

# Mudhiyor Balar Kudumba Grama Pannai

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## News Letter

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You crown the year with Your goodness, and Your paths drip with abundance. Psalms 65:11  
Wishing you all a very happy and a prosperous New Year 2012

We members of the King's family at MBKG Pannai with grateful hearts thank the Lord for His powerful presence, generous guidance and bounteous blessings throughout 2011 that enabled us to step into another year. We thank all our partners, sponsors, donors and well-wishers for their continuous love, prayers and financial support to this ministry and we pray that God would bless them abundantly.

### December... Celebrating the birth of Christ... a Season of sharing

Many individuals, families and groups shared the spirit and joy of Christmas with the residents of MBKG Pannai on various occasions. The children were bestowed with gifts during this season with dresses and special festive food.

We thank the Seventh Day Adventist Church and Educational Institution for celebrating Christmas with us and providing blankets for the children which was the Need of the hour during that time.

We are grateful to the Cheer Fund Committee of Christian Medical College who also shared with us the love of Christmas. They distributed gifts to all the residents.

The annual Christmas get together by the Department of Hematology, Christian Medical College & Hospital, Vellore headed by Dr. Alok Srivastav was a memorable one for all of us. They blessed the children with gifts and food.

### Home Christmas Celebration....

Birth of Christ was commemorated in a grand manner on Christmas day. The children took great efforts with enthusiasm in preparing for the joyous occasion. The chief guest Ms. Padmini, Shiloh Children's Ministry explained the true meaning of Christmas to the children. The occasion was graced by songs of children's choir, dances, skits and solo performances by our children.



*Ms. Padmini, Shiloh Ministries*



*Christmas Celebrations*



*Mr. Vijaya Kumar,  
Principal SDA School, Vellore*



## We welcome our new members ...



**Yogeswari**



**Mangala  
Ambhigai**



**Saranya**



**Ellemmal**

Ellemmal is the mother of Mangala Ambhigai and Yogeswari. She lost her husband a year ago and had no one to care for. With no income, shelter or relatives to support her she came to MBKG Pannai through a Pastor. She was taken in as a house mother and the two female children were admitted into the nursery.

Saranya's mother committed suicide and her father had to take care of their 3 children. Needless to say, caring for the three female children without the support of relatives was impossible for the struggling father. Saranya being the youngest needed love and care and was admitted into the nursery.



**Fiona, UK.**

This is my first visit to Pannai and I have been very impressed both with the warm reception from all the staff & children and the lovely buildings surrounded by trees. I carried out an Art project and the children did some beautiful work which they have made into a collage for displaying on their walls.

## Testimonial



**S. Sathish Kumar, USA**

**Sathishkumar** was brought to MBKG Pannai when he was just 6 months old and was educated at King's School. He did his masters degree in Pharmacy in India and at present pursuing his Ph.D., in the United States. Here he goes.....

It's my great pleasure to update all of you with my studies in the US. After completing Biomedical Sciences in first year, I joined a specialized field of science called Human Genetics in second year and in the following years, I will be working on my doctoral thesis projects related to Human Genetics to get a PhD on it at the Miller School of Medicine in the University of Miami, Florida. I joined a laboratory at the school which is involved in fascinating research on genetics of cancer. My teachers at the school are kind and also helping me to understand the principles of Human Genetics. I thank all that are connected to the Family Village Farm (FVF) and I am indebted for the unending support from the wonderful people at FVF.



**Rev. Drs. Douglas & Sheldon, USA**



**Cheer fund gifts - CMCH, Vellore**





# King's Matriculation Higher Secondary School



Science Exhibition at King's



Mr. Ravi Kumar, CMCH



Christmas Celebrations at King's



Yamaha CruX Bike - a Gift



Science Exhibition at King's

## Science Exhibition... an annual event

On November 2, the children both senior and junior school exhibited their talents at the exhibition to mark the event of the arrival of the American group headed by Rev. Frank Everett. It was well appreciated by other school visitors too.

## Children's Day

On November 14, Children's Day was celebrated with due pomp and show. The teachers entertained the students with dance, skit and songs.

## New Appointees...

Three Vice Principals, **Ms. Beulah**, **Mr. M. Kumar** and **Mr. S. Kaelasanathan** have been designated for three major areas such as Academics, Extra-curricular activities and Student's welfare for the smooth functioning of the school and to improve the quality of education.

## Christmas Celebration...

On December 8, Christmas was celebrated with dances, carols and Christmas play. The occasion was joyous with a wonderful message from the chief guest **Bro. Ravi Kumar**, College of Nursing, CMC Hospital that made everyone ponder over the birth of our Lord.

## Two Wheelers...

We were very fortunate to have two 'Yamaha CruX' model motorbikes at 50% discount for the Home and school from Yamaha Motors, Delhi through the kindness of **Mr. Sandeep Dhingara**, Managing Director of Fact Entry, UK and Fact Entry, India and also the Managing Partner of SETCO YAMAHA - Delhi.

## Visitors...

The American group headed by **Rev. Frank Everett** spent four days at the school. During this time they taught new songs, observed a few classes, led the morning assembly twice and did health screening for the Home children as well as outside students. The team consisting of Doctors and Nurses carried out health screening such as General, Eye and Dental check up. Also they donated a few story books and toiletries. **Rev. Jaquelyn Foster's** church came forward to sponsor three of our day students, who have lost atleast one of their parents, We were greatly blessed by the visit of two Conference Ministers **Rev. Douglas Anders** and **Rev. Dr. Sheldon Culver**, Illinois South Conference UCC from the United States. They represented St. Peter's church of Coupland, Texas which sponsors four of our home children and one day student.

**Mrs. Ann Witchalls** a missionary from UK and friend of one of our sponsors John and Marion Walden visited us on the 28th of December.



**Our Wish List...**

- The buildings comprising nursery, cottages and staff quarters at MBKG Pannai are 44 years old and wearing down. Each building needs to be protected by a rooftop structure to prevent water seeping into the structures and prevent the building from further damage. A steel structure on top of each building would cost around ₹.200,000 - USD 4000.
- The buildings have to be white/ colour washed which would cost ₹.600,000 - USD 12,000.
- Dining Hall and Betty Keen Multipurpose Hall need to be furnished with 250 Plastic chairs that would cost ₹.150,000 - USD 3000 (Each Chair costs ₹.600 USD 12).
- The Lunch Hall at the King's Senior School needs to be covered on the sides with iron grill to prevent dogs and monkeys which would cost ₹.300,000 - USD 6000.



**Fairview Christian Church's visit - Rev. Frank & Group**

**Please, partner with us by...**

- Praying for the children in the Home and School, our mothers and grandparents, that they may be comforted and blessed and that we may remain good stewards and continue to serve in God's Mercy, Grace and Care.
- Sharing your Love with the little children who love being carried and cuddled. So, please pay us a visit and spend time with our children.
- Sponsoring a child for a month would be ₹.1500 or US \$ 30, which provides for food, shelter, education, clothing, medicine and recreation.
- Sponsoring a house mother or a grandparent for a month would be ₹.1500 or US \$ 30. This is an urgent need as many of our mothers and grandparents are not sponsored.
- Supporting our Endowment Fund for Higher Education. This fund goes towards funding our aged out of sponsorship children who are doing their professional courses in different disciplines, like Engineering, Physical Education, Para medical education etc.,
- Sponsor a Day Student's education for a year at King's Matriculation Higher Secondary School for ₹.12,500 or US \$ 250 to enable them to continue their studies here.
- Sponsor a meal for all our children during your family functions, Anniversary, Birthday, festivals and other special occasions [Cost: Breakfast ₹.2000/-, Vegetarian Meal ₹. 3500/-, Non-Vegetarian Meal ₹. 5500/- and Sweets ₹. 1500/-.

**Gratitude...**

**Gifts from SDA School, Vellore**



**Science Exhibition at King's**

- ◆ YES ! I Want to keep the light of hope alive by;
- ◆ Sponsoring a child for ₹.1500/- or US\$ 30 per month.
- ◆ Sponsoring a grand parent for ₹.1500/- or US\$ 30 per month.
- ◆ Making a Special gift of \_\_\_\_\_ to be used for \_\_\_\_\_

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