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Newsletter – January 2022 **MUDHIYOR BALAR KUDUMBA GRAMA PANNAI** Family Village Farm

A living community for destitute children, women & elderly since 1969

"And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matthew 25: 40 In view of reducing number of COVID - 19 cases in the state, the government of Tamil Nadu withdrew most restrictions and allowed schools to reopen for grades 1 to 12. Earlier in the month of January, vaccination against COVID - 19 for the children was launched. Children aged between 15 and 18 were vaccinated against COVID-19.

At the MBKG Pannai Home, the Children, House Mothers and Elders continue to be healthy and safe from the virus. However, with the ongoing pandemic with evolving new variants, the residents of the Home are being safety conscious and continue to wear masks, keep social distance and follow other COVID norms. All adults and children over 15 were vaccinated.



Dr. Miss. Pauline E. King Founder

Christmas Celebration – December 2021

On January 20, 2022, the Alumni and the present

children along with the staff, House Mothers and Grandmothers celebrated the life of Dr. Miss. Pauline E. King, whom they fondly called 'Mummy'. It was her 22nd death anniversary. A small thanksgiving meeting was held to thank the Lord for the great life of the legend. The alumni and the present residents paid tribute to her by placing garland and lighting candles on her resting place. The alumni reminisced on the blessings of knowing her in person and talked about

After missing Christmas celebration in 2020 due to COVID -19 Pandemic, the Children, House Mothers and Grandmothers were greatly delighted to celebrate the birth of Christ on the evening of 25th December 2021. Mrs. Kalaimani Thiyagarajan, a retired Headmistress and wife of Rev. Dr. Thiyagarajan, CSI, Vellore Diocese was the chief guest who delivered the Christmas message. The children glorified the Lord through dances, carols, and skits.



The programme ended with prayer and benediction by Rev. Dr. Thiyagarajan. A grand Christmas feast followed the programme sponsored by Dr. Chakko Jacob's family, Bangalore, Mr. Retbin Rajeev's family, Bangalore, Dr. George Philip's family, Vellore, and Dr. Jasper Daniel's family, Thiruvananthapuram. Christmas was the perfect time for the residents to celebrate the love of God. It was indeed a joyous and meaningful occasion for them.

Remembrance Day – Alumni Reunion





her sacrifices for their betterment.

The organization continues to hold the status of the best **"Integrated Complex of Special Homes for Senior Citizens and Destitute Children"** in the district awarded by the state government of Tamil Nadu.





Children Enrolled to Higher Education in September 2021



Easwar, H



Eruchappan.V

Easwar and Eruchappan completed 10th grade and joined a three-year diploma in Electronics and **Communication Engineering at Sri Venkateshwara** Polytechnic College, Vellore.



Samuel.P



Samuel.P was enrolled to Diploma in Medical Lab Technology and Venkatesan to Diploma in Medical Records Technology at Scudder Institute of Allied Health Sciences, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet.



Ajithkumar.S



Kumaravelu.B



Dhanush.P

Ajithkumar, Kumaravelu and Dhanush completed 12th grade and were enrolled to Diploma in Orthopaedic Technology course at Scudder Institute of Allied Health Sciences, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet.

In 2021-2022, two boys who completed 10th grade were enrolled in Polytechnic College and 7 boys who completed 12th grade were enrolled in Hospitalrelated Allied **Health Science** courses.

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Robert Edison.G

Jarad Milson.E

Robert Edison and Jarad Milson were enrolled to Diploma in Medical Radio **Diagnosis Technology at Scudder Institute** of Allied Health Sciences, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet.



Chithra.M





Latha.K



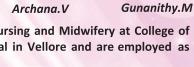
These four children completed General Nursing and Midwifery at College of Nursing, Christian Medical College Hospital in Vellore and are employed as Staff Nurses in the same institution.

Congratulations to the graduates



Arthi P

Radhika S Arthi and Radhika completed Diploma in Health Assistant course at Pravaham Community College in Vellore and are employed as Nurse Aids at Bangalore Baptist Hospital, Bangalore, Karnataka.





contributed to the Higher Education Fund. Your contribution has enabled us to fulfil the mission of MBKG Pannai in transforming lives by enabling the children to find their Identity and Self-Worth and to become responsible human beings as God intended.

A huge thanks to the Sponsors who supported the children and Donors who



Higher Education Fund

When the children reach the age of 18, normally they cease to receive sponsorship but we continue to support their higher education which includes professional, vocational or technical courses. We are in a difficult situation here as these courses are expensive. For this reason, we have created a Scholarship Endowment Fund for Higher Education to help us meet these expenses.

We thank the donors and sponsors who have helped us meet the higher educational expenses and we earnestly seek your support in building up this fund. You may contact the Sponsorship coordinator....



Annual General Body Meeting of MBKG Pannai Society December 2021

In December 2021, the Annual General Body Meeting of MBKG Pannai Society was held at MBKG Pannai. The Chairman of the Society Rt. Rev. H. Sharma Nithiyanandham, Bishop in Vellore Diocese presided over the meeting. The Secretary, Dr. Samuel N. J. David welcomed the members; recalled the Vision and Mission of the founder, and invited the members to join hands and work together for the welfare of the destitute Children and the Elderly. The Director gave his annual report for the year 2020-2021 with a PowerPoint presentation followed by the Treasurer's presentation of the Financial Report for the current year and the budget for the coming year. The members appreciated the reports and as always gave their suggestions for further development of the organization.

"Delivering Smiles" programme by amazon.in

Besides the Gift a Smile programme, Amazon India launched the "Delivering Smiles' program to address the urgent need among students from underprivileged communities for smart devices for online education in these times of the pandemic by partnering with wellknown NGOs.

MBKG Pannai was selected as one of the beneficiaries after validation by the Delivering Smiles programme team through the Give India Foundation. The Programme supports our children's online learning needs through their gifts of Mobile Phones, Tablets, Laptops, and All in One Computers.

Tuberculosis Awareness Programme









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In January 2022, A Tuberculosis awareness programme was conducted by the Vellore district team of National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme headed by Dr. Jayasree, Deputy Director of Medical Services, Vellore TB Control Programme.

> The team consisting of Health Educators educated the residents about the signs and symptoms and treatment of the disease with the help of PowerPoint presentation and Vidoe. Also, the team created awareness about the facilities available at the Government Health centres.

New member of MBKGP Family



In October 2021, 3-year-old Jeevitha was referred to MBKG Pannai for admission by District Child Welfare Committee. She is placed in the Nursery and getting adapted to her new Home gradually.

Child/Elder Sponsorship Programme

enables children have a healthy, normal childhood and a safe environment to grow-up in a family set up with good values. It also helps children to access quality education and gives freedom to brighter future. The love and sense of belonging experienced by the children through their sponsors transform their lives and help them find their identity and self-worth.

Sponsor a Child / a House Mother / an Elder for INR 1500 / US \$ 35 / £ 20 per month

By sponsoring a child,

✦ You build a personal connection with your sponsored children through exchange of letters and greeting cards.

 See progress of the children through videos, photos and updates from the sponsorship office.
And life changing opportunity to visit your sponsored children.

Elder Sponsorship enables us to provide a peaceful elder friendly environment for the destitute elders. You may contact the Sponsorship Coordinator at

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Balar Kudumba Grama Pannai

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Girls are gifted with wrist watches and smiles

We thank each and every one of you for choosing to celebrate your special occasions with the children and elders by sponsoring special meals, snacks and Ice – Cream!

Obituary





Mrs. Parvathy

Mrs. Kowsalya

Mrs. Parvathy (85) joined MBKG Pannai family in 2010 as an Elder and passed away in July 2021 due to age related sickness. Similarly, Mrs. Kowsalya (80) who joined the family in 2014 passed away in November 2021.

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