5a7piphoyda/Facing%20fear%20%26%20Practising%20Self%20Compassion.mp4?dl=0>

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## National Paediatric Nursing Conference - 2021

The National Paediatric Conference was conducted through the virtual platform on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of June 2021 by the Departments of Paediatric Nursing and CNE & Research, College of Nursing. The theme for the conference was, "Innovations and Advances in Paediatric Nursing: Gateway for Quality Care". The Chief Guest for the conference was Dr. Ani Grace Kalaimathi, Registrar, Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council, Chennai whose address motivated nurses to be innovative in implementing interventions. There were three hundred and thirty two delegates who participated from twenty different States and Union Territories of India and three other countries namely Bhutan, Ethiopia, Oman. The conference had five plenary sessions which included fifteen lectures on Newer approaches in preventive and promotive care, Dimensions in paediatric assessment, Advances in paediatric care, Importance of psychological wellbeing of children and Professional advancements and research in paediatric nursing. Expert resource persons from both India and abroad delivered lectures and the sessions were chaired by eminent paediatric nurse leaders from different parts of India. Forty four oral and twenty poster presentations were presented during the two concurrent sessions on both days. Ms. Beulah Devadharshini, Staff Nurse, CMC, Vellore received second prize for the best oral paper presentation. The conference concluded with Dr. Sundari Edwin, Former Nursing Superintendent, CMC, Vellore, addressing the gathering at valedictory. The Association of Paediatric Nurses in India (APNI) was launched at the business session during the conference. The Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council awarded 7 credit points for the conference.



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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *Clinical Microbiology :*

Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael and Staff

Hospital : Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet and  
CSI Hospital, Vandavasi.

#### *Clinical Virology :* Dr. Shoba Mammen and Staff

#### *Council for World Mission*

Council Members : Most Rev. A. Dharmaraj Rasalam  
Adv. C. Fernandez Rathina Raj

#### *CSI Vellore Diocese*

Council Members : Rt. Rev. H.Sharma Nithyanandham  
Dr. C. Anbu Suresh Rao

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### Welcome

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**Dr. Kattula Dheeraj**, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry Unit-II, on his return from study leave.

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### Congratulations!

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The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate M.Sc. Examination October 2020 session (University Results published on 28.06.2021 - M.Sc. Biostatistics and Medical Physics and 16.06.2021 - M.Sc. Epidemiology).**

#### M.Sc Biostatistics :

Part - I : Ms. Angana Ghoshal  
Ms. Gomathi S.  
Ms. Ida Christobel J.G.  
Ms. Manusree Banerjee  
Ms. Monisha S.  
Mr. Praveen Kumar  
Mr. Rishen Pramanick  
Ms. Tatini Das

Part - II : Ms. Anova Elizabeth Sebastian  
Mr. Archan Chakraborty  
Mr. Avinaba Banerjee  
Ms. Bhavatharini S.  
Ms. Nathiya N.  
Ms. Pratiksha Dutta  
Ms. Ritu Sen

#### M.Sc. Medical Physics :

Part - I : Ms. Joice Jose C.  
Mr. Joshua Giftson P.  
Mr. Sayan Maiti

Part - II : Mr. Ananth Partha Sarathy V.  
Mr. Daniel Tony J.  
Ms. Dipika Jaiswal  
Ms. Prathibha Prasad  
Ms. Swathi R.

#### M.Sc. Epidemiology :

Part - I : Mr. Midhun S.

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### Memoranda

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- **Dr. Anu Korula**, Associate Professor, is appointed as Deputy Director (Legal Affairs) with effect from 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Vinitha Ravindran**, Professor of Nursing, is appointed as Deputy Director (Hospitality and International Relations) with effect from 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2021 till her superannuation.
- **Mrs. Angelin Esther A**, Professor of Nursing, is appointed as Addl. Deputy Dean, College of Nursing with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2021 for a four year term.

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### Obituaries

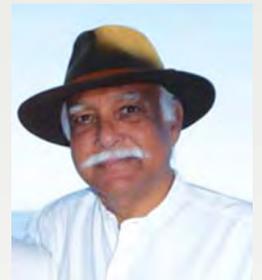
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• **Dr. Cyril Prabhakar Dutt** (MBBS batch of 1952) passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Dr. C.P. Dutt was born on 22 July 1933. He joined CMC Vellore in 1952. Dr. Cyril was active in sports, field hockey, football, track & field and cricket. Tennis was the sport he played from time to time until a few years ago. His grandchildren were amazed at how well he could hit the ball into his '80s.

After CMC, Dr. Cyril went to work in Tilda, C.G. gaining medical experience which would serve him well throughout his nearly 50 years of medical service. In 1959 he married Mrs. Saroj Simon, who passed away in 1998. He did his residency in Hammot Hospital Erie, PA in the early '60s. He was always curious to understand and learn more, systematic in his approach, and never arrogant to listen to others..

After Erie, PA, Dr. Dutt moved to Montreal, Canada where their son Eric was born in 1967. Later in 1969, he moved back to India. Dr. Cyril Dutt was the first Indian superintendent (1969-1975) for Landour Community Hospital (LCH) in Mussoorie, U.P. where he and his dedicated staff built up a hospital to where people would travel long distances on



## Obituaries

foot to be treated for just about everything. In a time before everyone even had landlines, Dr. Dutt would bring in specialists from here and there, or if there was no time, he would read up everything he possibly could and perform the procedures himself. The locals refer to this time as the “Golden Age” of Mussoorie, centered around the finest community hospital, LCH. He was extremely demanding of himself and his staff, and only the best people made LCH their home. Their focus was always the humanity of medicine, and no details went unattended. This group of 5-10 people remained life-long friends as well.

Dr. Dutt returned to the USA in 1975, first to Front Royal, VA and then to Atlanta, GA where he lived until he retired in 2012. There he held several posts such as , chief of staff, chiefs of surgery etc. in the various hospitals he worked.

Three things are mentioned often in the same sentence when describing Dr. Cyril Dutt, generosity, kindness, and his superb skill as a surgeon. He never expected anything in return... he felt medicine was his duty and calling.

For those who would like to contact the family, the contact details of his son are given below:

Mr. Eric Dutt, Email : [ericd6@mac.com](mailto:ericd6@mac.com) WhatsApp : (+46 761 136583)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

- **Mr. Thirunavukkarasu**, retired Medical Records Technician, father of Mrs. T. Sangeetha, Co-ordinator, Haematology, Mr. T. Partheeban Clerk-Typist, O Block and father-in-law of Mrs. Rubini K, Staff Nurse, 'O' Block passed away on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Mangaiyarkkarasi and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

## From the Mission Office : Advertisement Notice

Nazarene Nurses' Training College (NNTC) attached to Reynolds Memorial Hospital & Affiliated Clinics, is located in Washim, Maharashtra. The institution is managed by a unique partnership between CMC Vellore, Emmanuel Hospital Association and the Church of Nazarene. NNTC is under the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, Nashik.

Applications are invited for the following posts at NNTC with eligibility criteria based on the MUHS Norms

### (a) Professor Cum Vice- Principal (Vacant post – 01)

- M.Sc. Nursing in any speciality with 12 years of experience, of which 10 years should be teaching experience with minimum of 5 years in collegiate programme.
- Should have registered with Maharashtra Nursing Council.

### (b) Associate Professor (Vacant Post – 01)

- M.Sc. Nursing in any speciality with 8 years of experience including 5 years of teaching. Of which 3 years should be after M.Sc. Nursing.
- Should have registered with Maharashtra Nursing Council.

### (c) Tutor (Vacant post – 08)

- M.Sc (N) / P.B.B.Sc (N) / B.Sc (N) with one year experience in Nursing.
- Should have registered with Maharashtra Nursing Council.

Kindly send applications by mail along with latest CV with 2 references and covering letter, citing the post applied for - to be sent to [hr@rmhindia.org](mailto:hr@rmhindia.org) with copy to [nntc@rmhindia.org](mailto:nntc@rmhindia.org), addressed to the Principal, NNTC, Washim on or before 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. For shortlisted candidates from out of Maharashtra, zoom interviews will be an option.

For any queries or further details about Reynolds Memorial Hospital & Nazarene Nurses Training College you may please contact [nntc@rmhindia.org](mailto:nntc@rmhindia.org).

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Senior Resident with MD (Community Medicine) for the Department of RUHSA

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 2. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD Anaesthesia for the Department of Anaesthesia

Experience : Should have atleast one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution for applying for Asst. Professor Post.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

## Situations Vacant

### 3. Senior Resident with MD (Physiology) for the Department of Physiology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 4. Demonstrator with (Non-PG) with MBBS for the Department of Radiology

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 5. Senior Resident with MS (Gen. Surgery / ENT) for the Department of Head & Neck Surgery Unit-I

Prior experience in Head & Neck Surgery will be preferred.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on Availability).

### 6. Occupational Therapist with BOT (Regular Course) for the Department of Psychiatry Unit - III

Salary Scale : As per the institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

### 7. Clinical Pharmacist Trainee for the Department of Pharmacy Services

Qualification : Pharm D from a PCI recognised Institution. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Job Description : Clinical Pharmacy work in the wards, Patient medication counselling, Provision of Drug Information Services, Pharmacovigilance (ADR program) as trainee under the supervision of a Clinical Pharmacist.

Stipend : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **July 31, 2021** for Item 1 and **August 07, 2021** for Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

### 8. Errata : Assistant Research Officer for the Department of Wellcome Research

**Job Code : 1386**

Qualification : M.Sc. in Life Sciences. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : Consolidated. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Please send us the duly filled application with certificates and testimonial copies mentioning the job code either by soft copy email to : [princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi.hr@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy address to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **August 02, 2021** for Items 8.

### 9. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Anaesthesia

Qualifications : B.Sc., (Operation Theatre and Anaesthesia Technology 3 Years + 1 year internship) (or) H.Sc., with CMAI Diploma in Anaesthesia Technology (2 year course + 1 year internship).

Note : 1 Year internship is mandatory.

Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : Anaesthesia Technician.

### 10. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Surgical ICU / AICU / SHDU

Qualifications : B.Sc., Critical Care Technology degree of the Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University or H.Sc. with Diploma in Critical Care Therapy Course (CMAI)

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : To look after ICU Equipment and to assist with the care of critically ill patients.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **August 09, 2021** for Items 9 and 10.



*I lift up my eyes to the hills - where does my help come from?*

*Psalm 121:1*



# CMC NEWSLINE

AUGUST 02, 2021

## **Inauguration of the CMC Drug Resistant TB (DR-TB) Center Clinic**

Drug Resistant Tuberculosis is a major threat to Tuberculosis control in our country. India bears 27% of the global burden of MDR Tuberculosis with estimated number of multi-drug resistant/Rifampicin resistant TB cases in India being 124000 (9.1/1 lakh population, 2019). The National tuberculosis elimination programme (NTEP) has developed a national strategic plan(NSP) to achieve the milestone of eliminating Tuberculosis from India by the year 2025. A robust program has been rolled nationwide which also includes public-private partnership to increase capacity of DR-TB treatment services and utilizing experts/health institutes in expanding access.

In line with the public-private partnership, the inauguration of the CMC Drug resistant TB (DR-TB) Center clinic was conducted virtually by the Department of Respiratory Medicine, CMC Vellore on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

It was a landmark event as this is the first DR-TB clinic in the private sector in Tamil Nadu and South India. The function was welcomed by the Head of Department of Respiratory Medicine, Professor Richa Gupta and the inaugural address was given by Dr. Asha Frederick, state TB officer for Tamil Nadu. W.H.O consultant for National TB Elimination program, Dr. Delphina emphasized on the need for co-ordination between the public and private sectors for managing cases of drug resistant Tuberculosis. Felicitations were delivered by Dr. Joy Mammen, Associate Director, Dr. Anna Pulimood, Principal and Dr Bala Sitaraman, Nursing Superintendent, CMC Vellore. Head of Chaplaincy, Dr Arul Dhas closed the function with prayer.

Present DR-TB treatment has various options, newer drugs like Bedaquiline and Delamanid which are available only through the National Tuberculosis Elimination Program. Earlier, MDR / XDR patients were referred to other DRTB centers to get the best available treatment which had its own challenges.

Now, with establishment of DRTB center at CMC, department of Respiratory Medicine will act as DRTB facilitator with other departments in CMC as well who deal with DRTB patients, help in registering patients with the Programme to receive free treatment and ensure regular follow ups . Patients who are

not from Vellore after registration will be referred to the nearest DRTB center close to their home. Apart from getting the best treatment, free of cost for Drug resistant TB, patients will also receive the incentives as announced in the programme by the Government.

## Outlook - ICARE Rankings 2021

Among India's top 23 private medical institutes, CMC, Vellore holds the first rank.

Rank 2021	Name of Institute	Academic & Research Excellence (300)	Industry Interface & Placement (200)	Infrastructure & Facilities (200)	Governance & Admissions (150)	Diversity & Outreach (150)	Overall Score(1000)
1	CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL, VELLORE	247.78	170.08	173.15	103.2	112.01	806.22
2	KASTURBA MEDICAL COLLEGE, MANIPAL	255.4	117.9	182.56	81.97	73.7	711.53
3	JSS MEDICAL COLLEGE, MYSURU	223.81	93.65	181.86	68.16	68.31	635.79
4	SRI RAMACHANDRA MEDICAL COLLEGE & RESEARCH INSTITUTE, CHENNAI	221.31	56.8	172.5	101.51	72.57	624.69
5	ST JOHN'S MEDICAL COLLEGE, BENGALURU	220.38	58.69	173.57	100.87	62.04	615.55
6	CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE, LUDHIANA	211.83	53.81	164.76	84.27	80.36	595.03
7	KASTURBA MEDICAL COLLEGE, MANGALURU	225.8	51.23	181.69	94.29	39.07	592.08
8	PSG INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES & RESEARCH, COIMBATORE	227.15	44.29	173.87	101.1	44.32	590.73
9	S.R.M. INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, CHENNAI	202.93	43.49	167.71	107.29	62.56	583.98
10	DAYANAND MEDICAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL, LUDHIANA	206.68	80.17	175.89	89.58	31.66	583.98

## Continuing Medical Education in Haematology



The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Post Graduate CME in Haematology was jointly conducted by the Departments of Haematology and Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology from 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021. Given the COVID-19 pandemic, we had gone virtual this year as well. This program targets post-graduate students from Medicine, Pathology, and Pediatrics, exposing them to the field of Haematology. **481 attendees from 204 colleges and 70 students from our institution** attended the CME program this year, this included 41 international participants from the following countries: USA, Venezuela, Kenya, Oman, Qatar, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, UK, Pakistan and Myanmar. It is anticipated that participants of this CME will better understand both laboratory and clinical aspects of Haematology at the end of the program. It is also hoped that by attending this annual CME, physicians-in-training will be sensitized to Hematology's many career opportunities, both in the laboratory and in the clinic.

The CME programme ran over two days and was designed to include didactic lectures on important topics in Haematology, interactive clinical case discussions, and a tour and demonstration in the laboratories.

A quiz was conducted at the end of the meeting, drawing participation from different medical colleges. The winners are :

- Dr. Sriharii S, Madras Medical College.
- Dr. Fathhur Rabbani S, Madurai Medical College.
- Dr. Nishanth L, Government Thanjavur Medical College Thanjavur,
- Dr. Nazneen P S, Armed Forces Medical College, Pune,
- Dr. Faisal Kassim, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences.

Further details of the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Post Graduate CME in Haematology can be accessed at [www.pgcmehematology.net](http://www.pgcmehematology.net)

**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

***Nephrology and AK Lab :***

Dr. Santosh Varughese and Staff  
Dr. Vinoi George David and Staff  
Mrs. Anandha Rubi Jacob and Staff

Hospitals : The Duncan Hospital, Raxaul  
Makunda Christian Hospital, Herbetpur Christian  
Hospital, Prem Jyoti Community Hospital and  
Chinchpada Christian Hospital and others.

***Emmanuel Hospital Association***

Council Member : Dr. Saira Paulose

***Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madhya Pradesh***

Council Members: Dr. Rajiv Choudhrie  
Dr. Deepa Choudhrie

Hospital : Padhar Hospital, Betul and others

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**Congratulations!**

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• The Tamil Nadu Medical Council established the "**Tamil Nadu Medical Council Awards 2021**" to recognise the contributions of individuals and team leaders of institutions towards COVID work. **Dr. J.V. Peter**, received the award from Thiru. Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamilnadu, on behalf of the institution, in a ceremony that was held on 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 in Chennai.

• **Dr. Anitha Thomas**, Associate Professor, Acting Head, Department of Gynaecologic Oncology has been awarded the Best Poster award on '**An audit on Colposcopy at a tertiary teaching hospital in South India**' under the category of **Quality Assurance** in the 17<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy hosted by Indian Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology held at Hyderabad between 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021 via virtual platform.

• **Dr. Ramesan C.K.**, final year PG M.Ch. in Gynaecologic Oncology has been awarded second prize in Quiz for Postgraduates in the 17<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy hosted by Indian Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology held at Hyderabad between 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 via virtual platform.

• **Dr. Josh Thomas Georgy**, Department of Medical Oncology, won the first prize for best oral presentation at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Singapore Society of Oncology held from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021, for the research paper titled "Efficacy and safety of a novel neoadjuvant dose-dense regimen of docetaxel and cyclophosphamide alternating with epirubicin and cisplatin (ddDCEP) in triple-negative breast cancer".

• The following students were awarded prizes / medals at the University Day and prize distribution of the University held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

Student Name	Prizes / Medals Name
<b>Dr. Kannan S.</b>	Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry chapter IAPM Endowment Gold Medal - <b>MD Pathology.</b>
<b>Dr. Vinitha T.C.</b>	The Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University Medal - <b>MD Radio Therapy</b>
<b>Dr. Jino Joy</b>	The Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University Medal - <b>MD Geriatrics</b>
<b>Dr. Dhivya Roy A.</b>	1. Dr. M. Santhosam Memorial Endowment Gold Medal 2. Dr. K.V. Krishnaswami Gold Medal 3. Lupin Gold Medal - <b>MD Respiratory Medicine</b>
<b>Dr. Surendra Kumar Mutyala B.N.</b>	The Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University Medal - <b>D. Ortho</b>

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**Retirements**

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• **Ms. Hepsie Beulah**, Sr. Gr. Health Aid retired on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 after 37 years of dedicated service to the institution. She joined in the Community Health Department in 1984 as a Health Aide and worked in Kaniyambadi villages as a hardworking and sincere staff showed concern towards the poor and needy. She actively participated in various activities conducted by the department in Kaniyambadi block including special camps, helping in research projects and helping in numerous postgraduate students thesis.

## Retirements

Mrs. Hepsie maintained an excellent inter-personal relationship with people in community and contributed significantly towards their health and development. Mrs. Hepsie's husband, Mr. Dharmalingam has been an Extension Worker in the Department of Community Health for over 30 years. They have one daughter and one son. Her daughter, Sara Joy completed her M.Sc. Nursing in CMC and is working in the Distance Education department and her son, Peter Hudson is working as a Physiotherapist in the PMR Department.



The CMC community is thankful for her years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes her God's blessings on her retired life.

## Obituary

• **Mrs. Pownammal**, wife of retired Staff Late. Mr. P.K. Rathinam, mother of Mr. Muthusamy, Lift Operator in Electrical Department, Mr. Mohanraj, Medical Ward and grandmother of Mr. Vijay, Mechanical Department, passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

## Situations Vacant

**1. Assistant Professor with MS (Obst. & Gynae.) + Two years special training in Reproductive Medicine (Fellowship in CMC Only) for the Department of Reproductive Medicine**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**2. Senior Resident with MD (Psychiatry) for the Department of Psychiatry Unit - II**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**3. Assistant Professor with DM (Clinical Haematology) / MD (Transfusion Medicine & Immuno Haematology) + Two years special training in Clinical Haematology (Fellowship in CMC only) for the Department of Clinical Haematology.** Salary: As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**4. Registrar (Non-PG) with MBBS for the Department of Endocrinology**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **August 07, 2021** for Items 1, 2, 3 and **August 14, 2021** for Item 4.

**5. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Reproductive Medicine**

Qualifications : B.Sc. with PG Diploma in Assisted Reproductive Technology

Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Age Limit : 35 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

**6. Assistant Social Worker (Project) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Qualifications : M.S.W. / M.A. (Social Work / Sociology) / M.Sc. (Medical Sociology).

Note : Only regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

**7. Medical Lab Technician (External Designation – Project) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit – III**

Qualifications : B.Sc., MLT. Age Limit : 35 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **August 16, 2021** for Items 5, 6 and 7.

**8. Project Co-ordinator for Project YUVA, Adolescent Medicine for the Department of Paediatrics**

Qualifications : Master's Degree + 1 year experience in office record's management.

Age Limit : 35 years and below. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules.

Project YUVA is an adolescent health education programme in schools and community in Vellore District and through a mobile App. Applicants who have already applied for this post in response to our advertisement dated 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 can reapply if interested in the job as described above.

Please log on to : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Project Co-ordinator".

Apply on or before **August 14, 2021** for Item 8.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the Lord is flawless. He is a shield for all who take refuge in him.*

*2 Samuel 22:31*

**AUGUST 09, 2021**

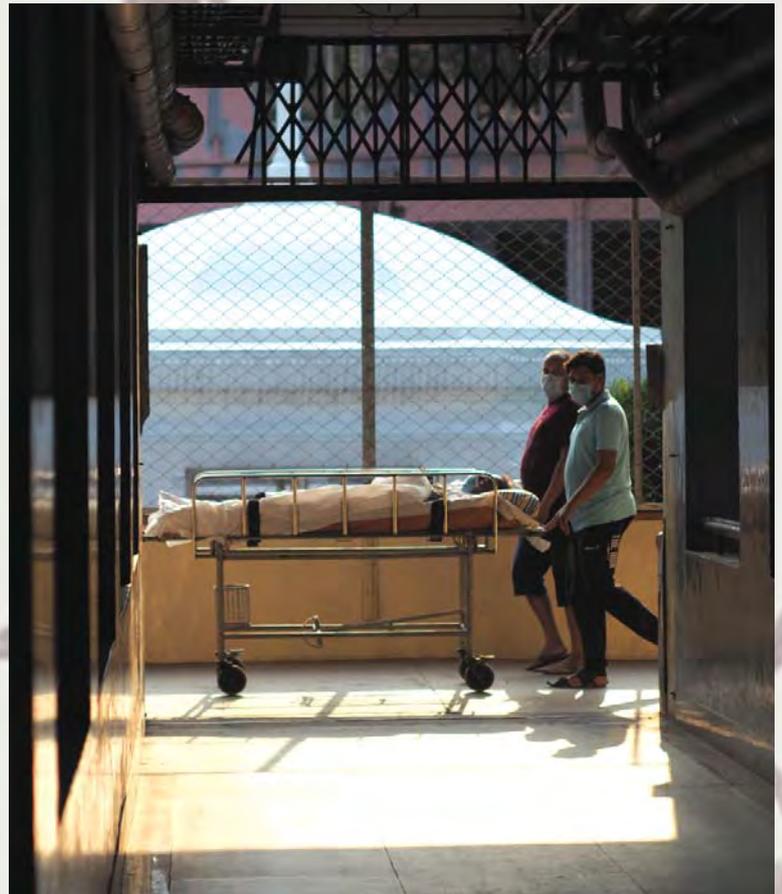
## **Maitri - Commemorating CMC Traditions**

CMC, Vellore focuses on the Centrality of God in all its various aspects. The Department of Chaplaincy caters to the pastoral care which is the essence of this institution.

Given below are few excerpts from the article 'Stories from the Field' written by Dr. Madhusudan Samprathi in the American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene.

"About 15 people were closeted in a small room, around a table. They sang a few hymns, their voices blending into a soft chorus. Then they opened their copies of a book, called "Maitri" ("friendship" in Sanskrit) and read short paragraphs one after another. The text was chosen from select verses of the Bible. It ended with a few questions for discussion on the relevance of those verses in daily life. By this time, a pastor had walked in to join the group at one end of the table to moderate the discussion.

This unique session ... is part of the weekly schedule at Christian Medical College in Vellore, India, one of the leading educational, healthcare, and research institutes in the country.



The pastor opened the session for discussion. The topic of the day was "work–life balance." The number and variety of roles played by each team member every single day can be mind boggling. I realized that my lady colleague in the ICU is also a mother who wakes up to her baby's cry at dawn, a wife and homemaker, a daughter, a nurse taking care of a sick child of another mother, a trainee, and a researcher. All of these, every single day. The younger trainees slowly opened up. Like me, young and new parents had a lot to share, especially about the guilt of not being able to spend enough time with one's family and children. I could see one trying to ght tears. Amid the hectic professional and academic life, one is still responsible for one's own child whose childhood days will never return.

Sessions like these can be valuable in understanding team members from a different and larger perspective, especially for the team leader. It may forge new relationships or open up new dimensions of familiar ones. Unraveling unique strengths may facilitate channelling them for better patient care. The beauty of team work is that individual awgs get nullied, and strengths multiply, so that patients get the best, even in the worst of circumstances, despite the complexity and uncertainty that pervades our profession, and especially, our specialty. All problems may not have solutions. But, acknowledging, accepting, and expressing a difcult emotion could itself be soothing and strengthening. For many of the trainees, being recognized and accepted as human, and fallible, with all one's imperfections,

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## **Maitri - Commemorating CMC Traditions**

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but nevertheless, with the ability to do better, was in itself reassuring. Letting out can be the route to letting go. Sometimes, these sessions took us back to where it all started, reminding us of the purpose with which we chose to be where we are. The purpose of all the research, academics, hectic schedules, and learning. Many things seemed to fall in place once the patient is the primary if not the sole focus of all that we do. Equally, if not more, important as enhancing knowledge and skills, is having a personality that can most meaningfully and effectively use them for what they are truly meant for. A challenging task, made relevant, simplified, and refreshing, by reposing every Thursday morning with a small book, which, like a true friend, helped us in letting out, and letting go."

### **Maitri - A Friend : A Reflection from the Department of Chaplaincy**

CMC had staff meetings of the departments as regular feature every week/month. Till nineties of last century whenever 'teaching mission' happened there used to be preparatory studies and follow up studies prepared for the departmental meetings. Teaching mission was held once in two years in those days for a week or ten days. Teaching mission was led by acclaimed preachers / speakers from national or international scenario of the healing ministry. However from nineties weekly studies / reflections became part of CMC's experience and most of those studies were written by the then Head of Chaplaincy Late Rt.Rev. Dr. George Isaac.

Staff belonging to each department gathered together for about half an hour in a week to read, discuss and pray. Chaplaincy gave a leadership in providing the material for reading. It was named as *Maitri*, which means 'friend' and the first volume came out in 2002 during the time of Rev. Immanuel V Kumar as the Head of Chaplaincy. It was printed in English and Tamil to facilitate many staff to participate in the discussions.

Year by year, *Maitri* became more and more useful as many departments started to use them. In the meantime, some other mission hospitals also made use of these booklets for their staff. Authors from within CMC and friends of CMC contribute for the studies in *Maitri*. The topics/titles are chosen in such a way they are contextually relevant for the healing ministry and healing ministers. Great sensitivity was taken since this booklet was used by staff from different faith and professional backgrounds.

Each study had a title, a Scripture reading, a key verse, a write up and two questions for reflection and discussion. Each week carries the details about the sponsoring bodies and the few departments of the institution for the sake of prayers. Institutional, departmental and personal prayer requests are added towards the end of the meetings.

The discussion and sharing that followed were instrumental for clarification of thoughts, healing of relationships and building of communities. Some departments had some refreshments along with this time which helped them to spend little more time in building each other. Today, *Maitri* has become a pleasant routine for many departments. We are able to grow together through this informal, non-threatening discussions. The sub-title underneath reads as "In pursuit of maturity in Christ" and helps us to have our walks of life in the Spirit of Christ. In that sense, *Maitri* is a true friend for our community of faith.

- *Chaplain*

**Chaplaincy appreciates Rev. Paul Ravikumar, Senior Chaplain, who has been ministering among the staff of PICU which has resulted in an article by Dr. Madusudan Samprathi, "Stories from the Field. The Friend" in The American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, 00(00), 2021, pp 1-2. We thank God for the good review of the *Maitri* ministry in CMC depicted in this article.**

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## August 08 - 14, 2021

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Principal's Office** : Dr. Anna B. Pulimood and Staff

**Medical Students**

**(SA President)** : Mr. Rojan Jacob Cherian

**Allied Health Students**

**OPTSA President** : Mr. Blessen Samuel John

**ASHA President** : Ms. Blessy Serene Kindo

**Wardens**

**Men's Hostel** : Dr. Vaibhav Londhe

**Women's Hostel** : Dr. Anuradha Rose

**DJ Hostel** : Mr. Andrew Babu

**Fitch Hostel** : Mrs. Nirmala Samuel

**CMC Alumni Association :**

Dr. Alfred Job Daniel and Staff

**Registrar's Office** : Dr. Suganthy J. and Staff

**Medical Education** : Dr. Margaret Shanthi and Staff

**Continuing Medical Education :**

Dr. Reena George and Staff

**Bioethics** : Dr. Anuradha Rose and Staff

**Distance Education** : Dr. Rebekah Zechariah and Staff

**Inter Ashram Fellowship**

**Council Members :** Rev. Dr. Alexander Abraham

Dr. Oby J. Cherian

**Hospitals :**

Christian Fellowship Hospital, Oddanchatram and Ambilikai

Christian Fellowship Hospital, Rajnandgaon and Khariar Road  
Bishop Walsh Memorial Hospital, Tadakam

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## Congratulations !

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• **Dr. Aleena Sara Mathew** won the first prize in paper presentation at the Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry chapter of IRIA, monthly meeting hosted by Chennai subchapter on 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

• CMC Team of the following doctors won RadAspire Quiz held on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

**Dr. Santhosh Reddy K.**, Fellow, Interventional Radiology, CMC.

**Dr. Shoban Haridass**, DM 1<sup>st</sup> year, Interventional Radiology, CMC.

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## Retirements

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• **Mrs. Rosaline Rajkumar**, S/N Gr.II retired on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 after serving this institution for 22 years of dedicated service. She completed her GNM course in the year of 1984 from Mary Lott Lyles Hospital, Madanapalli, A.P. and worked as Staff Nurse in the same hospital till 1986. She joined CMC in the year 1986 and worked in Operation Theatre till March 1989. She left CMC in 1989 and rejoined in the year 1999 and was working in Operation Theatre till her retirement. She is a sincere, honest and hardworking staff with a positive attitude. She is responsible and completes her work on time. Her son Mr. Prashanth Rajkumar, completed BCA and MCTT in CMC, Vellore and is temporarily working in Manpower Office (recruitment office) in Vellore. Her daughter Miss.Monica Rajkumar is studying in II year BMR Sc. in CMC, Vellore.

• **Mr. Anbunathan**, Area Supervisor Gr.II, ISSCC Facilitation retired on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 after nearly 34 years of dedicated service to the institution. His wife, Mrs. Margaret Anbunathan is a Supervisor in Communication Department. They have two sons, their elder son, Mr. Samuel Johnson Doss did his M.P.T. in CMC. He is working as a Researcher in Manipal Hospital, Bangalore and younger son, Mr. Samson Godson Doss is a MBA graduate working as a Assistant Manager in Qaulity, Naruvi Hospital.



The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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## Admission Notice

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- Applications are invited for 1 year **Distance Education Programme (Diploma in Allergy and Asthma)** with 4 - one week contact sessions at Vellore, Tamil Nadu.

The training will be imparted by both International and National Faculty.

**Eligibility :**

MD or DNB in TB and Chest / Respiratory Medicine / General Medicine / Paediatrics.

MS or DNB in ENT. DTCD / DCH.

MBBS (with proven track record in the field of Allergy and Asthma and atleast 5 years experience in this field.

**Course Commencement :** January - March 2022.

**Last Date for Receipt of Completed Application :** 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

**Download application from :** <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/Default.aspx?url=./sites/daa/main.html>

**e-mail :** [daacmc@gmail.com](mailto:daacmc@gmail.com)

Those who have already applied for the 2021 session need not apply again.

- Application available for **RUHSA Community College for the September - 2021 Batch.**

Courses offered:

1. TNOU affiliated diploma courses: Four Wheeler mechanism, Refrigeration and AC Technician, House Electrician
2. Certificate courses: Two Wheeler Mechanism, Computer Hardware & Fashion Designing course (For women only) **Contact: Ph: 8300031373 / 8300031324 / 8300031305.**

Last date of application is **27<sup>th</sup> August, 2021.**

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## Situations Vacant

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**1. Senior Resident /Assistant Professor for the Department of Paediatrics Unit - I**

Qualification : MD (Paediatrics) or DM (Paediatric Gastro).

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Candidates applying for Assistant Professor post should have atleast one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) or should have DM (Paediatric Gastro) in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

Applications should be sent by post to The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002 or email to: [princi@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi@cmcvellore.ac.in) with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address on or before **August 13, 2021** for Item 1.

**2. Occupational Therapist (Term Post) with BOT Degree (Regular Course) for the Department of Developmental Paediatrics Unit**

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

**3. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Respiratory Medicine / Pulmonary Medicine) Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest MCI / NMC criteria for teaching appointment for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **August 21, 2021** for Items 2 and 3.

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## Situations Vacant

### 4. Research Assistant - One post for the Department of Clinical Microbiology Job Code :1387

Qualification : M.Sc. Bioinformatics. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Job Description : Candidate should have experience in analyzing WGS data. Should be able to write python, R, perl scripts.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Age Limit : 30 years.

Sex : Female / Male.

### 5. Scientist C (Non-Medical) - One post for the Department of Clinical Microbiology Job Code :1388

Qualification : Ph.D. Bioinformatics. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Job Description : Candidate should have knowledge in bioinformatic analysis of genome sequence data, with a background on python, R, perl scripts. Should be able to communicate datadriven insights via publications. Experience in handling of big data is desirable.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **August 19, 2021** for Items 4 and 5.

### 6. Systems Manager Gr.II for the Principal Office (Medical College Admin – Education IT Unit)

Qualifications : B.E., / B.Tech / MS (Computer Science) / M.Sc.(Computer Science) / MCS or MCA and 12 years' experience.

Preference will be given to those who have experience in managing education teaching and infrastructure.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **August 13, 2021** for Item 6.

### 7. Staff Nurse (B.Sc. or M.Sc.) to work in a project on term appointment basis. The project will be implemented under the Department of Clinical Microbiology

Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing / M.Sc. Nursing with one year clinical experience.

Salary Scale : Rs.31,500/- consolidated pay.

Accommodation not provided.

Apply with biodata, photographs, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **August 14, 2021** for Item 7.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.*  
*Ecclesiastes 12:13*

**AUGUST 16, 2021**

## **Department of Neonatology Observes World Breast Feeding Week**



World Breast Feeding week was observed from 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> August 2021 by the Department of Neonatology and Maternity Nursing Department. The theme for this year was “Protect Breastfeeding : A Shared Responsibility”.

As part of world breastfeeding week celebrations the following programmes were conducted for the mothers and the staff nurses :

A video clip on the “Tips on Effective Breastfeeding’ was played and talk show on “commonly asked questions by the breastfeeding mothers” was also displayed in the intranet.

A power point presentation on breastfeeding – importance techniques, positions, breast problems and its remedies was displayed on the televisions in all OPDs.

Posters and charts were displayed regarding breastfeeding in neonatal unit as well in all the postnatal wards. An essay and slogan competition was conducted on sharing the initiation of breastfeeding experience and 22 mothers actively participated.

Quiz on breastfeeding was conducted for all the staff nurses in the Maternity Department. Zoom meeting for pregnant and lactating women was held on “Counselling on breastfeeding” this week and continued to be held every Thursday at 2.00 pm.

Various educational programmes were conducted in the postnatal and antenatal wards. Special health education was given for the mothers who came to high risk and low risk infant clinic by lactation counsellor Mrs.E.Gracemary.

## Events from the Department of Continuing Medical Education

### • CME on Obesity Management -Myths and Measures :



Obesity is rapidly becoming a common form of malnutrition in India. The CME on Obesity: Myths and Measures was organized by the Departments of Continuing Medical Education and Endocrinology on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Dr. Nitin Kapoor, Professor of Endocrinology explained that obesity is not just a matter of weights or diets and elucidated the key principles of assessment, management and monitoring. Dr. Inian Samarasam, Professor and Head, Upper GI Surgery Unit, Department of Surgery Unit-III, discussed the role of bariatric surgery.

### • CME on Approach to a Patient with Diabetes and Foot Ulcer :



One of CMC's most wide-reaching contributions in research is Dr. Paul Brand's work in patients with Hansen's Disease. Dr. Brand demonstrated that it is not 'diseased flesh' but neuropathy and loss of sensation that lead to limb ulceration and deformity. At the CME on Approach to a Patient with Diabetes and Foot Ulcer held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2021, Dr. Suranjan Bhattacharji, Professor of PMR and Former Director of CMC Vellore, paid tribute to Dr. Paul Brand on his 118th birth anniversary, and explained how Dr. Brand's discoveries impact on the care of patients with diabetes. Dr. Felix Jebasingh, Dr. Prabhu Premkumar, Dr. Bobeena Chandy and Sr. Flory Christy taught important aspects of interdisciplinary care. To prevent loss of limb and function we need meticulous attention to detail, patient education, and the integration of medical, nursing, surgical and psychiatric approaches. The audience were sensitized to the importance of the care of the foot in the common condition of diabetes.

The Department of Continuing Medical Education thanks the Departments of Endocrinology, PMR, Vascular Surgery and Telemedicine for making this academic programme possible.

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**August 15 - 21, 2021**

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**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**ENT :** Dr. Ajoy Mathew Varghese and Staff  
Dr. Regi Thomas and Staff  
Dr. Regi Kurien and Staff  
Dr. Anjali Lepcha and Staff  
Dr. Suma Susan Mathews and Staff  
Dr. Balaseetharaman and Staff

**ENT Head & Neck Surgery-I:**  
Dr. Rajiv C. Michael and Staff  
**American Leprosy Mission, USA**  
Council Member: Dr. Jerry Joshua  
Hospital: SLR & TC, Karigiri and others

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**Admission Notice**

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**American Heart Association – International Training Centre (CMC, Vellore)**  
**American Heart Association – Basic Life Support Course (AHA-BLS)**  
**Provider level course**

• American Heart Association -Basic Life Support (AHA-BLS) provider level course will be held on the **23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021 at the New Examination hall, Bagayam Campus, CMC, Vellore**. This one day course is designed for healthcare providers (doctors, nurses, paramedics) and the curriculum consists of video based, interactive lectures and skills training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation(CPR), use of Automated External Defibrillator and relieve choking in a safe, timely and effective manner to **all ages –Adult, Pediatric and Infants**. The number of participants is strictly restricted to 18 per course as per AHA guidelines. **The registration fee is Rs3000/-** (cost of study materials included) and the last date for registration is **9<sup>th</sup> September 2021**. **For registrations, Please contact Ms. Nitha Cathuan or Mr. Ganesh, Paediatric ICU (Phone No.0416-228-3366).**

• **American Heart Association – Pediatric Advanced Life Support (AHA\_PALS) course :**  
The **AHA-PALS** course will be held on the **24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021** at the **New Examination hall, Bagayam Campus, CMC, Vellore**. This well known Paediatric Advanced Life Support Course, accredited by the American Heart Association and American Academy of Paediatrics, is valid internationally. The number of participants is strictly restricted to 18 as per AHA guidelines. **The registration fee is Rs. 7000/-** (cost of study materials included). The last date for registration is **9<sup>th</sup> September 2021**. This two day course is designed for healthcare providers (doctors, nurses, paramedics) who initiate advanced life care in acutely ill children, beyond basic life support, through the stabilization or transport phases of a paediatric emergency. The course consists of lectures, videos, discussions and hands - on sessions based on simulated case scenarios and aims to train the participants in early recognition and emergency management of critically ill children with an emphasis on team concept. **For enquiries and registration, please contact Ms. Nitha Cathuan or Mr. Ganesh, Paediatric ICU (Phone No.0416-228-3366).**

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**Obituary**

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• **Mr. Raja**, husband of Mrs. Selvi R, Staff Nurse in Radiology and father of Mr. Prem Kumar R, Radiographer in Radiology, passed away on 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Selvi, sons Mr. Premkumar, Mr. Dhinakaran and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

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**Situations Vacant**

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- 1. Senior Resident with MS (OG) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**  
Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).
- 2. Assistant Professor with MCI recognised postgraduate degree in DM (Neonatology) for the Department of Neonatology**  
Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).
- 3. Lecturer Gr.II (NM) with Ph.D. (Bio-Technology) for the Department of Wellcome Research**  
Candidates who have experience in bacterial genome sequencing and analysis is preferred.  
Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>  
Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **August 21, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and 3.

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## Situations Vacant

**4. The post is for : Medical Officer, Project YUVA, Adolescent Medicine, Department of Paediatrics.** Project YUVA is an adolescent health education programme in schools and community in Vellore district and through a mobile App.

**Medical Officer** for the **Department of Paediatrics Unit-III**

**Job Code : 1383**

Qualification : M.B.B.S and above.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **September 11, 2021** for Item 4.

**5. Sr. House Surgeon (Short Term Appointment) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Qualifications : MBBS with State Medical Council Registration Number.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Note : 24 Hours resignation permitted without penalty.

**6. Technical Assistant (Project) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc., with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

**7. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Operation Theatre**

Qualifications : H.Sc., with Diploma in Hospital Sterilization Course.

Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Duration : Six months only.

Age Limit : 35 years

Consolidated pay : As per institutional rules.

**8. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Medical ICU / MHDU**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Critical Care Technology degree of the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR. Medical University or H.Sc., with Diploma in Critical Care Therapy Course (CMAI) obtained from CMC Hospital.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : To look after ICU Equipment and to assist with the care of critically ill patients.

**9. Jr.. Health Aide (Project Mode) for the Department of Community Health**

Only female candidates need to apply.

Qualifications : S.S.L.C + One year Training. Preference will be given to the candidates from Kaniyambadi block with Health Aides / ANM training.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : To make home visits and maintain registers relating to antenatal, immunization of children etc., Supervise the work of part time Community Health Workers Conduct Health Education. Should stay at the workplace in Kaniyambadi Block / Jawadhi Hills.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **August 23, 2021** for Items 5, 6, 7, 8 and **August 30, 2021** for Item 9.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*The Lord will keep you from all harm-he will watch over your life. Psalm 121:7*

**AUGUST 23, 2021**

## **Mrs. Florence Segaran Retires**



**Mrs. Florence Segaran**, Professor and Head of Medical and Surgical Nursing Specialty V – Operating Room Nursing will be superannuating on 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 after three decades of committed service to the institution. She joined CMC in the year 1982 after having completed her B.Sc. Nursing from CMC Vellore. She worked for one year as a staff nurse in the operating rooms and then went on to do her service obligation in School of Nursing, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet. She joined back in CMC as a Tutor in 1985 in the Fundamentals of Nursing Department. After that she went on to do her Masters in Nursing from College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore between 1988 – 1990. She joined back as Lecturer from 1990 – 1995 in Surgical Nursing Department. She worked in the Ministry of Health Sultanate of Oman as a Nursing Officer between 1995 – 2000 and as Senior Trainer between 2012 to 2014.

From 2014 she continued to contribute immensely towards patient care, management, education, and research in the capacities of a Nurse Manager in M Block, Fundamentals of Nursing Department, Head of the Medical and Surgical Speciality VII – Neurological & Orthopaedic Nursing Department (2014 -2016) and Speciality V - Operating room Nursing Department (2016 – 2020).

She has been a member of various committees, within the institution and outside, including being a member in the Board of Nursing Education of CMAI and the inspection committee of the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University and the Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council.

Mrs. Florence Segaran has always been admired for her sound knowledge in the field, skills in management, inspiring teaching and concern for the people around. She strongly believed that a teacher's role was not merely to impart knowledge, but rather to motivate students to acquire knowledge themselves. She was firm but compassionate. She was always optimistic, demonstrating a strong faith in God and she did her best to instil this positive Christian attitude in her students.

As an administrator, Mrs. Florence is committed to the responsibilities she shouldered as the Additional Deputy Dean (2004 - 2008) and as Deputy Nursing Superintendent (2014 – 2018) at CMC Vellore. She is currently the Principal of the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus.

Mrs. Florence hails from a devout Christian family. Her husband, Mr. Segaran works as a Radiographer in Muscat and has been a great support to her. They are blessed with three children. Her daughter, Dr Sharon Priyadarshini works as a Medical Officer in SMH, Ranipet and her second daughter Dr. Sherene Priyadarshini is waiting to start her career. Her son, Mr. Austine Reinard Samuel is pursuing MBBS overseas. Over the course of her career in CMC, Mrs. Florence has very admirably balanced work, home and children.

As she retires, Mrs. Florence will be remembered for honouring the ethos of the institution with a thoughtful word, helping hand, a friendly smile and a dedication to her calling. The CMC community thanks Mrs. Florence Segaran for her many years of faithful and sincere services to the institution and wishes her God's abundant blessings as she enters a new phase of life.

## Dedication of the Paul Brand Theatre Pharmacy

The dedication of the Paul Brand Theatre Pharmacy was held on 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 in the presence of Dr. Mark Ranjan Jesudason, Associate Medical Superintendent, Dr. Amit Jiwan Tirkey, Deputy Medical Superintendent, Dr. Pramila Lee, Professor & Head, Surgical Nursing, Mrs. Jeyalinda, Deputy Nursing Superintendent, Mr. Sadrock Kingsly, Department Secretary welcomed the gathering, followed by an overview on the facility by Dr. Selvmani.B, Professor & Head, Pharmacy Department. The dedication prayer was offered by Rev. Jim Paul, Chaplain. Mr. Rajaganapathy, Department Deputy Secretary proposed the vote of thanks. This facility is located at the ninth floor of the Paul Brand Block and it caters to the need of patients undergoing surgeries in this block.



## Food for Thought

### *Greenhouse Blues*

The earth is getting warmer  
Glaciers are disappearing  
Hotter days in summer  
With fires everywhere appearing

Climate deniers still query  
If changes are caused by man  
Even as seas will soon bury  
Pacific islanders and their land

To a ton of carbon dioxide  
Add methane, a biogas,  
Mix water with nitrous oxide  
And voila! you have your greenhouse gas

Yes, we humans are to blame  
With our addiction to fossil fuel  
The science is clear but it's a shame,  
We argue, stall and we duel.

Drought here and floods there  
Some leaders are still balking  
But there are others who do care  
In Glasgow all will be talking

Gen Z, we are in mourning  
We did not act in time  
To keep the world from burning  
You will judge us for our crime

*Dr. Cherian Thomas (MBBS Batch of 1960)*

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**August 22 - 28, 2021**

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**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation,  
Rehabilitation Institute :**

Dr. Jacob George and Staff  
Dr. Judy Ann John and Staff  
Mrs. Sheela Durai and Staff

**Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Council Members : Rt. Rev. D. Daniel Jayaraj  
Dr. C.A. Nelson Jesudasan

Hospital : St. Joseph Eye Hospital, Trichy and others

**Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Council Members : Rt. Rev. Johan Dang  
Mrs. Sujaya Kujur

**India Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Council Member : Dr. Sophia John K.

**Christian Welfare Centre, Malapuram and others**

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**Memoranda**

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- **Dr. Ashish Kumar Gupta**, Professor, will continue as Head of Plastic Surgery Unit-II, with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Shashank Lamba**, Professor & Acting Head, Plastic Surgery Unit-I, is appointed as Acting Head of the Department of Plastic Surgery with effect from 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 until further notice.
- **Dr. Nirmal T.J.**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Urology Unit-III, with effect from 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Sumant Samuel**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Orthopaedics Unit-III with effect from 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Pranay Gaikwad**, Professor, will continue as Head of Surgery Unit-I with effect from 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 for a four year term.

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**Retirement**

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**Mrs. Mary Anslum**, Sr. Secretary, Promotion & P.T.P. Office, retired on 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 after 40 years of dedicated service to the institution. Mrs. Mary's dedicated service was recognised, when she received the 'Best Secretary Award in 2018-2019 from the Rotary Club of Vellore South. Her husband Mr. L. Wilson Jayamani is a Sr. Sel. Gr.II Technician is working in Operating Room (O.R). Their son, Mr. W. Vivek is married to Mrs. Tincy. He has studied B.Sc.(N) followed by MBA and is working as a Territory Manager in a Multinational Company in Chennai. Mrs. Mary Anslum is blessed with a grand son Tobin V. Wilson.

The CMC community is thankful for her years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes her God's blessings on her retired life.

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**Upcoming Events**

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- **The 57<sup>th</sup> Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC) for CMC candidates (Doctors & Nurses).** The course is scheduled for 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021. As there has been a great demand for the same, seats are restricted to 30 on a first-come-first-serve basis. The registration fee is Rs.6,000/-. For further details contact. Mr. Senthil Kumar, Secretary, Department of Emergency Medicine - Phone No.2225.  
Note : Registration will not be entertained after **15<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.**

• **Diabetes Foot Care and Footwear Training :**

The **Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism** will be organising a **Foot care and Footwear training programme for Doctor, Nurses and Physiotherapist from 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2021** with 4 days Online Theory Sessions + 3 days Practical Sessions followed by assessment.

Certificates will be awarded on completion.

**WHO CAN APPLY :** Doctors, Nurses and Physiotherapist.

**COURSE FEE:**Rs.8,260/- (Incl. of 18% GST and it covers Course Fee, Course Materials, Lunch & Refreshments).

**Submit your applications via Online - <https://www.cmcendovellore.org/online-application-form/>**

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Lecturer Gr.II (NM) with Ph.D. (Bio-Technology) for the Department of Wellcome Research

Candidates who have experience in bacterial genome sequencing and analysis is preferred.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 2. Senior Resident with MS (Ortho) for the Department of Orthopaedics Unit-III

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 3. Assistant Professor with MCI-recognised postgraduate degree in DM / DNB (Neonatology) for the Department of Neonatology

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **August 28, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **August 30, 2021** for Item 3.

### 4. Assistant Engineer (Degree) - CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Project Mode)

Qualifications : B.E. (Full time) - 4 years Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from AICTE approved college with "C" License Issued by Electrical Licensing Board, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Age Limit : 30 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates who have two years experience in Hospital Setting will be preferred.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Assistant Engineer (Degree)".

### 5. Assistant Engineer (Diploma) - CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Diploma (Full time) - 3 years Diploma in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from SBTET, Andhra Pradesh approved Institution with "C" License Issued by Electrical Licensing Board, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Age Limit : 30 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates who have two years experience in Hospital Setting will be preferred.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Assistant Engineer (Diploma)".

### 6. Junior Electrician - CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Project Mode)

Qualifications : S.S.L.C. and 2 years ITI (Electrician) Government approved with NCVT Certificate, "B" License Issued by Electrical Licensing Board, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Age Limit : 30 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates who have two years experience in Hospital Setting will be preferred.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Electrician".

### 7. Junior Driver for CHAD (Project Mode)

Qualifications : S.S.L.C. + HMV License. Age Limit : 35 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Driver".

**Only online applications will be accepted. Hard copies will not be accepted.** Apply on or before **August 26, 2021** for Item 4 and **September 06, 2021** for Items 5, 6 and 7.

**8. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri** invites applications for the following post on leave / term vacancy : **Pharmacist** – Qualification : Diploma in Pharmacy.

**9. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri** invites application for the following post : **Radiographer**

Qualification : B.Sc. in Radio Diagnosis Technology / Radio Imaging Technology with 2 years of experience.

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and send the PDF scanned file to the [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) or [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org)

Last date for receipt of applications : **August 28, 2021** for Items 8 and 9.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, miracles that cannot be counted.*

*Job 9:10*

**AUGUST 30, 2021**

## Leveraging Global Partnership in Addressing COVID-19 Related Mental Health Webinar Series

**LEVERAGING GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP IN ADDRESSING COVID-RELATED MENTAL HEALTH: A WEBINAR SERIES**

**Acute and long-term impact of COVID-19 on mental health**

Friday, June 11 | 7:00 am EDT (Baltimore, USA)  
Friday, June 11 | 4:30 pm IST (Chennai, India)

**Speakers:** Dr. Karan Kishore (Johns Hopkins School of Nursing), Dr. Manojkumar Sathiyamoorthi (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

**Moderators:** Dr. Nancy Reynolds (Johns Hopkins School of Nursing), Dr. Jyothika Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

**LEVERAGING GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP IN ADDRESSING COVID-RELATED MENTAL HEALTH: A WEBINAR SERIES**

**Psychological wellbeing of students during COVID-19 pandemic & lockdown**

Friday, June 18 | 7:00 am EDT (Baltimore, USA)  
Friday, June 18 | 4:30 pm IST (Chennai, India)

**Speakers:** Mrs. Alice Sony (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing), Dr. Parvathy Wilson (Johns Hopkins School of Nursing)

**Moderators:** Dr. Manojkumar Sathiyamoorthi (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing), Dr. Venkita Eshwar (Johns Hopkins School of Nursing)

**LEVERAGING GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP IN ADDRESSING COVID-RELATED MENTAL HEALTH: A WEBINAR SERIES**

**How parents can help their children to cope with infection**

Friday, June 25 | 7:00 am EDT (Baltimore, USA)  
Friday, June 25 | 4:30 pm IST (Chennai, India)

**Speakers:** Dr. Tahira Hashmi (Johns Hopkins School of Nursing), Dr. Anitha Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

**Moderators:** Dr. James Craig (Johns Hopkins School of Nursing), Mrs. Manojkumar Sathiyamoorthi (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

**LEVERAGING GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP IN ADDRESSING COVID-RELATED MENTAL HEALTH: A WEBINAR SERIES**

**Fear and anxiety of working at COVID-19 wards**

Friday, July 2 | 7:00 am EDT (Baltimore, USA)  
Friday, July 2 | 4:30 pm IST (Chennai, India)

**Speakers:** Mrs. Shweta Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing), Dr. Anitha Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

**Moderators:** Dr. Basil Sathiyamoorthi (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing), Dr. Anitha Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

**LEVERAGING GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP IN ADDRESSING COVID-RELATED MENTAL HEALTH: A WEBINAR SERIES**

**Caregiver's burden and how to help caregivers during COVID-19 pandemic**

Friday, July 16 | 7:00 am EDT (Baltimore, USA)  
Friday, July 16 | 4:30 pm IST (Chennai, India)

**Speakers:** Dr. Anitha Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing), Mrs. Latha Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

**Moderators:** Dr. Nancy Reynolds (Johns Hopkins School of Nursing), Dr. Jyothika Sankar (Christian Medical College, College of Nursing)

The Dean and Faculty at College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore, through a collaborative partnership with nurse leaders at Johns Hopkins, School of Nursing, USA organized and presented the Leveraging Global partnership in addressing COVID-19 Related Mental Health Webinar series. There were five different topics which took place every Friday between 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm (IST) from 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 to 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. The webinar sessions were planned to target all the health care workers, nursing students, parents and children. There were 11, 139 registrants from over 37 countries with 4,400 live attendees and over 2,100 recording views. Each webinar included a faculty from College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore and Johns Hopkins, School of Nursing, USA who were able to deliver mental health strategies in cultural context and shared their expertise.

## Independence Day Celebrations

- The 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day celebration in the **Hospital Campus** was organised by Mr. Natarajan, Chief Fire Officer and Mr. K. Sundaram, Chief Security Officer. The flag hoisting began with prayer by Rev. Joseph Devaraj, Senior Chaplain followed by the flag hoisting by Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent.

- At the **College Campus** the celebration began with an opening prayer by Rev. Dr. T. Aruldas. The Chief Guest Dr. Anna B. Pulimood, Principal, hoisted the flag and give a short speech. Mr. Rishi John Mathew spoke on behalf of the students and Mr. Jacob Cherian delivered the vote of thanks. The programme was organised by our College Physical Director, Dr. Balaganesan.

- Independence Day is celebrated all over India with great patriotism and pride. the **College of Nursing, CMC** assembled at Nursing Students' Hostel quadrangle with loyalty to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee, the 75<sup>th</sup> Independence day on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2021.

The prayer song was a reminder to us that we are free with all fears set aside. Mrs. Alice Sony, Deputy Dean College of Nursing hoisted the National flag. Words cannot express the joy it brings to see the flag flying high. The Chief Guest addressed the students and faculty echoing the historic notes of John F Kennedy's inaugural address and challenged the gathering to do the best in every possible way to hold the nation high. The student body gave a cultural programme depicting the need for togetherness amidst the diversity to remember that 'we stand on the common ground as Indians'.

Indeed a memorable occasion for the nation. May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right. Jai Hind!

- The **Chittoor Campus** celebrated Independence Day by starting with a chapel service, where Dr. Sarah Emmanuel (Community Health) reminded the community about valuing our freedom, and using our freedom and gifts wisely in the service of our fellow citizens. The flag-hoisting was done by Dr. Emmanuel Kishore (Paediatrics) in the presence of Dr. Abraham Joseph and members of the campus community.

- **RUHSA Family** celebrated the Independence Day celebrations on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 7:00 am with opening prayer and bible reading. Only campus residents participated in the programme to ensure social distancing. Songs were presented by staff children and the campus residents. Mr. J.S. Asokan, Sel. Sr. Training Officer, hoisted the flag and delivered the speech about equality. Dr. Prashanth H.R., and Mr. Dileepan (Field Worker) Spoke about the nature of Independence day and patriots. Rev. Edwin Sam offered the closing prayer and benediction.



**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**Ophthalmology :**

Dr. Sanita Mary George Korah and Staff  
Dr. Sheeja Susan John and Staff  
Dr. Padma Paul and Staff  
Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Staff

**Shalom Family Medicine Centre:**

Dr. Sunil Abraham and Staff  
Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Staff

**Van Allen Hospital, Kodaikanal**

**Low Cost Effective Care Unit :**

Dr. Sunil Abraham and Staff  
Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Staff

**International Service Fellowship (Interserve)**

Council Members: Mr. Eappen John  
Mr. Vijay Alexander

**Department of Family Medicine :**

Dr. Sunil Abraham and Staff  
Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss and Staff

**Christoffel Blinden Mission**

Council Member: Dr. Sara Varughese

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**Memoranda**

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- **Dr. Mona Matilda Basker**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Paediatric Unit-III with effect from 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Rajan Sundaresan V.**, Professor, is appointed as Acting Head of ENT Unit-I with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2021 during the period when Dr. Regi Thomas, is on Sabbatical Leave.

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**Congratulations!**

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- **Professor Nitin Kapoor**, Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism has been awarded a Ph.D from the University of Melbourne.
- **Dr. Shridhar Popbhai Joshi**, second year resident of DM Paediatric Neurology for having secured the first place in a national level Epilepsy module quiz, organised by the Academy of Paediatric Neurology, The Indian Academy of Paediatrics on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August 2021.

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**Retirements**

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- **Mr. Surendar Singh**, B.Sc. Zoology, DMLT, Instructor I Graduate MLT, Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohaematology superannuated on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021 after 38 years of dedicated service to the institution.



Upon completion of the CMAI course at CMC, he joined the Department in 1983 as Jr. Graduate Technician in Clinical Pathology and Blood Bank and continued to serve faithfully and efficiently in the section till his retirement as Senior Instructor. His expertise in the Special Test (Haemostasis) Lab was well appreciated and acknowledged by all the faculties in the Department. He was a committed resource person in all Coagulation workshops conducted in the Department and served as Technical Coordinator for External Quality Assessment Scheme.

He has served as a resource person in several national and international workshops on coagulation & thrombosis. He has been the Technical Coordinator on the CMCEQAS since its inception in 2006 and played a vital role in material preparation. He also took a keen interest in teaching student in B.Sc. MLT, MBBS and various post-graduate training programmes in the department. He has visited several mission hospitals and helped in training lab technicians. His wife Mrs. Jamuna Bai is a Homemaker. He has two daughters. His elder daughter Mrs. Hema Priyadharshini is working as an English teacher in Government Higher Secondary School, Cuddalore and younger daughter Mrs. Gayathiri Priyadharshini, is settled in Bangalore. He is blessed with four grand children.



- **Mr. Yogasundaram V.B.** Instructor, Department of Radiology started his career as a Junior Radiographer in 1988 and retired as an Instructor on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 (33 years).

During this period, he has been to Seoul and Australia for further training. Mr Yoga has been a Radiographers' supervisor for 2 years (2014-2016) and had been Academic in charge of Radiography students from 2016 till his retirement. He was the first radiographer to perform an MRI scan at CMC in 1995.

His elder son Dr. Vignesh has completed his Medicine in CMC, and his younger son Mr. Pradeep is doing II-year B.Sc. Critical care in CMC.

## Retirements

• **Mrs. Saaya Rajasekar**, Instructor, Department of Clinical Microbiology retired on 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. She joined the Department of Clinical Microbiology in the year of 1984. She has been actively involved in diagnostics particularly in the area of Immunology, Antimicrobial Susceptibility, Mycobacteriology and Hospital environmental surveillance.



She also contributed significantly in running the IAMM EQAS programme. She served as the course co-ordinator for the Post Graduate Diploma in Medical Microbiology (PGDMM) for few years. Her hard work and diligence have greatly benefited the department. Her husband Mr. Rajasekar retired as a Vice President from Ambalal Shares and Stocks Pvt Ltd and her son Mr. Ganesh, is a Software Engineer working as a Software Analyst in Canada.

The CMC community is very thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings for their retired life.

## Obituaries

- **Mr. Sathiya Narayana Murthy**, father of Mr. Raja S. (Sr. MRT Gr.II) passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2021.
- **Mr. Muthu**, father of Mrs. Seeba M, Sel.Gr.II, Medical Assistant and Mrs. Shiggu M, Sel.Gr.II, Medical Assistant, MS Office, passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Thaniga and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mr. Thampikunju**, father of Dr. Suhany B.T., Sel. Gr. Psychologist in Rehabilitation Institute, Department of PMR, passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Baby, daughters and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mr. G. Radha Krishnan**, Sr. Limb Technician (Retd.) in ALC father of Mr. R. Sudhakar, Artisan in RUHSA Department, passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2021.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the families at this time of grief and loss.

## Upcoming Events

### Diabetes Educators Training Programme :

The Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism will be organizing a **Diabetes Educators Training Programme from 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2021** with 4 days Online Theory Sessions + 6 days Practical Sessions followed by assessment.

**Certificates will be awarded on completion :** WHO CAN APPLY : Nurses, Dieticians.

**COURSE FEE :** Rs.9,450/- (Incl of 18% GST and it covers Course Fee, Course Materials, Lunch & Refreshments).

**Submit your applications via Online -** <https://www.cmcendovellore.org/online-application-form/>

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Senior Resident with MS (Ortho) for the Department of Orthopaedics Unit-III

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **September 04, 2021** for Item 1.

### 2. Junior Research Fellow for the Department of Haematology

**Job Code : 1391**

Qualification : M.Sc. / PG Degree in clinical research or health or life sciences (DBT / DST / CSIR / UGC / ICMR) Fellowships will be given preference. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : Consolidated of Rs.30,000/- per month. Accommodation not provided.

Download application from this link : <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu/> → General → Vacancies → Application Form for Project Staff. Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **September 13, 2021** for Item 2.

## Situations Vacant

### 3. Clinical Biochemist Trainee for the Department of Clinical Biochemistry

Qualifications : B.Sc., Biochemistry / B.Sc., MLT. Age Limit : 30 Years. Stipend : As per institutional rules.

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Job Description : To work as Clinical Biochemist Trainee.

### 4. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Wellcome Research Unit Laboratory

Qualifications : B.Sc., with one or two year Diploma / B.Sc., MLT / H.Sc., with Two year Diploma.

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Preference will be given to those who have experience in phlebotomy especially on paediatric and laboratory bench work. Age Limit : 35 Years. Salary : As per institutional rules.

### 5. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Emergency Medicine

Qualifications : B.Sc. (Emergency Care Technician Course) with one year Internship.

**Note : Only Recognised University / Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.** Age Limit : 35 Years. Salary : As per institutional rules.

Job description : To work in the Department of Emergency Medicine and to do shift duties. Candidates selected will also be posted in the New Campus (Kannigapuram).

### 6. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Neurological Sciences

Qualifications : H.Sc. Only male candidate need to apply. Age Limit : 30 years.

Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted

Stipend : As per institutional rules. Nature of Job : To work in the Department of Neurosurgery O.R.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **September 13, 2021** for Items 3, 4, 5 and 6.

### 7. Associate Professor in Medical Surgical Nursing and M.Sc. (N) Tutor in Community Health Nursing at the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

Qualification : **Associate Professor** : M.Sc. in Medical Surgical Nursing - Total 8 years experience with M.Sc. (Nursing) including 5 years of teaching experience.

**M.Sc. (N) Tutor** : M.Sc. in Community Health Nursing.

Accommodation and Salary : As per Institutional Policy.

Apply with biodata, photograph, copy of the academic, registration and experience certificates to the Principal, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus on or before **September 11, 2021** Item 7.

### 8. The Centre for Stem Cell Research and Christian Medical College, Vellore invites applications for Nurse Counselor on term appointment basis to work in the Project Control of Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NHAD) - Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Disease Control Programme in collaboration with the Government of Odisha

Job Location : Odisha. Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing preferably with two years experience.

Salary Scale : Consolidated Pay (Rs.32,000/-). Accommodation not provided.

Job Description : • To train ANM / District hospital nurses in pre and post test counseling.

• To provide pre and post counseling for PND at Medical Colleges in Odisha.

• To help disseminate the results of the Sentinel Surveillance site.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and references to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **September 11, 2021** Item 8.

### 9. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri invites applications for the following posts :

(a) Paediatrician - MD / DNB.

(b) Tutor - Medical Sociology - B.Sc. in Medical Sociology preferably with 2 years of experience.

(c) Optometrist - B.Sc. in Optometry (on contract basis).

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and send the PDF scanned file to the [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) or [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org)

Last date for receipt of applications : **September 04, 2021** for Item 9.



# CMC NEWSLINE

## *Strength*

*Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and all that move in them, Psalm 69:34*

**SEPTEMBER 06, 2021**

### **“Cochrane India – CMC Vellore Affiliate”**

“Cochrane India – CMC Vellore Affiliate” was officially launched on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2021 at the Christian Medical College, Vellore. CMC has become the Affiliate Centre of the Cochrane (World leader in Gold standard Systematic Reviews; Cochrane.org) along with the 8 others in the country namely All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi; India Council of Medical Research, New Delhi; Indian Institute of Public Health - Hyderabad; Institute of Dental Sciences, Odisha; King George’s Medical University, Hyderabad; Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal; Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh; Tata Memorial Centre, Mumbai.

“Cochrane India – CMC Vellore Affiliate” is based within the Prof BV Moses Centre for Evidence Informed Healthcare and Health Policy (BVMC). BVMC’s mission in aiming to help people make well-informed decisions about health care by preparing, maintaining and promoting the accessibility of systematic reviews of the effects of healthcare interventions and the accuracy of diagnostic tests. BVMC aims to improve the quality of health care and health policy in the region through the increased capacity among health professionals to understand and to conduct systematic reviews; the increased use of evidence in health care derived from systematic reviews of evaluations of the effects of interventions and the accuracy of diagnostic tests. The increased dissemination of the results of systematic reviews of interventions in health care and evaluation of their usefulness to clinicians, policy makers and people with health care needs; Identification of gaps in the evidence and prioritization of interventions requiring systematic reviews or trials, and Improving the quality of design, conduct and reporting of clinical trials conducted in the region.

The Affiliate centre was launched by Mr. Jerrald Selvam, Additional Director, National Rural Health Mission, Tamilnadu State, Health Society, Chennai at Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project, Chennai, Virtually at the Christian Medical College Vellore who was presided by Dr. J.V. Peter, Director of CMC, Vellore; Dr Anna Pulimood, Principal of CMC Vellore, Dr Prasad Mathews, the Medical Superintendent, Ms Vathsala Sadan, Nursing Superintendent.

Dr. Jerrald Selvam who presented his message virtually applauded the collaborative efforts and strengths of the Cochrane and its evidence. Dr. Jerrald also spoke how dissemination of evidence makes a major impact especially in these pandemic times of Covid especially. Dr. Jerrald emphasized the importance of evidence, understand systematic reviews by Health Professionals which could enrich and value the evidence available and can be used in the policy making especially in the area of cost effectiveness and its policy decision and especially to the Government of Tamil Nadu in the upcoming days. Dr. Jerrald lauded the work of the CMC community and expressed his wishes to Dr. Prathap Tharyan and Dr. Thambu David is currently taken up the charge of the centre.

Dr. J.V. Peter, Director of the Christian Medical College, Vellore remembered the initiation of the Cochrane activity, his learning experience of the Meta-analysis under the guidance of Prof Prathap Tharyan at the Cochrane Centre, Christian Medical College, Vellore. He stressed that the evidence should be crisp, clear and precise. He suggested that we work on the evidence that is relevant to this region in the upcoming future. Dr. Anna Pulimood, Principal, CMC, Vellore lauded the groups effort in retaining the Cochrane Centre and its activities. Dr. Prasad Mathew, Medical Superintendent said that we are in need of understandable and usable evidence in the days to come. Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Nursing Superintended, expressed the need of collaborating together in the future with the Cochrane Centre especially with the development of Nursing Evidence based guidelines.

Dr. Thambu David, Director of the Cochrane India – CMC Vellore Affiliate summarized on the future plans for the centre along with its vision that has been road mapped for the upcoming Year. Dr. Satish, Member of the CEU, CMC, Vellore gave away the vote of thanks.

## **“Cochrane India - CMC Vellore Affiliate”**

The launch was conducted in the presence of the Staff of the Prof BV Moses Centre for Evidence Informed Healthcare and Health Policy which hosts the Cochrane Affiliate, along with the members of the Clinical Epidemiology Unit, Department of Biostatistics, CMC, Vellore. Dr. Thambu David who is the Director of the Cochrane Affiliate – CMC Vellore Associate gave away the vote of thanks and remarked that the Centre is looking forward in contributing towards the evidence synthesis and evidence update of our region. To know more about our activities please visit us at [www.bvmc.in](http://www.bvmc.in)

## **An E-Seminar on "Managing the Unsaid Needs of the Patients"**

An E-Seminar on "Managing the Unsaid Needs of the Patients" was conducted through the virtual platform on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 by the Departments of Fundamentals of Nursing (FON) and Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) & Research, College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore. The aim was to rekindle the sensitivity of nurses to certain basic needs of patients that are most often unexpressed and hence go unaddressed. The inauguration started with a word of prayer by Ms. Linda Victor, Tutor, FON Department Ms. Emily Susila, Professor & Head of FON welcomed everyone. Felicitations were offered by Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore and Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, CMC, Vellore. Ms. T. Jeni Christal Vimala, Organizing Secretary gave the overview of the program. Dr. Vinitha Ravindran, Professor & Head of CNE & Research concluded the inauguration with the vote of thanks.



The theme was introduced with a role play by FON Tutors to sensitize the participants to the unsaid needs of patients. A total of 95 delegates participated from 7 different states. The resource persons were the M.Sc. faculty from FON Department. The e – seminar had 5 sessions which included the introductory presentation on the theme 'Unsaid needs of patients', 'Comfort Needs', 'Addressing Nutritional Needs', 'Meeting Elimination Needs' and 'Enhancing Psychosocial Needs'. All the presentations were preceded by a small video clip enacted by the FON Department tutors. There were interactions and discussions in between the sessions. The e-seminar concluded with the post-test. Most of the participants expressed that the seminar was well planned and organized and the topic addressed the need of the hour. This event will definitely be a trigger to enhance basic nursing care of patients.

## **Department of Radiology and Continuing Education conducted CME Programmes**



The Departments of Radiology and Continuing Medical Education conducted a series of university-accredited CME programs on Chest Imaging (17<sup>th</sup> July, 2021), Abdominal Imaging (24<sup>th</sup> July, 2021) and Neurological Imaging (7<sup>th</sup> August, 2021).

Faculty from the Department of Radiodiagnosis presented a synopsis on the normal anatomy and the principles of interpretation of plain radiographs, computed tomography and magnetic resonance imaging.

The talks were illustrated with examples of common infectious, neoplastic, vascular and other abnormalities and interspersed with quizzes for the audience. Participants included residents and consultants from a range of departments in CMC as well as from the mission hospital network. Dr. Sridhar Gibikote, Professor, Head of the Division of Clinical Radiology moderated the three sessions. The Department is thankful to Dr. Aparna Irodi, Dr. Betty Simon, Dr. Anitha Jasper and their colleagues for the lectures, and Dr. Elizabteh Joseph and Dr. Madhavi K. for making the programme possible. The support of the Telemedicine Unit is acknowledged with gratitude.

**Orthopaedics, Paediatric Orthopaedics & Spinal Disorders Surgery Unit :**

Dr. Thilak S. Jepegnanam and Staff  
Dr. Sandeep Albert and Staff  
Dr. Anil Thomas Oommen and Staff  
Dr. Sumant Samuel and Staff  
Dr. Thomas Palocaran and Staff  
Dr. Venkatesh K. and Staff  
Mrs. Sheela Durai and Staff

**Hand and Leprosy Reconstructive Surgery:**

Dr. Samuel Chandrasekhara Raj and Staff  
Ms. Mercy and Staff

**Malankara Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church**

Council Members : His Grace Thomas Themotheos  
Mr. John Paul K.

Hospitals : MBM Mission Hospital, Kothamangalam  
St. Mary's Hospital, Manarcadu  
Mandiram Hospital, Manganam and others

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Welcome

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- **Dr. Sowmya Sathyendra**, Professor & Head, Department of Medicine Unit-III, on her return from sabbatical leave.
- **Dr. A. Thomas Isiah Sudarsan**, Assistant Professor, Department of Medical ICU, on his return from Study leave.

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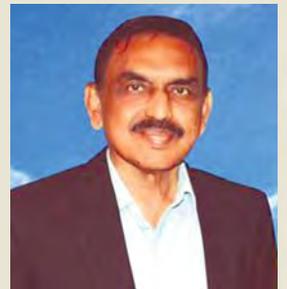
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Obituaries

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• **Dr. D.B.I. Victor** (MBBS batch of 1959-60) passed away on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2021. Dr. D.B.I. Victor, known to his CMC classmates as 'DBI', was born on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 1942 in Gudlavalleru, Andhra Pradesh. He belonged to 1959-60 batch. After graduation, he worked as a doctor in Canadian Baptist Hospitals at Vuyyuru and Akividu in Andhra Pradesh. From 1974 to 1977, he worked in SLRTC Karigiri (near Vellore) as a surgeon under Dr. Fritchi and started doing reconstructive surgery for Leprosy patients. At the request of Dr. Janaki, he returned as a surgeon to Star of Hope Hospital in Akividu. After Dr. Janaki's retirement, he took charge as Medical Superintendent of Star of Hope Hospital and completely renovated the hospital. He worked there from 1977 to 1989. He later took on the role of Director of AMG International at Rajahmundry, AP for a year and came back to Akividu and started private practice from 1990 to 2010. During that time, he held various leadership roles such as the Vice President of Voluntary Health Association of India (VHAI) and President of IMA-Akividu. He was also instrumental in starting Adarsh Public School in Akividu. He was felicitated by several organizations, including Lions Club International, for his lifelong service to the poor.



He retired from private practice following CABG surgery in 2010. In January 2019 he had pacemaker surgery. In May 2021, he tested positive for COVID. Due to the various comorbidities and viral pneumonia, he passed away on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021. He is survived by his wife Dr. Vasundhara and two sons – Rajeev and Sanjeev, and four grandchildren -Francis, Mark, Ethan and Eden.

Dr. D.B.I. Victor (MBBS batch of 1959-60) on 22 May 2021. For those who would like to contact the family, the details of his son Mr. Rajeev is given below : Mr. Rajeev, Email : [rajisaac@gmail.com](mailto:rajisaac@gmail.com)



• **Dr. Johnny Kutty Chacko** (MBBS batch of 1963) passed away on 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. Dr Johnny Kutty Chacko was born in Thurthiad, Kerala on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 1937. After schooling, he studied Theology in the Madras Bible Institute for 3 years and obtained Diploma in Theology (DTH).

He then joined the Jobet Christian Hospital, Madhya Pradesh, belonging to Canadian Presbyterian Church, to study Nursing and worked there as a Nurse for 4 years. He was then sponsored by the same organisation, the Canadian Presbyterian Church for MBBS at CMC, Vellore which he joined in 1963. While in CMC, he was an active member of the Evangelical Union. He is also remembered for his interest in sports. After completing the course in 1969, he worked in Jobet Christian Hospital and completed a five-year service obligation.

He married Dr. Shanthamma, a Postgraduate alumna of CMC, who had completed her DGO, in 1970. After completing his service obligation in Jobet, he worked for the Ministry of Health, Oman, from 1974 till 1985. On his return to India, he worked at Mary Calvert Holdsworth Memorial Hospital (Outreach Clinic), Mysore till 1988.

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He then moved to Kerala and worked in the following hospitals : St Augustine Hospital, Spring Valley, Kumily for two years, George Mathen Memorial Hospital, Mallapally for two years, St. Rita's Hospital, Nalukody for one year, Pushpagiri Medical College for five years and Agape Medical Centre, Chelakombu till 2018.

He retired from medical practice in 2018. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Shanthamma, who had worked as a Gynaecologist in Thiruvalla Medical Mission Hospital, and daughters, Ms. Shana and Dr. Nisha, Pathologist. For those who would like to contact the family, the details of Dr. Shanthamma Johnny are as follows : Dr. Shanthamma Johnny, MBBS, DGO, 'Maruthikunnel', Nedungadapally Post, Kottayam, Kerala - 686 545. Mobile : 09447866432 / 09747111938. Email : [jmsanthamma@yahoo.com](mailto:jmsanthamma@yahoo.com)  
Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Mr. S. Chandrasekaran**, Headmaster (Retired), father of Mr. Solomon, Sr. Electrician in Electrical Department and Mrs. Usha Jacob, AK Lab, Nephrology Department and father-in-law of Mr. Jacob, In-charge Dispensing Section, Pharmacy Department, passed away on 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2021.

Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Kausalya Sekaran, daughter, sons, grandchildren and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Situations Vacant

**1. Assistant Professor Gr.I with NMC-recognised postgraduate degree in DM (Haematology) for the Department of Haematology**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

**2. Senior Resident with MD (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Anaesthesia**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

**3. Senior Resident Gr.III with MD / DNB (Radiology) for the Department of Radiology**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **September 11, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **September 18, 2021** for Item 3.

**4. Erratum : Technician Trainee for the Department of Neurological Sciences**

Qualifications : H.Sc., Only male candidate need to apply.

Note : Only the above qualification on the regular mode will be accepted.

Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 30 years.

Nature of Job : To work in the Department of Neurosurgery O.R.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **September 13, 2021** for Item 4.

**5. Junior Warden (Project Mode)**

Qualification : Graduate preferably with B.Sc. Home Science.

Candidates need to stay in the hostel. (Only female candidates need to apply).

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Preference will be given for single women.

Apply with biodata, photograph, copies of certificates to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **September 18, 2021** Item 5.

**6. Management Assistant for the Department of Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training and Development (H.M.S. & S.T.D. (Project Mode))**

Qualification : Graduate / B.E. / B.Tech. / MBBS + \*MBA-Finance, HR, HA, MM / MHA / M.Phil HHSM \*\* PGDM / PGDBA / PGDPM / PGDPM & IR 2 years full time course - approved by AICTE & certified by AIU as equivalent to MBA and 2 years experience.

Salary : As per institutional norms. Age Limit : 35 years and below.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Management Assistant".

Note : *Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.* on or before **September 20, 2021** Item 6.



# CMC NEWSLINE

## *Strength*

*To the Lord I cry aloud, and he answers me from his holy hill. Psalms 3:4*

SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

### Celebrating National Librarian's Day



The Florence Taylor Memorial Library, College of Nursing celebrated the National Librarian's Day on 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. In India, 12<sup>th</sup> August is being celebrated as National Librarians Day commemorating the birth anniversary of Padmashri Dr. S.R. Ranganathan. The celebration began with a word of prayer by Rev. Deepak Gnanaprakash, Chaplain and Bible reading by Mr. Daniel Rajkumar, Assistant Librarian. Mrs. Jerylene, Librarian welcomed the gathering. Dr. Azariah Jebakumar, Sr. Librarian and Head, DODD Memorial Library spoke on the contributions of Dr. Ranganathan who spearheaded the library development in India and is considered as the Father of Library Science of India. The Dean, Dr. Vathsala Sadan unveiled the curtain to mark the inauguration of the celebration. In her address she encouraged faculty and students to be actively involved in utilizing the services of the library. To commemorate the celebrations, the Librarians and students of the College of Nursing enthusiastically displayed posters on the Florence Taylor Memorial Library services and resources. Mr. A. John Kirubairaj, Librarian delivered the vote of thanks and the programme came to an end with prayer and benediction.

## CME on Approach to Head Injury

The Departments of Neurosciences and Continuing Medical Education organized a CME on Head Injury on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2021. With increasing road traffic accidents, head injuries have become a major cause of disability and impoverishment among young adults. Professor Mathew Joseph stressed key aspects of diagnosis and management that are crucial to improving outcomes. The simple tips on emergency management and radiologic interpretation can be easily applied even in resource limited settings. Dr. Shalini Nair, Professor and Head, Neuro ICU and Dr. Jeena Joseph, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Neurosurgery, provided succinct guidance on medical and surgical decisions. Professor Judy Ann John, Department of PMR, discussed the challenges and possibilities in the rehabilitation of patients with head injury. The programme was ably moderated by Dr. Raji Thomas, Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.



## Neuro Rehack 2021

Neurorehabilitation Engineering is an interdisciplinary area of research on developing and translating technology to address the growing demand for neurorehabilitation. Some interesting current developments promise to push the *status quo* of neurorehabilitation engineering in the coming years: (a) recent clinical results showing significant recovery through intense therapy; (b) the ubiquity of cheap, compact movement sensing systems and powerful computing hardware; (c) the increasing availability of data and advances in machine learning, etc. However, the highly interdisciplinary nature of this work can be an impediment to developing clinically impactful solutions to problems confronting the field. An exposure to the gamut of opportunities and the major hurdles in the field can help start off someone, interested in the field, on the right foot. This was the rationale for Neuro Rehack.

The Neuro Rehack was organised to expose undergraduate and graduate students from various disciplines to Neurorehabilitation Engineering to encourage them to take on important problems in the field. Prof. Sivakumar Balasubramanian from the Department of Bioengineering, CMC Vellore, Dr. Alejandro Melendez-Calderon from the School of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering, The University of Queensland (Australia), and Dr. Camila Shirota from The Hopkins Centre Griffith University (Australia) conceived and planned Neuro Rehack with co-organizers from various institutes in Australia, Germany, India, Italy, and the United Kingdom.

NeuroRehack was held from June 28 to July 16 of 2021 and consisted of a summer/winter school and a hackathon. The school had 27 talks from experts working on various aspects of neurorehabilitation, motor control, and neurorehabilitation engineering. The two-week (July 5 to July 16) hackathon was conducted at multiple institutes in Australia, India, Italy, and the UK, where student groups worked on projects either remotely or physically in one of the laboratories in these institutes.

There were over 230 participants from across the world, with around 40-50 students (from engineering, neuroscience, PT, OT, and medicine) participating in the hackathon. The hackathon projects were quite diverse, including sensor-based systems for interactive gaming, camera-based movement tracking, virtual reality for speech therapy, robotic system for upper-limb assessment, etc. Out of the 13 hackathon student groups, two teams – one from the University of Queensland and one from CMC Vellore – were adjudged the joint winners of the hackathon. Auxivo Wearable Support Systems from Switzerland and Bionics Queensland from Australia sponsored prizes for NeuroRehack. The winning teams from the hackathon received EduExo kits from Auxivo, and the other students winning in other categories received books sponsored by Bionics Queensland.

A post-event survey following NeuroRehack showed that this was most participants' first exposure to neurorehabilitation engineering, and they expressed an interest in pursuing neurorehabilitation engineering as a career. This positive feedback has made the immense effort for organising Neuro Rehack worthwhile. Moving forward, The department plans to make Neuro Rehack a regular event to help introduce the field to new students and promote interdisciplinary dialogue by bringing people together to interact and exchange ideas openly. For updates visit <https://www.neurorehack.com/>

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**September 12 - 18, 2021**  
**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

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**Pharmacy Service :**

Dr. Selvamani B. and Staff

**Pharmacology & Clinical Pharmacology :**

Dr. Binu Susan Mathew and Staff

**Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Washim**

**Samavesam of Telugu Baptist Churches**

Council Members : Dr. Devaraj Voola

Mr. G. Judson Mathew

**Reformed Church in America**

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

Council Member : Mr. Y. Franklin Ishida

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**Welcome**

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- **Dr. Divya Elizabeth Muliyl**, Associate Professor, Community Health Department, on her return from study leave.
- **Dr. Rajat Raghunath**, Associate Professor, Department of General Surgery Unit-II, on his return from Study leave.

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**Memorandum**

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**Mr. T. Prasad**, Project Consultant Engineer, will continue as Deputy General Superintendent (Acting) with effect from 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2022.

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**Congratulations!**

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- The **Department of Neurology**, CMC, Vellore has been awarded the **World Stroke Organization (WSO) - Angel's Diamond Award - 2021 for excellence in Stroke Care.**

This is a recognition by the World Stroke organization to acknowledge and honor the hospitals that are effectively committed to high standards of Stroke practice globally.



- The following staff from the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism has won prizes in the recently concluded TREND0-2021 (Tamil Nadu Endocrine Society meeting) in Chennai.

**Dr. Krishna Prabha** - 1<sup>st</sup>Prize - Oral Presentation.

**Dr. Antresa Jose** - 2<sup>nd</sup>Prize - Oral Presentation.

**Dr. Khushboo Agarwal** - 3<sup>rd</sup>Prize - Oral Presentation.

**Dr. Shajith Anoop** - 1<sup>st</sup>Prize - Oral Presentation.

**Dr. Shubhashis Saha** - 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - Poster Presentation.

**Ms. Lavanya Ravichandran** - 1<sup>st</sup>Prize-Oral Presentation.

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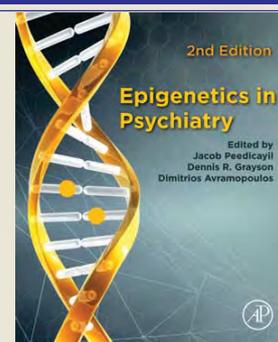
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**Book Release**

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**Dr. Jacob Peedicayil**, Professor, Department of Pharmacology & Clinical Pharmacology, has co-edited a book entitled "Epigenetics in Psychiatry, Second Edition", published by Elsevier, USA, in August 2021.



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**Upcoming Events**

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- The **Department of Pharmacy** is celebrating the **World Pharmacist Day on 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.** The theme for the year is "Pharmacy Always Trusted for your Health". To commemorate this a Poster Design Competition will be organised. The details for the same are given below :

Poster Design Competition : (For Health Care Professionals and Students). Theme based hand-drawn (Size:A3) or e-poster (PNG / JPEG format. Strictly file size not more than 4 MB) in English.

Submit hand-drawn to Pharmacy Office (A-Block 1<sup>st</sup> floor (or) send your e-poster on or before 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2021, 4.00 pm to [pharmacy@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:pharmacy@cmcvellore.ac.in).

Note : Mention your Name, Department and Contact No. at the back page of the poster or email. Do not mention any identity in the front page of the poster.

## Upcoming Events

Christian Medical College, Vellore Offers **Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)** from 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 to 24<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Teachers, Pastors, Counsellors, Chaplains and Healthcare professionals will benefit from this training programme.

One unit of CPE (12 weeks programme) consists of approximately 120 hours of structured group and individual education and 350 hours of supervised clinical ministry. Self awareness, interpersonal awareness, conceptual ability, pastoral competency and ministerial management will form the core curriculum. The trainees will be required to provide pastoral care in the hospital setting which would facilitate their clinical learning and personal transformation. They will process their experiences through peer group meetings, individual personal supervision and written assignments. The history of the trainee, personality, behaviour, communication pattern and trainee's response to different experiences will form the part of the curriculum.

Daily training hours : 08.00 a.m. to 04.30 p.m. Training includes 6 overnight On-call pastoral care. Minimum age limit: 25 years, Educational background: Any bachelor degree, fluency in spoken and written English is essential. Registration Fee: Rs.2000/-. Accommodation: Not provided. Total number of seats: Seven.

Those who are interested could write to The Head of Chaplaincy, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004 on or before 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 with a photograph (3 cm x 5 cm), curriculum vitae, statement of purpose and a reference letter from the local pastor. [chaplain@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:chaplain@cmcvellore.ac.in), Tel : 0416 - 2282016. Online selection interview would be on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Assistant Professor with MCI-recognised postgraduate degree in M.Ch. (Plastic Surgery) for the Department of Plastic Surgery Unit-II

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 2. Associate Research Officer Gr.IV (NM) with M.Sc. Biomedical Science for the Department of P.M.R. (Preference will be given to candidates with Ph.D in Neuro-Science-having experience in Spinal Cord regeneration and animal experiment).

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 3. Physiotherapist (Term Post) with BPT Degree IAP recognised College / University for the Department of P.M.R. (Physiotherapy)

Should have completed 6 months of compulsory internship on or before 25.09.2021.

Age Limit : Below 30 years.

Consolidated Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

### 4. Jr. Special Teacher (Term Post) with M.A. (Psychology) / Master of Rehabilitation Science (MRSc) / M.Ed. Special Education. (Regular Course) for the Department of Psychiatry (Child and Adolescent Psychiatry - Nambikkai Nilayam)

Job Description : Assessment and training of children with Neuro Developmental Disabilities.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **September 18, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **September 25, 2021** for Items 3 and 4.



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Strength

*Now our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name  
1 Chronicles 29:13*

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

### National Institutional Ranking Framework

CMC, Vellore has been ranked third under the India Rankings 2021-Medical by the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF).

#### NIRF Ranking 2021 - List of Medical Colleges

Through the virtual conference, the ministry of education has announced the NIRF ranking of the top 5 medical colleges in India. The remaining list of NIRF ranking for medical colleges and PDFs will be updated as soon as it will be displayed on the website.

#### NIRF ranking - Top 5 medical colleges in India

Name of the college	NIRF ranking
All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi	1
Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh	2
Christian Medical College, Vellore	3
National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bengaluru	4
Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow	5

#### About NIRF



The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) has been accepted by the MoE and launched by Honourable Minister for Education on 29th September 2015. This framework outlines a methodology to rank institutions across the country. [Read More →](#)

#### Parameters



Teaching Learning & Resources

These parameters are related to the core activities of any place of learning.



Research and Professional Practice

Excellence in teaching and learning is closely associated with the scholarship.



Graduation Outcome

This parameter forms the ultimate test of the effectiveness of the core teaching/learning.



Outreach & Inclusivity

The Ranking framework lays special emphasis on representation of women.



Perception

The ranking methodology gives a significant importance to the perception of the institution.



## E-Seminar conducted by the Departments of Medical Nursing and CNE and Research , College of Nursing



A team of observers from the Government Medical College, Kerala on their visit to Medical Intensive Care unit, CMC were much appreciative of the nursing care practices of the critical care unit. The thought of exposing the nursing staff of Government Medical College, Hospitals of Kerala to the critical care nursing practices of CMC, Vellore was conceptualized by Dr. Vineeth, Assistant Professor, Government Medical College, Kerala and Dr. Ponnamma, Principal, College of Nursing, Kozhikode. Hence, this event was initiated by the perseverance of the chairpersons, Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss, Professor & Head of Medical Nursing Department and Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore.

On 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2021, between 3-6 pm, an e-seminar was conducted to reach out to maximum beneficiaries. The seminar started with prayer by Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss followed by welcome address of Dr. Vathsala Sadan and felicitation by Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, CMC, Vellore.

The vital topics presented by the panel of experts from Medical Nursing Department were Assessment and monitoring of critically ill patients with COVID-19, Lung recruitment maneuvers in COVID ARDS, Nutrition management in critically ill patients, Prevention of Hospital Acquired Infections. Customized videos on care of patients on non-invasive ventilation, proning and closed suctioning were played after each session to facilitate realistic observations of nursing care procedures. Post test was conducted after each presentation using “zoom poll”. A total of 380 participants benefitted from these sessions. The feedback received was much encouraging to the team to create more learning opportunities for nurses across the country through such seminars and conferences.

## CME on Cardiac Emergencies in Secondary Care



The Department of Cardiology provided an overview of a range of cardiac emergencies at the CME held on 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. The talks included Aortic and Structural Emergencies by Dr. George Joseph and Dr. John Jose; Arrhythmias by Dr. Anand M. and Dr. Sirish Chandra; Cardiac Failure by Dr. Anoop George; Myocardial Infarction by Dr. Nathaniel Samson and Dr. Arpudh Michael; and Cardiac Echography in secondary care by Dr. Jesu Kripa. The Department of Continuing Medical Education thanks the faculty for sharing their time and expertise with participants from across the country. We also thank Dr. Paul George for co-ordinating and moderating the programme.

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### September 19 - 25, 2021

#### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

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*Hospital Choir and College Choir*

*Poona Christian Medical Association*

Council Members : Dr. Christopher David Moses  
Dr. Nitin Theodore Joseph

Hospitals : N.M. Wadia Hospital, Pune  
Jalna Mission Hospital, Jalna.

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### Welcome

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- **Dr. Mathew Joseph**, Professor, Department of Neurological Sciences, on his return from Sabbatical leave.
- **Dr. Aniket Kumar**, Lecturer Gr.II, Department of Pharmacology & Clinical Pharmacology, on his return from Study leave.

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### Congratulations!

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- **Dr. Lallu Joseph**, Quality Manager and Associate General Superintendent recieved the 2021 ACHS International Medal for the Asia Pacific region. The Australian Council on Health care and Standards (ACHS) medal honours individuals for outstanding contributions to improving the quality and safety of international health care services.

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## Retirements

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• **Mrs. Saaya Rajasekar**, Instructor, Department of Clinical Microbiology retired on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2021 after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. She joined the Department of Clinical Microbiology in the year of 1984.

She has been actively involved in diagnostics particularly in the area of Immunology, Antimicrobial Susceptibility, Mycobacteriology & Hospital environmental surveillance. She also contributed significantly in running the IAMM EQAS programme. She served as the course co-ordinator for the Post Graduate Diploma in Medical Microbiology (PGDMM) for few years. Her hard work and diligence have greatly benefited the department.

Her husband Mr Rajasekar retired as a Vice President from Ambalal Shares and Stocks Pvt Ltd and her son Mr. Ganesh, is a Software Engineer working as a Software Analyst in Canada.

• **Mrs. Parvathy Kumaraswamy** retired from the services from our institution on 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 after three decades of committed service to the institution. She completed her General Nursing & Midwifery training in St. Ann's School of Nursing, Vijayawada from 1983 -1986. After having worked as a staff nurse in St. Ann's Hospital for one year and in the Emmaus Swiss Leprosy project, Palmaner for two years, she joined CMC in the year 1991. She worked in the Maternity Wards of the hospital for one year and then moved to RUHSA where she continued to serve faithfully and efficiently till her retirement. She completed Post Diploma in Operating Room Technique and Management in the year 2002.



Mrs. Parvathy is pleasant, committed, hard working and has contributed immensely to patient care, counselling and teaching patients and family members and aiding in Operating Room Management. Her husband Mr. Kumaraswamy has retired from postal services. She is blessed with two sons and two grandchildren. Her elder son, Mr. Adishesen works as a sales executive and his wife Mrs. Mohanapriya works in an IT company in Chennai. Her younger son, Mr. Dilip works as a Hospital Attendant in Rehabilitation Centre, CMC and his wife Mrs. Eswari is a homemaker. We express our appreciation for the services she has rendered to this institution and wish her along and happy retired life.

The CMC community is very thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings in their retired life.

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## Obituaries

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• **Dr. Chandran Savarirayan** (MBBS batch of 1953) passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. Dr. Chandran was born in Palayamkottai in 1935 and gained his MBBS degree from CMC in 1958. He was a good hockey player and represented the college as a member of the college Hockey team. He worked as an anatomy demonstrator at CMC for 2 years after graduation, and met his future wife and fellow CMC graduate, Dr. Seshambal (MBBS batch of 1958), to whom he was married to for 57 years. From 1962 he worked as a resident at Mount Vernon hospital in

New York, a stark contrast to Vellore as he observed. He then decided to pursue his medical career in the UK and moved there in 1964, working as a house surgeon in numerous cities and gaining his FRCS specialist qualifications in London (1967) and Edinburgh (1968).

In 1972 he made the bold decision to take up a position as a surgeon in the small county South Australian steel-town of Whyalla and was a pivotal figure in the medical, social, and sporting community of this town for the next 28 years. He was a brilliant and caring surgeon, excellent golfer, and respected and loved by his family, friends, and patients alike. He relocated to Adelaide in 2000 to be closer to his children and Dr. Seshambal, who had moved there some years earlier for the same reason.

Dr. Chandran continued working as a general practitioner, and doing minor surgeries in Adelaide and, with Dr. Seshambal, was an active member of the CMC Alumni, helping to organise various reunions and meetings over the years. He kept in constant touch with fellow CMC'ers and consistently stated that he had received the

## Obituaries

best medical training in the world in that amazing hospital and medical school located in dusty Vellore. He played golf regularly, enjoyed cooking, and travelled the world extensively with Dr. Seshambal and his children and beloved grandchildren whenever possible.

In 2019, after 61 years of continuous, excellent medical practice and service, he finally retired, aged 82 years. Unfortunately, soon after his retirement he developed giant cell arteritis, losing a large amount of vision. This curtailed his travels and ability to play golf, but he bore it as well as he could. During this time, he wrote and published a memoir of his life titled, "Born lucky-the fortunate life of an ordinary man."

Dr. Chandran was a very friendly and amiable person. He lived a big life and was always smiling, cracking jokes and was at his happiest when in the operating theatre doing what he did best-surgery-which he got to do for over 60 years.

Dr. Chandran Savarirayan passed away peacefully at his home in Adelaide, South Australia on the 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021, surrounded by his family, aged 85 years. He is survived by his wife Dr. Seshambal, and lives on in his children, Ravi and Asha, and eight grandchildren, Jacob, Maya, Noah, Sam, Jack, Ned, Priya and Zoe.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details of his son Dr. Ravi Savarirayan is given below :

[ravi.savarirayan@mcri.edu.au](mailto:ravi.savarirayan@mcri.edu.au)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Mrs. J. Maria Malar Vani**, Mother of Mrs. J. Maria Christina, Sr. Accountant Gr.II in Accounts Department and Mother-in-law of Mr. Nicholos Dhivya Nathan Sr. Accountant Gr.I, Psychiatry Department, passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

• **Mr. Mathew Rajan**, retired Staff of HLPT Section, Department of Hand Surgery passed away on 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Mathew Rajan and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Upcoming Events

### Intensive Training Programme for Secondary Care Doctors in Diabetes Mellitus

The **Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism** will be organising an **Intensive Training Programme in Diabetes Mellitus for Doctors from 8<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2021** with 5 days Online Theory Sessions + 4 days Practical Sessions followed by an assessment. Certificates will be awarded on completion. **WHO CAN APPLY** : MBBS / MD General Medicine / MD Community Medicine / MD Family Medicine. **COURSE FEE** : Rs.13,240/- (Incl of 18% GST and it covers Course Fee, Course Materials, Lunch and Refreshments).

**Submit your applications via Online - <https://www.cmcendovellore.org/online-application-form/>**

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Tutor with MBBS for the Department of Forensic Medicine

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 2. Jr. Psychologist (Term Post) with M.A. or M.Sc. in Psychology with Specialization in Child Development or Counselling or Developmental Psychology for the Department of Developmental Paediatrics Unit

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

### 3. Assistant Professor with MCI-recognised postgraduate degree in DM (Neurology) for the Department of Neurological Sciences

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 4. Senior Resident Gr.III with MD / DNB (Pulmonary Medicine) for the Department of Pulmonary Medicine

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

## Situations Vacant

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **September 25, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **October 02, 2021** for Items 3 and 4.

**5. Project Officer (IT)** for the **Department of Distance Education Unit** **Job Code :1392**  
 Qualification : B.E. (Computer Science) / B.C.A. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.  
 Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**6. Project Officer (Admin.)** for the **Department of Distance Education Unit** **Job Code :1393**  
 Qualification : Any Graduate. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.  
 Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**7. Programme Coordinator** for the **Department of Distance Education Unit** **Job Code :1394**  
 Qualification : MBBS. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.  
 Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted.* Applications will close by **October 04, 2021** for Items 5, 6 and 7.

**8. Technical Assistant (Project Mode – Temporary)** for the **Department of Urology**  
 Qualifications : H.Sc. with Two Year Diploma in Urology Technician Course.  
 Age Limit : 35 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.  
 Job Description : Urology Technician to be posted in Urodynamics Room, Urology OPD, Urology OR, Lithotripsy, Uroflometry etc.,

**9. Pharmacist (External Designation - Project)** for the **Department of Paediatrics Unit - III**  
 Qualifications : D. Pharm.  
 Appointment will be given only for pharmacists who have registered in the Tamil Nadu State Pharmacy Council.  
 Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.  
 Age Limit : 35 Years. Job Description : To work in project mode.

**10. Lab Technician (External Designation – Project)** for the **Centre for Stem Cell Research**  
 Qualifications : B.Sc. Zoology with experience in histopathology and hematological techniques.  
 Only male candidates need to apply.  
 Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.  
 Age Limit : Below 30 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.  
 Nature of Job : Frequent travel of transportation of specimen, cell culture, histopathological processing and staining, handling and care of animals under study.  
 Job Description : Experience in working with biological samples and handling animals; histological processing of tissue; basic hematological techniques and may involve untimely travel to transport tissues.

**11. Technical Assistant (Project Mode)** for the **Department of Pulmonary Medicine**  
 Qualifications : B.Sc. Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc. with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy (CMC).  
 Those whose completing bond in December 2021 can also apply.  
 Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.  
 Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **September 27, 2021** for Items 8, 9, 10 and **October 04, 2021** for Item 11.



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Strength

*Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Psalm 111:2*

**SEPTEMBER 27, 2021**

### **MBBS Batch of '95 - 25<sup>th</sup> Alumni Reunion Project (Chittoor Campus PMR Department) online handing overmeeting**

“Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow” (Melody Beattie). The CMC MBBS Batch of 95 had an occasion to reflect upon this statement as we attended the online meeting conducted on 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2021, to pray for and bless the PMR Department of CMC Chittoor Campus, with whom our batch was involved as part of our batch project to celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> year of joining CMC.

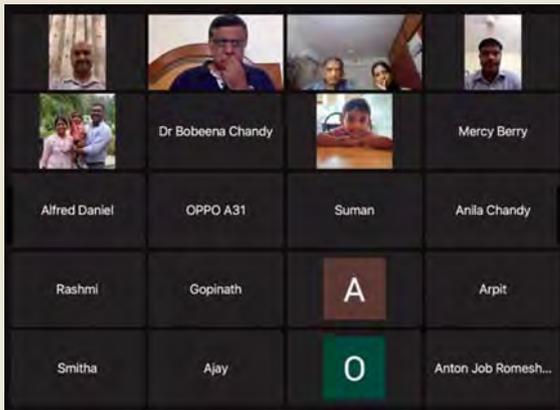


As we understood, the purpose of our project was twofold – mainly to show our deep gratitude to our beloved CMC and our teachers who blessed us so much and secondly, to be involved in some activity of CMC that would be a blessing to others. This programme beautifully encapsulated both these aims, as we had the privilege of listening to some of the great men and women who populate CMC, reminding us of the rich heritage of people who have made CMC what it is and made us who we are. We also had the opportunity of hearing what CMC is doing and what is being planned in Chittoor, which is clearly going to be a wonderful blessing to the people of that part of Andhra Pradesh and beyond.

During the meeting we heard from the Director, Dr. J.V. Peter, of some of the wonderful developments that have happened in CMC, even through the struggles of the pandemic. It has been a matter of pride for us to see our Alma Mater take pride of place in the country as the leader of medical thought and training during the pandemic and we salute the leadership and the faculty for their innovative and practical interventions. He also gave us a word of inspiration from his personal life encouraging us to find our unique purpose and to be content. Principal, Dr. Anna Pulimood, aptly reminded us of Dr. Gwenda Lewis who overcame physical struggles of polio to lead the Department of Anaesthesia and the Blood Bank to world-leading standards in its early years. A few members of our batch, reminded us again of how much we owe CMC and how much are lives are what they are today, because we had the privilege and honour to study in CMC. We also remembered the wonderful times of singing and prayer we had every Thursday evening with the patients admitted in Rehab till our third year.

## MBBS Batch of '95 - 25<sup>th</sup> Alumni Reunion Project

### — (Chittoor Campus PMR Department) online handover meeting —



We then heard about the pioneering work happening at the Chittoor campus. Envisioned by Dr. Suranjan Bhattacharjee, initiated by Dr. Nihal Thomas and now headed by Dr. Kenny David, we heard how the work has exponentially increased both in numbers and in the variety of facilities available. We had the privilege of hearing from all the three of these leaders and were left with a sense of excitement and inspiration, as we saw how God has blessed and expanded the work, very similar to the initial days of Aunt Ida that led to the formation and growth of CMC! The future plans for the campus are truly visionary and are bound to make a palpable impact in the health care landscape of our country. Dr. Suranjan took us on a journey from his introduction to Rehab, through some of his

experiences and now to his new venture at Chittoor, keeping us spellbound with the passion of his heart and leaving us uplifted, inspired and challenged to bring some of that spirit and ardor to our own lives and work.

We, the members of the Batch of 95, can never repay our debt of gratitude to CMC. But then, the investment made into our lives is not something to be repaid, but passed on. The opportunity we have had to invest financially into the Rehab work at Chittoor campus is but a small token of the overwhelming gratitude that fills our heart. It is not a repayment of a debt but a promissory note. A promise to carry on the torch of life that we have been given, to pass on the love we have received, to minister and not to be ministered unto. We, the members of the Batch of 95, pledge to fulfil this promise. May God bless us and may God bless CMC! Three cheers for the Silver and Blue!

In conclusion, let us remember the Confederate Soldier's prayer that Dr. Suranjan quoted during the meeting. I asked God for strength, that I might achieve;

I was made weak, that I might learn humbly to obey. I asked for health, that I might do greater things;

I was given infirmity, that I might do better things. I asked for riches, that I might be happy;

I was given poverty, that I might be wise.

I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men;

I was given weakness, that I might feel the need of God. I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life;

I was given life, that I might enjoy all things.

I got nothing that I asked for, but everything I hoped for. Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered. I am among all men most richly blessed.

Amen.

*Dr Arpit Mathew, Advanced Laparoscopic, Urology and GI Surgeon,  
Madhipura Christian Hospital, Bihar.*

## College of Nursing : State Level e - Seminar on "Clinical Pearls in ENT Nursing"

Departments of Medical Surgical Nursing Specialty I and CNE & Research, of College of Nursing, CMC Vellore conducted one day e-seminar titled "Clinical Pearls in ENT Nursing" on 27<sup>th</sup> of August 2021. The e-seminar began with inauguration at 8.10 am and during the inauguration Dr. Bala Seetharam, Nursing Superintendent and Head, Medical Surgical Nursing Specialty I, welcomed the gathering, Mrs. Alice Sony, Deputy Dean and, Dr. Ajoy M.Varghese, Head, Department of ENT gave their felicitations, Mrs. Naomi Nancy, Lecturer and Organizing Secretary gave an overview about the workshop and Dr. Vinitha Ravindran, Professor and Head, Department of CNE & Research proposed the vote of thanks.



## College of Nursing : State Level e – Seminar on “Clinical Pearls in ENT Nursing”

The first session was on Emerging trends in ENT Nursing by Dr. Vinciya Pandian, Associate Professor, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, Baltimore, USA who is an alumnus of College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore. The other sessions covered in the morning were Management of Stridor in Adults and Children, Mucormycosis, Laryngeal Cancers, Nutrition in Patients with Head and Neck Diseases & Disorders along with the video demonstration on Tracheostomy Care & Nasal douching.

The topics like Communication and Rehabilitation in Patients with Head and Neck Diseases and Disorders, Resuscitation & Ventilator Management in Neck Breathers, and finally a Role Play on Resuscitation in Neck Breathers (Video) were covered after lunch. Out of nine presentations seven presentations were by experts from Nursing field both within and outside the country and two experts from the Medical field.

There were 95 delegates from all over India Delhi, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Nagaland, Meghalaya, West Bengal, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu out of which seventy were from Tamil Nadu. The delegates gave an excellent feedback about the e – seminar. All the video demonstrations were specially appreciated. The Tamil Nadu Nursing and Midwives Council awarded 4 credit points.

**September 26 - October 02, 2021**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *Staff and Students' Health Services :*

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff  
Dr. Kanagalakshmi and Staff  
Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher and Staff

#### *Medical Records Department :*

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff  
Dr. Vijaykumar Aruldas and Staff

#### *Outpatient Services :*

Dr. Prasad Mathews K. and Staff  
Dr. Aby Abraham and Staff  
Dr. Vijaykumar Aruldas and Staff  
Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher and Staff

#### *Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church Catholicate of the East Council Members :*

H.G. Dr. Yuhanon Mar Diascoros  
Fr. M.C. Poullose

Hospital : M.O.S.C. Medical Mission Hospital,  
Kolencherry and others

## Memoranda

As per the Council Minute No.15565:7-21. the Administrative team under the Nursing Superintendent will be re-designated as follows with effect from 23.9.2021.

- **Mrs. Jeyalinda D**, Deputy Nursing Superintendent is re-designated as Associate Nursing Superintendent and will continue to primarily help in the Main Town Campus till completion of term (19.10.2024).
- **Mrs. Ilavarasi Jesudoss**, Deputy Nursing Superintendent is re-designated as Associate Nursing Superintendent and will primarily oversee the Kannigapuram Campus. Her appointment is extended for six months till 2.8.2022 in view of the Kannigapuram transition.
- **Mrs. Dorathy Devakirubai**, Additional Deputy Nursing Superintendent is re-designated as Deputy Nursing Superintendent and will continue to help in the Main Campus and Kannigapuram Campus. Her appointment is extended for six months till 2.8.2022 in view of the Kannigapuram transition and re-organization of the Main Town Campus.
- **Mrs. Shalini Chandran**, Additional Deputy Nursing Superintendent is re-designated as Deputy Nursing Superintendent and will continue to primarily help in the Main Town Campus till completion of term (24.6.2023).
- **Mrs. Sophia Lawrence D**, Additional Deputy Nursing Superintendent is re-designated as Deputy Nursing Superintendent and will continue to primarily help in the Main Town Campus till completion of term (1.11.2024).

## Congratulations!

- **Dr. Benjamin Earnest Williams**, Senior Resident has passed the DNB (Diplomate of National Board) Respiratory Medicine examination conducted by NBE (National Board of examination).

## Congratulatory!

• **Dr. Anjana Joel**, Associate Professor, Department of Medical Oncology was awarded "Oral Presentation Award" at the Korean Society of Medical Oncology conference held virtually on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021, the abstract titled "Does early clearance of MAF of EGFR mutation in Plasma Predict PFS among patients with advanced EGFR-m NSCLC : "A single centre experience".

• The following candidates were successful in the Postgraduate **Diploma** Examinations held in **May 2021 (University results published on 07.09.2021)**.

**D.A.** : Dr. Ashish Arnkond and Dr. Jithil Paul

**D.C.P.** : Dr. Velukaran Therese David

**D.M.R.D.** : Dr. Mary John Kurien

**D.O.** : Dr. Sri Vishnupriya M.

**D.Ortho** : Dr. Sugun Harsha G.

## Obituary

**Mrs. Mary Jeyaraj**, mother of Mr. Jacob Jeyaraj, Attendant, Electrical Department, passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2021. Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time of grief and loss.

## Situations Vacant

**1. Jr. Psychologist (Term Post) with M.A. or M.Sc. in Psychology with Specialization in Child Development or Counselling or Developmental Psychology for the Department of Developmental Paediatrics Unit (Correspondence course not eligible).**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**2. Demonstrator (NM) (Term Post) with M.Sc. Food and Nutrition for the Department of RUHSA**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**3. Assistant Professor with MCI-recognised postgraduate degree in MD (Paediatrics) with DM (Paediatric Cardiology) for the Department of Cardiology**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **October 02, 2021** for Item 1 and **October 09, 2021** for Item 2 and **October 10, 2021** for Item 3.

**4. Multipurpose Health Workers (MPHW) to work in Christian Medical College, Vellore.**

Salary scale : As per institutional Policy.

Eligibility to apply :

- Age upto 30 years.
- Completion of a two year MPHW training from an institution recognized by the Indian Nursing Council.
- Registration with the Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council.

Applications can be sent to the Nursing Superintendent, CMC, Vellore – 632 004 along with resume, photo copies of all the certificates and a self addressed stamped envelope.

**5. Jr. Administrative Assistant - Missions Department (Directorate) (Project Mode)**

Qualifications : Graduate + 1 year PGDHA (or) 5 years experience in CMC FHA.

Age Limit : 30 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Administrative Assistant".

**6. Non-Medical Technician Gr.IV for CRS, Materials Department**

Qualifications : Any Degree. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Candidates with experience in Inventory Management, knowledge in Biomedical, Non-biomedical equipments and other equipments in an hospital setting only need apply. The candidate should have good computer skills. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Non-Medical Technician Gr.IV".

## Situations Vacant

### 7. Jr. Administrative Assistant - Materials Department (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Graduate + PGDHA / one year Diploma in Materials Management / MHA / MBA.

Age Limit : 30 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Preference will be given to candidates with prior work experience in Materials Department of any Hospitals / Organization with excellent Computer and Administrative Skills.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Administrative Assistant".

### 8. Management Intern for the Department of Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training

Qualifications : Fulltime MBA / MHA / Bachelors in Engineering / Masters in any Science discipline / P.G. Diploma in Hospital Administration. Consolidated Stipend : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Management Intern".

### 9. Field Worker - RUHSA on Project Mode

Qualification : Plus Two. Age Limit : 35 years and below. Consolidated Salary : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Field Worker".

Note : *Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.* Apply on or before **October 04, 2021** Items 5, 6 and **October 11, 2021** Items 7, 8 and 9.

### 10. Applications are invited for Ph.D. programme in Medical Biotechnology (Specialization in Biomedical Genetics) under Regional center for Biotechnology

**Eligibility Criteria :** M.Sc. / M.Tech. in any branch of Life Sciences / M.Pharm / MBBS / MD or an equivalent degree with first class or CGPA >6.5 (5% relaxation for SC / ST/OBC / PwD allowed as per the GoI norms) and any one of the Fellowships (UGC, CSIR, ICMR, INSPIRE, DBT or equivalent).

Last date for application : **11<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.** For any queries : [endocrine@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:endocrine@cmcvellore.ac.in)

For further details / To Apply online they can login to the website : [www.cmcendovellore.org/doctor-philosophy-php](http://www.cmcendovellore.org/doctor-philosophy-php) Please send us the duly filled application either by soft copy email to: [endocrine@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:endocrine@cmcvellore.ac.in) / [endolabcmcvellore@gmail.com](mailto:endolabcmcvellore@gmail.com) or by hard copy address to **The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu** on or before **11<sup>th</sup> October, 2021** for Item 10.

### 11. Applications are invited for Ph.D. Programme in Medical Biotechnology with specialization in Haematology under Regional center for Biotechnology, Faridabad.

**Eligibility Criteria:** M.Sc./ M.Tech. in any branch of Life Sciences/M.Pharm/ MBBS / MD or an equivalent degree with first class or CGPA >6.5 (5% relaxation for SC/ST/OBC/PwD allowed as per the GoI norms).

In addition to the above, following qualifications are preferred : DBT/ CSIR / UGC / DST-INSPIRE/ ICMR / Any Government Fellowships. Institutional fellowships may be provided to eligible candidates.

For Further details : <http://www.cmchaematology.org/careers.php>

Last date for application : **11<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.** For any queries : [haemedu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:haemedu@cmcvellore.ac.in)

Please send us the duly filled application either by soft copy email to : [haemedu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:haemedu@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy Address to **The Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, Tamil Nadu** on or before **11<sup>th</sup> October, 2021** for Item 11.

### 12. Ida Scudder School, Vellore - 632 006, Tamil Nadu (Affiliated to the CISCE, New Delhi)

The school invites applications for the following post : **Senior School Teacher for Physics:** Applicants must be postgraduates proficient in English with B.Ed. with adequate teaching experience.

Apply to "The Correspondent" Ida Scudder School, No.1, Kalinjur Main Road, Viruthampet, Vellore – 632 006, Tamil Nadu, on or before **30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021** furnishing the CV, latest passport size photograph, photo copies of all the necessary certificates & other related documents, and contact details in the application format available at the school website : [www.scudderschool.ac.in](http://www.scudderschool.ac.in)

**13. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri – 632 106** invites applications for the following posts of (a) **Consultant/Specialist (Dermatology)**. Qualification : MD / DNB / Diploma in Dermatology. (b) **Consultant / Specialist (Paediatrics)**. Qualification : DCH / MD / DNB in Paediatrics.

• *Salary commensurate with qualifications and Experience.*

Candidates can send their updated resume along with the scan copies of all your testimonials to [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) and [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org) Last date for receipt of applications : **9<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.**



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## Heal

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Romans 15:13*

**OCTOBER 04, 2021**

### Remembering 50 years of Existence



1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 marks the Golden Jubilee of the Personnel Department. The need for the department started to be felt in late 1960's and in the year 1968 when Personnel issues were draining the time of administrators, the then Director Dr. John K.G. Webb and the General Superintendent, Rev. A.S. Savarirayan carried out extensive discussions independently with Industrialists and arrived at the decision to appoint a "Personnel-cum-Welfare Officer" to handle this difficult task. (Sep'68 Council).

"On 1<sup>st</sup> September 1971 Mr. C.V. Gopaul, the first Personnel Manager joined the newly formed Personnel Department" He was given the mandate to be responsible for all Grade III & Grade IV personnel including Engineering in matters relating from recruitment to retirement under General Services. Mr. C.V. Gopaul was succeeded by Mr. Thambiah who had a short stint from January 1976 to July 1977.

Following 70 days strike which started from the night of 5<sup>th</sup> January 1975, restoring peace, discipline and trust was the major burden placed on the Personnel Department.

As early as 1976 the Personnel Department took the lead in framing and implementing the following major policies.

## Remembering 50 years of Existence

- Staff Service Rules
- Staff Medical Concession
- Tightening of security measures with surprise checks to prevent thefts in hospitals.
- Issue of identification cards & name badges.
- Staff Recreation club
- Preference for staff dependants for jobs and educational facilities.
- Maintenance of discipline by means of positive counselling and disciplinary action
- Induction training (Oct'76 Council).



The main person behind all the above milestone developments was Mr. H.D. Moses who was the Personnel Manager between 1977 and 1982 following which he became the General Superintendent.

He was succeeded by Mr. J.K. Mathuranayagam. The challenging task of settling Labour cases and disputes following strike at various Labour forums was handled by him efficiently. By combining discipline with mercy he was able to build trust among the workers.

Dr. Samuel N.J. David took over from Mr. J.K. Mathuranayagam. He carried the baton of HR roles handed over by the predecessors viz., recruitment to retirement. He was instrumental in starting the ARISE clinic for rehabilitating problem drinkers.

### PERSONNEL TEAM – 2021

Mrs. Hannah Paul took over from Dr. Samuel N.J. David on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2009. Absence rate of employees was brought to less than 2% through consistent disciplining and Counselling. Persistent efforts put by the team through individual/ family counselling, combined with stringent disciplining has helped us to achieve this goal. This model has helped the Institution to win all termination cases in Labour courts during the past eleven years. Concept of reducing stressors & increasing stimulators to make work a joy is a consistent goal of this department. Personnel team is a vibrant one; hence all our challenges have become possibilities.

The vision of this department is to build intrinsically driven work force who will carry on the vision of our Founder Aunt Ida for generation to come.

The department thanks God for guiding us thus far and trust His guiding hands for future challenges.

## 4<sup>th</sup> International Snakebite Awareness Day

The 4<sup>th</sup> International Snakebite Awareness Day, was observed by the Clinical Toxicology Unit and Poisons Information Center, Department of Medicine Unit-I on September 18, 2021. Weeklong activities were held with the aim of increasing awareness about snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid care amongst communities in and around Vellore.

The Annual Snakebite Survivors' Meet was held via zoom for Tamil and Telugu-speaking patients, who had presented to CMC over the past year with snakebite envenoming. The meet provided a forum for snakebite victims to discuss the psychological and physical challenges faced by them, reinforce snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid and importantly empower snakebite victims to be peer educators in their own communities. Virtual scientific sessions were organized in 15 schools in and around Vellore district which were attended by close to 1000 school students and their teachers. Titled, "Snake biology – A Primer", the interactive sessions aimed to introduce children to snakes, their ecology and conservation and create awareness of the public health problem of snakebites. Key aspects of snakebite prevention and appropriate first-aid were also discussed.

At the Main hospital and Chittoor campuses, the OPD waiting area displays were used to spread the message of snakebite prevention and appropriate first-aid in the regional languages.

A commemorative programme was held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September where Dr. S.P. Kalantri, Director and Professor of Medicine at the Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Sevagram delivered the keynote address entitled -"Challenges and prospects of snakebite management in India."

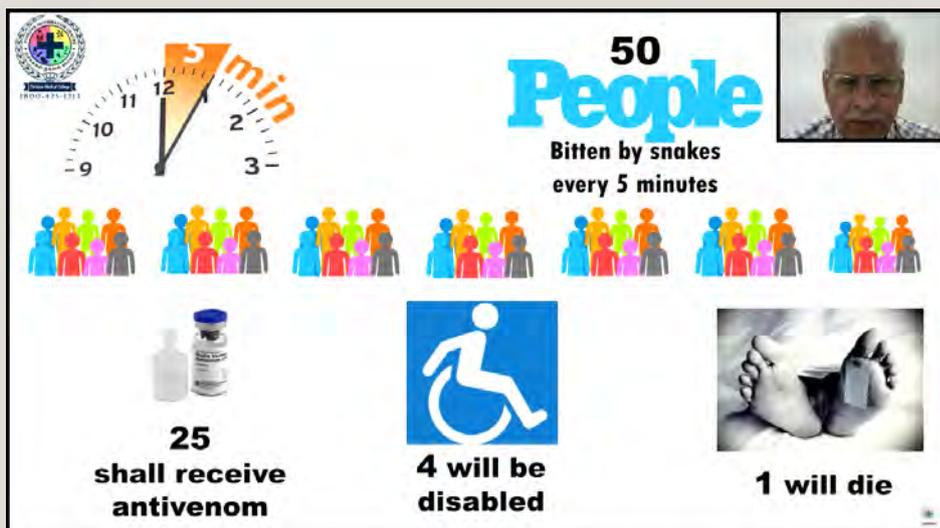
## 4<sup>th</sup> International Snakebite Awareness Day

A new addition to the activities this year was a Poster Designing Competition for school, medical and nursing students. The theme was “Snake Conservation”. The competition saw enthusiastic participation by students in each category.

The prize winners were P. Keerthana from Lakshmi Garden School, G. Shirley Geraldine, a second year M.B.B.S student from CMC and Dissona Bennichen, College of Nursing, CMC Chittoor campus. Apart from the attractive prizes,

the winners were given an opportunity to explain the concept behind their posters during the programme. It is hoped that these activities would play a role in spreading awareness regarding snakes and snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid in the community and be a step towards mitigating snakebite related deaths in the country.

The recording of the Keynote address by Dr. S.P. Kalantri can be viewed by clicking on the following link or by scanning the QR code : <https://linktr.ee/cmcpic>



**October 03 - 09, 2021**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *Transfusion Medicine and Immunohaematology:*

Dr. Joy John Mammen and Staff

#### *The Salvation Army-India South Western Territory*

Council Members : Colonel Gabriel I. Christian  
Lieut Colonel Saju Daniel

Hospital : Community Hospital, Ernakulam and Kottayam

#### *The Salvation Army - India Western Territory*

Council Members : Major Andrews D. Christian  
Major Devdan Kalkumbe

Hospital : Evangeline Booth Hospital, Ahmednagar  
and others

#### *The Salvation Army - India South Eastern Territory*

Council Members : Colonel John Kumar Dasari  
Lieut Colonel Davidson Varghese

Hospital : Catherine Booth Hospital, Negercoil.

### Congratulations !

The joint proposal with Jhpiego corporation, India responding to WHO\_Request for proposal on “Prevention and management of common cancers in India: Review of policy, program and service delivery” has been accepted to receive the award.

The primary recipient is Jhpiego and they have subcontracted to RUHSA, CMC.

### Memoranda

- **Dr. Inian Samarasam**, Professor, General Surgery-III is appointed as Chairman, Theatre Committee for Main OR for a two year period with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021.
- **Dr. Ravi Kishore**, Professor, Paediatric Surgery is appointed as Chairman, Theatre Committee for CB OR for a two year period with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021.
- **Dr. Samuel N.J. David**, Associate General Superintendent will be overseeing Postal Section and Garden Maintenance in Hospital Campus in addition to other existing responsibilities with immediate effect. For all requests regarding the above, email : [hospitalmaintenance@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:hospitalmaintenance@cmcvellore.ac.in)

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## Retirements

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• **Mrs. K. Vasanthi**, Instructor, Department of Pharmacy retired on 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 after 40 years of dedicated service to the institution. Mrs. K. Vasanthi, joined as a student in 1979 and completed her Diploma in Pharmacy and joined as a Junior Pharmacist in 1981. She worked in various divisions of Pharmacy, OP Pharmacy, Main Pharmacy, OR Pharmacy, M-Ward Pharmacy, ISSCC General Pharmacy, Ward Supply Pharmacy and SSSH Pharmacy. She was the supervisor for OP Pharmacy from 2012 to 2016. She is a dedicated, sincere and hard working person. Her son Mr. Vavish Ram completed his M.Tech. in Bio-informatics and working in Starter UC Company at Bangalore.



• **Mrs. Mary Sekar**, Sr. Gr. Nursing Auxiliary is retired on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 after 36 years of service in our institution. She joined CMC in the year 1985 after completion of Hospital Auxiliary course from CMC. She had worked in R ward and CSSD. She is very pleasant, calm and accountable. She learned CSSD procedures quickly while transferred from 'R' ward to CSSD in the year 2018. Her communication skill and IPR are commendable. She is very creative & brings out innovative ideas related to patient care.

Her husband Mr. Rajasekaran D. is (late) Retired Southern Railway employee. Their elder son, Mr. Charles R., completed B.Sc.(N) in ETCM, Kolar and presently working as staff nurse in NHDU, CMC, Vellore. He is married to Mrs. Emima Preethy, Staff Nurse (B.Sc.) in Q1 E, CMC. Their youngest son, Mr. Solomon R. also completed B.Sc. (N) in ETCM, Kolar and working as Staff Nurse in A&E, CMC and married to Mrs. Komala, Staff Nurse, Columbia Asia Hospital, Bangalore. She is blessed with two grandchildren.

The CMC community is very thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings in their retired life.

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## Obituaries

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• **Mr. G. Padmanabhan**, father of Dr. Padma Paul, Professor and Head of Ophthalmology Unit-III and Father-in-law of Dr. M.J. Paul, Associate Director (HR) and Head, Endocrine Surgery, passed away on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

• **Mr. P. Samson**, Critical Care Therapist, PICU, son of Mr. Purushothaman, retired staff, S.I.H-R & LC, Karigiri and Mrs. Selvi Purushothaman, retired staff, AK Lab, passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2021. Mr. Samson joined Christian Medical College, Vellore as a student of B.Sc. Critical Care Therapy (batch of 2012) and subsequently was working in PICU as a staff with great commitment, enthusiasm and sincerity. A vibrant and caring person as he was he earned innumerable beloved friends. He was devoted to his family, adored his wife S. Jessica Khosla, staff nurse, C ward and his 5 months old baby boy. He believed in living life to the fullest and will be dearly missed by his family and colleagues in the PICU.



• **Mrs. Flora Gunasekari**, retired teacher and mother-in-law of Mr. Samuel Kamalesh Kumar, OT Services In-charge, PMR Department, mother of Mrs. Lydia Samuel, Ida Scudder School and grandmother of Moses and Elijah, passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 in Tindivanam.

• **Mr. M. Karthikeyan**, father of Mr. Muthu Kumar K, Sr. Associate Research Officer (NM), Department of Reproductive Medicine & Surgery, passed away on 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 in Chennai.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the families at this time of grief and loss.

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## Notice

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**American Heart Association – International Training Centre (CMC, Vellore)**

**American Heart Association – Paediatric Advance Life Support (AHA-PALS) Provider level course**

**American Heart Association – Paediatric Advanced Life Support (AHA PALS) course**

The AHA-PALS course will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at the New Examination hall, Bagayam Campus, CMC, Vellore. This well known Paediatric Advanced Life Support Course, accredited by the American Heart Association and American Academy of Paediatrics, is valid internationally. The number of participants is strictly restricted to 18 as per AHA guidelines. **The registration fee is Rs.7000/-**

## Notice

(cost of study materials included). The last date for registration is **9<sup>th</sup> October 2021**. This two day course is designed for healthcare providers (doctors, nurses, paramedics) who initiate advanced life care in acutely ill children, beyond basic life support, through the stabilization or transport phases of a paediatric emergency. The course consists of lectures, videos, discussions and hands - on sessions based on simulated case scenarios and aims to train the participants in early recognition and emergency management of critically ill children with an emphasis on team concept. **For enquiries and registration, please contact Ms. Nitha Cathuan or Mr. Ganesh, Paediatric ICU (Phone No.0416-228-3366).**

## Situations Vacant

### **1(a) Senior Resident with MS / DNB (Orthopaedics) for the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics**

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

**Initial appointment will be as Senior Resident for one year and can be upgraded to Assistant Professor in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year (as per the latest NMC guidelines).**

### **1(b) Assistant Professor with MS / DNB Orthopaedics for the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics**

Preference : Fellowship experience in Paediatric Orthopaedics will be given preference.

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

### **2(a) Senior Resident with M.D. (PMR) for the Department of P.M.R. (Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation)**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

### **2(b) Assistant Professor with M.D. (PMR) for the Department of P.M.R. (Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation)**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

### **3(a) Senior Resident with MD (Pathology) (Term Appointment) for the Department of General Pathology**

Age limit : <40 years.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

**Initial appointment will be as Senior Resident for one year and can be upgraded to Assistant Professor in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year (as per the latest NMC guidelines).**

### **3(b) Assistant Professor with MD (Pathology) (Term Appointment) for the Department of General Pathology**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **October 16, 2021** for Items 1(a), 1(b), 2(a), 2(b) and 3(a), 3(b).

### **4. Research Officer / Social Scientist - (Two posts) for the Department of RUHSA Job Code : 1396**

Qualification : MPH / MSW.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Consolidated Salary : Rs.24,000/-.

Accommodation not provided.

## Situations Vacant

### 5. Project Associate-II for the Department of Pulmonary Medicine

**Job Code : 1397**

Qualification : MPH / M.Sc. Epidemiology.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Description : Good written and oral communication skills in English, Computer and data management capability are essential.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **October 16, 2021** for Items 4 and 5.

### 6. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of General Pathology

Qualifications : B.Sc. MLT / Graduate in Life Science with PG Diploma in Histopathology.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Nature of Job : Histopathology - Tissue processing, Section cutting and staining.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **October 11, 2021** for Item 6.

### 7. Management Intern for Legal Cell

Qualification : Full time LLB / BL / MBA / MHA / Bachelors in Engineering / Masters in any Science discipline / P.G. Diploma in Hospital Administration / Bachelor in Pharmacy from Govt. recognized Universities.

Stipend : As per institutional norms.

Age Limit : 30 years and below.

Preference will be given to candidates with degree in Law (LLB / BL), knowledge on legal formalities, good communication skills and computer skills.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Management Intern".

### 8. Jr. Administrative Assistant - Environmental Engineering Department (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Graduate + PGDHA or 5 years experience in CMC / FHA.

Age Limit : 30 years and below.

Stipend : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Administrative Assistant".

Note : **Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Apply on or before **October 11, 2021** Item 7 and **October 18, 2021** Item 8.



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Heal

*Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure heap; it is thrown out. "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."*

*Luke 14:34*

**OCTOBER 11, 2021**

### **College of Nursing - NSS Special Programme**



College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore, conducted the National Service Scheme (NSS) special programme from 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 to 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 with the Theme: '**Healthy Youth for Healthy India**'. The inauguration programme started with prayer by Rev. Rachita Rout Chaplain, CMC, after which Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean College of Nursing felicitated the NSS volunteers. Each day activities were planned and executed for the volunteers by the NSS Officer Mrs. Meenatchi, Senior Demonstrator and NSS Advisors. Vaccination motivation camps were done in four villages of CONCH programme by 100 Volunteers in small groups of 5-6 members using appropriate Audio Visual aids, on Covid infection and importance of Covid appropriate behaviors and vaccination. Total beneficiaries were 321.

There were guest lectures on the following topics:

- Healthy Lifestyle by Mrs. Jasmine Anand, Professor, College of Nursing,
- Fitness Exercises by Mr. Lenny T. Vasanthan, Lecturer, PMR Department
- Human Breast Milk Bank by Mrs. Morries Sankar, Reader, Maternity Nursing Department,
- Organ Donation by Dr. Uday George Zacharia, Professor and Head, Hepatology Department, CMC, Mrs. Gnanadeepam, Liver Nurse Educator and Mr. Jayashankar, Donor Coordinator.

Lectures were taken virtually, which was very informative, interesting and useful to the NSS Volunteers.

## College of Nursing - NSS Special Programme

General Health screening including Ophthalmic Screening was conducted at College of Nursing for the house keeping and maintenance staff and a total of 58 workers were screened. The clients were identified both for the free spectacles and chronic medical disorders like Diabetes Mellitus and Hypertension.

A session on ‘Organic Kitchen Garden’ was taken by Mr. Paul Dass, Founder and Director of Pro Vision India. The NSS Kitchen Garden was inaugurated in the College premises by Mrs. Rajeshwari Siva, Professor, Community Health Nursing Department and the volunteers actively participated in the same. Tree plantation was inaugurated by Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing, near the College playground and the volunteers actively planted tree saplings.



A debate on “*Gender equality; the essence of sustainable society*”, was moderated by Mrs. Shandril Immanuel, Professor, Department of Community Health Nursing and Mrs. Shalini Getsy, Lecturer in English, College of Nursing. On the final day, the NSS volunteers exhibited Posters on “*Psycho social and legal aspects of adolescence*”. This enabled the volunteers to bring out their innovativeness, following which the NSS Volunteers were given certificates and prizes, by the Dean Dr. Vathsala Sadan. The week’s activities were a good learning experience for the NSS volunteers and a sensitization to the social determinants of health.

## World Pharmacist Day 2021

The Department of Pharmacy has celebrated the World Pharmacists Day on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021, on the theme, “Pharmacy: Always Trusted for Your Health”. A quiz programme and poster design contest were organised. More than hundred participants took part in these events. A voluntary blood donation camp was organised during the week (20<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021) to express the importance of this noble cause and to fulfill this year’s theme, more than 40 volunteers donated their blood.

The Valedictory Programme was organized on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021, the programme started with opening prayer by Chaplain Rev. Jim M.R. Paul and Dr. Selvamani.B, Head, Pharmacy welcomed the dignitaries and the gathering. Dr. S. Annadurai, Professor, Pharmacy delivered a talk on the theme and summarized the important roles played by the Pharmacists in delivering quality medicines to patients in the Hospital and Community Pharmacies. He also emphasized that pharmacists should be trustworthy in keeping the confidentiality of the patients and giving proper counseling to improve the compliance. The Chief Guest Dr. Kasi Shankar, Drugs Inspector, CDSCO appreciated the roles played by the pharmacists and encouraged the Pharmacists to update their knowledge and skills to compete with the ongoing changes like Automatic and Artificial intelligence.

The other dignitaries, Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Dr. Anna Pulimood, Principal, Dr. K. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent, Mrs. Jeyalinda, Associate Nursing Superintendent, Dr. Dolly Daniel, Professor, Department of Transfusion Medicine and Immunohaematology, Dr. Sujith J. Chandy, Professor, Pharmacology highlighted the important roles played by the Pharmacists in CMC and appreciated their hard work. The programme concluded with closing prayer and benediction and vote of thanks by Mr. Shadroch Kingsley, Department Staff Secretary.



*The list of prize winners will be published in the forthcoming Newline.*

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**October 10 - 16, 2021**

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**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**Community Health and Development :**

Dr. Vinod Abraham and Staff  
Dr. Vathsala Sadan and Staff

**North Bank Baptist Christian Association**

Council Members : Rev. Chowaram Daimari  
Dr. Asolie Chase

**National Council of Churches in India**

Council Member : Rev. Asir Ebenezer

Hospital : Baptist Christian Hospital, Tezpur.

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**Congratulations !**

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The following candidates were successful in the Postgraduate **MD / MS** Examinations held in **May 2021** (**University results published 28.08.2021 – 31.08.2021**).

**M.D. Anaesthesia :** Dr. Meera G.K., Dr. Prasadkanna P., Dr. George Sarina Mary, Dr. Reshma Mariam Biju, Dr. Shalaka A. Tembhrne, Dr. Samuel David Chandran S., Dr. Rebecca Anna Ninan, Dr. Sonya Susan George, Dr. Susheel Sudheesh, Dr. Jennifer Shalini Ravikumar, Dr. Pradeep Daniel Kattumalla and Dr. Sailaja Karri.

**M.D. Anatomy :** Dr. Jija Elizabeth Varghese, Dr. Aishwarya J.R. and Dr. John Bino S.

*To be continued*

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**Obituary**

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**Dr. Rachel Mathai** (*nee* Eapen) (MBBS batch of 1947) passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Professor Rachel Mathai who had her schooling at Kottayam, Kerala, belongs to the illustrious MBBS batch of 1947, when the first batch of men students joined CMC, Vellore. Professor K. V. Mathai, her husband, a pioneer in the field of neurosurgery was also from the same batch. She went on to do her internship at Holdsworth Memorial Hospital, Mysore. She obtained her MRCP in Medicine from Glasgow in 1963 and later on was conferred a fellowship (FRCP) from Glasgow too. She then went onto join the department of Dermatology in CMC, Vellore where she worked with Dr. C. Bhaktaviziam.



She was a dermatologist par excellence and realizing the need for furthering education in the subject, trained in Dermatology in the early 70's in Madras Medical College and was a beloved student of Dr. A. S. Thambiah. She guided Dr. Mary Jacob and Dr. Susan Kuruvilla, both of whom obtained their MNAMS in Dermatology. With her tireless efforts, she was later able to start the Dermatology postgraduate course in CMC, Vellore in the year 1979.

An astute clinician, who practiced clinical medicine with great expertise, her keen observation skills made her a great diagnostician. A general medicine background coupled with her dermatology training helped her to solve many difficult clinical problems. She promoted research, and encouraged students to ask clinically meaningful questions as the basis of their research. She has many publications and has delivered many invited lectures. She was an eminent educationist, highly respected in the whole of India. She gave great importance to Dermatopathology and held clinicopathological sessions regularly in the department. Her knowledge in this subspecialty of dermatology is beyond compare.

She emphasized the importance of meticulous history taking, a thorough clinical examination and evidence based management. The dermatology consultation notes recorded under her tutelage were so detailed that if a thorough work up of a patient was needed, all a clinician had to do was send a dermatology consultation. She has made a lasting impact in the field of Dermatology, Leprosy, Venereology and Dermatopathology and inspired many generations of students. She instilled a passion in dermatology in her students. She was a teacher not just in Dermatology, but was an overall mentor, a friend, and a guide to all her students. All who have trained or worked in the department would also remember the many picnics and get togethers. The relationship she had with her office staff was unique, and Linda, our secretary who worked with her for many years fondly remembers her for being very punctual, meticulous and organized, while being extremely understanding, a genuine person and very affectionate.

## Obituary

To the undergraduates her lectures and clinics were very crisp and she made it very interesting. She was always well dressed and elegant in her starched cotton saris. Her home was open to all medical students and on many a Sunday morning, "Students Christian Movement" (SCM) meetings were held in their house. For the medical students, "The Wesley House" where they stayed was always a cherished stop during Christmas Carol rounds way past midnight since she would have made cake and a hot chocolate drink to spur them on till the wee hours in the morning. She always took part sportingly at staff entertainment and everyone will remember her riding pillion on a motorcycle into the auditorium dressed as a chic young medical student.

She was an efficient administrator, having held the post of the Head of the Department from 1976 to 1989, and was a strict and just disciplinarian. The only woman Medical Superintendent of our institution, Dr. Rachel Mathai was a stickler for time and also introduced a dress code for the clinicians. She was efficient, approachable and a willing listener to the needs of the staff.

She was an active member of the Indian Association of Dermatology, Venereology & Leprosy, and was awarded the prestigious Lifetime achievement award from both the National & Tamil Nadu state. She was also the Editor of the national journal (IJDVL) for 12 years and maintained a good standard of the journal which was highly appreciated by the Association.

Even after she retired from CMC in 1989, she went on to work in Muthoot Medical Center, in Kerala and realizing her administrative capabilities they made her the Medical Superintendent as well. She worked till the age of 85 years. The Mathai's home at Thadiyoor was very picturesque, with a lovely garden tended to mostly by themselves. She had a warm welcome for all who visited her home in Kerala and her hospitality was well known.

After retirement, she continued to keep in touch with all her students. Her legacy to the institution where she trained, and to the Dermatology Department cannot be forgotten, and will live on in all her students, who have sent in messages of how she enriched each of their lives.

Her son Dr. Varughese Mathai (Pradeep) who belongs to the batch of 1977 is a consultant colorectal surgeon in Hyderabad and her daughter-in-law Dr. Annie Mathai, who belongs to the batch of 1979-80 passed away in 2019. Her daughter Susan has settled down in Melbourne.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details of Dr. Varughese Mathai is given below :

[drvmathai@yahoo.co.in](mailto:drvmathai@yahoo.co.in)

## Upcoming Event

**Medical Postgraduate Graduation :** 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2021 (for the year 2020)  
8<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.

**Medical Undergraduate Graduation :** 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 (for the year 2020)  
22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2021.

Due to COVID restrictions and the backlog of candidates for graduation ceremonies this year, we have decided not to include fellowship candidates in the graduation functions this year.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Senior Resident with M.D. (Microbiology) for the Department of Wellcome Research

Preference : Candidates who have interest in research with immunological perspective particularly on flow cytometry assay is preferred.

Salary scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 2(a) Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD/DNB (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Anaesthesia

Experience : Should have at least one-year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution for applying for Assistant Professor post.

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

## Situations Vacant

**2(b) Senior Resident Gr.III with MD / DNB (Anaesthesia) for the Department of Anaesthesia**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**3. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Respiratory Medicine / Pulmonary Medicine) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

**4. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Anaesthesia) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

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Applications will close by **October 16, 2021** for Item 1 and **October 23, 2021** for Items 2(a), 2(b), 3 and 4.

**5. Staff III Medical Lab Technician / Technical Assistant (Project) for the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology.** Age Limit : 35 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Qualifications : H.Sc., with One Year CMC DMLT / Two years CMAI Diploma in Medical Lab. Technician Course.

**6. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Ophthalmology Department**

Qualifications : H.Sc., with 2 Years Diploma in Optometry / B.Sc., Optometry

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : 35 years

**7. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Developmental Paediatrics**

Qualifications : BASLP., / B.Sc., in Speech Therapy (Preference will be given to one with experience with children).

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : Assessing and offering assistance with speech and language disorders.

**8. Technical Assistant for the Clinical Pharmacology Unit for (Kannigapuram Campus)**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Chemistry / B.Sc., Biochemistry with one year in-service training (Analytical Laboratory Technique) in Clinical Pharmacology Unit.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

Period : One Year Only. Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

Nature of Job : To perform drug assays with HPLC in the laboratory.

**9. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Clinical Haematology for Kannigapuram Campus.** Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : Below 35 years.

Qualifications : B.Sc., (Life Sciences) with 1 Year PG Diploma in Dialysis Technology or B.Sc., Dialysis Technology. Job Description : To perform whole blood and apheresis collection procedures.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

**10. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Neurological Sciences for Kannigapuram Campus.** Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Qualifications : B.Sc., with PG Diploma in Neuroelectrophysiology or B.Sc., Neuro Electrophysiology.

Job Description : Doing EEG, EEG Telemetry and EMG studies.

**11. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Nuclear Medicine for Kannigapuram Campus.** Age Limit : Below 35 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Qualifications : B.Sc. in Nuclear Medicine Technology (3 years course + 1 year Internship).

Job Description: Patients Care, NM Imaging and Techniques.

*Note: Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **October 18, 2021** for Item 5 and **October 25, 2021** for Items 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Heal

*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:8-9*

**OCTOBER 18, 2021**

**SHILOH 2021**

The annual students' medical missions' conference **SHILOH 2021** was held virtually (online) from 30<sup>th</sup> September to 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2021. The theme this year was '**Changing Times; Unchanging God**'. The theme was based on Malachi 3:6 which is an expression of God's unchanging love and faithfulness during this uncertain time. It is also a reassurance that His standards and His holiness are unchanging.

This was the 14<sup>th</sup> year of SHILOH which is a movement that aims to develop leaders in the healing ministry of Christ in India and all over the world. It is meant to provide students, a perspective on medical missions by meeting leaders in the field and being challenged of their role in Christ's mission. This year there were nearly 2000 registrations for the event.

The plenary speakers were Dr. Vijay Kanth, Founder-Director of GIFT (Growth in Faith & Truth) and Rev. Isaac Johnson - Senior Pastor / Presbyter of St. Andrew's Church (The Kirk) in Chennai who shared the word of God in a simple yet powerful manner. The sessions were interspersed with moving presentations covering mission hospitals both from India and abroad. It was a great opportunity to listen to and be challenged by those who lived out their calling in the challenging circumstances. The group discussion gave an opportunity to closely interact with the participants and provided a time for reflection.



The John Scudder Oration for the year 2021 was delivered by Mrs. Bharathy Jacob, the former dean of the college of nursing, CMC, Vellore. She was recognised for her simplicity, humility, gentleness, an abiding faith in the Lord Jesus blended with courage, brilliance, and wisdom apart from her contribution to the field of nursing in the country.

Dr. Anna Pulimood, Principal gave the participants a window into CMC through her eyes as someone who had grown up in campus, studied and worked here subsequently. It was nice to be reminded of the many Godly people who lived sincere lives in this place and built up people.

This was followed by a moving and inspiring testimony of Mr. Reny George, a prisoner who changed his ways through his faith in God. This was a powerful reminder of how God can marvellously change even the worst person for the better.

The young participants were stimulated to dream big and look at the world like God does through their interactions with Dr. Monica Chandy - Neurologist, Holy Family Hospital, Delhi and Dr. Bobby John - Managing Director, Aequitas Consulting.

The Bible quiz organised by CMC's seasoned quiz masters, Dr. Rohit Benjamin, and his wife, Dr. Sharon Lionel, CMC, Vellore was again a fun experience and has challenged many to read God's word more carefully.

## SHILOH 2021

The department of chaplaincy organised a time of meaningful worship, praise and singing which was an important session for all the days. The 'Glorious' youth choir from Bangalore and groups of medical, nursing and allied health students led the audience during this time of praise and worship.

PG SHILOH was held as a hybrid programme on Sunday afternoon, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2021. There were nearly 100 participants who attended it in the New Examination Hall, Bagayam and there were an additional 200 participants online. Dr. Arpit Mathew and his wife, Dr. Amy from Madhepura Christian Hospital were the resource people for this programme. It was wonderful to experience the warmth of fellowship physically while being reminded of how God brings about transformation in remote places through people who are yielded to him.

SHILOH again proved to be an opportunity for members of the CMC community to voluntarily come and work together in conjunction with partner organisations for the glory of God.

Soli Deo Gloria!!



## Cancers Survivors Meet 2021

The month of September is observed as the Gynaecological Cancer Awareness month. The Department of Gynaecologic Oncology, CMC celebrated this month by organising the cancer survivors meet ; the aim of which was to spread awareness through handouts that contain information on signs, symptoms and management of Gynaecological cancers.

The meeting was organised by Juliana Samuel (Social Worker) and 100 participants were invited to the meeting. The meeting began with an opening prayer and message by Rev. Dr. T. Arul Dhas, head department of chaplaincy. Dr. Anitha Thomas, Associate Professor, Acting Head gave the welcome address. The meet was attended by Dr. Abraham Peedicayil, former Professor and Head (from Muscat), Dr. Rachel Chandy, Professor, Dr. Ajit Sebastian, Associate Professor, Dr. Vinotha Thomas, Associate Professor and Dr. Dhanya Thomas, Assistant Professor. They greeted and interacted with the audience in various languages making the diverse group feel united and comfortable .

This was a session on fitness by Mr. Senthil from PMR followed by a session on Nutrition by Mrs. Manimegalai from the Department of Dietary. These were very informative and enjoyable. There was an interesting cookery session on very delectable dishes by Mrs. Roja Rekha, Secretary, Department of Gynaecologic Oncology.

The participants took part by exhibiting their talents through singing, dancing and reciting poetry followed by a variety entertainment by the PG Registrars. The event came to an end with the vote of thanks rendered by Dr. Rachel Chandy, Professor expressing the importance of regular follow up visits to OPD and wishing everyone good health.

**SITES OF GYNAE CANCERS**

**HEALTHY FOOD HABITS & REGULAR EXERCISE**

**PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE**

**CHRISTIAN MEDICAL COLLEGE**  
DEPARTMENT OF GYNAECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY

**Gynaecologic Cancers - Signs, Symptoms & Management**

**THE COMMON GYNAE CANCERS**

- ✘ Cancer Cervix
- ✘ Cancer Ovary
- ✘ Cancer Uterus
- ✘ Cancer Vulva

**SYMPTOMS OF GYNAECOLOGIC CANCERS**

- ❖ Abnormal vaginal bleeding; inter menstrual or post coital bleeding
- ❖ Post menopausal bleeding
- ❖ Foul smelling yellowish / blood stained discharge
- ❖ Abdominal distension, Loss of weight & Appetite
- ❖ Itching of vulva, change in color; ulcer / growth



WINNERS LIST

Quiz Competition for Pharmacists



First prize - Pharmacy Stores: Mr.Thomas Vijaya Prakash G, Mr.Earrest Manns W. and Mr.Thanigaivelan K.



Second prize - A Block Pharmacy : Mr.Balaji P, Mr. Dhayalan V. and Mr. Arul Kumar S.

Third prize - Paul Brand Block Pharmacy : Mr. Michael Austin A., Mr. Mohan Kumar R. and Mr. Yuvaraj S.

Consolation Prizes

OPD Pharmacy : Ms. Gomathi N., Ms. Renuka D. and Ms. Madhumathi S.

OR Pharmacy : Mr. Bakyaraj A., Mr. Prakash R. and Mr. Gopi M.



Hand-drawn Posters

First Prize : Ms. P. Sweatham, Department of Accident & Emergency

Second prize : Ms. G. Sridevi, Department of Transfusion Medicine & Immunohematology

Third prize : Ms. Shalini, MH DU



E – Poster – Individual

First Prize : Ms. Annie Evangeline, G3 South – College of Nursing

Second Prize : Mr. Manoj Denis G, Department of Cardiothoracic

Third Prize : Mr. Moses M, OPD Pharmacy



E – Poster – Group

First Prize - MBBS STUDENTS : Mr. Birlin Shinto A.S., Mr. Charles, Mr. Dakka Stalin, Mr. Dasari Samuel, Mr. David and Mr. Dhreak.

Second Prize - MBBS STUDENTS : Ms. Anish, Ms. Akshaya, Ms. Amy, Ms. Ameesha, Ms. Anusha and Ms. Asha.

Third Prize : MBBS STUDENTS : Mr. Yelmala Pranay Joseph, Mr. Safin Felix Reginold, Mr. A. Sreekanth, Mr. Udith Mohan, Mr. Shebin Sam Mathew, Mr. Rishi John Mathew and Mr. Sebin Saji.

October 17 - 23, 2021

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Psychiatry : Dr. Paul Russell S.S. and Staff  
Dr. Rajesh Gopalakrishnan and Staff  
Dr. Donae Elizabeth George and Staff  
Dr. Suja Kurian and Staff  
Dr. Priya Mary Mammen and Staff  
Mrs. Helen Charles and Staff

Nuclear Medicine : Dr. Juli Hephzibah and Staff

Head & Neck Surgery :Dr. Rajiv C. Michael and Staff  
Dr. Amit Jiwan Tirkey and Staff

Palliative Care : Dr. Jenifer Jeba S. and Staff  
Mrs. Roseline Rhenius and Staff

Radiotherapy : Dr. Simon Pradeep Pavamani and Staff  
Dr. Thomas Samuel Ram and Staff  
Dr. Rajesh I. and Staff  
Dr. Selvamani B. and Staff  
Mrs. Roseline Rhenius and Staff

Marthoma Syrian Church of Malabar

Council Members :

Rt. Rev. Dr. Mathews Mar Makarios Episcopa  
Rev. Shibu Samuel

Hospitals : Fellowship Mission Hospital, Kumbanad  
Marthoma Mission Hospital, Chungathara and others. 4

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## Memoranda

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**Dr. Mary John**, Professor, is appointed as Head of ENT Unit-II (Paediatric ENT) with effect from 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 for a four year term.

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## Congratulations!

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**Dr. Paul Russell**, Professor, Head Department of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Unit, has been conferred the honorary higher doctorate, Doctor of Science (DSc), on 5<sup>th</sup> October by the Kerala University of Health Sciences for the substantial and significant contribution to Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

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## Obituary

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**Dr. Dokiburra Sherry Margaret** (MBBS batch of 2013) passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Dr. Sherry was born on July 7, 1994 in Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh. She finished her schooling at her hometown and joined CMC Vellore in 2013 as an MBBS student. She quickly became a loyal friend to many, while shaping up into an excellent doctor. She was a strong, vivacious and a fiercely independent woman and always stood up for her family and her friends. She loved and supported her friends unconditionally, but was not afraid to show some tough love and criticize constructively where it was needed. Her multifaceted and talented personality also ensured that she excelled in singing, baking, cooking, art and crafts. Despite her busy schedule, she was always a shoulder for her friends and juniors to lean on. Dr. Sherry lived a life of deep faith in God and his word.



Once Dr. Sherry set her sights on a goal, she worked passionately and tirelessly towards it. After finishing her internship post MBBS at CMCH, Vellore, she provided her valuable services at the Christian Medical Centre, Pithapuram for a period of two years and she was all set to pursue her postgraduation in General Surgery at CMC Vellore.

“We will miss her dearly and will always feel the absence of her unfailing support when we are going through hard times. Her love as our friend, her concern as our sister, the responsibility and maturity she has shown as a loving daughter and above all, the great and selfless service she has provided to her patients will always be remembered and make us proud.” MBBS batch of 2013.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details of her father is given below : Mr. John Manashe, Phone : 94416 39617. Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time of grief and loss.

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## Admission Notice

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The **58<sup>th</sup> Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC)** for CMC candidates (Doctors & Nurses). The course is scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> November 2021. As there has been a great demand for the same, seats are restricted to 30 on a first-come-first-serve basis. The registration fee is Rs.6000/-. For further details contact. Mr. Senthil Kumar, Secretary, Department of Emergency Medicine - Phone No.2225.

Note: Registration will not be entertained after **25<sup>th</sup> October, 2021**.

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## Situations Vacant

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### 1. Senior Research Fellow for the Department of Neurological Sciences

*Job Code : 1398*

Qualification : B.Sc. / M.Sc. Life Sciences. Preferably with minimum of 2 years work experience in Clinical Trials and Research Projects with GCP (Good Clinical Practice) training.

Job Description : To work in a clinical project which will involve patient recruitment, follow-up, data management and coordinating with National and International Research Networks teams.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Age : Below 35 years. Sex : Male (or) Female.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: “Vacancies”. **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **October 30, 2021** for Item 1.

## Situations Vacant

**2. Graduate Technician Trainee (Project-Mode) for the Department of Clinical Haematology for Kannigapuram Campus.** Qualifications : B.Sc., Life Science. Salary : As per institutional rules.

*Please note that only regular mode will be accepted. Correspondence will not be accepted.*

Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : 30 years.

Job Description : To work in the Department of Clinical Haematology and will also be posted in Kannigapuram Campus.

**3. Technical Assistant (Project-Mode) for the Department of Clinical Haematology for Kannigapuram Campus**

Qualifications : B.Sc., Life Science with PG Diploma in Molecular Genetics / Cytogenetic Course.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : 35 years.

*Please note that only regular mode will be accepted. Correspondence will not be accepted.*

Job Description : To work in the Department of Clinical Haematology and will also be posted in Kannigapuram Campus.

**4. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Radiation Therapy for Kannigapuram Campus**

Qualifications : H.Sc. with Diploma in Radiotherapy Technology / B.Sc. in Radiotherapy Technology from any recognised University approved by AERB.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 35 years.

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

**5. Graduate Technician Trainee (MRT-Project Mode) for the Department of Medical Records for Kannigapuram Campus.** Salary : As per institutional rules.

Qualifications : Graduate with good interpersonal skills and ability to communicate fluently in English, Tamil and Hindi. Those who have completed one year MRT training also can apply.

*Please note that only regular mode will be accepted. Correspondence will not be accepted.*

Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : 30 years.

Job Description : To work in Medical Records, OP Services and payment counters in CMC Town Campus, Kannigapuram Campus and other peripheral units on shift including night duties.

**6. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Medical Records for Kannigapuram Campus**

Qualifications : BMRS., / B.Sc., Medical Record Science with good interpersonal skills an ability to communicate fluently in English / Tamil and Hindi.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided. Age Limit : 35 years.

*Please note that only regular mode will be accepted. Correspondence will not be accepted.*

Job Description : To work in Medical Records, OP Services in CMC Town Campus, Kannigapuram Campus and other peripheral units on shift including night duties.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **October 25, 2021** for Items 2, 3 and **November 01, 2021** for Item 4 and **November 02, 2021** for Items 5 and 6.

**7. Jr. Field Worker - Ophthalmology Unit-III (Project Mode)**

Qualifications : Plus Two. Age Limit : 35 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Preference will be given to Graduates.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Field Worker".

**8. Jr. Driver - Ophthalmology Unit-III (Project Mode)**

Qualifications : S.S.L.C. + H.M.V. Licence. Age Limit : 35 years and below. Salary : As per institutional norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". Icon : "Jr. Driver".

Note : *Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Apply on or before **October 30, 2021** Items 7 and 8.

**9. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri** invites application for the following posts : **Paediatrician** - MD / DNB. **Dermatologist** - DVL / MD / DNB.

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and send the PDF scanned file to the [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) or [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org)

Last date for receipt of applications : **October 30, 2021** for Item 9.



# CMC NEWSLINE

## Heal

*My God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation.  
He is my stronghold, my refuge and my saviour - from violent men you save me. 2 Samuel 22 : 3*

**OCTOBER 25, 2021**

### Lamp Lighting - 2021

#### College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore :

The Lamp Lighting Ceremony - 2021 of the College of Nursing was held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 at 6 pm in the Scudder Auditorium. During this solemn occasion, **198 first year nursing students dedicated their lives to the noble profession of Nursing.**

Mrs. Helen Meurial Hilkieh, Secretary, Board of Nursing Education, Nurses League, Christian Medical Association of India, South India Board, Bangalore was the Chief Guest for the occasion. She in her address emphasized nursing as a caring profession and that the students are chosen to offer true service in the spirit of Christ.



Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing gave charge to the students and spoke on the importance of the ceremony and the Florence Nightingale lamp which was given to the nurses by Dr. Ida Scudder herself.

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### World's Best Specialized Hospitals 2022

The Christian Medical College has earned a position on the list of the **World's Best Specialized Hospitals 2022** specializing in **Cardiology**.

The ranking was announced by Newsweek and Statista Inc. It was released on the Newsweek website on 22<sup>nd</sup> September and published in the enclosed print edition of Newsweek Magazine.

Newsweek and Statista invited more than 40,000 medical experts - including doctors, hospital managers and health care professionals - to participate in online surveys that allowed them to recommend and assess various hospitals within their respective specializations. The results of the survey were then validated by a global board of renowned medical experts. The **World's Best Specialized Hospitals 2022** ranking identifies and honors the very best hospitals around the globe that specialize in Cardiology, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology, Oncology, Neurology, Orthopaedics, Paediatric & Adolescent Medicine, Cardiac Surgery, Neurosurgery and Pulmonology.

## Lamp Lighting - 2021

The lamp is traditionally lit during this ceremony by a senior physician signifying the involvement of medical professionals in nursing education and training. Dr. Alfred Job Daniel, professor, Department of Orthopedics and Former Principal, Christian Medical College, Vellore had the honor of lighting the Florence Nightingale Lamp this year.

He in his felicitation encouraged the students to be :

- Aware and knowledgeable
- Beware of pitfalls and dangers
- Care beyond being aware
- Dare to act.



After the faculty lit the College lamps the students received the lighted lamps from Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean and Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, signifying the inclusion of the students into the nursing profession and passing on the torch to 'Arise and Shine'. The students pledged to be ardent nurses in the healing ministry. The ceremony concluded with prayer and benediction by Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas, Head of Chaplaincy, CMC, Vellore.

### College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore, Chittoor Campus :

The Lamp Lighting Ceremony for the second batch (batch of 2020) of B.Sc. Nursing students of the College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus was held on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021, at the Hospital Chapel, Chittoor Campus. On this blessed day, **49 young and vibrant first year nursing students committed their lives to the noble profession of 'Nursing' by lighting their lamps.**



The Chief Guest Dr. Chellarani Vijiyakumar, Former Head of the Community Health Nursing Department and Former Dean of College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore addressed the students. She inspired the students by narrating the significance of nursing in the healthcare. She urged the students to bring light into the lives of patients who come with different difficulties and challenges.

Mrs. Florence Segaran, Principal, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus gave charge to the students and spoke on the significance of Florence Nightingale Lamp and the Ceremony. She motivated the students to shine the light into the world through their • Dedication • Sincerity • Purity • Holiness • Knowledge • Care. The students were advised to carry their lamp and keep it burning continually by fuelling it with God's constant presence and guidance. Dr. Abraham Joseph, Senior Consultant, Chittoor campus and former Head of the Community Medicine Department of CMC, Vellore was the guest of honour who addressed the students and lighted the Florence Nightingale lamp. He spoke on the significance of nursing profession and appreciated their contribution in healthcare. Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent, CMC, Vellore and Mrs. Florence Segaran, Principal, handed over the lamps to the students. Rev. Joseph Devaraj, Chaplain offered the prayer of dedication and the benediction.

The programme was attended by the administrative officers of CMC Vellore and Chittoor Campus, Dean and Faculty College of Nursing, and medical and nursing staff of Chittoor Campus.



## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Day 2021

**22 October 2021 CMC, Vellore:** The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Day was organised by the Office of Research, Christian Medical College, Vellore on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 2021 in the Scudder Auditorium and New Examination Hall. The programme showcased research activities undertaken by the faculty and students of Medical specialities, Nursing and Allied Health Sciences along with Field and Epidemiology, Bioengineering and the various PhD programmes at CMC, Vellore. This year also highlighted 'COVID-19 related basic, medical and surgical research' as a separate category. There was a total of 224 poster presentations and 245 podium presentations over two days.

The special programme on the second day began with welcome address from Dr. Nihal Thomas, (Head of Endocrinology Unit-I). Following this were felicitations by Dr. J.V. Peter, (Director), Dr. Anna B. Pulimood, (Principal) and Dr. Prasad Mathews, (Medical Superintendent); in which they exhorted the students and faculty to inculcate a culture of basic, translational and clinical research.

The highlights of the evening ceremony were the Special Orations by distinguished retired faculty of the institution; Dr. Chandran Gnanamuthu, (Professor of Neurology) and Dr. S. Gunasekaran Vaz, (Professor of Physiology). Dr. Chandran spoke reminiscing on the research journey of CMC over the past decades in the National and International context and Dr. Gunasekaran dwelt on extensive lab and pre-clinical work on pancreatic islet transplantation. The Chief Guests were presented with citations and medals by their respective departments and senior administrators.

The prizes for the presentations were awarded during the valedictory ceremony. About 110 prizes were distributed for both categories by Dr. Joy Sarojini Michael, Vice Principal (AHS), Dr. Tripti Meriel Jacob, Vice Principal (PG), Dr. Suganthy R, Registrar and Dr. Sushil Mathew John, Vice Principal (HR).

Dr. Shubhankar Mitra Memorial Award for the best Undergraduate paper for Medical, Nursing and Allied Health Sciences were given to Ms. Sara Elsa John (Medical), Ms. Jeemi Delles L (Nursing) and Ms. Sandra Susan Kuriakose (Allied Health). This year the Department of Endocrinology emerged as the overall Winners and were given the Rolling Trophy by the Chief Guests Dr. Chandran Gnanamuthu and Dr. S. Gunasekaran Vaz. The programme concluded with vote of thanks rendered by Dr. Suceena Alexander, Additional Vice Principal (Research), followed by national anthem and dinner.

The link for the evening ceremony can be accessed at :

[https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/3K3e1elrxoKgmRUV56-mSmNBsONRXof9ZK9-XIqKfbMA8ffTZtmUKFudz7g\\_KT9.FID\\_9s9i1tyfD42L](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/3K3e1elrxoKgmRUV56-mSmNBsONRXof9ZK9-XIqKfbMA8ffTZtmUKFudz7g_KT9.FID_9s9i1tyfD42L)



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## 57<sup>th</sup> Early Management of Trauma Course conducted by the Department of Emergency Medicine

The Department of Emergency Medicine has successfully completed the 57<sup>th</sup> Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC) at Christian Medical College from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021.



**This unique course which began in 1997 is an indigenous programme, which is conceptualised, developed and validated by Christian Medical College and is in fact, the first structured training programme for the Early Management of Trauma in India.**

This course is designed to provide hands-on experience in prioritisation and early management of trauma and comprises of lectures, scenarios and skill-stations on various aspects of trauma evaluation and management. The feed-back from the trainees was excellent with demand for more frequent courses and gratifying for the faculty as well.

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**October 24 - 30, 2021**

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**RUHSA** : Dr. Shantidani Minz and Staff

**International Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention**

Council Members : Dr. Naveen Thomas

Mr. Sunny Kuruvilla

Hospital : Bangalore Baptist Hospital.

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### Welcome

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- **Dr. Biswajit Paul**, Professor, RUHSA Department, on his return from Study leave.
- **Dr. S.V. Justin Arockiaraj**, Associate Professor, Department of Spinal Surgery, on his return from Sabbatical leave.
- **Dr. Deepti Bal**, Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology, on her return from Study leave.

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### Memoranda

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- **Dr. Deepa John**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Ophthalmology Unit-II with effect from 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 for a four year term.
- **Dr. John Antony Jude Prakash**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Clinical Microbiology with effect from 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2021 for a four year term.

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### Retirement

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**Mrs. A. Saradambal**, Sr. Gr.I Clerk-Typist, I.D.T.R.C. retired on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021, after 28 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband, Mr. P. Srinivasan is a retired Sr. Sel. Gr.I Biochemist from Wellcome Research. They have two daughters. Their elder daughter, Mrs. S. Harini is a Jr. Lecturer in College of Nursing and younger daughter, Mrs. S. Dharini is a Project Detector in Byjus, Bangalore. Both the daughters are married and settled.

The CMC community is thankful for her years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes her God's blessings on her retired life.



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## Upcoming Event

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The Department of General Medicine (DOM) was founded in 1948 and has since been committed to setting the highest standards for patient care, research, professional education, and training cognizant of the broader social and cultural contexts of India and beyond.

Since 2016, The Department of General Medicine (DOM) has held the Medicine Annual Conference (MAC) that seeks to update its audience of MBBS doctors, MD medicine postgraduates in training, faculty, private practitioners, and academia regarding the advances and relevant topics in Internal Medicine and beyond.

This year CMC's MAC (<https://cmcmac.com/>) is scheduled from **November 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> 2021** with the theme of Lifestyle Medicine. This will be a virtual conference happening on Airmeeet online platform.

For registration logon to : <https://cmcmac.com/registration> for the conference and engage with us as, we in DOM plan and execute this event. We will also be grateful if you can spread the word about the conference with your friends, contacts and post graduates whom you think will be interested to attend or present posters.

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## Situations Vacant

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**1. Jr. Special Teacher (Term Post) with M.Ed Special Education in Mental Retardation or M.Sc in Rehabilitation Science for the Developmental Paediatric Unit**

Language Proficiency : English, Tamil and Hindi.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

**2(a) Assistant Professor with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit–III**

Experience : Should have at least one-year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution for applying for Assistant Professor post.

Preference will be given to candidates who have experience in Paediatric Pulmonology.

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

**2(b) Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit–III**

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

**3. Senior Resident with M.D. / DNB (PMR) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus**

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **October 30, 2021** for Item 1 and **November 06, 2021** for Items 2(a), 2(b) and 3.

**4. Medical Research Assistant for the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology**

**Job Code : 1399**

Qualification : M.B.B.S. / Above.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **November 05, 2021** for Item 4.

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## Situations Vacant

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### 5. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of General Pathology for Kannigapuram Campus.

Qualifications : B.Sc., MLT / Graduate in Life Science with PG Diploma in Histopathology.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Nature of Job : Histopathology – Tissue processing, Section cutting and staining.

### 6. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Department of Pulmonary Medicine

Qualifications : B.Sc., Respiratory Therapy / B.Sc. with PG Diploma in advanced Respiratory Therapy (CMC).

*Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.*

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

### 7. Assistant Social Worker (Project) for the Department of Clinical Haematology

Qualifications : M.S.W (Master of Social Work) from Recognised University. Preference will be given to people who have atleast 3 years experience in working in a hospital.

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

### 8. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of Paediatric Unit–II (Paediatric Nephrology)

Qualifications : B.Sc. with P.G. Diploma in Dietetics or M.Sc. in Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics / Food Science & Nutrition / Food Service Management & Dietetics with 1 year experience.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : To handle children with renal problems.

### 9. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Department of Endocrinology

Qualifications : B.Sc. with P.G. Diploma in Dietetics or M.Sc. in Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics / Food Science & Nutrition / Food Service Management & Dietetics.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 30 years.

Only Female candidates need to apply.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: “Vacancies”. *Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.*

Applications will close on **November 01, 2021** for Item 5, 6, 7 and **November 08, 2021** for Items 8 and 9.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*With your help I can advance against a troop; with my God I can scale a wall. Psalm 18:29*

## Protect

NOVEMBER 01, 2021

World Mental Health Day 2021



The World Mental Health Day 2021 was celebrated on October 11, 2021 at the CMC Vellore, Chittoor campus. This year the theme was **'Mental Health in an Unequal World.'** The Chittoor Unit of Psychiatry and the College of Nursing jointly organised the programme, which was attended by patients and relatives; and staff of Chittoor Campus. A skit on mental health awareness was presented by the B.Sc. nursing students.

Dr. Dheeraj Kattula, DM Addiction Psychiatry, CMC Vellore delivered the mental health awareness speech in Telugu and exhorted the audience to identify the various common mental illnesses. The Chief Guest was Dr. Suja Kurian, Professor and Head, Psychiatry Unit -III, CMC Vellore who highlighted the global mental health burden and brought out the inequality in care for and due to mental illnesses. There were various competitions like quiz, poster and slogan. The prizes for these interdepartmental competitions were distributed during this programme. The highlight of the event was the release of a bilingual mental health awareness pamphlet for the public.



## e-Seminar Organised by Community Health Nursing

The CNE e-seminar on '**Domiciliary Care for the COVID Affected : Across All Ages**' was conducted on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021, by the Department of Community Health Nursing. The e-seminar began with an inauguration. Mrs. Shandriela Immanuel, Professor and organising secretary welcomed the gathering following which felicitations were offered by Dr. Bala Seetharaman, Nursing Superintendent and Mrs. Alice Sony, Deputy Dean. Mrs. Rajeswari Siva, Professor and organising chairperson gave an overview about the workshop and Dr. Vinitha Ravindran, Professor and Head, Department of CNE & Research proposed the vote of thanks.

There were **8 sessions** on home care management of COVID for all the age groups that included:

- Recommended guidelines of care,
- Tips to boost health and immunity
- Clear directions for decontamination at home.

All the lectures were delivered by the Community Health Nursing faculty, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore.

A total of **66 delegates** participated in the e-seminar from all over India (Delhi, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Nagaland, Meghalaya, West Bengal, Karnataka, Kerala, Haryana, Bihar, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, and Tamil Nadu). The delegates gave an excellent feedback about the e-seminar and found it to be highly informed.



## Food for Thought

### *Neighbor*

There once was an expert in the law  
Who was opposed to Jesus' preaching  
He asked a question when he saw  
An opportunity to undo Jesus' teaching  
Who is my neighbor? the lawyer inquired  
A question that has long haunted  
Nations when they are required  
To separate their own from the unwanted  
With our tribal instincts we are able  
To spot our own and help each other  
The Good Samaritan in Jesus' parable  
Saw the Jew, an enemy, was a needy brother  
Nations try to block their borders  
When refugees come knocking  
Citing quotas and security orders  
Some are let in, others sent packing  
Look around and it's easy to spot  
The poor, the outcast, in search of a meal  
Marginalized ones that Jesus sought  
To welcome, embrace and to heal  
So, let us extend a hand, let us labor  
And welcome the stranger as our neighbor

*Dr. Cherian Thomas (MBBS Batch of 1960)*

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## October 31 - November 06, 2021

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### *Division of Surgery :*

Dr. Mark Ranjan Jesudason and Staff  
Dr. Pranay Gaikwad and Staff  
Dr. Inian S. and Staff  
Dr. Suchita Chase and Staff  
Dr. Amit Jiwan Tirkey  
Dr. Sheela Durai and Staff

#### *Vascular Surgery :*

Dr. Dheepak Selvaraj A. and Staff

#### *Trauma Surgery :*

Dr. Sukriya Nayak and Staff

#### *Endocrine Surgery :*

Dr. M.J. Paul and Staff

#### *Mizoram Presbyterian Church Synod*

Council Members : Dr. L.H. Thanga Singson  
Rev. B. Sangthanga

Hospital : Synod Hospital, Durtlang, Mizoram.

#### *Surgical ICU :*

Dr. Subramani K. and Staff

#### *Marathi Mission*

Council Member : Mr. Robert Moses

#### *Hepato Pancreato Biliary Surgery (HPB) :*

Dr. Ravish Sanghi Raju and Staff

Hospital : Willis F Pierce Memorial Hospital, Wai  
and others.

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## Congratulations !

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- The following candidates were successful in the Postgraduate **MD / MS** Examinations held in **May 2021** (University results published **28.08.2021 – 31.08.2021**).

**M.D. Community Medicine :** Dr. Nalam Middleton, Dr. Deborah A., Dr. Ashwin S., Dr. Stephen Philip Jagadeesan, Dr. Vibisha D., Dr. Abel Rodger Nayagam, Dr. Cheryl Lydia John.

**M.D. Dermatology :** Dr. Ranjana Elizabeth Joseph and Dr. Trisha Nandy.

**M.D. Family Medicine :** Dr. Vinodhini D. and Dr. Arnab Biswas.

**M.D. General Medicine :** Dr. Nalli Mercy Evanglin, Dr. Mogalapu E.J. Sumeir, Dr. Rup Solomon Alluri, Dr. Lissy George, Dr. Sanuj Alex thomas, Dr. Pheby Mercy Bijoy, Dr. Vandeman Wilson Mesapogu, Dr. Jennifer David Livingstone, Dr. Prithviraj Bose, Dr. Jibi John, Dr. Sanish Samuel, Dr. Arun Joseph Chacko, Dr. Jim Ounny John, Dr. Nivin Daniel Stanley and Dr. Moses Ruth Sudha Christopher.

- The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate Higher Specialty** Examination held in **August 2021** (University results published on **30.09.2021**).

**Cardiology :** Dr. Abhishek Mittal, Dr. Atil Chopra, Dr. Kaushlendra Kumar, Dr. Logesh M.R., Dr. Mayank Agarwal and Dr. Mirza Shohiab Ur Riyaz.

**Clinical Haematology :** Dr. Mathu Mithra T, Dr. Sohini Chattopadhyay and Dr. Sujith K.

**Endocrinology :** Dr. Jinson Paul, Dr. Lijesh K.U., Dr. Remya Rajan R, and Dr. Soumya S.L.

**Gastroenterology :** Dr. Ajith C Kuriakose, Dr. Alok Bansal, Dr. Gadadhar Panda, Dr. Kumbhar Gauri Shivaji and Dr. Loya Rutwik Anil.

**Hepatology :** Dr. Kunwar Ashish Singh and Dr. Santhosh Kumar E.

**Infectious Diseases :** Dr. Rini Bandyopadhyay and Dr. Selwyn Selva Kumar D.

**Neonatology :** Dr. Dhayaguruvasan M.

**Nephrology :** Dr. Joseph Johny, Dr. Manish Lalwani, Dr. Rizwan Alam and Dr. Selvin Sundar Raj M.

**Neurology :** Dr. Murali Rayani, Dr. Padma J.P. and Dr. Ponnana Rajakumar.

*To be continued...*

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## Retirement

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**Mr. G. Sampath**, Sr. Hospital Attendant, Civil Engineering retired on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2021, after 36 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a son and a daughter. Son, Mr. Rajkumar is working as Hospital Attendant in O3 west ward.



The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.

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## Upcoming Event

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In commemoration of the **World Diabetes Day 2021**, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism is organizing a Poster & Slogan competition.

Topic for Poster : Measures to handle childhood obesity, and ways to prevent subsequent prediabetes, diabetes and gestational diabetes. (Criteria for the Poster : Poster Size : Normal Chart Size)

Topic for the Slogan : Healthy lifestyle reverts Prediabetes (Criteria for Slogan : Should be Concise not more than 15-20 words).

Last date of submission: **11<sup>th</sup> November 2021 by 3.00 pm**. Kindly give your entries in Endocrinology OPD (111), Room No.8. For any clarifications please contact Mrs. Vijayalakshmi / 8300205427 / Mr. Vinod @0416-2283109.

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## Obituaries

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• **Dr. K.A. Abraham** (MBBS batch of 1960) on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021. Dr. K.A. Abraham joined for his MBBS in 1960. The Padma Shri awardee graduated from the Christian Medical College in Vellore and began his career by joining the Indian Army and serving the forces during the Indo-Pak war of 1971.

He then worked for 25 years at the Southern Railway Headquarters Hospital in the city and was the chief medical director of the Southern Railways. During his tenure, the hospital developed into a referral institution and conducted over 1,000 open-heart surgeries annually.

Dr. Abraham received a degree in internal medicine from the Gujarat University and a DM in cardiology from CMC Vellore. In the book Heart of the matter, which he authored and was released in 2017, he chronicles his 50 years in cardiology.

He has served several reputed institutions in India and abroad and has also served as the medical officer in the Army Medical Corps, in the Indian Army, from 1967 to 1970, for which he received a letter from former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, commending his dedication to duty.

Dr. Abraham has published more than 200 papers/abstracts in national and international journals. In 1986, the Ministry of Railways honoured him with the national award for professional excellence. He was made professor emeritus at the Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University and awarded the Padma Shri in 1999. The medical university honoured him with the Lifetime Achievement award in 2011.

A keen sportsman at school and college, he tried his hand at every sport that he could.

Dr. K.A. Abraham passed away in Vellore on Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021. He was 79, and is survived by his wife Mrs. Baby Abraham and daughters Cibi Mammen and Ann Abraham.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details of his daughter Ms. Cibi Mammen is given below:  
Mobile : +91-98400-50404

## Obituaries

- **Mrs. Rachel Parimalam**, wife of Mr. Devadason D, retired Artisan, EMD Department mother of Ms. Preethi Thabithal D, Charge Nurse, M2 ward, Mr. Giftson. D, Physiotherapy Tutor, PMR and Ms. Princey D. (B.Sc. MLT Batch of 2003) passed away on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.
- **Mr. Ravichandran**, father of Ms. Padma Priya, Secretary in Rehabilitation Institute passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2021.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the families at this time of grief and loss.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Jr. Special Teacher (Term Post) with M.Ed Special Education in Mental Retardation or M.Sc. in Rehabilitation Science for the Developmental Paediatric Unit

Language Proficiency : English, Tamil and Hindi.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

### 2. Assistant Professor with MD (Paediatrics) + 2 Years special training in Paediatric Neurology (Fellowship in CMC only) or DM in Neurology / Paed. Neurology for the Department of Neurological Sciences (Paediatric Neurology). Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 3. Senior Resident with M.S. (E.N.T.) for the Department of E.N.T. UNIT-III

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 4. Senior Resident with M.D. (Physiology) for the Department of Physiology

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

### 5. Jr. Psychologist / Jr. Clinical Psychologist (Term Post) with M.A. (Psychology) / M.Sc. Psychology for the Department of Psychiatry (Child and Adolescent Psychiatry - Nambikkai Nilayam)

Job Description : Assessment and intervention for children with Neurodevelopmental disorders.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

### 6. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **November 06, 2021** for Items 1, 2, 3, 4 and **November 13, 2021** for Items 5 and 6.

### 7. Senior Demonstrator (NM) / Lecturer Gr.II (NM) with MBBS / BDS with M.Sc. in Clinical Embryology, B.Sc. in Life Sciences with M.Sc. Clinical Embryology / Ph.D. in Reproductive Biology with at least two years experience in Clinical Embryology / Ph.D. in Clinical Embryology for the Department of Reproductive Medicine.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Apply to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore - 632 002, email : [princi@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:princi@cmcvellore.ac.in) with biodata, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, email ID and address on or before **November 13, 2021** for Item 7.

## Situations Vacant

### 8. Technical Officer for the Department of Clinical Virology

**Job Code : 1400**

Qualification : M.Sc. in Medical Virology / Microbiology / Biotechnology / Life Sciences and 2 years laboratory experience.

Mode of Appointment : Project mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **November 08, 2021** for Item 8.

### 9. Technical Assistant (Project) for the Department of P.M.R.

Qualifications : B.Sc. (Audiology / Speech and Hearing).

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : Below 35 years.

Job Description : To work in the Department of P.M.R.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Applications will close on **November 15, 2021** for Item 9.

### 10. Junior Health Centre Auxiliary under term appointment to work in CHAD Hospital

Only female candidates need to apply (Preferably Married).

Qualification : 12<sup>th</sup> Std. with Diploma in Health Assistance.

Salary : Consolidated salary shall be provided as per the norms of the organization.

Applications should be submitted online through the link : <https://www.cmch-vellore.edu/News.aspx>

(under "Vacancies") on or before **November 13, 2021** for Item 10.

**Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

In case of difficulties in applying online please contact us through email : [deancon@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:deancon@cmcvellore.ac.in)

### 11. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri invites application for the following posts :

**Medical Officer** – MBBS

**Dermatologist** – DVL / MD / DNB

**Paediatrician** – DCH / MD

**Staff Nurse** – DGNM or B.Sc. Nursing with one year experience in labour room or ICU

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and send the PDF scanned file to the [director@karigiri.org](mailto:director@karigiri.org) or [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org)

Last date for receipt of applications : **November 06, 2021** for Item 11.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth. Psalm 57:5*

## Protect

NOVEMBER 08, 2021

World Stroke Day 2021



The World Stroke Day is observed on 29<sup>th</sup> October. In commemoration of the World Stroke Day for the year 2021, the Department of Neurology organised an awareness programme. The programme was based on the theme, '**Minutes can save lives**'. The event started with devotion by Rev. Giftus Joshua, Chaplain. Ms. Mercy Jesudoss, Professor and Head, Neuro Nursing welcomed the gathering. The programme was inaugurated by the Guest of Honour, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent. Mrs. Jeyalinda Christopher, Associate Nursing Superintendent offered her felicitations and released the Stroke Patient Education booklet which will be used for inpatients and outpatients. The theme for this year's stroke day was presented and emphasized by Dr. Sanjith Aaron, Professor and Head of Neurology. He stressed the importance of early detection, treatment and management of stroke. He also highlighted the need for primary prevention of stroke, awareness regarding treatment modalities and secondary prevention of stroke. The winners of the poster and quiz competitions were honoured during the programme. Mr. Kenneth Benjamin, Clinical research and stroke coordinator proposed the vote of thanks. Posters and videos on stroke were displayed and stroke education was given to the public in the stalls.



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## e-Seminar on Cardiorespiratory Assessment and Management : Towards a Better Tomorrow

The International Day of Older Persons is celebrated all over the world on October 1<sup>st</sup>. To commemorate this, the Departments of Medical Nursing, Geriatrics and Continuing Nursing Education, College of Nursing, conducted an e-Seminar on “Cardio Respiratory Assessment and Management: Towards a Better Tomorrow” on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Following the inaugural programme, the scientific programme was flagged off by a panel of geriatric consultants - Dr. Surekha V, Dr. K.G. Gopinath, Dr. Benny Paul Wilson, Dr. Rakesh Mishra and Dr. Jini Chirackel Thomas, who covered the pathophysiology of Cardio respiratory conditions, assessments and their medical management, symptom presentation and recognition of red flags, Nursing assessment and management were ably dealt with by Mrs. Ilavarsai Jesudoss, Mrs. Sophia Vijayanandhan, Mrs. Meenakshi Sekar and Mrs. R. Bharathy. Mrs. Theresa G. demonstrated the appropriate use of a metered dose inhaler using a spacer.

The concept of the multidisciplinary team involvement in the care of a geriatric patient was made relevant. 'Exercises and Beyond' - was a combined demonstration by the Occupational and Physiotherapists - Mr. Sanjeev P. and Mr. Lenny V. and their respective teams. The day was made interesting and informative by videos on medication dispensing using a pill box, assistive devices, 6-minute walk test, breathing and spacer techniques. The post test was conducted after each session by zoom poll. A total of eighty-nine participants across 7 different states from various Schools and Colleges of Nursing benefitted from these sessions. The feedback received from the participants were positive and encouraging.



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## Food for Thought

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### *Out of Africa*

It's quite popular to try to see  
Our ancestry from a DNA sample  
And after giving a swab and paying a fee  
Hoping the result will be an example

Of an interesting genealogy we can own  
With a historical figure or two thrown in  
People we felt and had always known  
Were part of our kith and our kin

Fifty thousand years ago the sight would be  
Of people walking, mothers, children and fathers  
Out of East Africa reaching distant land and sea  
And becoming the first hunters and the first gatherers

Some settled in Central Asia and some in Europe  
They left behind tools and amazing cave art  
Others went through Asia Oceania with a hope  
Of finding new places and tribes to start

Bering Strait fifteen thousand years ago  
Was a frozen strip between Russia and Alaska  
Siberian tribes decided across they would go  
Brave men, women and the odd babushka

They explored North America from coast to coast  
And reached South America to its very tip  
If they only knew they would surely boast  
That none before had made such a trip  
Their descendants lived free on the land  
Until Spanish explorers arrived  
Sent by Emperors Isabella and Ferdin and  
Many natives perished but some survived  
Forced from their land and living in a reservation

*Dr. Cherian Thomas  
(MBBS Batch of 1960)*

**November 07 - 13, 2021**

**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

*Southern Asia Division of Seventh-day Adventists*

Council Members : Pastor S. Paulmoney

Mr. Pierson Sam David

**Purchase** : Mr. Joseph Selvaraj and Staff

**Stores** : Mr. Edin Decoster Lawrence and Staff

**CRS** : Mr. Daniel Deva Kumar and Staff

Hospitals : Aizawl Adventist Hospital

Pune Adventist Hospital

Ruby Nelson Memorial Hospital, Punjab

SDA Medical Centre, Bengaluru and others

*General Conference of SDA, USA*

**Memorandum**

**Dr. Uday George Zachariah**, Professor, is appointed as Vice Principal (HR) with effect from 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2021 for a four year term.

**Congratulations !**

• The following candidates were successful in the Postgraduate **MD / MS** Examinations held in **May 2021** (University results published **28.08.2021 – 31.08.2021**).

**M.D. Geriatric Medicine** : Dr. Joanne Lydia Rajkumar, Dr. Anju Anna George and Dr. Nithya Ann Jacob

**M.D. Microbiology** : Dr. Christina Rachel S., Dr. Jeninth Mohan and Dr. Jaya lakshmi S.S.

**M.D. Nuclear Medicine** : Dr. Vishnu A.R.

**M.D. Paediatrics** : Dr. Pulipati Mercy Kiranmai, Dr. Mrinalini Peters, Dr. Joshaphine Victoria Paripooranam, Dr. Asha Chrysolyte J., Dr. Rini Rachel Jose, Dr. Nidhi K.Thomas, Dr. Jovin Chris Antony, Dr. Baker Ninan Fenn, Dr. Annie Bella A., Dr. Gibeah H.R. Harriet, Dr. Gracelin Vinil J. and Dr. Suranjan John Thangam

**M.D. Pathology** : Dr. Thomas Kuzhiparampil Abraham, Dr. Abha Elizabeth John, Dr. Gokul G. Dr. Ashwin Kumar B., Dr. Ramachandran A., Dr. Akhilesh R., Dr. S. Samuel Sobers and Dr. Jai Kumar B.D.

**M.D. Pharmacology** : Dr. Samuel Santhosh Andrews and Dr. Steffi Aswini Maria M.

**M.D. PMR** : Dr. Samuel Santhosh Andrews, Dr. Steffi Aswini Maria M., Dr. Kalaivani K., Dr. Miruna Shree A., Dr. Chenithung Y Ezung and Dr. Annabelle Prithwini Kaunds

**M.D. Physiology** : Dr. Elanchezhian R.

*To be continued...*

• The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate Higher Specialty** Examination held in **August 2021** (University results published on **30.09.2021**).

**Rheumatology** : Dr. Manikuppam Prathyusha.

**Cardio Vascular & Thoracic Surgery** : Dr. Dorendro Thingujam, Dr. Prem Prasath K. and Dr. Raj Kumar J.

**Endocrine Surgery** : Dr. Priyanka.

**Gynaecological Oncology** : Dr. Alka and Dr. Ramesan C.K.

**Hand Surgery** : Dr. Anil Mathew

**HPB Surgery** : Dr. Atram Soham Anantrao and Dr. Raman Kumar Gupta

**Neurosurgery (3 Years)** : Dr. Charan Makkina

**Neurosurgery (6 Years) - Part III** : Dr. Reman Ramesh Nair, Dr. Sauradeep Sarkar and Dr. Swaminathan G.

**Neurosurgery (6 Years) - Part II** : Dr. Basir Ahmed and Dr. Naveen Kuriakose Thomas

**Paediatric Surgery** : Dr. Niveditha Shama V., Dr. Sreekanth K.T. and Dr. Subash Chandra Subudhi

**Plastic Surgery** : Dr. Akamanchi Anirudha Krishnacharya and Dr. Felix Cordelia M.J. and Dr. Ratnanjali Mishra

**Urology** : Dr. Abhik Debnath, Dr. Mudasir Farooq, Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Dr. Subhash Jat and Dr. Ujjwal Kumar

**Vascular Surgery** : Dr. Joel Mathew John

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## Retirements

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• **Mr. T. Sundarraaj**, Accounts Officer, Accounts retired on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2021, after 35 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has a son and daughter. His son, Mr. Trison Gnanaraj is an Engineer in Mindtree, Bangalore. He is married. His daughter, Dr. Creeper Elsi is doing her internship in Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet.



• **Mrs. P. Chamundeswari**, Sr. Gr.I Clerk Typist, Department of Nuclear Medicine retired on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2021, after 39 years of dedicated service to the institution. She has a son and daughter. Her husband, Mr. M. Panneer Selvam retired as Commercial Tax Officer, Chennai. Their daughter, Ms. Vidhya Panneer is a B.E. graduate and married. Their son, Mr. Mohan Kumar has finished M. Tech. and working as Team Leader in Omega Health Care and is working.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

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## Upcoming Event

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In commemoration of the World Diabetes Day 2021, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism is organizing :

1. **Quiz for the Nursing Students** on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 at College of Nursing, CMC Vellore.
2. **Painting competition for the School Students** on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 21 at Darling Residency, Vellore.  
**Topic** : The economic burden of Diabetes
3. **Quiz for the Medical Students** on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 at New Examination Hall, CMC Bagayam Campus.
4. **Cookery Competition** for the Staff, Students and General Public on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 21 at Darling Residency, Vellore.

**Theme** : Diabetic snack

Kindly give your entries in Endocrinology OPD (111), Room No.8. For any clarifications please contact : Mrs. Bharathi @ 9894317506 / Mrs. Volena @ 9487101871 / Mr. Vinod @ 0416-2283109.

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## Situations Vacant

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**Erratum** : 1. **Assistant Professor with M.S. (E.N.T.)** for the Department of **E.N.T. UNIT-III**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution for applying for Assistant Professor post.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

2. **Assistant Professor with MD (Anaesthesia / fellowship in Cardiac Anaesthesia)** for the **Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery (KNICU)**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any MCI recognised teaching institution.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

3. **Assistant Professor with MD (Anaesthesia / fellowship in Cardiac Anaesthesia) / DM (Cardiac-Anaesthesia)** for the **Department of Anaesthesiology**

Experience : Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

4. **Senior Resident with MD (Paediatrics)** for the **Department of Community Health**

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **November 13, 2021** for Item 1 and **November 20, 2021** for Items 2, 3 and 4.

## Situations Vacant

### 5. Chairside Assistant Trainee (Project Mode) for the Department of Dental & Oral Surgery Unit

Qualifications : H.Sc. + pass in Dental Hygienist Course (2 years course) with state dental council registration (should be eligible for Tamil Nadu State Dental Council Registration).

Stipend : As per institutional rules. Age Limit : 30 years.

Job Description : Chairside Assisting, Scaling etc.,

### 6. Asst. Programmer (Project Mode) for the Distance Education Unit

Qualifications : B.Tech. (I.T) / B.E. (Computer Science) / MCA / MCS / MS Computer Science / M.Sc. (Computer Science).

Preference will be given to M.E., / M.Tech. (Computer Science) with minimum 5 years of relevant work experience. Candidate with training and work experience in blended learning methodologies.

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Accommodation not provided.

### 7. Assistant Social Worker (Project Mode) for the College of Nursing

Qualifications : M.S.W. / M.A. (Social Work / Sociology) / M.Sc. (Medical Sociology). Preferably with experience in organising Community Based Income - Generating Projects and Socio Economic Development activities.

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

### 8. Technical Assistant (Project Mode) for the Department of E.N.T.

Qualifications : B.Sc. Speech Therapy and Audiology, must have 2 years of experience in teaching institution.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Job Description : Special training / Experience / interest in Auditory verbal training.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **November 15, 2021** for Items 5, 6 and **November 22, 2021** for Items 7 and 8.

### 9. King's Matriculation and Higher Secondary School, invites applications for post of Principal

Essential Qualifications :

- A Postgraduate degree in any discipline with M.Ed., / B.Ed.,
- 15 Years of Teaching experience in a Higher Secondary School.
- Good Leadership and communication skills.

Eligible and interested Christian candidates preferably with administrative experience should send their resume / CV with two references and relevant copies of certificates on or before **November 30, 2021** to The Correspondent, King's Matriculation Higher Secondary School. MBKG Pannai, Kasam, Katpadi, Vellore – 632 007.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hardwork we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'* Acts :20-35

## Protect

NOVEMBER 22, 2021

### Graduation Ceremonies for Medical Postgraduates



The month of November has been studded with celebrations of our past students, including those whose graduation ceremonies in 2020 were postponed due to the pandemic. On the **1<sup>st</sup> of November 2021**, was the **Graduation for Medical Postgraduates from the graduating batch of 2020**. Dr. Joyce Ponnaiya, former Principal and Director, CMC Vellore, was the Chief Guest. On the **8<sup>th</sup> of November 2021**, was the **ceremony for the graduating batch of 2021**, with Dr. Suranjan Bhattacharji, former Director, CMC Vellore, gracing the occasion as Chief Guest. The restrictions in numbers due to pandemic regulations couldn't dampen the spirit of celebration for the postgraduates and the programme was live streamed on the internet for viewing by friends and family near and far.

Both ceremonies began with a procession of the postgraduates and the faculty to the traditional graduation music. The auditorium resounded with cheers for the Silver and Blue as the gatherings sang the College song. Songs and prayers of invocation, blessings and best wishes for the postgraduates, charges and solemn pledges all came together to make the events special for the attendees.

## Graduation Ceremonies for Medical Postgraduates

In her address to the postgraduates of the graduating batch of 2020, Dr. Joyce Ponnaiya congratulated them for overcoming the challenges that the pandemic threw to their training and reassured them that skills learned in difficult situations, would stand them in good stead in unexpected ways in the future. Stories from her life added meaning to the advice she gave. She mentioned that multitudes of patients throng to CMC looking not just for professional excellence, but also for integrity and compassion and she reminded the gathering that these are qualities that could be overlooked when one gets busy. She reminded them of their rich legacy and the responsibility to preserve the values handed down to them in this institution. She wished them fulfilment and expressed hope that they would embody both the professional excellence and compassion that is the legacy of Dr. Ida Scudder.



Dr. Joyce Ponnaiya addresses the graduating batch of 2020

The faculty from various disciplines presented the **233 postgraduates** to the principal Dr. Anna Pulimood. **183 candidates were awarded the broad specialty Diploma/MD/MS, 11 the higher specialty DM / M.Ch, 13 the MSc, 14 the MPH, 5 the M.S. Bioengineering and 7 the Ph.D degrees.** The chief guest presented the 38 special postgraduate and research prizes that were awarded.



Dr. Suranjan Bhattacharji addresses the graduating batch of 2021

For the graduating batch of 2021, Dr. Suranjan Bhattacharji addressed the postgraduates. He congratulated them, their families and teachers for their collective achievement, the sweetness of which, he said, could not be diminished by the pandemic. Beautifully illustrated through a Japanese fable, he wished for them to be lights in the darkness in the communities they return to, a breath of fresh air, bringing coolness and a soothing zephyr to the pain they would find, and he wondered what thoughts and ideas CMC had written in their hearts and minds. He recalled teachers who had made indelible impressions on him like Mother Teresa, who treated everyone with great reverence, regardless of their background, Dr. Pramod Kumar Sethi who said that people are the greatest resource and Dr. Philip Korula who believed that the means were as, or more important than the ends-that a strong moral compass is to be valued above brilliance. Dr. Bhattacharji quoted William Barclay in his final words, wishing them as Jesus had wished his disciples, to be completely fearless, absurdly happy and in constant trouble.

There were **238 postgraduates** who were presented to the Principal, by the faculty from various disciplines, of which **146 were awarded the broad specialty Diploma / MD / MS degree, 56 the higher specialty DM/MCh degree, 12 the M.Sc. degree, 10 the MPH degree, 5 the M.S. Bioengineering degrees and 9 the Ph.D degree.** The chief guest presented the winners of the **43 special awards** including the **Dr. Emmanuel Sunder Raj award given to a surgical alumnus, for significant work in a mission hospital, which was awarded to Dr. Ajay Chaitanya Raju.**

Both ceremonies ended with a benediction, the singing of the Alma Mater and the National Anthem. We are grateful for His providence, for the achievements of our students and the ability to have conducted these events safely.



Dr. Ajay C. Raju receives the Dr. Emmanuel Sunder Raj award

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**November 22 - 28, 2021**  
**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

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**Urology :** Dr. Santosh Kumar and Staff  
Dr. Chandrasingh J. and Staff  
Dr. Nirmal T.J. and Staff  
Dr. Rajiv Paul Mukha and Staff  
Dr. Bala Seetharaman and Staff

***The Leprosy Mission***

Council Members : Dr. Premal Das

Dr. Famkima Darlong

Hospital : TLM Hospitals, Chandkhuri, Faizabad, Naini,  
Purulia, Kothara and others.

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**Welcome**

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**Dr. Ashish Jacob Mathew**, Associate Professor, Department of Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology, on his return from Study leave.

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**Memorandum**

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**Dr. Suja Kurian**, Professor, is appointed as Head of the Department of Psychiatry from 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 to 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.

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**Obituary**

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**Dr. Noel Sylvester Fernando** (MBBS batch of 1955) on 5 November 2021. He passed away from a cardiovascular event, after living with heart disease for over a decade. Born in Pune, India, Dr. Noel was the elder identical twin to Dr. Fernando Merlyn Edward by ten minutes. The twins did everything together: early schooling in India and Sri Lanka, even enrolling together in Christian Medical College (CMC) batch of 1955. At CMC, the twins were known for their practical jokes. Dr. Noel, himself, excelled in sports for Findlay House, most notably for shot put. It was at CMC that Dr. Noel met and married his batch mate, Dr. Pamela Solomon in 1961.



After graduating from CMC, Dr. Noel was assigned by his mission board to open a hospital in Kandy, Sri Lanka. In 1965, Lakeside Medical Center (renamed Lakeside Adventist Hospital) opened its doors. In 1968, he returned to CMC qualifying as a Masters of Surgery. After rotating through mission hospitals in Ottapalam, Kerala, India and Benepa, Nepal-at the foothills of Mt. Everest-the family transferred to Hong Kong in 1972. In characteristic CMC Christian spirit, Dr. Noel mentored younger staff members in every hospital at which he worked.

In Hong Kong, Dr. Noel worked as a surgeon at Tsuen Wan Adventist Hospital and several other hospitals, including a floating clinic with the boat people and the Vietnamese refugees while at the United Christian Hospital, Sham Sui Po. He then practiced at the Caritas Medical Center for over another score of years, and was there when Dr. Merle transferred to Hong Kong twelve years later. As twins must, they often confused staff, patients and even a taxi driver in the city, a former patient of Dr. Noel's! It was easy for them to enjoy the private parking at each other's hospitals thanks to the confused Security staff.

After Dr. Noel's first heart attack, he transitioned from surgery to a general family practice and registered under the College of General Practitioners. The current pandemic led him to finally retire in 2020, at age 85.

Dr. Noel enjoyed the simple things in life besides conversations with his family, of whom he was very happy and proud. He had a myriad of hobbies related to nature: hiking, camping, gemmology, geology, postage stamps and travel. He had a deep love of music and played the trumpet. He was able to instil this love of nature and music into his children and grandchildren.

Dr. Noel was an active member of WWF and Amnesty International. He was a very giving person to those around him, and rarely asked for anything in return.

Dr. Noel is survived by his spouse, Dr. Pamela (Solomon); his children, Melanie, Ronald, Leslie and Jean; his grandchildren, Nicholas, Aneliis, Aaron and Kaelyn; his twin Dr. Fernando Merlyn Edward and his spouse Dr. Elizabeth; Cousins Loretta (Rao) and Stella and all their families.

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## Obituary

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He now is at peace with his life and God. The celebration of Life service was held near Shatin, Hong Kong on November 23, where he lived. As per his wish, his ashes will be laid to rest in the South China Sea, off Lantau Island, where Dolphins still roam.

For those who would like to contact the family, the details of his wife and brother are given below:

Dr. Pamela Solomon, Email: [pefernando@aol.com](mailto:pefernando@aol.com)

Dr. Fernando Merlyn Edward, Email: [merlynfernando@yahoo.com](mailto:merlynfernando@yahoo.com)

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time of grief and loss.

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## Admission Notice

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### MBA in Hospital and Health Systems Management (HHSM)

MBA (HHSM) is a 4 semester Work Integrated Learning Programme conducted in collaboration with Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS), Pilani, Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore and Bombay Hospital, Mumbai.

This course provides a unique opportunity to experience firsthand administration and allow participants to learn firsthand how to efficiently run the day-to-day operations and manage the various functions of a large hospital. The programme emphasizes on Experiential Learning that allows learners to apply concepts learnt in classroom in simulated and real work situations through:

- Hospital immersion sessions at CMC Vellore.
- Simulation & Modeling exercises
- Case Studies and Assignments
- Project Work
- Digital Learning
- Continuous Assessment

### **Eligibility :**

Minimum eligibility to apply: Employed professionals in the healthcare industry, holding an MBBS/ Integrated First Degree of BITS Pilani or its equivalent with at least 60% aggregate marks, and minimum one year of relevant work experience are eligible to apply to this programme.

The programme is designed for :

- Doctors, Dentists and other Medical professionals working in Public/ Private/ Non-profit hospitals who are involved in the management and administration of the hospital and related services.
- Doctors, Dentists and other Medical professionals who are running their own hospitals and want to enhance their management skills to deliver superior service and improve the top line and bottom line.
- Para-Medical professionals working in the healthcare industry and looking to upgrade their skills and thereby accelerate their career growth.
- Non-medical professionals working in the healthcare industry in support and administrative functions who are looking to upgrade their skills and thereby accelerate their career growth. These would include professionals working in such diverse areas as Finance, Billing, HR, Customer Service, Hospital Supplies and General Administration.

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## Admission Notice

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**Admission:** Application is usually advertised twice a year from BITS (online) in March/April and October / November. Applicants must apply before the last date after obtaining prior permission from their employer. Admission is open for January intake and the last date for applying is **6<sup>th</sup> December 2021**. Interested candidates could access the following link for more information:

<https://bits-pilani-wilp.ac.in/mba/hospital-health-systems-management.php>

If you need any clarification please contact Dr. Samuel N.J. David, Sr. Manager and Head, Hospital Management Studies & Staff Training on 3535, who is also the course co-ordinator for this programme.

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## Situations Vacant

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### 1. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit-III

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

### 2. Jr. Psychologist / Jr. Clinical Psychologist (Term Post) with M.A. (Psychology) / M.Sc. Psychology for the Department of Psychiatry (Child and Adolescent Psychiatry - Nambikkai Nilayam)

Job Description : Assessment and intervention for children with Neurodevelopmental disorders.

Salary Scale : As Per Institutional Rules.

Accommodation Not Provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **November 27, 2021** for Items 1 and 2.

### 3. Non Technical Assistant (Project Mode)

Qualifications : Graduate (regular) with One year CMC training passed.

Consolidated Salary : As per Institutional Norms.

Preference will be given to candidates who have undergone One year Clerk Typist training in CMC.

Please log on to <https://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "Non Technical Assistant".

Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted. Apply on or before **November 25, 2021** for Item 3.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.*  
*Psalm 103:13*

## Protect

NOVEMBER 29, 2021

### Mrs. Jayalakshmi Retires



**Mrs. Jayalakshmi**, Selection Grade Sr. Lecturer (NM) I Nutritionist, retired on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021 after serving the Department of RUHSA for more than thirty one years. Mrs. Jayalakshmi completed her M.Sc. (Food Nutrition) in the year 1984. She joined RUHSA in September 1990 and worked as a Nutritionist, promoting various nutrition programmes in the community at K.V. Kuppam block. She was passionate towards providing counselling and guidance to the needs of RUHSA patients. She developed and promoted millet-based nutrition recipes for Anti Natal Clinic(ANC) and Diabetic Patients and has conducted life skill education sessions for the adolescents in schools across K.V. Kuppam.

Apart from her role as a counsellor, she also actively participated in various training programmes both in India and abroad. Some of the key programmes which she was involved in were RUHSA-Orissa Malaria

Programme, Women Development initiatives under CMC-Tsunami programme, ICDS Supervisor programme, Shantimalai Trust Thiruvanamalai, Tamil Nadu and various school health programmes conducted by Nokia, Sriperumbudur, Chennai.

She took academic sessions for many health care professionals, PGDCHM Students, Medical Sociology students and many international elective students. She was involved in research programmes related to anaemia and HIV research under TUFTS University, USA, VANE Nutrition programme under University of Aberdeen and Pulmonary Rehabilitation programme, ICMAR.

Her husband, Mr. Santosh Michael works as an Accountant. Her son Mr. Daniel Paul completed his B.E. and works as a software professional at ZOHA. Her daughter Ms. Esther Paul is currently pursuing her B.Sc. in Geography.

The CMC family thanks Mrs. Jayalakshmi for her dedicated service in this institution and wishes her God's blessing on her retired life.

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## Food for Thought

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### *God's Seal of Approval*

When you see a patient don't try too hard to please the patient or put up a pretence to get a good review from the patient. As a rule, patients do not give a Doctor more than a three-star rating. It comes with the job description. Doctors are the SOS. We get the respect, but also the despise.

#### **What can bring you job satisfaction?**

It is when you are satisfied with the work you have done. When trying to work things the other way around; fatiguing yourself to satisfy a patient, then the scene goes awry.

Are you content after seeing a patient?

Your own contentment almost always brings satisfaction to both the parties sitting on either side of the table.

**Whatever you do, work heartily as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. - Colossians 3: 23, 24**

Unexplainable peace and deep sense of purpose at work, despite all the thorns and thistles that come from various fallen people is obtained when you work to satisfy two people, the God you serve and yourself.

Learning to recognise God's purposes, plans and presence at work brings measures of satisfaction.

Do you have a sense that God has designed and prepared you to do what you get paid to do?

Then you will be filled with the peace that passeth all understanding.

Do not work for food that spoils, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. John 6 : 27.

For on him, God the father has placed his seal of approval.

*- Hannah Alice, Dermatology Registrar*

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## Breast Cancer Awareness

The incidence of Breast Cancer is increasing manifold in the last decade and it has become the leading cause of cancer in women. Breast cancer is curable if detected early and self-breast examination with lifestyle modification is the key to early detection. The Department of Radiation Oncology, part of Breast Care Group of CMC organized various programmes to spread this awareness.

The poster competition on the theme, "Together, All Our Actions Matter" for staff and students attracted 37 entries. E-slogan competition for both Tamil and English had 36 and 76 entries respectively. The judges for the competitions were from CMC and from the Indian Medical Association, Vellore (IMA).

On October 24, 2021 the "Breast Cancer Survivors Meet - 2021" was conducted. The survivors along with their families participated. Four of them shared their experience which was an encouragement for the others. This was followed by talks on physiotherapy, handling of emotion and lifestyle modification .

On October 27, 2021, the programme was conducted at main hospital campus between ISCCC and old nursing hostel. Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Dr Subhashini John, Radiation Oncology, Dr. Madan Mohan, President, Vellore IMA and Dr. Narmada Ashok, Vice president-Vellore IMA were the guests of honor and they also distributed the prizes to winners of the poster and slogan competition. Stalls on dietary, breast self-examination and breast screening, lifestyle modification and prevention of breast cancer educated the public throughout the day.

On October 27, 2021 the Breast Cancer awareness programme was conducted in VIT campus for the faculty. There were two talks on healthy lifestyle and early detection of cancer followed by teaching of breast self-examination to the interested audience.

The department is thankful to the staff of Radiation Oncology, Breast cancer disease management group, Palliative care, Nursing , Dietary, Physiotherapy and Lifestyle departments for their active participation in the event and making it a successful team effort.

## Breast Cancer Awareness



## World Diabetes Day 2021 Poster Competition

In commemoration of the World Diabetes Day 2021, A poster competition was organised on the topic : “Measures to Handle Childhood Obesity, and Ways to Prevent Subsequent Pre-diabetes, Diabetes and Gestational Diabetes” for the staff in CMC Vellore and Chittoor Campus on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 at VIP Hall, VGSWS.

The posters were judged by Dr. Gilbert, Assistant professor, Surgery – Unit-IV Dr. Abel Livingston, Associate Professor, Orthopaedics– Unit-III and Mrs. Deena David, Reader, College of Nursing. They commended on the innovation shown by the participants in the making of posters.

Mrs. Sangeetha. I from A4 Ward won the first prize while the second prize was bagged by Ms. Jansi Rani V. from CMC Chittoor Campus and the third prize won by Ms. Indumathy. B from BMTU.

The consolation prizes were awarded to Ms. Sumitra S. from Rusha and Ms. Priya V. from CHAD.

## November 28 - December 04 , 2021

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Service Association of the Christian Church*

*United Church Board of World Ministries*

Council Member : Dr. Ajit G. Singh

*Multilingual Carol Service*

## Upcoming Event

This year, the Dr. Ida S. Scudder Humanitarian Oration is awarded to Mr. Azim Premji, Founder Chair, Wipro & Philanthropist, Azim Premji Foundation. Mr. Premji’s acumen in the business world is surpassed only by his generous philanthropy. He is the first Indian to sign the Giving Pledge, committing over half of his wealth to charity.

The **10<sup>th</sup> Dr. Ida S. Scudder Humanitarian Oration on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 6.30 pm in Scudder Auditorium, College Campus.** Buses for staff and students will be arranged from KPTR and Main Hospital campus. Due to pandemic restrictions, the auditorium will be at 50% capacity.

The event will also be livestreamed <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AQ3yM65Wyog>

## Obituaries

• **Mrs. Jothi Victor**, mother of Mrs. Kezia Philip, Senior Technician, Department of Cardiology, passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2021.

Let us uphold her daughters Mrs. Kezia Philip, Mrs. Jemmima, former staff, Neuro Physiology Technician and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. R. Sundararajan**, father of Mrs. S. Chandrakala, Secretary, Department of Clinical Microbiology, passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2021.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the families in our prayers.

## Situations Vacant

**1. Assistant Professor Gr.I with NMC recognised postgraduate degree in DM (Nephrology) for the Department of Nephrology**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

**2. Eratta : Jr. Special Teacher (Term Post) with M.A. (Psychology) / Master of Rehabilitation Science (MRSc) / M.Ed Special Education. (Regular Course) for the Department of Psychiatry (Child and Adolescent Psychiatry - Nambikkai Nilayam)**

Job Description : Assessment and training of children with Neuro Developmental Disabilities.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

**3. Senior Resident Gr.III with MS (General Surgery) for the Department of Trauma Surgery**

Salary : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

**4. Assistant Professor / Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) with minimum one year experience in Paediatric Critical Care for the Department of Paediatric ICU**

Candidates with Fellowship / DM Qualification in Paediatric Critical Care are preferred.

Experience : Candidates applying for Assistant Professor should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution.

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to Availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **December 04, 2021** for Items 1, 2 and **December 11, 2021** for Items 3 and 4.

**5. Medical Officer for Project YUVA under the Department of Paediatrics Unit - III Job Code : 1383**

Qualification : M.B.B.S. and above.

Eligibility : MBBS (Foreign graduates should have completed their MCI / NMC registration).

Project YUVA is the Adolescent Health Education outreach programme, of Adolescent Medicine (AM), Department of Paediatrics. It is a collaborative venture by CMC, with CHILDLINE India Foundation and a local NGO, The Hope House. Launching this programme in schools has been deferred because of the pandemic.

However, we have been working on Project YUVA mobile app (PYMA) for more than a year, with faculty and students of Computer Science Department, VIT, Vellore. PYMA is an interactive platform for adolescents to gain knowledge about their own health. This Medical Officer for project YUVA will work under the direct supervision of the AM team.

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted.* Applications will close by **December 04, 2021** for Item 5.



# CMC NEWSLINE



*When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord", they said, "you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. Acts 4:24*

**DECEMBER 06, 2021**

## **Dedication of Mobile Version of CMC E-Library**

The Department of Library Services launched the Mobile version of **CMC E-LIBRARY** through **MYLOFT** (MY Library On Fingertips) on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021 by zoom.

The programme started with a prayer by Rev. Rainard Pearson. Dr. Vinay Timothy Oommen, Vice – Principal welcomed the gathering. Dr. Anna B. Pulimood, Principal inaugurated the E-Library and highlighted its multiple applications. The felicitations were offered by Dr. Joy Mammen, Associate Director and Mr. Amit from MyLoft gave a demonstration of the E-Library. The programme came to end with a vote of thanks by Dr. Azariah Jeba Kumar, Head, Library Services.

This facility can be accessed through the mobile, laptop and the desktop. It collates brings together the academic information requirement of Chittoor, Kannigapuram, RUHSA, Schell Eye Hospital, Rehabilitation and Bagayam Campuses which can be accessed over the institution's network.

Faculty, postgraduates and super specialties students who wish to avail this mobile library facility can scan and download it using the following QR Code and can contact [dodd@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:dodd@cmcvellore.ac.in) or 2686 / 2101 for activation.

MyLoft Web-Login for Desktop and Laptop :

<https://app.myloft.xyz/user/login?institute=ckr0hexbsvracd0927d54m0cbi>

**CMC Library Membership form  
for Mobile & Remote Access**



**Download MyLOFT using  
QR Code for Mobile**



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## The 6<sup>th</sup> Medicine Annual Conference (MAC) 2021

The 6<sup>th</sup> Medicine Annual Conference (MAC) 2021 was conducted from 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 on a virtual platform (Airmeeet) by Medicine Unit-IV under the leadership of Dr. Samuel George Hansdak, Professor and Head of the Unit. The overall theme of MAC 21 was 'Lifestyle is Medicine'.



The conference was declared open by the Chief Guest Dr. V.I. Mathan, former Director who also spoke on the changing paradigm of education and the everlasting relevance of general medicine. Felicitations for the conference were offered by Dr. J.V. Peter, Director, Dr. Anna B. Pulimood, Principal, Dr. K. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent and Dr. Thambu David Surdarsanam, Head of Department of General Medicine.

There were over 900 attendees, 100 speakers and 56 moderators from CMC, within India and internationally. The sessions included 5 PG workshops, 18 Parallel tracks of various specialties and 7 lead talks amounting to over 85 hours of stimulating academic engagement. The poster competition saw 200 poster submissions with seven winners among two categories - the case reports and original research.

The conference was conducted completely on a virtual platform called Airmeeet. This enabled participants from all over the globe the flexibility of viewing the event on their personal devices with access to the content even after the sessions were over for upto 3 months.



The lead sessions on the Blue Zone by the team from Loma Linda USA highlighted the evidence-based effects of a healthy lifestyle and the economic benefits of a corporate wellness programme. Talks by several CMC alumni such as Dr. Mammen Chandy on connecting with patients, Dr. Dilip Mathai on reviving the art of Bedside medicine and Dr. M.S. Seshadri's meticulous approach to the CPC case was a feast and a valuable learning for clinicians at all stages of their professional career.

The entire Department of Medicine and almost all medical specialties were involved in a coordinated effort to ensure that this year's MAC was a grand success. We thank all the allied departments and teams that supported us in this effort and we give glory to God for guiding us through the venture.

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## World Osteoporosis Awareness Day

In commemoration of the World Osteoporosis Awareness Day Programme 2021, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes & Metabolism organized an essay and Poster Competition titled – "Take Action for Bone Health - Can We Prevent Osteoporosis?" for the staff and students of CMC on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. The posters were judged by Dr. Suchita Chase, Professor, Department of Surgery Unit-IV, Dr. Selvamani, Professor and Head, Department of Radiation Oncology Unit-III, Dr. Binu Susan Mathew, Professor and Head, Department of Clinical Pharmacology, Dr. Rita Ruby Anbuselvi, Professor and Head, Department of ENT Unit-V, Dr. Kalaranjini, Professor and Head, Department of Paediatric ICU and Dr. Ramya, Professor and Head, Department of Medicine Unit-V, Vellore. A total of 94 Posters, 81 English Essays and 60 Tamil Essays were received for evaluation. 14 prizes were awarded for the Poster, 15 prizes for the English Essay and 11 prizes for the Tamil Essay competition.

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## 58<sup>th</sup> Early Management of Trauma Course

The Department of Emergency Medicine has successfully completed the 58<sup>th</sup> Early Management of Trauma Course (EMTC) at Christian Medical College from 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2021. Started in 1997, this unique course is an indigenous programme, which is conceptualized, developed and validated by Christian Medical College, and is in fact, the first structured training programme for the Early Management of Trauma in India.



This course is designed to provide hands-on experience in prioritization and early management of trauma and comprises of lectures, scenarios and skill-stations on various aspects of trauma evaluation and management. The feed-back from the trainees was excellent with demand for more frequent courses and gratifying for the faculty as well.

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**December 05 - 11, 2021**

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### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Pulmonary Medicine* : Dr. Balamugesh T. and Staff

*Respiratory Medicine* : Dr. Richa Gupta and Staff

*United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel*

*Board of International Ministerial Ministries of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society*

*Christian Institute of Health Sciences and Research, Dimapur (Tripartite Governance by CMC Vellore, EHA and the Government of Nagaland*

Council Member : Dr. Sedevei Angami

### Special Programme for Advent & New Year 2021-2022

<b>December 05, 2021</b>	<b>Oriya Carol Service</b>	<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Centenary Chapel</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Hindi Carol Service</b>	<b>11.30 am</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
<b>December 09, 2021</b>	<b>Founder's Day Thanksgiving Service</b>	<b>7.30 am</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
<b>Thursday</b>			
<b>December 12, 2021</b>	<b>Tamil Carol Service</b>	<b>7.30 am</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Telugu Carol Service</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
	<b>Nepali Carol Service</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Centenary Chapel</b>
	<b>Khasi Carol Service</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>Centenary Chapel</b>
	<b>Nagamese Carol Service</b>	<b>2.00 pm</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
	<b>College Carol Service (English)</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Scudder Auditorium</b>

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## Congratulations!

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• **CMC Poison Control Center** has been included in the WHO Directory of Poison Control Center, under the world health body's Global Health Observatory. Over the last decades there has been limited progress in establishing poison centres in India and as of October 2021, only 9 Indian Centers (including CMC) have been able to fulfil requirements for inclusion in the WHO list.

• The following participants from the Emergency Department won the following prizes at the 23<sup>rd</sup> National Annual Conference of Emergency Medicine (EMCON 2021) held at Bengaluru from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021.

**Dr. Darpanaryan Hazra**, Tutor, ED - 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Poster Presentation.

**Ms. Supriti Kartar**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year, B.Sc. Accident and Emergency Care Technology student, ED - 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Poster Presentation.

**Dr. Mathew Varghese Nellimottil**, Senior Resident (AP), ED - 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Poster Presentation.

**Dr. Sandeep Nathanael David**, Assistant Professor, ED - 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Oral Presentation.

## Congratulatory!

• **Dr. Alexander .P.T**, Associate Professor, Neurology has won the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize for e- poster presentation on "18F-FDG-PET correlation in anti-NMDA receptor encephalitis " in Neurological Society of India - Kerala Chapter Neurocon, at Kochi, on November 27, 2021. "

• **Dr. Roshni P**, Final year postgraduate, Department of Physiology won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for oral presentation at the La Physique Physics and Physiology, National Conference and PG Seminar competition held on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 Organised by Department of Physiology, Velammal Medical College Hospital and Research Institute, Madurai , Tamil Nadu.

• In commemoration of the **World Diabetes Day 2021, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism** organised the following competitions :

(a) **Poster competition on the topic** : "Measures to handle childhood obesity, and ways to prevent subsequent pre-diabetes, diabetes and gestational diabetes" for the staff in CMC Vellore & Chittoor Campus on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 at VIP Hall, VGSWS.

The posters were judged by Dr. Gilbert, Assistant professor, Surgery – Unit-IV, Dr. Abel Livingston, Associate Professor, Orthopaedics– Unit-III and Mrs. Deena David, Reader, College of Nursing.

**Mrs. Sangeetha I**, from A4 Ward - first prize

**Ms. Jansi Rani**, from CMC Chittoor Campus - second prize

**Ms. Indumathy B**, from BMTU - third prize

**Ms. Sumitra S.** from Rusha and **Ms. Priya V.** from CHAD - consolation prizes.

(b) **Dia-Quiz** on "Diabetes and Endocrine Disorders" for the Nursing Students at College of Nursing, CMC Vellore on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2021. Dr. Vathsala Sadan, Dean, College of Nursing, was the Chief Guest for the day.

A total of 414 students are participated in the Preliminary written test and 4 teams qualified to the final round.

The following were the Prize Winners :

**Ms. Priyadarshini, Ms. Ranjana Nainar, Ms. Vinolia Vinnarasi and Ms. Vijaya** - first prize.

**Ms. Sheeba Rubini, Ms. Jiss Maria John, Ms. Jesintha and Mrs. Indhra** - second prize.

**Ms. Sharmila A, Ms. Janani D, Ms Sherin Maria Thomas and Ms. Flora Jeba Sheeli** - third prize.

• **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Day winners list Poster Presentation Winners :**

***Surgical Students :***

I Prize - Noel Naveen Johnson, II Prize - Sonia Baby John and III Prize - Serin Mariam Sajan

***Medical Education :*** I Prize - J. Silviya and II Prize - Tamil Selvi.

***Medical Specialities Faculty :***

I Prize - Saumya Sara Sunny, II Prize - Ajay Christopher and III Prize - Gina Maryann Chandy.

***Medical Specialites PG :***

I Prize - Khushboo Agarwal, Muhammed Sanoop A.V., II Prize - Aneez Joseph and Mohammed Anwar Hussain and III Prize - Evelina Jane K. and Don Babu Chemplavil.

***Nursing - Faculty :***

I Prize - HebsiNesabai A, II Prize - C. Anbarasi and III Prize - Lilly Prasad.

**Oral Presentation Winners :**

***AHS-Faculty :***

I Prize - Senthil Velkumar T, II Prize - Geo Shiju Thomson and III Prize - Sanjay M.

***AHS - Student :***

I Prize - AddlinSarah A, II Prize - Graham Samuel Thilak Raj W. and III Prize - Feba Mathew.

***Basic Sciences - Faculty :***

I Prize - Jeyanth Rose, II Prize - Shajith Anoop and III Prize - Elizabeth Vinod.

***Basic Sciences - Student :***

I Prize - Roshni Parameswaran, II Prize - Lavanya Ravichandran and III Prize - Lakshmi Surya N.

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## Congratulations!

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***Covid-19-Basic Sciences-Innovation :***

I Prize - Gokulnath Mahalingam and II Prize - Simon Chandran.

***Covid-19-Medical :***

I Prize - Priscilla Rupali and II Prize - Fibi Ninan K.

***Covid-19-Surgical :***

I Prize - Ajith John George and II Prize - Rajeevan Philip Sridhar.

***Field and Epidemiology :***

I Prize - Venkata Raghava Mohan, II Prize - Anika Amritanand, III Prize - Midhun S. and Padmanaban Venkatesan

***Medical Students :***

I Prize - David John & Adeline John and II Prize - Kamatham Shiny Simon.

***Others :***

I Prize - Tarun Jose, II Prize - S. Ebenezer Suman Babu and III Prize - Sathish Kumar.

***Ph.D :***

I Prize - Karthik V Karupuswamy, II Prize - Bharathi M Rajamani, Gourav Joshi and III Prize - Nayana P. Nair

***Surgical Faculty :***

I Prize - Vijayan P, II Prize - Varghese Thomas and III Prize - Rohit Amirtanand.

***Surgical Students :***

I Prize - Trupthi M.C., II Prize - Priyadharshini and III Prize - Ashish Kumar.

***Medical Specilities - Faculty :***

I Prize - Hema N.S., Rajesh Balakrishnan, Amith Balachandran, Prasadkanna P.

II Prize - Kripa Elizabeth Cherian, Ramya Iyadurai, Diya Katrina Koikkara, Arvind S, Georgie Mathew and Sidharth Totadri.

III Prize - Jibi Achamma Jacob, Minu Jose Chiramel, Amita Jacob, Ajoy Oommen John and Selvin Sundar Raj M.

***Medical Specilities - PG :***

I Prize - Panneerselvam Johnselvam and Jennifer Ravikumar.

II Prize - Nivin Stanley and Abinaya V.G.

III Prize - Catharine Paul and Ezhil Sindhanai M. Parvath.

***Nursing Faculty :***

I Prize - Annie Sudha Jacob and II Prize - Sasikala R. Umesh and III Prize - Lillian Percy Kujur.

***Nursing Students :***

I Prize - JeemiDelles L., II Prize - Kesia Maria Roy and III Prize - Nishadh Anjum.

***Medical Education :***

I Prize - Ebor Jacob and II Prize -Laxmi Govindraj and III Prize - Supraja Srivastava.

**Dr. Shubhanker Mitra Award winners**

Medical - Sara Elsa John, Nursing - Jeemi Delles L. and Allied health Sciences - Sandra Susan Kuriakose.

**Overall Winners of 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Research day** - Department of Endocrinology.

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## Obituaries

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• **Mrs. Mary Alexander**, mother of Dr. Mathew Alexander, Professor of Neurology passed away on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time of grief and loss.

• **Mr. Gnanaprakasam**, retired staff, Cardiology, passed away on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Vasugi, sons Mr. Thomas Vijaya Prakash, Pharmacist, Mr. Poorana Chandra Prakash, Medical Record Technician, Department of Medical Records, daughter Ms. Evangeline Esther Rani, Staff Nurse, Casualty and all the bereaved members of the family at this time of grief and loss.

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## Situations Vacant

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### 1. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Paediatrics)

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per Institutional Rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

Applications will close by **December 11, 2021** for Item 1.

### 2. Lab Technician (External Designation - Project) for the Department of Clinical Haematology

Qualifications : B.Sc. MLT / Life Sciences / Any Degree with PG diploma in MLT (2 years CMAI diploma).

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

### 3. Asst. Counsellor (Project Mode) for the Department of Clinical Haematology

Qualifications : MA / M.Sc. in Psychology (preference will be given to those who have experience in working with cancer patients).

Consolidated Pay : As per institutional rules.

Age Limit : 35 years.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". *Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.*

*Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.* Applications will close on **December 20, 2021** for Items 2 and 3.

4. The Centre for Stem Cell Research and Christian Medical College, Vellore invites applications for Nurse Counsellor on term appointment basis to work in the project Control of Approaches to Haematological Disorders (NAHD) - Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Disease Control Programme in collaboration with the Government of Odisha.

Job Location : Odisha.

Qualification : B.Sc. Nursing. Preferably with two years experience.

Salary Scale : Consolidated pay (Rs.32,000/-). Accommodation not provided.

Job Description :

- To train ANM / District hospital nurses in pre and post test counselling.
- To provide pre and post counseling for PND at Medical Colleges of Odisha.
- To help disseminate the results of the Sentinel Surveillance Site.

Apply with biodata, photograph, certificates, testimonial/s and referees to the Dean, College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Vellore - 632 004, on or before **December 18, 2021** for Item 4.



# CMC NEWSLINE

*The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped, My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song.*

*Psalm 28:7*

**DECEMBER 13, 2021**

## **Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week Celebration**



Celebrated annually, the World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) aims to increase awareness of global antimicrobial resistance and to encourage best practices among the general public, health workers and policy makers to avoid the further emergence and spread of drug-resistant infections. This year the World Health Organisation theme for WAAW is **"Spread Awareness, Stop Resistance"** and **"Go Blue for AMR campaign"**.

## Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week Celebration

In commemoration of the World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness week celebration 2021, the **Department of Clinical Microbiology and the Hospital Infection Control Committee of CMC Vellore** have created an awareness campaign “**Go Blue for AMR**” on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2021. The event was celebrated in the Department of Clinical Microbiology, Asha Building by the faculty of Microbiology, technical staff, and support staff. AMR awareness session was taken for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year MBBS medical students who were also dressed in blue.

The Hospital Infection Control Committee conducted a short CME (virtual) on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 on the theme “**Spread Awareness; Stop Resistance**”. The CME started with a word of prayer by Ms. Saramma Kuruvilla followed by welcome address by Dr. Hema Paul. Dr. K. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent felicitated the meeting by sharing few words on AMR. The guest speakers Dr. Balaji V, Dr. Priscilla Rupali, Dr. Joy S. Michael delivered lectures on AMR, AMSP and IPC practices respectively. Dr. Rajiv Karthik moderated the session and conducted Q & A. The meeting ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Malathi M.



## World AIDS Day



The Department of Infectious Diseases commemorated World AIDS Day at the ART Centre on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021. The CMC-NACO ART centre, the first and one of the few public-private partnership models in the country, provides free treatment and care to more than 2000 people with HIV infection and offers hope and restoration to poor people from Vellore and districts around. This year’s programme centered around the theme ‘**End Inequalities, End AIDS, End Pandemic**’ highlighting the inequalities in access to essential HIV services placing a special focus on reaching out to people who have been left behind.

Several patients and their relatives attended the programme and there was an interactive session where they had an opportunity to express their emotional struggles and ways of coping. A few patients also spoke about how in spite of COVID-19 exacerbating inequities and restrictions, the ART centre helped them cope with the challenges. The programme provided an additional opportunity to address some of their concerns regarding preventive measures against COVID-19 and improving their understanding. The programme ended with positively reinforcing the idea of upholding human rights against all odds and lunch thereafter.

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## Dedication of New Services

The Pharmacy C Stores and Pharmacy Office in the Paul Brand Block Basement were dedicated on 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 by the Dr. J.V. Peter, Director and Dr. K. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent respectively. Rev. Jim M.R. Paul offered prayer of dedication. Dr. Selvamani B, Professor and Head of Pharmacy welcomed the gathering and felicitations were offered by Dr. J.V. Peter, Dr. K. Prasad Mathews, Er. David Chandran, General Superintendent and Dr. Premila Lee, Professor and In-charge, Paul Brand OR Nursing. Mr. Rajaganapathy, Deputy Secretary, Department of Pharmacy proposed the vote of thanks. The new facility will supply the surgical items to the various Pharmacy outlets in main and peripheral campuses.



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December 12 - 18, 2021

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*Hospital Carol Service*

Special Programme for Advent & New Year 2021-2022

December 19, 2021	Malayalam Carol Service	9.30 am	Hospital Chapel
Sunday	Bengali Carol Service	10.30 am	Hospital Chapel
	Mizo Carol Service	3.00 pm	Hospital Chapel
	Family Carol Service	6.00 pm	Scudder Auditorium
	Family Carol Service	6.00 pm	Hospital Chapel
	Family Carol Service	6.00 pm	Friendship Chapel

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**Congratulations!**

- **Dr. V. Rajshekhar**, Professor of Neurosurgery, Department of Neurological Sciences, delivered the 16<sup>th</sup> Prof. B. Ramamurthi Memorial Oration at the National Brain Research Centre, Manesar (Haryana) on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2021. The oration was titled "Changing Landscapes in Publishing and Measuring Research".
- **Dr. Shreya Surendra**, final year M.Ch. postgraduate, Department of Endocrine Surgery for securing fourth prize in the scientific paper presentation competition during the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual conference of the Asian Society of Mastology, Asomacon 2021 organised by Balco Medical Centre, Raipur in collaboration with the American College of Surgeons India Chapter, Central-Eastern European Breast Cancer Surgical Consortium, European Society of Surgical Oncology and Gurukkul of Surgical Disciplines held at Babylon Captial, Raipur, Chhatisgarh from 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.
- **Drs. Ajish Sam George and Pragnita Chitteti**, Neurocritical Care Unit, Department of Neurological Sciences, won the first prize in the best audit category of 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Consortium of Accredited Healthcare Organisations (CAHOCON 2021). They won the award for the audit "Symmetry of computerized tomography of brain in traumatic brain injury".

## Congratulatory!

- **Dr. Ebor Jacob J**, Professor, Paediatric ICU has been awarded IPSS-INSPIRE Simulation Fellowship of the International Paediatric Simulation Society.
- **Dr. Ebor Jacob. J**, Professor and **Dr. Siva Vyasam**, Asst. Professor, PICU and **Paediatric Acute Care Simulation Team** won the first prize in the oral presentation titled, "Impact of TELESIMULATION training on recognition and first hour management of paediatric shock in the emergency room" presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Tele Simulation in Healthcare Conference conducted by Weill Cornell Medicine and New York-Presbyterian Center, USA. This project was done with the collaboration of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and PediSTARS.
- **Dr. M.J. Paul**, Professor and Head, Endocrine Surgery delivered the Presidential Oration 2021 of the Indian Association of Endocrine Surgeons during its annual meeting held on October 30, 2021 titled "Endocrine Surgery - the Full Spectrum".
- **Dr. Swarna Azaria**, Department of Endocrine Surgery, won the Prof. R. Jothiramalingam Best Paper Award at the Indian Association of Endocrine Surgery annual meeting held during October 30 to 31 for her presentation on "Impact of Thyroidectomy on quality of life in benign goitres".

• The following candidates were successful in the **Postgraduate M.Sc. Examinations** held in **October 2020 session (M.Sc. Biostatistics and Medical Physics - University results published on 30.11.2021)**.

### M.Sc. Medical Physics :

**Part - I : Mr. Jaya Krishna Kumar K. and Ms. Vismaya John.**

### M.Sc. Epidemiology :

**Part - I : Ms. Sentikumla Longkumer.**

• The following candidates were successful in the Postgraduate **MD / MS Examinations** held in **May 2021 (University results published 28.08.2021 – 31.08.2021)**.

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| <b>M.D. Psychiatry</b>                       | : Dr. Cebasta I., Dr. Diamsalon Mukhim, Dr. Samuel Boswell D.,<br>Dr. Sajin Tito Arattukulam, Dr. Soumya S. Sobhan, Dr. Deepthy Ann Mathews,<br>Dr. Juhi Rachel Baluja, Dr. Richa Earnest and Dr. Salve Stanilla Vincent.            |
| <b>M.D. Radiation Oncology</b>               | : Dr. Susan Shekinah M., Dr. Vishala Rosemarie Varghese,<br>Dr. Jino Victor Wilson and Dr. Rohan Samuel Thomas.  |
| <b>M.D. Radiotherapy</b>                     | : Dr. Dr. Waran Gautam Srinivas.   |
| <b>M.D. Radiodiagnosis</b>                   | : Dr. Divya Susanna Ninan, Dr. Goldwin H., Dr. Benjamin Barsouma Mathew,<br>Dr. Ruth Anna Stephen, Dr. Jagadeesh Kumar C.H., Dr. Renusha Justin and<br>Dr. Vineeth Joseph Abraham.   |
| <b>M.D. Respiratory Medicine</b>             | : Dr. Richu Bob Kurien, Dr. Shona Arlin Christopher, Dr. Mathew Varghese<br>Nellimootil and Dr. Ancy Elsa Thomas.  |
| <b>M.D. Transfusion Medicine</b>             | : Dr. Vinu Vipin, Dr. Yajhitha Ramman Chintala, Dr. Sudesh C., Dr. Archana K.S.  |
| <b>M.S. E.N.T.</b>                           | : Dr. Kiran Babu, Dr. Akhila Sarah Thomas, Dr. Shwetha A., Dr. Nithish Raj S.<br>and Dr. Krishnamani S.  |
| <b>M.S. General Surgery</b>                  | : Dr. Neerav David Aruldas, Dr. Jerusha J, Dr. T.T. Iahmo, Dr. Paul Yohan<br>George,<br><br>Dr. Prakash Joseph, Dr. Naveen S.V., Dr. Daniston Ratnaraj, Dr. Renji Abraham<br>Kodiyatt and Dr. Arpana Lily Jessica.                   |
| <b>M.S. Obstetrics &amp;<br/>Gynaecology</b> | : Dr. Eunice Susanna Abraham, Dr. Keerthi Pratyusha Pusaca, Dr. Tamma Anusha<br>Reddy, Dr. Vinay Phanidhar T., Dr. Divya Preethi V., Dr. Ipsita Dip and<br>Dr. Tejovathy T.  |
| <b>M.S. Ophthalmology</b>                    | : Dr. Madhavi V., Dr. Sarah Sunny George, Dr. Sajini Mary Abraham,<br>Dr. Susan Daniel, Dr. Jenifer Jeevakumari S. and Dr. Reshmi Mathews.   |
| <b>M.S. Orthopaedics</b>                     | : Dr. Ansu Thankam John, Dr. Bala Vignesh V., Dr. Bimal Varghese Balu,<br>Dr. Jobin John Moncy, Dr. Jonathan Paul Holla, Dr. Peter Vijay Selvaraj J.,<br>Dr. Raj Manohar Nishanth Gollamandala, Dr. Nikash P. John and Dr. Ramu V.V. |

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## Retirement

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**Mr. A. Joseph Yesunesan**, Area Supervisor Gr.II, Hospital Annexe retired on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021, after 37 years of dedicated service to the institution. He has two sons. His eldest son, Mr. Joshin Alfred is working as an Engineer in Mechanical Engineering Department and his youngest son, Mr. Mebin Stanley is doing BDS course in Erode.



The CMC community is thankful for his years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes him God's blessings on his retired life.

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## Obituaries

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• **Mr. E. Joseph Lazarus**, father of J. Blessy Jeba Deborah, Assistant Social Worker, Pulmonary Medicine, J. Benedict Joshua Edward, Intern, Quality Management Cell, passed away on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2021.

Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. D. Thomson Thangakumar**, father of Ms. Anitha Easter Rani, Charge Nurse, Q5 North, passed away on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2021.

Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Vijayakumari and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

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## Situations Vacant

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### 1. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Anaesthesia) for the CMC Vellore, Chittoor Campus (Anaesthesia)

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per Institutional Rules.

Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### 2. Senior Resident with MD / DNB (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit-III

Candidates with DNB qualification should fulfill the latest NMC criteria for teaching appointment.

Salary : As per Institutional Rules.

Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

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Applications will close by **December 24, 2021** for Items 1 and 2.

### 3. Centre for Stem Cell Research (a unit of in Stem, Bengaluru) & Christian Medical College, Vellore.

The Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR) [a unit of in Stem, Bengaluru, in collaboration with the Department of Biotechnology (Government of India) and the Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore] invites applications for the Junior Research Fellow to work in the area of cell and molecular biology related to stem cell research.

**Junior Research Fellow for the Centre for Stem Cell Research**

**Job Code : 1402**

Qualification : M.Sc. and M. Tech. Life Sciences / Biochemistry / Biotechnology candidates with CSIR / UGC / DBT / DST inspire fellowship. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

For more details of the positions and the application forms visit

<http://www.cscr.res.in/research-opportunities/>

Please send us the duly filled application mentioning the job code either by soft copy to :

[cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in](mailto:cscredu@cmcvellore.ac.in) or by hard copy Address to: The Principal, Christian Medical college, Bagayam Vellore – 632 002, Tamil Nadu on or before **December 27, 2021** for Item 3.



# CMC NEWSLINE



DECEMBER 20, 2021

## “His own people did not accept him” (John 1:11) Christmas Message

**No room in the inn:** In a school Christmas drama, 12-year-old Babu was asked to play the role of the innkeeper. After knowing what he was supposed to say, he was very upset. He was crying and pleading his teacher that he cannot play that role. He said that it was impossible for him to say, “no room in the inn” to Mary and Joseph, especially seeing Mary in full pregnancy. The teacher tried to convince him saying that it was only a drama. But Babu continued his crying.

**His own did not accept him:** To say “No room in the inn” is not difficult for many of us. Some of us are so accustomed to say similar things very often. No room in the school, no room in the ward, no room in the train, etc are familiar to our ears. In the description of Apostle John, “He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him” (John 1:11). The incarnate Jesus didn’t have acceptance among his own people. There was pain in the Christmas story.

**Rejection and Pain:** Often, we think there was all joy and happiness in the Christmas story. There was non-acceptance embedded in Christmas. There was fear among the wisemen. There was a story of destruction when the child and his mother had to flee to Egypt. To bring the good news, many had to go through pain. To bring salvation to humankind, Jesus had to go through self-emptying and humiliation. He experienced rejection from his own people.

**Rejected or Rejecting:** It matters on which side you are. Are you experiencing the pain of the young couple seeking desperate help or are you experiencing the ‘assertiveness’ of the inn-keeper? In this twenty first century pandemic inflicted world, we who celebrate the birth of Christ could be on one side or the other. Both must celebrate Christmas. Both must see and experience the birth of Jesus.

**Christmas drama continues:** A sick patient is not able to get into the hospital ward. A hungry traveller could not taste some food in a hotel. A jobless youth is knocking the doors of the tenth company for a job. An elderly homeless person is trying to sleep in a bus stand escaping the harassment of the police. In all these scenarios you may be at the giving end or at the receiving end.

**Come, Lord Jesus:** For the Lord Jesus to be born in our lives, our hearts must be ready. From rejection mode we need to move to an acceptance mode. We need to welcome Him. We need to receive Him. “Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart Lord Jesus. Come in today, come in we pray. Come into my heart Lord Jesus”. May Christ be born in our lives.

We wish you a blessed, joy filled, welcoming Christmas in all our lives, work places and homes.

**Rev. Dr. Arul Dhas T.**  
Head, Chaplaincy

## World Diabetes Day Celebrations

### • World Diabetes Day - School Competition :

The department of Endocrinology, diabetes and metabolism conducted an inter-school poster painting competition on the theme "The Economic Burden of Diabetes" on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 at Darling Residency, Vellore.

67 Students from 18 schools painted their thoughts graphically and zealously. Furthermore, a quiz contest was conducted for the teachers of the participant schools.

Dr Prabhakar Moses, Former Professor and head, Department of Child Health, CMC, Vellore spoke at the occasion as Chief Guest and appreciated the children for their sense of awareness about health and shared his vision for a better society. In addition, he spoke about the discovery of insulin 100 years ago by Banting and Best, and how it inspired the improved the longevity of patients with insulin over the last century. The very first patient with Type 1 diabetes lived till the age of 70 years. It has made a massive difference to patients living diabetes. Additionally, he made it clear that sporting activities were extremely important in terms of prevention of diabetes. The events were meticulously judged by a team of expert medical faculty including Dr. Avinash Nair of Pulmonary medicine, Dr. Arun Paul, Professor in Dentistry and Mrs. Meenakshi Professor in Medical Nursing by evaluating the numerous posters for thematic content, illustrative appeal and aesthetic value.

The best thematic poster was painted by Mr. Guruprasath, Spark Hr. Sec. School, while Ms T. Swetha, S.D.A. School, Otteri and Ms. K. Shruthi, Snehadeepam School shared the second prize. Ms. Jaya Prathiba from D.A.V. Bhel School secured the third place. Consolation prizes were awarded Ms. C.R. Akshitha from B.M.D. Jain School and Mr. M. Yokesh from N.K.M. Hr. Secondary School

The best contestants of the Science quiz for teachers were Ms. G. Sathiya Sheela and Mr. R. Jagadish from Vani Vidhyalaya CBSE School won the first prize and Ms. M. Ramya and Ms. V. Archana from Kingston International Academy, CBSE School, securing the second prize. Ms. J. Jaya Ruby and Ms. R. Leena representing Ida Scudder School secured the third place. The prizes for the best painting and winners of the Teachers Quiz will be awarded in the valedictory function to be held early next year.

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## World Diabetes Day Celebrations

### • World Diabetes Day - Cookery Competition :

The event witnessed participation of 31 teams, which includes school children, teachers from various schools and colleges, staff from CMC Vellore and home makers. They have showcased innovative ideas to make different kind of delicious and nutritious diabetic snacks. The recipes were evaluated on the basis of nutritive and calorific value, cost of ingredients, time duration of cooking, and taste.

The first prize was bagged by Ms Ruth and Ms Rachel of CMC Vellore, for the recipe “D Drink, Orange Phirni, Veggites. The second prize shared by Ms.P.Chithra Priya and Brindhha of Vellammal Bodhi campus school for their recipe of Millet Kuzhi Panyaram, Bitter Gourd Tikki, Wheat momos and Spinach egg omelete and Ms.Rashm Varma and Ms.Geetha of Ida Scudder School for their Multi Millets Kuzhi Paniyaram with Peanuts and flax seed Chutney.

The Third prize shared by D. Anbu and Sharmila of CMC Vellore for their black gram dhal vada, Black gram ball, Black gram sundal and Millet Ktchadi, Vishnu Priya and Kavya from DAV Bhel School for their Brocken Wheat Upma, Ragi Milk Shake, Soya Beans Cutlet and Oats Cutlet with Mint Dip.

Five consolation prizes were also awarded to Mutharasan and Sudharsan from Muthurangam Govt. arts college, Vellore, Joyce Beulah from CMC Vellore, Emlinal from CMC Vellore, Yogalakshmi from CMC Vellore and Keerthini and Sanchana from DAV Bhel School The cash prizes and trophies would be awarded to the winners during the valedictory function to be held in February / March next year.



## Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week Celebration

The Hospital Infection Control Committee (HICC) celebrated the Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness week from November 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The theme for this year was “Spread Awareness, Stop Resistance.” Various competitions were conducted during the week – Poster, Slogan writing (English & Tamil) and Quiz competition. We were delighted to receive participation from 246 staff/students from various departments. The winners of the various competitions are as follows :

### ENGLISH SLOGAN COMPETITION

- First prize - Mr. John Leeson P, Department of Pulmonary Medicine  
 Second prize - Mr. Joshua C, Training Department  
 Third prize - Ms. Rani I, STICU

### TAMIL SLOGAN COMPETITION

- First prize - Ms. Gerlyn Priya, A3W  
 Second prize - Ms. Shabana Banu N, A1W  
 Third prize - Ms. DGS Komathi, N1 Ward & Ms. M. Epshiba, Main OR

## Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week Celebration

### POSTER COMPETITION

First prize	-	Ms. Anutza Praisya J, N1 Ward
Second prize	-	Ms. Shalini S, MICU
Third prize	-	Ms. Mohana Priya, NICU & Ms. S. Pushpa, Q5S
Consolation prize	-	Mr. Thennarasu, Main OR

### QUIZ COMPETITION

First prize	-	Ms. Fheba Johnson, CON
Second prize	-	Ms. Sara S. Jacob, CON
Third prize	-	Ms. Hebseba AE, CON

**December 19 - 25, 2021**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### Special Programme for Advent & New Year 2021-2022

<b>December 25, 2021</b>	<b>Christmas Service-English</b>	<b>5.30 am</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Regional Language Services (Sunday Schedule)</b>		
	<b>Christmas Service - English</b>	<b>6.00 am</b>	<b>College Chapel</b>
	<b>Christmas Service - English</b>	<b>5.30 am</b>	<b>Friendship Chapel</b>
	<b>Christmas Service - English</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	<b>RUHSA Chapel</b>
	<b>Christmas Service - English</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Chittoor Chapel</b>

*ELS Book Shop* : Mr. K. Jose and staff

*Central Bank of India - Hospital Campus*

*State Bank of India - College Campus*

*Post Office (College and Hospital)*

*Karpagam Co-operative Store*

*College Stores and College Canteen*

*Other Canteens in various campuses*

*Methodist Church in India*

Council Members :

Dr. Arvind Roop Kumar

Bishop Dr. Anil Kumar Servand

*Methodist Hospital, Bihar*

*Nurmanzil Psychiatric Centre, Lucknow*

*ETCM Hospital, Kolar and others*

*Methodist Church Overseas Division, U.K.*

### Memoranda

- **Dr. Vikram Mathews**, Professor, is appointed as Associate Director (Kannigapuram) with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2022 for a four year term.
- **Dr. B. Selvamani**, Professor, is appointed as Associate Director (Finance) with effect from 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2022 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Mark Ranjan Jesudason**, Professor, is appointed as Associate Director (Administration) with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2022 for a four year term.
- **Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar**, Professor, is appointed as Principal with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2022 for a five year term.

### Congratulations!

• **Dr Debashish Danda**, Professor & founder of the Clinical Immunology & Rheumatology Department at Christian Medical College Vellore, is appointed as Chair of ILAR (International League against Rheumatism) for 2022. Dr Danda is the 2nd Indian to be entrusted with this responsibility. As Chair of ILAR, Dr Danda will be able to help growth and development of Rheumatology in underprivileged nations.

## Congratulations!

He will be chairing the executive committee of ILAR for the year 2022 along with Presidents and president elects of ACR, EULAR, APLAR, AFLAR and PANLAR. Dr Danda is also the Immediate past Editor in Chief, International Journal of Rheumatic Diseases and Immediate past President, Indian Rheumatology Association. Dr Danda is also involved with many national and international bodies. His special interests include Takayasu arteritis, Sjogren syndrome, Lupus and Spondyloarthropathies. His clinical research involves development of disease assessment tools for Takayasu arteritis (like the ITAS- Indian Takayasu arteritis score) and practical and economic treatment models for various rheumatological conditions, thereby facilitating cutting down of costs and complications.

- **Dr. Lallu Joseph** was awarded the prestigious International Medal for the Asia-Pacific Region by the Australian Council on Healthcare Standards (ACHS). The ACHS Quality Improvement (QI) Awards are an important initiative to recognize the achievements and unique innovations towards improving the quality of care. The ACHS International Medal seeks to recognize the outstanding contribution by a person to improving quality and safety in health services.

Dr. Lallu is the Quality Manager, Associate General Superintendent and Accreditation Coordinator of CMC Vellore. She played a key role in CMC's NABH accreditation. She has been involved in healthcare quality as a Principal Assessor of NABH since 2013, through several positions in the Consortium of Accredited Healthcare Organizations since 2015 and also helped mission hospitals and other organizations like NIMHANS to get NABH accreditation. She has helped train over 5000 personnel through several training programs. Dr. Lallu was recently elected as the member of the Asian Society for Quality (ASQua) Board.

- **Dr. Arthur Amit Suryakumar**, Final year MD Biochemistry trainee, has been awarded the 1st prize for e-poster presentation for his work titled "Hepcidin and iron-related parameters in pregnancy: how do they correlate?" at the 28th Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Biochemists of India (AMBICON 2021) held in AIIMS, Raipur from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

- **Dr. Bhargavi A**, Final year MD Biochemistry trainee, has been awarded the 3rd prize for e-poster presentation for her work titled "Effect of alternate-day versus daily oral iron supplements on iron status in young women: preliminary data from a randomized control trial" at the 28th Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Biochemists of India (AMBICON 2021) held in AIIMS, Raipur from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2021.

## Retirements

- **Mrs. Jayanthi Earnest**, Staff Nurse Gr. II is retired on **15.11.2021** after 20 years of service in our institution. She completed GNM in the year of 1987 from Mary Lott Lyles Hospital, Madanapalli, A.P. and joined, CMC in the year 1988. In 1996 she resigned, went abroad and worked as staff nurse from 1998 to 2000 in Ministry of Health, Oman. She rejoined CMC in the year 2001. She had worked in Isolation ward, U ward, C ward, Bronchoscopy room and MTS2.



She is sincere, pleasant, hardworking and honest staff. She manages the ward well in the absence of Charge Nurse. Her husband Late Mr. Earnest Sundararajan is retired Chief Pharmacist in Government Vellore Medical College. Her son Mr. Prasanna completed M.A. (English), M.Ed. is married and working as a teacher in a private School in Ranipet.

## Retirements

• **Mrs. Amali Jacob**, Sr. Gr. Nursing Auxiliary is retired on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 after 36 years of service in our institution. She completed her Nursing Auxiliary course in 1985 in CMC, Vellore. She joined as Nursing Auxiliary in Q1 west ward on 01/09/1985. She had worked in Q1 west, O Block and in OPD.

She is hard working, sincere and honest (Received exemplary award in Founder's day 2014). She plans well and completes assignment on time. Communicates well with patient and health care team members. Provides regular health teaching in the OPD.



Her husband, late Mr. Jacob Thilagaraj is retired Teacher and Lab Assistant in Devalois Higher Secondary School, Kasam. Her daughter Mrs. Shipra Shiny Raj completed B.Sc. Nursing in Bishop College of Nursing, Dharapuram, Erode and married to Mr. Vimal Raja, Mechanical Engineer in Dubai. Her son Mr. Nelson Joseph is working as Sr. Engineer in L&T, Bangalore.



• **Mrs. Linda Robert**, Sr. Secretary, Department of Dermatology Unit-II retired on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021, after 40 years of dedicated service to the institution. Her husband, Mr. Mohan is a retired Clerk from Railways. They have two daughters. Their elder daughter, Ms. Maria Robert is working as Staff Nurse in N1 Ward and younger daughter, Ms. Cindrella is working as Optometrist in Chittoor Campus.

The CMC community is thankful for their years of dedication and commitment to the institution and wishes them God's blessings on their retired life.

## Obituaries

• **Mr. Vithal Raj Rose** retired Medical Physicist, Radiation Therapy Department, CMC, Vellore passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Selva Rose (Retd. English Lecturer, College of Nursing), daughter and son-in-law Dr. Dolly Daniel (Clinical Pathology & Transfusion Medicine), Ranjan Daniel, sons and daughters-in-law, Dr. Anand and Dr. Shantha Rose, Dr. Jeyanth Rose (Dept of Ophthalmology, Schell), Dr. Anita Shirley (Dept of Anesthesia) and granddaughter-Divya Daniel (Developmental Pediatrics) and their families in our prayers.

• **Mr. B. Kandaswamy**, father of Mrs. Kanimozhi K., Staff Gr.III Radiographer, Radiology passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the families at this time of grief and loss.

## Situations Vacant

**1(a) Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MD (Anaesthesia)** for the **Department of Anaesthesia**. Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution to apply Assistant Professor job.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

**1(b) Associate Professor with MD (Anaesthesia)** for the **Department of Anaesthesia**

Experience : Should have five years teaching exp as (Asst. Professor) in any NMC recognised teaching institution with 2 papers published during the Assistant Professor period (As per the latest NMC guidelines).

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Subject to Availability).

## Situations Vacant

### 2. Lecturer Gr.III (NM) for the Department of Nuclear Medicine

Qualification : M.Sc. in Medical Physics (AERB recognised) or M.Sc Physics with Dip. Radiological Physics (BARC) and eLORA Radiation Professional registration number with RSO III Certification. Age Limit : Less than 35 years. Salary Scale : As per institutional rules.

Job Description: Instrumentation: Ensuring the correct operation of all equipment used in nuclear medicine facilities from the dose calibrators to the accurate calibration of the imaging scanners, and on to the software programs that are used to extract information from the images to provide the clinical results. Computation: To be able to use one or more programming languages to develop new analytical techniques on the specialized workstations provided with the imaging equipment.

Radiation safety: Overseeing all aspects of radiation protection pertaining to Nuclear Medicine. Liaising with Regulatory body i.e AERB on a regular basis.

Teaching and Research involvement : To be involved in research programs and teaching of Nuclear Medicine Physics to a broad range of students from MD residents to nurses on the hospital ward concerned about the radioactive patient, to the radiographers and technologists involved in performing nuclear Medicine studies and therapy. Accommodation Not Provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **January 01, 2022** for Items 1(a), 1(b) and **January 03, 2022** for Item 2.

### 3. Assistant Research Officer (Two Posts) for the Department Wellcome Research

Qualification : M.Sc. in Life Sciences. Salary : As per institutional rules. **Job Code : 1404**

Mode of Appointment : Project Mode. Accommodation not Provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **December 31, 2021** for Item 3.

### 4. G.M. Officer Gr.III for Development Office

Qualifications : Graduate / B.E. / B.Tech / MBBS + MBA and 2 years experience.

Salary : As per Institutional Norms. Priority will be given to the candidates who have 2 years of work experience on Fund Raising and CSR activities.

Please log on to <https://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies". Icon : "G.M. Officer Gr.III".

### 5. One year orientation training programme for Clerk Typist Trainee. Age Limit : 30 years.

Qualifications : Graduate (regular). Consolidated Stipend : As per Institutional Norms.

Please log on to <https://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : "Vacancies".

Icon : "One year orientation training programme for Clerk Typist Trainee".

**Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Apply on or before **December 27, 2021** for Item 4 and **January 03, 2022** for Item 5.

**6. The Christian Institute of Health Sciences and Research (CIHSR)** was established in 2007 under a tripartite partnership agreement between Christian Medical College, Vellore, Emmanuel Hospital Association, New Delhi and the Government of Nagaland as a charitable Society and organization. It is situated on 130 acres of land located at Dimapur in the state of Nagaland, North East of India. **In Its 14 years of existence CIHSR has developed :**

1. A 200 bedded NABH entry level accredited secondary to mid-level tertiary hospital with most of the broad specialties and a few higher specialties in Gastroenterology & Cardiology.

2. A Cancer Centre with Linac Radiotherapy facilities, 3. Palliative and home based care services,

4. A very busy Haemodialysis centre. Post vacancy for **Occupational Therapist (BOT) - 1 post**

**Initially on probation for 1 year and salary of Rs.20,000/-.** Candidates should submit the prescribed application form along with their supporting documents and email it to [hrd.cihsr@gmail.com](mailto:hrd.cihsr@gmail.com) by **21<sup>st</sup> December 2021.** or submit it to HR Department. Application form can be downloaded from our website: [www.cihsr.in](http://www.cihsr.in)

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# THE YEAR THAT WAS...

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS



Christian Medical College Vellore

**Dedication of the Phase Two Apartments at CMC Vellore, Kannigapuram Campus on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021.**

**ICU facility inaugurated at CMC Vellore, Kannigapuram Campus on 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.**

**COVID Vaccination Roll Out : Pilot mode, began on 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.**

**Postal Cover Released to Commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Dr. Ida Scudder on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.**

**Operation Theater Dedicated in Memory of Dr. Sunil Agarwal at KMF, Kotagiri on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.**

**ASHA-funded State-of-the-Art Equipment at the Departments of Obstetrics and Neonatology, CMC, Vellore.**

**UDHAVI - CMC's COVID Helpline.**

**CMC Vellore, Kannigapuram Campus, Inaugurates Novair Oxygen Concentrator Donated by French Government.**

**CMC Poison Control Center has been included in the WHO Directory of Poison Control Center, under the world health body's Global Health Observatory of October 2021.**

**Vaccinate Vellore!  
Campaign - CMC's initiative to Vaccinate Vellore on 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.**

**CMC, Vellore was conferred with the 49<sup>th</sup> rank by the CEOWORLD magazine.**

**India Today Ranking : CMC ranked third in, India Today Ranking for India's best medical colleges.**

**The College of Nursing, CMC, Vellore was ranked second by the Education World magazine under the Top 10 Institutes for most popular Undergraduate Courses.**

**75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day  
Celebration**

**The inauguration of the CMC Drug resistant TB (DR-TB) Center Clinic on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.**

**Neuro Rehack 2021 - organised to provide an exposure to Neurorehabilitation Engineering on 28<sup>th</sup> June to 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.**

**National Institutional Ranking Framework for the year 2021 - Ranked CMC third under the Top 10 Medical College Ranking.**

**SHILOH 2021  
on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2021.**

**World's Best Specialized Hospitals 2022. The Christian Medical College has earned a position on the list of the World's Best Specialized Hospitals 2022 specializing in Cardiology.**

**Graduation Ceremonies for  
Medical Graduates and  
Postgraduates.**

**CAHO awards for India's Best Hospitals Excelling in worker and workplace, safety in COVID-19 times.**

**FICCI awards for excellence in hospital preparedness for COVID-19.**

**India Today Healthgiri Awards for the Best Charity Hospital combating COVID-19.**



# CMC NEWSLINE

DECEMBER 27, 2021

## New Year Message

It is said that “An optimist stays up until midnight to see the New Year in; a pessimist stays up to make sure the old year leaves (William E Vaughan).” Keeping the optimist and pessimist aside, the end of one phase and the beginning of a new one is relevant for all who wish to put the pain and suffering behind and herald a new year with anticipation. Despite the challenges that we faced in 2021, we were able to experience God’s grace as individuals and as an institution.

The passage from Isaiah 54:10 is appropriate for the times and reassuring. “Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed,” says the Lord, who has compassion on you.” Psalm 27:5 also assures us that “...in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.” These passages talk about situations during which we can continue to experience the unfailing love of God, his protection, the ever present covenant of peace that passes all understanding and the enduring compassion of God. In addition to the comforting assurances, the song writer Johnson Oatman also exhorts us to count our blessings during difficult times.

*When upon life’s billows you are tempest tossed,  
When you are discouraged thinking all is lost,  
Count your many blessings name them one by one  
And it will surprise you what the Lord has done*

As the pandemic unfolded with its immeasurable suffering, it was heartening to see the response of the staff who went the extra mile to provide care to the throngs of patients who came to us. This continued even after the second wave of the pandemic as patients who were waiting to access healthcare presented in large numbers, often with more advanced disease. The creation of additional beds and operating theatres helped meet the demands placed on us.

As we look forward to the New Year, I wish to present an inspirational quote. “Be like a tree. Stay grounded. Connect with your roots. Turn over a new leaf. Bend before you break. Enjoy your unique natural beauty. Keep growing (Joanne Raptis).”

I am confident that CMC will continue to be a home of transformation since “It is the Lord who goes before us. He will be with us; he will not leave us or forsake us. We do not need to fear or be dismayed (Deut 31:8, paraphrased).”

*Have a blessed New Year 2022!*

**Dr. J.V. Peter**  
Director

## 15<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Indian Society of Toxicology

CMC was awarded the “Excellence Award for Management of Poisoning by a Hospital” at the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference of the Indian Society of Toxicology, held from 10<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021, in Madurai, Tamil Nadu. Instituted by the Indian Society of Toxicology and the Indian College of Emergency Medicine, the Award aims to promote toxicology care, training and research.



Illustrative examples of how hospitals have responded to toxicological challenges in their regions; contributed to toxicology; upheld standards of quality and safety in poisoning care and achieved important milestones in developing toxicological services, were used as judging criteria.

The entry from CMC highlighted the recently established Poison Control Center and plasma exchange therapy for Yellow Phosphorus and Metal Phosphide (YPMP) poisoned patients with acute liver failure, as case-examples where the Institution responded to crucial challenges in toxicology-related healthcare delivery with an aim towards improving the quality of poisoning care both, for its own patients and those being treated in centers across India.



Dr. Amith Balachandran, Senior Registrar, Clinical Toxicology Unit and Poisons Information Center, Department of Medicine Unit - I was awarded the First Prize for the Best Oral Paper Presentation. Dr. Mohan Jambugulam, Assistant Professor, Clinical Toxicology Unit and Poisons Information Center, Department of Medicine Unit-I, was awarded the First Prize for Best Poster Presentation and Second Prize in the Toxicology Quiz Competition.

We congratulate all prize winners and every Department involved in the care of patients with toxicological problems. We also sincerely hope that the conferment of the Excellence Award would serve to encourage us to work unitedly as an Institution towards the ultimate goal of reducing poison deaths and morbidity in our region and across the country.

### Workshop on Medical Negligence organised by the Department of Forensic Medicine

The Departments of Forensic Medicine, Continuing Medical Education and the Associate Director, HR jointly conducted a Workshop on Medical Negligence, on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2021. Consultants from a range of clinical departments participated in the program. The faculty from the Department of Forensic Medicine covered topics such as ‘Introduction to Medical Negligence’, ‘Procedure Followed in Medical Negligence Cases’, ‘Landmark Judgments in Medical Negligence’, and ‘Psychological Impact of Allegations of Medical Negligence Among Doctors’.

Representatives from the Directorate, the Medical Superintendent’s office and from the Legal Cell joined the faculty of Forensic Medicine in responding to the questions and clarifications requested by the participants during the plenary session. The Department of Continuing Medical Education thanks Dr. Mousumi Sen, Dr. M.J. Paul, Dr. Rajesh I., Dr. Latif Rajesh Johnson, Dr. Ranjit Immanuel James, Dr. Daniel Manoj, and staff from the Legal Cell, Telemedicine and Curriculum Office for making the programme possible.

## CME on Approach to Mood Disorders

The CME on Approach to Mood Disorders held on December 11, 2021, was organised for clinicians in non-psychiatric settings. Physical illness is often associated with psychological morbidity, and many patients with psychiatric illnesses will not reach a psychiatrist, and the talks, 'The Manic Patient' (Dr. Jibi Achamma Jacob), The Sad Patient (Dr. Deepa Ramaswamy), The Anxious Patient (Dr. Suja Kurian) and the Angry Patient (Dr. Abigail R. Gojer) provided practical information on understanding, identifying and responding to such clinical situations. The CME was moderated by Dr. Deepa Ramaswamy, Professor of Psychiatry and Dr. Reena George, Professor, Dept. of Continuing Medical Education. We thank Dr. Paul Russell and the Department of Telemedicine for their support.



## Heritage lecture by Dr. Mohan Rao

The Departments of Urology and Nephrology in CMC have contributed to a number of national firsts. The first dialysis in India was done in CMC Vellore in May 1961 under the leadership of Dr. P. Koshy, Professor of Medicine. This was followed by the first successful kidney transplantation in India on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 1971. At a Heritage Lecture on November 20, 2021, Dr. Mohan Rao (MBBS Batch of 1955 and Retired Senior Consultant Transplant Surgeon, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Adelaide, Australia) recounted the story of that surgical milestone. The surgeries on the donor and the recipient were performed in two theatres in the old operating room complex, where the cardiology offices are now located. A corner room in the M Ward served as the transplant ward. Dr. K.V. Johny headed the Nephrology team.

Dr. Mohan Rao also recounted his experience with developing laparoscopic donor nephrectomy in Australia and the introduction of this technique to India. The first laparoscopic donor nephrectomy in India was performed at Vellore on April 9, 1999. CMC Archives and Continuing Medical Education Departments thank Dr. Mohan Rao and Dr. Antony Devasia (Professor and Former Head of Urology) for participating in the Heritage Lecture, 'The Journey to the First Successful Renal Transplantation in India.'

## Events from Medical Education Department

The NMC – 20<sup>th</sup> Revised Basic Course Workshop for In-house CMC faculty from 30<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 and 21<sup>st</sup> Revised Basic Course Workshop for In-house CMC faculty from 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021 were conducted by the Nodal Centre, Medical Education Department (MED)

Fifty nine participants (42 professors, 12 associate professors and 5 assistant professors) from In-house CMC faculty, Vellore participated in the Revised Basic Course Workshops. The objectives of the programme is to sensitize the participants to the implementation of the Competency Based Medical Education to enable faculty to work in small groups, to write objectives, design teaching-learning methods, Choose the write assessment methods of clinical and practical skills, to give effective feedback to students and to demonstrate the ability to use the Attitude, Ethics and Communication (AETCOM) Module which is to be implemented as per NMC Directives.

Dr. Margret Shanthi started with a prayer and meditation, Dr. Vinay T. Oommen, the Vice-Principal (UG), welcomed the participants. Dr. Dhayakani Selvakumar proposed the Vote of thanks. The Revised Basic Course Workshop were facilitated by the MED faculty and were interactive and interesting with active participation.



## Events from Medical Education Department

The MED would like to thank Dr. Dhayakani Selvakumar, Dr. Margaret Shanthi, Dr. Sudha Jasmine, Dr. Reena George, Dr. Shantidani Minz, Dr. Surekha V., Dr. Vinod Abraham, Dr. Uday Zachariah, Dr. Sowmya S., Dr. Sathishkumar T., Dr. Vinay Oommen, Dr. Tripti Jacob, Dr. Sudhir Babji, Dr. Vandana Kamath, Dr. Rajat Raghunath, Dr. Emily Divya Ebenezer, Dr. Prakash S. S., Dr. Latif Rajesh and Dr. Audrin Lenin for all their contribution towards the successful conduct of the Revised Basic Course Workshops.



**December 26, 2021 - January 01, 2022**

### SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### Special Programme for Advent & New Year 2021-2022

<b>December 31, 2021</b>	<b>Watch Night Service</b>	<b>11.30 pm</b>	<b>Scudder Auditorium</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Watch Night Service</b>	<b>11.30 pm</b>	<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
<b>January 01, 2022</b>	<b>Regional Language Services</b>		<b>Hospital Chapel</b>
<b>Saturday</b>			

#### *Plastic Surgery :*

Dr. Shashank Lamba and Staff  
Dr. Ashish Kumar Gupta and Staff  
Dr. Bala Seetharaman and Staff

#### *Ladies' Intern Quarters*

*Warden :* Dr. Suma Susan Mathews and staff

#### *Vellore Good Samaritan Canteen :*

Ms. K.L. Jhenefer and staff

#### *Kolhapur Church Council*

Council Member : Rev. Ramesh Ramchandra Mohite

#### *Men's Intern Quarters*

*Warden:* Dr. Rajiv Michael and staff

#### *Miraj Medical Centre, Maharashtra*

Council Member : Dr. Nathaniel Sase

## Congratulations!

- **Dr. Sahana Punneshetty** won second prize in e-paper presentation titled "Audit of Advanced Ovarian Cancer Management in Gynaecological Oncology department as per ESGO updated 2020 guidelines", in MAXCON 2021 held on 17<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 on Virtual platform.
- **Dr. Alka Dahiya** won Best Oral Paper Award in e- paper presentation titled "Endometrial cancer: molecular analysis and clinicopathological correlation: A pilot study in the 28<sup>th</sup> AGOICON 2021 (on Virtual platform) held between 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at Tata Medical Centre, Kolkata.
- **Dr. Monica T.** won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Interactive poster presentation titled "A Closed Loop Audit of the Compliance of Gynaecologic Oncology Centre to ESGO Quality Indicators for Cervical Cancer" in the 28<sup>th</sup> AGOICON 2021 (on Virtual platform) held between 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at Tata Medical Centre, Kolkata.
- **Dr. Raji P.S.** won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Interactive poster presentation titled "Invasive Cervical Cancer and Vulvar and Vaginal Precancer and Cancer in the AOGIN 2021 (on Virtual platform) held between 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021.
- **Dr. A. Reuben Jerrald Felix**, final year PG Registrar, Department of Geriatrics, has won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for his paper presentation "IS HANDGRIP STRENGTH A USEFUL TOOL TO DETECT SLOW WALKING SPEED IN OLDER ADULTS" at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Geriatrics (IAG), held at Warangal on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2021.

## Congratulatory!

- **Dr. Ajish Sam George** won the first prize in oral paper presentation in recently concluded 4<sup>th</sup> annual neurocritical care conference 2021. He won the award for his paper titled " Adherence to head end elevation in traumatic brain injury: An audit".
- **Dr. Ashish Goel**, Professor, Department of Hepatology was awarded his PhD, during the 34<sup>th</sup> annual convocation of the Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University held on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 at Chennai. Title : "Clinical Profile and Pathogenesis of Idiopathic Non-cirrhotic Intra-Hepatic Portal Hypertension (NCIPH)".

## Obituaries

- **Mr. S. Sathiya Satchi**, father of Mrs. Freeta Faith, Medical Assistant, M.S.Office, father-in-law of Y. Isravel, Staff Nurse, Occupational Therapy passed away on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2021. Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.
- **Dr. A. J. Anandan**, father of Dr. Shalini Anandan and Father in law of Dr. Niranjan Thomas on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021 in Bangalore. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Leela Anandan and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Mr. Jeyahar**, Medical Gas Department, passed away on 24<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Let us uphold his wife, Mrs. Shanthy, daughters Ms. Rashika, Ms. Jebika and all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.
- **Dr. Christopher Satishkumar Sundaresan** (MBBS batch of 1992) passed away on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 at Danville, Pennsylvania, USA. Dr. Christopher was born on March 9, 1975 to Mr. Richard Sundaresan and Mrs. Priya Richard in Chennai, India. After he graduated from Christian Medical College, Vellore, India in 1998, he went on to do dual masters in MHSA and MBA at Arizona State University in 2002. He was an outstanding academician. After graduation, he primarily served as a physician and in health administration.



Dr. Christopher was a man of faith who was passionate about Jesus, a man who feared God. He loved teaching God's word at Sunday School. His family remembers him as loving, generous, forgiving, funny – he always liked to crack jokes, a force behind his family flourishing in their interests and desires, and a planner who was so thoughtful of what his family needed. Dr. Christopher is survived by his wife Dr. D. Agnes Sweetlin Hepsibah, children Gyovanna and Isaiah, parents, and his brother Patrick and his family.

For the Lord is always good. He is always loving and kind, and his faithfulness goes on and on to each succeeding generation - Psalm 100:5 (TLB).

For those who would like to contact the family, the details of his father are given below:

Mr. Richard Sundaresan, Mobile : +91-9884304580. Email : [richardsundaresan@gmail.com](mailto:richardsundaresan@gmail.com)

You could also leave a note for the family at this link : <https://www.krinerfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/christopher-sundaresan-1> Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the family at this time.

## Situations Vacant

### 1. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with M.S. (E.N.T) for the Department of E.N.T. Unit-V

Desirable : 2 years work experience - preference will be given for those who have experience in laryngology.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending of availability).

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **January 03, 2022** for Item 1.

### 2. Medical Research Assistant for the Department of Gynaecologic Oncology

**Job Code : 1399**

Qualification : M.B.B.S. / M.B.B.S. and above. Mode of Appointment : Project Mode.

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

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