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Mudhiyor Balar Kudumba Grama Pannai

Family Village Farm



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Vacation Bible School was held from April 21 to 29 at the Home campus. Children from the home, day students of King's school and children from the surrounding villages attended the 9 days programme enthusiastically. The theme for this year was 'Triumph Always' based on the scripture from Romans 8:37. A team of volunteers from Scripture Union, Chennai conducted the programme.





The children learned the truth that they are more than conquerors through Christ who loves them dearly. The last day programme was a joyful one with children demonstrating what they learned through art, singing, skit, memory verse and competitions. Rev. Isaac Fernandez, Presbyter-Church of South India was the chief guest. Prizes were distributed for the winners of the competitions and also regular attendance. We thank St. John's Church for contributing towards transportation and lunch expenses of children from outside.





Summer Camp was held from May 25 to 30 at a holiday resort called Peace Garden at Yelagiri Hills, a hill station 90 km from Vellore. The programme was organized by Mr.& Mrs. Joseph Durairaj of Gospel Messenger's Ministries, Vellore. The theme for the camp was **'Lamp & Light'** based on Psalm 119:105. Mr. & Mrs. Adrian of 'Joy & Co Children's Ministry were guest speakers for 2 days.





Family





The programme was meticulously planned by the organizers with the main intention of teaching the children the importance of God's word in their lives through daily devotion, group discussion and activities, Video shows on biography of missionaries and games. Besides enjoying the cool weather of the place and sightseeing, children were relaxed, and refreshed with delicious food and enlightened with God's word.



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Big thanks to you.... Our sponsors and donors for your love, prayers and financial support to these children.



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I look back on my stay at MBGP with much fondness and good memories. As a short term volunteer from Global Ministries, the "missionary" organization in the USA of the United Church of Christ and the Disciples of Christ, my assignment here was to get to know the Grandmothers and write about them with the hope of getting more "Elder Sponsorships".

I spent many hours individually and in groups with the grandmothers and truly felt much love and respect for them.



In spite of their difficult journeys, for the most part with the help of this wonderful extended family, they have made a life for themselves, filled with faith, service, and thankfulness.

Rev. Barbara Currie, USA

Thank you MBKGP and especially the grandparents, for letting me be a part of your life for a while Thanks to Dr. Pauline King, for founding such a wonderful place! Praise be to God!

With the children at the nursery

Rev. Dr. James Moos,
Co-Director
&
Rev. Dr. Deenabandhu M,
South Asia Area Executive,
Global Ministries,
USA





Visitors and Volunteers

MBKG Pannai is without doubt one of the most incredible places I have had the pleasure of spending time. Right from arrival until the end of my stay I was continually impressed by what is being achieved there. Pauline King's vision of a nurturing family environment for children, mothers and

grandparents to live-in is being more than fulfilled with a vast amount of love and care from all involved. This level of care is something that struck me the most. Everyone associated with MBKG Pannai; the cottage mothers, the children, the office staff and the numerous other valuable employees, is given and gives this care to one another, and I found myself quickly adopted into this family...... Jennifer Knight





Thanks to *Pst. Patrick Fitzgerald* and the members of the *Apostolic Church*, *Dublin Ireland* for donating school bags to children, hand bags to elders and purses to mothers.

KING'S SCHOOL NEWS

Graduation Day



49 students of 10th grade and 27 students of 12th grade graduated this year. The guest of honour was Dr. Chandra Singh, professor, Department of Urology who greeted the graduates and Dr. Mrs. Georgene Singh, Asst. Professor, Department of Neuro Anaesthesia, gave way the mementos. *Monisha. M* of 12th grade was the best outgoing student. She also won the General proficiency award.



Jonisha M

Zonal Sports



At the Zonal sports meet held at Vellore Institute of Technology University (VITU), the children brought laurels to the school in various competitions.



King's children won in Shot put, Javelin Throw, 400 & 600 mts Run. The Girls' Basketball team won the tournament.

State Board Examination Results for academic year 2014-2015

10th Grade - 96% 12th Grade - 92% Congratulations

12th graders were well placed in different professional courses in reputed institutions.



Thanks to First Christian Church of Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA



Ms. Gayle Mingledorff

Due to the great generosity shown to us by the *First Christian Church of Chattanooga* we could buy **4 Stainless Steel water drums with tap, 4 unbreakable Trash bins, 25 Rubber mats, a new Induction stove** to help with practicals in the Biology lab, and a brand new **CD player** which can be used for special occasions at the school.

All of these items will make a **huge difference to King's Schoo**l and we would not have been able to fund these purchases without the church's love and kindness.





representing the church and spending a month with our school. During this time children thoroughly enjoyed learning the importance of balance, team- work and confidence by playing the various games that the church provided.

Best wishes and sincere thanks to the First Christian Church of Chattanooga.





This academic year the transportation has been enhanced with 5 buses with the addition of a new bus.

Retirement



Mrs. Razzula Immanuel served as a warden for 16 years and retired in June 2015



Mr. Jayamani served as a Farm man for 25 years and retired in July 2015

MBKG Pannai thanks them for many years of dedicated service to the institution and wishes them a blessed retired life. Thanks to students and staff of *Sri Krishna College of Engineering* for donating rice bags, Dresses, Snacks and Stationary items.



Thanks to donors from around the world that brought smiles to our grandparents through the *amazon.in* - Gift a smile Programme.

Thanks to all who sponsored a meal for the children and the elderly and also donated in cash and kind.

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Breakfast - Rs. 3000/-

Veg Meal – Rs. 5000/-

Non-Veg Meal – Rs. 7000/-

Sweets/Snacks/Ice-cream - Rs. 2500/-

DONATE

 For construction of compound wall around the Orphanage campus which costs Rs 25,00,000 or US \$42,000

A stretch of 1 ft costs Rs 800 or US \$15

For the new King's school building loan repayment

Total cost of the building – Rs 1,00,00,000

Total Loan amount - Rs. 80,00,000

Donations received to date – Rs. 47,78,890