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The LORD will fight for you, and you shall hold your peace. *Exodus 14:14*

CMC College of Nursing Graduation 2017: Batches of 2012-14 formally commit to the profession of caring



On 14th February, 2017, 193 undergraduates and 96 postgraduates of nursing crossed an important milestone in their professional journey, when they solemnly participated in the Graduation Ceremony at the Ida Scudder Auditorium. As per CMC tradition, the procession of graduands and faculty flanked by the Jasmine Chain marked the opening of the ceremony. Attended by Dr. Sunil Chandy, the Director, as the guest of honour, along with

Principal, Dr. Anna B Pulimood, Nursing Superintendent, Dr. Premila Lee, and Sub Collector of Thiruvananthapuram and MBBS alumnus (Batch of 2002) of CMC Vellore, Dr. Divya S Iyer, the evening was all set to be a grand occasion.

Dr. Divya Iyer, in her compelling address, invited the graduates to be “the scent of service, the voice of compassion, the taste of success, the touch of warmth and the light of

hope” in the “Garden of Five Senses”, emphasising the need for humility, prayer, patience, a confident smile and a gentle attitude in the care of humanity, especially the lesser privileged. Dean of the College of Nursing, Dr. Selva Titus Chacko, in her charge to the graduates, encouraged them to be ever willing to absorb and accept new things that are good and ethical.

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Best Academic Performance BSc Nursing -
Ms. Princess James



Best Outgoing BSc Nursing -
Ms. Shilpa Mary Mathew



Best Outgoing Diploma Nursing -
Ms. Sudharani M

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Best Outgoing PBBSC Nursing - Ms. Diana James

She reminded them that using their abilities and talents to meet the needs of the world, acknowledging God and trusting in Him would take them a long way.

Dr. Chacko then gave away certificates, following which Dr. Premila Lee presented the College Pins to the graduates. After a word of prayer by Rev. Ananthi Arputha Mary, Head, Chaplaincy Department, Dr. Anna B Pulimood distributed the prizes and Dr. Divya Iyer presented the special awards.

Ms. Sudharani. M. was recognised as the All-Round Student as well as the

Best Outgoing Student in the Diploma Nursing Programme. The academic award for highest standing in the Diploma Nursing Examination by the Board of Nursing Education NL CMAI SIB was awarded to Ms. Rinumol Philipose and Ms. Sudharani M for the year 2016 and 2017 respectively. Ms. Shilpa Mary Mathew in B.Sc. Nursing programme received two gold medals as the Best Outgoing Student and the Best All-Round Student. Ms. Princess James accepted a shield for her outstanding academic performance in the B.Sc. Nursing Programme. The Gold Medal for the Best Outgoing student in the Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing Programme was awarded to Ms. Diana James.



PhD Nursing - Dr. Bala Seetharaman

Mrs. Caroline Franklin was honoured with the Alumni Award for her lifelong contribution in improving nursing education and patient care through her committed services in Mission Schools and Hospitals. Mrs. Franklin is known for her active participation in the South India Board of Nursing Education CMAI. She was instrumental in setting up a School of Nursing at Thiruvannamalai. The Alumni Award was received on her behalf, by her elder daughter, Mrs. Hepsibah Daniel and younger son-in-law, Mr. Prabhu Gideon.

A response on behalf of the students was voiced by Ms. Adeline Hepsibah A. representing the Undergraduates and Ms. Mythily Vandana Charles, the Postgraduates.

The Graduation Ceremony was preceded by an equally thought-provoking Baccalaureate Service on 12th February, 2017, where the graduates re-committed their lives to the service of humanity at large. Dr. Sam David, the special speaker for the day, delivered the message. He based his text on the scripture about committed and caring Hebrew midwives and reminded the graduates to make service a priority to remain true to their calling.

As a whole, the Baccalaureate Service, combined with the Graduation ceremony proved to be an opportunity for the graduates and faculty to look back with gratitude and forward with fortitude.

Department of Nuclear Medicine celebrates its Silver Jubilee



The Department of Nuclear Medicine had its humble beginning as the Ida B Scudder isotope laboratory in 1964. Since then, it has steadily grown through the untiring efforts of pioneers such as Dr. Ida B Scudder, Dr. A.D. Singh and Dr. Cyril Jayachandran. It became an independent department in the year 1992, under the leadership of Dr Regi Oommen.

To mark its Silver Jubilee this year, a thanksgiving service and a reunion of alumni were organised on 3rd February 2017, followed by a one-day CME on 4th February, 2017.

The thanksgiving service was graced by the Director, Dr. Sunil Chandy, Vice Principal, Dr. Solomon Satishkumar and noted pioneers such as Dr. Cyril Jayachandran, Dr.R.K. Roul, Mr. Narasimhan, Mr J.V.R. Rose, and Dr. Vittal Raj. Chaplain for the Department of Nuclear Medicine, Rev Paul Ravikumar shared the message. It was a time of reflection on the Lord's immense faithfulness and guidance over the years.

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The CME on the following day was attended by over 180 delegates including technologists, physicists and Nuclear Medicine residents from South India. The department is grateful to God for this opportunity and for all that it has received from Him over the years, looking to the future with the hope of growing as a team for His purposes in the Kingdom and His glory.



CMC's Batch of 1957 coordinates with International Music Groups to host the Ida Scudder Memorial Concert



On 16th February, 2017, music lovers in Vellore were offered a rare treat when CMC's MBBS Alumni Batch of 1957 presented the Ida Scudder Memorial Concert at the Ida Scudder Auditorium. *The Moving Big Band* (MBB) and the *Gothenburg Chamber Orchestra* happened to be in Bangalore for the *East West Music and Dance Festival*, at the same time as the 1957 Batch reunion. Dr. Donald Roberts, a member of the batch and pianist with the MBB, was able to arrange for them to come to Vellore for the day, along with the Bangalore School of Music Choir. Dr. Roberts lives in Sweden; following his retirement from cardiac surgery he has been able to indulge his other passion as a musician.

First up was the *Moving Big Band* from Gothenburg, Sweden. As a 20-strong troupe, they specialise in Swedish jazz and big band classics. Founded in 1976, for a long time the MBB didn't have a permanent place in which to rehearse, so they were always on the move - thus, the name "Moving" stuck. Four trombones, four trumpets and five saxophones shared the stage along with double bass, guitar, percussion and piano and two vocalists. Conducted by saxophonist Lennart Olsson, they had the audience riveted with jazz tunes from Sweden and around the world. Along with their signature tune, they included *I'm beginning to see the light* (Duke Ellington), a tasteful rendition of *Cheek to cheek* (Irving Berlin) and finished with the classic World War II song *We'll meet again* (Ross Parker and Hughie Charles), with the whole band joining in to sing in Swedish.



They were followed by the *Bangalore School of Music Choir*, conducted by Victor T. Abraham and singing popular melodies of the fifties, sixties and seventies. Seventeen vocalists, accompanied by a three-piece band, performed a selection of love songs and ballads from Lennon-McCartney to Lloyd Webber and got the audience clapping to *Rock around the Clock* (Freedman & Mayers). With some moving solos and plenty of well-known songs set to interesting arrangements, they gave everyone something to hum along to.

Finally the *Göteborgs Salongsorkester* claimed the stage. One of Gothenburg's oldest active orchestras, this 24-piece ensemble has all the elements for western classical – strings, woodwind, brass and percussion. They filled the auditorium with beautiful music just like a full symphony orchestra. Conducted by the effervescent Lennart Olsson, they have an unusually varied repertoire and clearly enjoyed everything they played from ragtime (Scott Joplin's *The Entertainer*) to Broadway (*Mary Poppins*, by the Sherman brothers).

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The centrepiece of their performance was the overture to the comic operetta *Die Fledermaus* (Johann Strauss) through which they demonstrated both skill and versatility, receiving a standing ovation. However, the crowd pleaser was extremely contemporary: a jazz version of *All about that Bass* (Trainor and Kadish), which they happily repeated amidst requests from the audience for an encore.

All the musicians and singers offered their time and considerable talents freely, to help raise funds for the world-class Trauma Centre coming up in the new campus at Kannigapuram.

The concert was dedicated in prayer by Rev. Finney, Chaplain. Dr. Sunil Chandy, Director, welcomed everyone and thanked the visitors and the Alumni Batch of 1957.



Dr. K. Kuruvilla, organiser of the batch reunion, felicitated Dr. Donald Roberts [Image on left]. Mementos were given to Dr. Roberts and the conductors by the Director, the Principal and the Medical Superintendent.

Both video and audio recordings of the concert are expected to be made available shortly.



Congratulations!

- **Dr. Ebor Jacob J**, Professor, PICU, has been nominated the South Zonal co-ordinator of the Indian Academy of Paediatrics-Advance Life Support (IAP-PALS) courses.
- **Dr. T. Abiramalatha**, DM Neonatology (Batch of 2013) won the Young Researcher Award at the National IAP Pedicon for her study done at CMC titled *Neutrophil VCS parameters in Neonatal Sepsis*.
- **Dr. Benjamin J Ross**, Sr. PG Registrar (DM Neonatology) won the Best Poster Award for his poster titled *Prevalence of Group B Streptococcal Colonisation among Pregnant Women and Neonates in a Tertiary Hospital in India* at the CALNEOCON held in Calicut from 10th to 12th February, 2017.
- **Mrs. Mary Juliana**, Charge Nurse, PICU, meritoriously passed the exit exam of 'Indian Diploma in Paediatric Critical Care Nursing' awarded by the College of Paediatric Critical Care, India.
- **Dr. Shajin T.** PG registrar, Department of Paediatrics, was awarded the "Dr. V. Balagopal Raju Award for Best Paper in Child Health" at the National Conference of Paediatrics (PEDICON-2017) held in Bengaluru, for his MD dissertation "Comparison of PF Ratio and SF Ratio in Critically Ill Children Requiring Respiratory Support" done with support from the PICU team of Drs. Ebor Jacob, Pragathesh, Kala and Jolly.
- **Dr. Prajna Bhargavi Kota**, Final Year M.S. General Surgery, won the Dr. CMK Reddy Gold Medal Prize Exam in Vascular surgery conducted by the Vascular Surgery Department of the Madras Medical College, Chennai on 14th February, 2017.

Memoranda

- **Dr. Regi Oommen**, Registrar-Medical College, will continue to officiate as Registrar-in-charge 2017 PG admissions till its closure.
- **Dr. Elizabeth Tharion**, Professor of Physiology, is appointed Registrar-Medical College with effect from 17th February, 2017 for a period of four years.
- **Dr. Solomon Sathishkumar**, Vice Principal, is appointed Chairperson of the Selection Committee for Postgraduate Admission 2017 with effect from 1st February, 2017

Retirement



Having rendered 30 dedicated years of service to CMC since 1st October, 1986, **Mr. S. Suresh Ernest Raj**, Sr. Gr. I Clerk Typist, Nursing Service Office, retired on 21st February, 2017. His wife, Mrs. Mercy Suresh is a Sr. Gr. Instructor in the Department of Microbiology.

They have four daughters: Mrs. Ann Patricia, the eldest, is an Occupational Therapist in the Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation; their younger daughters, Ms. Betsy and Ms. Betty, are a postgraduate in Biotechnology from the Vellore Institute of Technology, and a Tutor at the College of Nursing respectively; Ms. Jane Ida, their youngest, is a student of architecture in Erode.

The CMC Community appreciates the many responsibilities he has shouldered for the institution and bids him a reposeful retirement.

Upcoming Event

Short Course for Counselors in Diabetes Mellitus

The Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism will be organising a Diabetes Educator Training Programme from **13th to 23rd March, 2017**. The course is recognised by the Dr. MGR Medical University for 30 CNE (Continuing Nurses Education) credit points. Certificates will be awarded on completion.

For registration details & dates, contact - Mrs. Vijaya - 9789725281 / 0416-228-3156.

e-mail : insulin05cmc@gmail.com

Who can apply: Nurses, Dietitians. **Course Fee:** Rs.5,500/- (Inclusive of Course Material, Lunch and Refreshments).

Situations Vacant

1. Assistant Professor Gr.II with MS (E.N.T) for the Department of E.N.T Unit-IV (Otolaryngology & Cochlear implant)

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

Preference will be given to those who have at least one year post MS experience.

Apply with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies, contact phone number, email ID & address with pincode to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002. email: princi@cmcvellore.ac.in on or before **March 11, 2017** for Item 1.

2. Registrar (Non PG) with MBBS for the Surgical ICU & AICU

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

Apply with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies, contact phone number, email ID & address with pincode to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore-632 002. email: princi@cmcvellore.ac.in

3. Graduate Technician Trainee for the Operation Theatre (Preference will be given to Male Candidates).

Qualifications: B.Sc. (Science Graduates). Age limit: 30 years.

Stipend: As per institutional rules. Job description: To work in Operation Theatre.

4. Staff II Medical Lab Technician / Staff II AHS Medical Lab. Technician for the Department of Clinical Virology

Qualifications: B.Sc. MLT or B.Sc. with 2 years CMAI (DMLT).

Salary scale: As per institutional rules.

Age limit: 35 years.

Job description: Laboratory Work, Drawing Blood from patients.

5. Graduate Technician Trainee for OPD Services

Qualifications: Graduates with computer knowledge and have ability to communicate in English, Hindi and Tamil fluently. Age limit: 30 years.
Stipend: As per institutional rules. Accommodation not provided.
Job description: To work in Cash Counters in CMC and peripheral units.
Duty will be in shift on rotation basis including night shift.

6(a) Staff II Medical Lab. Technician (Project) for the Department of Infectious Disases (IDTRC)

Qualifications: B.Sc. (MLT) or B.Sc. with two-year CMAI DMLT Course.

6(b) Staff III Medical Lab. Technician (Project) for the Department of Infectious Disases (IDTRC)

Qualifications: H.Sc. with CMAI Diploma in MLT or CMC DMLT.

Age limit: 35 years. Salary: As per institutional rules.

Job description: Project Work.

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 **March 13, 2017** for Items 3, 4, 5, 6(a) and 6(b).

7. Accountant under project mode

Qualifications: B.Com + 1 year CMC Accounts Trainee completed.

Salary: Rs.12,155/- Gross Salary (less statutory deductions).

8. Electrical Supervisor (Project)

Qualifications: Diploma Electrical & Electronics Engineering.

Salary: As per institutional rules.

Preference will be given to male candidate with valid "C" License from Andhra Pradesh Licensing Board.

9. Administrative Assistant

Qualifications: B.Sc. Life Science with 5 years in-house experience.

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".

Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.

Applications will close on **March 06, 2017** for Items 7, 8 and 9.

10. Catering Supervisor for the Good Samaritan Cafeteria

Qualification: B.Sc. Home Science / Nutrition / Dietetics / Diploma in Catering Technology (Only regular course with 10+2+3 pattern). Age limit: Below 35 years.

Preference will be given to candidates with prior working experience in a Catering establishment.

11. Store Keeper for the Good Samaritan Cafeteria

Qualification: B.Com / M.Com + Diploma in Materials Management / Diploma in Computer Applications (Only regular course with 10+2+3 pattern). Age limit: Below 35 years.

Preference will be given to candidates with prior working experience in Storekeeping.

Kindly apply for the above posts with your photograph, resume, copies of certificates, testimonials etc., addressed to the Secretary, Vellore Good Samaritan Welfare Society, C/o. Office of the General Superintendent, Ida Scudder Road, Vellore-632 004 or you can send email in the following id velloreghswsociety@gmail.com

The last date of submission is **March 08, 2017** for Items 10 and 11.

12. Balavihar Kids Corner invites applications for the post of Teacher

Qualification: Montessori trained / TTC / BA / BSc

Age: Less than 30 years. Only female candidates need to apply.

Preference will be given to candidates who have experience and fluency in spoken English.

Interested candidates can apply to Balavihar Kids Corner, CMC Hospital Campus, Vellore - 632 004.

Phone: 0416-2283499, on or before **March 10, 2017** for Item 12.

Special Prayers: February 26- March 04, 2017

Biostatistics : Dr. Antoni Samy B. and Staff

Bioengineering:

Dr. Suresh Devasahayam R. and Staff

Anatomy: Dr. Suganthy J. and Staff

Physiology: Dr. Sathya K. and Staff

CSI Coimbatore Diocese

Council Member: Rt. Rev. Timothy Ravinder
Hospital : CSI Hospital, Erode

We welcome :

Dr. Paul S. S. Russell, Professor, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, on his return from sabbatical leave.

Sunday Services : March 05, 2017

6.00 pm : **Scudder Auditorium**
Ms. Saramma Kuruvilla

6.30 pm : **Hospital Chapel**
Rev. Margaret Deborah J.A.

Day to remember :

National Science Day - February 28

Obituaries:

Dr. Mariamma Jacob (nee Varghese) (Batch of 1953) on 22nd February, 2017.

Dr. Chandrarane Ambalavanar (nee Kanapathipillai) (Batch of 1949) on 22nd February, 2017.

Dr. Mary Vijaya Sankar (Batch of 1967) on 24th February, 2017.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved members of the families at this time of grief and loss.