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"Train up the child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it" Proverbs. 22:6

From the Director's Desk:

Loving greetings to all our sponsors and prayer partners. Thank you for all your support prayers and contributions to the ministry at MBKG Pannai. Last few months have been eventful months and God in His faithfulness has blessed us and provided for all our needs.

July 20th was a special day in MBKG Pannai with hectic activity to receive our esteemed members of the Board for the Executive Meeting, Governing Body and Annual General Body Meeting. Thanks to our Bishop the Rt. Rev. Dr. Y. Williams, who in spite of his busy schedule participated and chaired the meetings. In his remarks as chairman of the Board, he expressed his joy over the ways in which MBKG Pannai is functioning and developing, despite all difficulties. He described this center as an "**OASIS**" in the desert of Missions which is threatened with many struggles. He motivated all those involved in this center to continue to build the lives of the children on the foundation of Christ's valuable teachings and not just on completing a "Social activity".

We thank all Board members for their solicitation and many supporters for their prayerful suggestions.

Nursery:

During the past few months we have admitted 18 children in the nursery. The youngest among them is Priya who is just 9 months old and is quite popular among the kids. From the nursery 18 children have joined the Lower KG classes and 20 the Upper KG classes at King's Matriculation School.

The physical and overall development of children in the Nursery are being monitored regularly. We are seeking the help of Dr. M.C. Mathews and his team of the child development department at Christian Medical College for further help and guidance in the development of our children.

Mrs. Glory King's visit...

After a lapse of four years we were very happy to receive Mrs. Glory King, one of the adopted daughters of Dr. Pauline E. King. Glory King is now settled in USA. She spent two days at the Pannai, interacted with children, mothers and staff and gave us some valuable suggestions for improving the quality of life of our children. She presented lovely dolls for all Nursery kids and gave some stationery items to older children.

Hard work is rewarded:

Peter Solomon who performed well consistently from the K.G. class at King's Matriculation School got through his X standard with highest marks. A wrist watch was presented to him. Peter Solomon is now studying in the XI standard at the CSI Matriculation School, Ranipet near Vellore.

Thanks to the Simon Kirby family for their Educational fund, out of which gifts like Pen sets and watches were presented by Peter Kirby to children who have shown improvement in their studies. This is a real motivation for them to do still better in the future.

Avinash Sundas of our home has a challenging news to share with us....

I am Avinash Sundas graduated as a Diploma Nurse from Christian Medical College and Hospital Vellore. Now I am privileged to be working as a staff in the same Hospital. My aim is to become a good nurse to help the poor and needy and serve those who are sick and suffering. I am very happy to be working in the Urology Department of this famous Hospital. All my colleagues and Doctors are very kind and helpful to me and give me ample opportunity to learn new skills while I work here.

Sathish Kumar

Sathish Kumar is one of our bright boys who grew up in our home with the sponsorship of Global Ministries. Sathish always stood first in his studies. He had an aptitude to do a paramedical course. He joined the College of Pharmacy and obtained his Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy.

Sathish as a top ranking candidate on All India basis obtained a seat in the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, at Chandigarh, Punjab. He is now in his first year of Master of Pharmacy Course.

We request for Donations and sponsorship for our children and grand parents. A donation to MBKG Pannai is exempted under section 80 (G) of Income Tax Act.1961.

Professional and Vocational training:

Usha one of our children has successfully completed her Diploma nursing at Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore and is doing her internship.

Some of our grown up boys (7) and girls (3) have joined vocational courses / training at selected centers in South India, offering Certificate / Diploma in T.V. and A/C Mechanism, Advanced Welding Technology, Weaving, Tailoring, Printing Technology and Agriculture.

Kalai Selvi, after her school final has joined a degree course in Physical Education at Auxilium College, Vellore. She is a talented athlete who has won many trophies in various sports events.

For these children and others who are coming up, we are seeking sponsors for their higher education. Your contributions for this cause will be put in the Education Endowment fund and used for the higher education of bright and talented children.

Your cheques or Demand Drafts can be drawn in favour of "Director, MBKG Pannai", Kasam, Katpadi, Vellore – 632 007.

King's Matriculation School:

Independence Day Celebrations, 15th August 2005.

The District Superintendent of Police Mr. Parthasarathy was the chief guest at the Independence Day celebration. He hoisted the National flag and took the salute at an impressive march past. This was followed by a mass drill by the children. Dr. D. Jasper Daniel, our former Vice Chairman and Mr. Tharyan K. Koshi were with us on this occasion. The chief guest in his address referred to the value of our Independence and urged the children to live a life of discipline and sacrifice.

Board Examination:

In the final year Standard X Board examination 2005 both by regular exams and improvement examination we achieved 55% pass. We are taking all efforts to further improve the percentage pass in the coming year.

New look for the King's Matriculation Primary Section class rooms:

The old building of the King's Matriculation School Primary section was renovated and re dedicated for use by children and staff. Mr. Samuel N.J. David, Senior Personal Manager of Christian Medical College, Vellore, (one of our local sponsors) declared open this building in a simple function on 15.06.2005.

One of the renovated Halls in this block is now used by the children of Junior Section as Lunch room and for holding special events.

Visitors to MBKG Pannai:

Mrs. Daphne Astor and her daughter Ms. Jessica Astor, our sponsors from U.K. graciously visited us and spent two weeks with us. During their stay they motivated us in many aspects of the Home and gave valuable suggestions to further improve the quality of life at the Pannai and education at King's Matriculation School.

They presented children with few clothes, School bags for younger ones and travel bags for the older children. Mrs. Daphne Astor also made funds available for regular procurement and distribution of fruits to Home children. We are thankful to the Astor family for sponsoring three children in the Nursery.

Concluding note:

We could not have achieved so much in such a short time but for the unstinted support of all our colleagues and staff at MBKG Pannai. I am thankful to Mrs. Vatsala Vijayakumar, the Principal of the King's Matriculation School, Mr. A. Sebastian Irudhayaraj, Vice Principal and Mrs. Sheila Mahimai Rufus who is the Vice Principal in charge of Junior Section of King's Matriculation School in addition to being the Superintendent of Homes. I am grateful to the Administrative Officer Mr. Y. Kirubahara Daniel and the three wardens for their help. They all join me in sending warm greetings to you all. We gratefully acknowledge the continued support and guidance by our Secretary Mr. Tharyan K. Koshi and Mr. P. George Thomas our Treasurer.

Please continue to pray for us and send us your messages and contributions. You can log on to our website: <u>www.mbkgpkasam.org</u> for more details. Our email ID is <u>mbkgp23@sancharnet.in</u>. May the Lord bless you and reward you for all your investment in the lives of our children.

Dr. R. Earnest Dhanaraj, Director.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unspotted from the world". James 1:27