



Fr. Provincial's Message

JUBILEE MUSINGS ON RENEWAL

Joy in the religious life comes from responsibility, a committed prayer life, a sense of sacrifice and pure love. The joy of a religious is the joy of a person in love – in love with his vocation, in love with his people, in love with his God. It is about falling in love with the God who loves you, and feeling that love so deeply that you want to spend your life bringing it to others in the simplest but most profound ways: in building communities of solidarity and harmony, in reaching out to the deprived.

Pope Francis has formally launched the two-year global consultation process leading to the 2023 Synod on synodality. He calls the Church to discern a path forward as a community of faith, to become a Synodal Church that reaches out to the world, a Church that joyfully proclaims the infinite, unconditional, and universal mercy of God – a call to learn to dialogue with others leading towards discernment, reform and above all, *conversion* that is required for a renewal in a Synodal Church. Conversion is saying “no” to captivity to a system, and, in fact, a spiritual system can often be a mask for conversion, an avoidance of conversion. Conversion requires us to grow and to change.

It is in this context that we entered into a conscious renewal and deliberated on our *Communitarian Witnessing Beyond the Borders*. Collectively we saw that systems can easily lock us into archaic virtues. Perhaps the first lesson all of us learned in the process is that change is real and inevitable. None of us should be locked into a party, system, doctrine and idea that does not allow for change, growth and development. We are constantly renewed, converted and are evolving as we reach out to others beyond our own ego and self-centeredness. We remain connected to other human beings, and as Carmelites, we must develop, grow and change and adopt a spirituality of cosmic connectedness.

Perhaps this 'connectedness' has been the greatest joy of the past 50 years of our mission in the north. The contextual spirituality that we Carmelites came to be part of in the Gangakshetra invites us again to be part of the most sacred spirituality of cosmic connectedness, in which time, land, people and things are all to be held in reverent hands, all to be seen as vehicle of the Holy.

As a community we get to walk with each other in these sacred moments that are only *once* lived. Our Carmelite spirituality softens us as we learn to live in the midst of the human struggle with quiet souls and open hearts.

We are blessed with one Deacon to be ordained priest, a gift that God has given us in this Jubilee Year of our mission in the Gangakshetra. May the sacrament of Holy Orders that Bobby is going to receive, that all of us have received, bring wholeness and order in the chaos and confusion of people's lives. Living in an increasingly polarised world today, large sections of the population continually struggle with discrimination, disparity, denial and despondency. A religious priest is therefore called to be an animator and builder of the community, to be the prophet of the good news, and to be the servant of the worship of the community.

In the last 50 years, there were moments when we glided along in life and mission and lost track of all time. There were other moments of deep despair and angst, because life did not give us what we thought we needed or deserved, or took away what was precious to us. There are moments in life that let us know that we are not in full charge of our destiny. The Carmelite ideals of open hearts and quiet souls, are the key to conversion and contentment living our religious life in the Gangakshetra.

Fr. Benny Thettayil CMI
Provincial Superior

Our Golden Boys

Fr. Mathew Thenamkalayil CMI

We are seven siblings and I am the third one. I completed my elementary education at St George's primary school in my village called Mudappanoor and continued my further school education up to SSLC at Infant Jesus High School, Vazhakulam managed by the CMI Carmel Monastery. My great grandparents were closely associated with the construction of the Carmel Monastery Church and it is my grandfather, a devotee of Mother Carmel who sowed the first seeds of vocation in my tender mind. He desired to send me to assist at Holy Mass in the Carmel Monastery Church. Many of my close relatives who had chosen priestly and religious life, encouraged me to choose my religious vocation. As a student of 5 grade, I desired to become a priest and began to do my own personal prayers and a few little acts of self-discipline and began to pray to our Lady of Mount Carmel who was the patroness of Carmel Monastery at Vazhakulam as well as our own family. As a student of 7th grade, I was guided by Fr. Oswald, the head master and Fr. Bede who was my teacher of blessed memory. In fact, my father wanted me to become a college professor like one of our neighbors. After my High School, Fr. Ferrer CMI, the vocation promoter of Rajagiri Province of CMI Congregation, visited my father and encouraged him to send me for religious life with a prophetic promise that all that I was supposed to give to him and my family would be given by my elder brother and actually it happened so. We have got a caring, loving and nurturing elder brother in my family.

I thankfully remember all the masters who guided me during the early years of my formation especially Fr. Edmund, Fr. John Vianney, Fr. John Fisher and Fr. Amatus. During my theological studies we were given a chance to opt for the missions. In 1972, when Bijnor mission came to existence, I opted for Bijnor. In 1974, the scholastics of Rajagiri Province were allowed to spend their summer holidays in Bijnor mission. Along with 5 other scholastics, I visited Bijnor and spent two and half months at Kalagarh still in its initial years, visiting villages and participating in the activities of the station. After my priestly ordination in 1976, even though I had a deep desire to go to Bijnor mission immediately, the Provincial asked me to go to Neeleeswaram as the parish priest. Once I completed my entrusted mission there in the parish, I was given permission to go to the mission. I was also given the option either to remain back in

Anugrahavani proudly presents two of our Golden Jubilarians



Kerala or to join Mysore Province or Rajkot mission. However, I started my journey to the land of my dreams - "Bijnor" mission on April 27, 1978 from Neeleeswaram.

After spending a few months at Bijnor station, I was appointed priest-in-charge of Joshimath Station. In the mission field, wherever I was sent I did my best to fulfil my duties. Never have I said NO to any assignment I was called upon to execute. I have never opted for any position or place. I have ever held this simple principle in my life - eat what is served, have a deep faith and pray well as my parents taught, work hard to the best of my abilities wherever I am, and sleep well at night. I do not have any ambition other than to become a good religious and missionary priest. I am a fully satisfied person.

The community has given me ample opportunities to develop my personality. I am so grateful to my CMI community. Seeing my interest in musical instruments and handicraft I was given training in Tabala during in my novitiate. I started learning musical instruments and doing handicrafts to occupy myself during the leisure time creatively. I learned Tabala from Kalabhavan Kochi, School of Music and Art, Fort Kochi, Sangeetha Sadhana Mandir Pachmari, Madhya Pradesh. I started teaching Tabala in 1971 in the formation houses. I taught Tabala in the aspirants houses, Dharmaram College and Samanvaya. I also had a chance to learn Mrudangam and had the privilege of staging an inaugural performance at Bangalore radio station. Sri Parameswar Mani Iyer, the younger brother of Sri Phalghat Krishna Mani Iyer, a legendary figure in the world of Mrudangam, was my Guru in Mrudangam. While I was in Dharmaram College, I also got a chance to attend the evening classes on wood carving and inlaying work at the Institute of Handicrafts of the Government of India at Bangalore.

I believe that expressions may vary from time to time and place to places, but the basic values of religious life such as prayer life, sacrifice, community life etc. will always be the same. It is a value based life that makes us valuable religious. 'We should be sincere to ourselves' is the simple motto we have to hold on to in our life in the execution of our religious commitment and the discharging of our duties entrusted. If one is not sincere, one's vocation is to be doubted. Be committed to God and to His people.



Fr. Dr. Jose Padayatty CMI

1. What is your first expression on the joyful occasion of your golden Jubilee of religious profession?

What thanks can I give you Lord for the wonderful gifts you have showered upon me these years, the blessings, opportunity to heal innumerable patients and to serve the poor and the oppressed.

2. God has given you a wonderful vocation within the vocation. What are your comments ?

I came to Bijnor diocese in 1977 during our vacation. During this visit Bishop Gratian asked me to pursue medical studies to serve in the health centers of the diocese. The then Provincial, present Bishop Gregory permitted me for the same. I joined St. John's Medical College in August 1979. During my studies, I had been always inspired by the community health professors of the college regarding the need of Preventive and Promotive Healthcare in the rural areas of our country. Coming to Bijnor, I was fully prepared to work in the health centers to initiate preventive and promotive health activities. We started going to the villages, giving health awareness and started Bhajan-mandalis in the evenings. I was appointed Director of Healthcare in the diocese. Together with the Karuna Social Service Society, we initiated a Community Health Project taking inspiration from my Community Health Professors and Dr. Arole of Jamkhed, Maharashtra to train village level health workers to give health awareness especially to women who are the backbone of community health. We had a tedious process of selecting village health workers and training them. Through their intervention we could bring about drastic changes in Health Care in the area. Later we trained the animators to form Credit Unions and then self-help groups, thus organizing the people for self-development.

3. Please tell us about your appointments and missionary journey in these long years.

Coming to the diocese of Bijnor, I spent 3 months at Satpuli, learning the language culture and the attitude of the Garhwali people. Mr. Sharma helped me very much. Then I went to Ghansali and started to practice medicine; it was challenging for me to manage the apostolate alone. It was then Father Basil requested me to come to Padampur. At Jesupal Health Centre, I gained more and more experience. In 1986 I was appointed Health Care Director of the diocese,

when we started the Community Health Project, we started training village health workers. Together with the practice at the health centre, we started various health awareness programs. The involvement of the staff of all the health centers in community health, gave equal importance to preventive and curative care.

Meanwhile, I was appointed Chaplain at Meetibheri, Laldhang which introduced me to the remote rural health conditions. Later, in 1992, Bishop Gratian appointed me the Director of social work. It is here that I combined health and development to reach out to the villages. Nutrition and balwadis, Garhwal Health Package, Environmental Promotion, SwajalYojana, Integrated Community Development, Relief and Rehabilitation during Uttarkashi and Chamoli earthquakes, Panchayati Raj training, TB control through DOTS, Women empowerment, Leprosy control, Housing and sanitation, Puppetry and Street theatre, Self-help Groups and CBOs to form a Federation were some of our initiatives to achieve health and development. I had the privilege to be the Vice President of Northern regional forum UKSVK, Governing Body Member of Caritas India KNEUS Noida (leprosy control) and later Asha Deep, Prem Dham and Health Care Society of the diocese of Bijnor.

4. You are a very good musician; would you please share your experience in that ministry?

I was more interested in Bhajan-mandalis and satsang of North India, which the people are ready to participate for long hours at night chanting bajans. We had organized many bhajanyathras in the diocese with the help of singers like Fr. Joseph Palackal, Fr. Kurian Puthenpurackal and Fr. Paul Poovathingal that was greatly appreciated by the people. During Christmas season I introduced Bhajan-mandalis. Christian bhajans with intermittent relevant messages were more appreciated than carols. The purpose of Incarnation can more meaningfully be conveyed to the people through Christmas Bhajan-mandalis for a duration of 1 to 2 hours. Our liturgical music should introduce more of the Hindustani Bhajan singing rather than the light classical music melodies that are good to listen to but less effective in gaining spiritual experience.

5. You know the people of the villages in our area. What are your suggestions for making communication and rapport with the people for evangelization.

The rural people are simple, open and ready to receive the Good News. However, we have to prepare the soil before the seeds are sown. My firm conviction is that we have to prepare the people; their basic needs have to be understood. Housing and sanitation, water, food, basic health needs, education of the children have to be the priority so that the

people are physically prepared to receive the spiritual seeds of the gospel. This means that an integrated approach to evangelization had to be explored. Substantial evangelization cannot be achieved without this integrated approach. While bringing development, all efforts have to be made not to make them dependent on us, which would be more harmful.

6. Other than health and education, what are the areas we need to pay attention to immediately to improve the quality of life of the people of this area that you would suggest to the young generation to lead and keep focused?

Emphasis on job oriented education, health awareness to improve the health of the community, individual responsibility to the good of the society, campaign against destruction of public property are immediate steps to be taken. Grass root level drastic initiatives have to be taken up in environmental promotion, use of non-conventional energy, protection of forests and organic farming. We need to restrict and reduce use of chemicals and pesticides; prevent exploitation of Mother Earth; pollution of air and water; the growing fast-food culture; lack of physical activities; increasing use of disposables; reckless wastage of water and food; excessive use of fuel are areas needing urgent attention.

We have to put a break to the growing fanaticism, inculcate communal harmony, religious tolerance, social responsibility, democratic values, and freedom of expression. Let us build up a society where there is mutual harmony, freedom, justice and transparency. Let our children be inspired to fight against corruption, crime and exploitation and build up a prosperous India where there is less divide between the rich and the poor.

Prepared by Fr. Ajomon CMI based on an interview.

CALLED TO GLORY

Fr. Lucas Kapiarmala CMI



Fr. Lucas was born of late Shri Varkey and Rosa Varkey Kapiarmala on 8 January 1941 at Bethlehem in the Diocese of Kothamangalam. He made his First Profession in the CMI congregation in 1962. After his philosophical and theological studies at Dharmaram College, Bangalore, he was ordained priest in 1970.

After the initial pastoral exposure at Thandavapura in Mysore Mission, Fr. Lucas came to Bijnor Mission in 1973. In 1975 he landed at Damdeval where he settled for 10 years evangelizing the mountainous terrains of Himalaya.

Taking into consideration the struggles of the people, Fr. Lucas founded and visualized some novel and maverick forms of apostolate in the silent and remote hill station at Damdeval in the Himalayas, which was connected neither with an asphalted road, nor with electric power lines. In rainy season, he walked a distance of 14 kilometers to find a conveyance. Staying in a small rented double-storied two-room building, he catered to the medical needs of people of the area and administered the herbo-mineral medicines of J&J Dechane, and other herbal medicines and attended to cases of snakebites with a herbal stone.

From the forest department, he purchased at an auction, sufficient timber to construct a priest's house and a convent. He installed a sawmill and a flourmill. The flourmill eased the burden of the villagers and the sawmill cut the wood in size for the mission house. He got it built in timber and named it Premdham (sanctuary of love). He also acquired a military one-tonner truck, which served the station and the people around, as an ambulance and a station wagon. He had left behind an enormous legacy of 'Lucan' adaptations for the mission.

After a long and fruitful mission at Damdeval, Fr. Lucas left for Germany in 1986. Three too, he served the German Church in the Diocese of Augsburg in a remote agrarian parish until 2014. During his stint as the Pastor of the parish, in 1995, he developed a cardiac medical issue and spent a few days in the ICU and came out fully recovered. He always considered the experience of cardiac arrest and his recovery as a miracle and turned real charismatic. Carrying this unique charismatic zeal, he explored the European missions further and in 2014, he ventured into New Zealand and for three years, he ministered in the Diocese of Hamilton. Completing his sojourn, he returned to his home-mission in Bijnor in 2017.

The last years of his life was spent at St John's Provincial House, Najibabad where he took residence in 2019.

Eschatology and Revelation were the favourite topics that he discussed when he found a listening heart. He found great contentment in sharing the digital materials on the Bible.

On 4 April, 2021, he developed symptoms of Covid 19 and was rushed to Holy Family Hospital, Delhi, where spent 20 days in the ICU. On 23 April, when his oxygen saturation levels began to drop, he asked for the sacrament of the anointing of the sick and it was administered to him. As his condition worsened and the hospital ran short of ventilators, he was shifted to St Joseph's Hospital, Ghaziabad. On the same day, he passed away at 6.45 pm.



Fr. Stan Swamy

MURDER IN THE CATHEDRAL

The death of Fr. Stan Swamy, SJ (Stanislaus Lurdeswamy) in custody is a stark reminder of our draconian legal system suitable only to continue the suppression of the weaker sections of the society for the economic benefits of the political elites. Fr. Stan's death can rightly be called a murder in the cathedral of democracy. He is a victim of barbarity practiced under the guise of democratic decency. His death is a clear reminder to any open minded person that in the political scenario of our times, India is descending into the darkness of a jungle raj. Much water has flowed through the Ganges but the average Indian has not attained the Lotus' beauty they promised. The octopus grip on the pillars of Democracy for a neat execution of the hidden agenda of the political elites undermines the freedom of thought for which the nation fought against the colonial powers. "ONE" has become the catch ward of the day. One party, One nation, One Unity of bestial theocracy has become the political shift in the horizon of Indian body politik. Fr. Stan joined the rank and file of dalits who are systematically butchered with a brazen impunity by the higher-ups in the society. Even when these masters and their diabolic supporters die away, he will stand as a pillar of hope for the justified struggle for decency of dissent. To rise up to that dissent, may Stan be a pillar of encouragement.

SO HEROIC OF YOU JOE PHILIP



Father, Mother, Brother, Sister-in-Law of Fr. Joe Philip Karikkunnel CMI

Sincere and heartfelt condolence to Fr. Joe Philip as his family met with unprecedented tragic events in the pandemic times. He had to pass through tragic moments of his life as he lost his parents, brother and sister-in-law. The depth of his sorrow was amply revealed in the prayer he shared with us in the WhatsApp social media for the speedy recovery of his brother. The pain must have been so intense due to the fact that he had to keep away his tears in his own confinement. We appreciate your courage Joe. Your loss that made you wade through fire and water may lead you to refreshment (Ps 66:12).

Remembering Jayin Kalamparambil

On 13 September 2021, the Provincial House community observed the first death anniversary of Fr. Jayin Kalamparambil. Rev. Fathers and Sisters from nearby communities attended the Requiem Mass. Fr. Provincial celebrated the Holy Mass at 10.30 am and Fr. Jomon Thekkekudiyil shared his experiences with

Remembering Fr. Varghese Kottoor



The first death anniversary of Fr. Varghese Kottoor was observed on 2 October 2021 in the Provincial House. Bp. Vincent Nallaiparambil was the main celebrant. He was assisted by Bp. Gratian Mundadan and Bp. John Vadakel and Fr. Benny Thettayil, Provincial and Fr. Joseph Peedikathadathil, Vicar Provincial. Bp. Gratian who delivered the homily described the colourful personality of Fr. Kottoor in a graphic manner. The whole diocese, CMI Provincial community and Rev. Sisters' community were very well represented for the whole programme.

Departed Members of the Family

- ❖ The sister of late Fr. Raymond Mancheril, Mrs. Elamma Kannamkulam (79) was called to eternal glory on 14 July 2021.
- ❖ The sister of Fr. Varghese Kaitharan, Mrs. Lissy Thomas (82) was called to eternal glory on 3 August 2021.
- ❖ The sister-in-law of Fr. Varghese Kanjirakompil, Mrs. Susanna Paulose was called to eternal glory on 14 August 2021.
- ❖ The sister of Fr T.A. Antony, Mrs. Elikutty Varghese (85) was called to eternal glory on 23 August 2021.
- ❖ The aunt of Fr Joji Velikkakath, Mrs. Rosy (84) was called to eternal glory on 3 September 2021.

Behold our Deacon

Bobby Makkolil was ordained deacon on 14 February 2021 by Bp. Jose Chittooparambil at Samanvaya Theology College, Bhopal.



The Perpetually Professed

Bros. Lijo Manjoor, Joyal Vezhparamban and Arun Eyyalil made their final commitment on 3 June 2021 at Anugrahalayam, Aluva. Rev. Fr. Biju Vadakkel officiated the ceremony as the representative of Fr. Benny Thettayil CMI, Provincial.



St. Joseph's Study House, Najibabad (2021-2022)



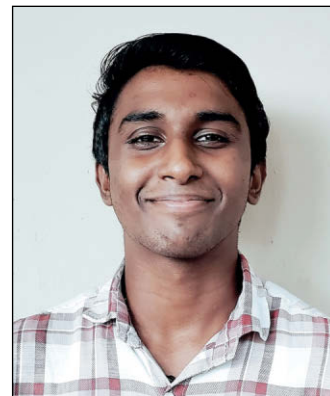
Front Row from Left to Right:
Serji, Alex, Fr. Rector, Milan, Antony
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Athyul, Joyal Joshi, Seby, Joel Martin, Albin

OUR NOVICE

Majo Kalayilputhuparambil is the only Novince from St John's Province among those entered Chavara Dham, Budhni this year. The whole Province wish you Majo, a fruitful and enjoyable novitiate life under the able guidance of Fr. Anto Amarnad.



OUR NEW BUDS



Subin Kachapilly
(2020-21)

Subin Kachapilly is our 2nd year aspirant doing Plus-one at Vazhakulam. He spent his 1st year aspirancy with the aspirants of Chanda Province at Balarshah, last year.



AKWABA: WELCOME



Fr. Shibu Mandaly, the coordinator of Ghana mission came to the Provincial House on 9 June 2021. He was given a farm welcome by the Provincial House community and he shared the Ghanaian experience with the community.



Fr. Tizan Thekkekkunnel is back to the Province after securing an MA and Licentiate in Sacred Theology, Major in Consecrated Life from the University of Santo Tomas, Manila. He is appointed a team member of the Novitiate House at Budhni.

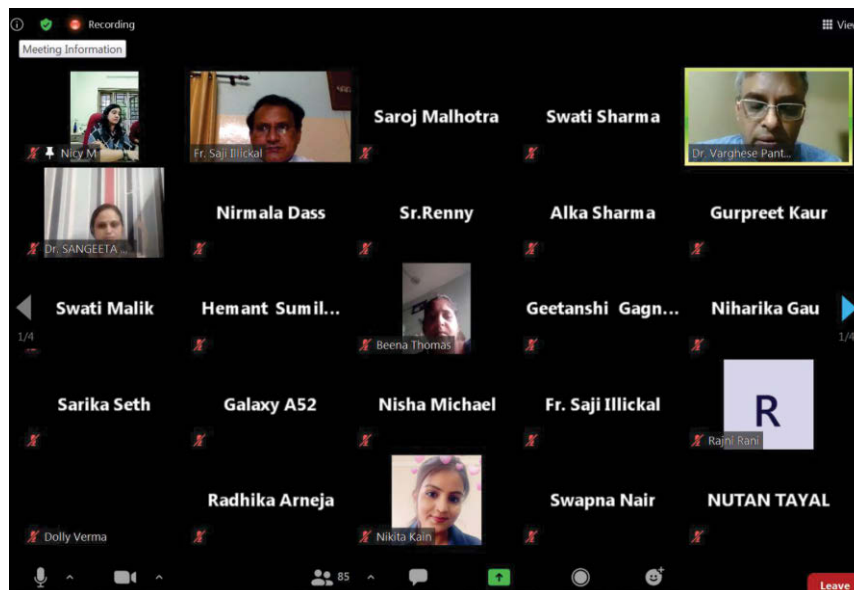


Fr. Ajomon Parasseril is back to the Province after securing a Masters Degree in Missiology from Salesian Pontifical University, Rome. He was a student at Sacred Heart Theological College, Shillong.



Mr. Jibin K. Mathew, our office staff at the Provincial House married Lintu James on 6 February 2021 at Sacred Heart Church at Rajamattom, Karukachal. Fr. Mathew Pedickattukunnel, the Superior at Anugrahalayam, Aluva blessed the marriage. Anugrahavani joins the whole Province to congratulate them and pray for a successful married life.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Training on Entrepreneurial Transformation of Education

Rajagiri Media under the leadership of Fr. Varghese Panthallokkaran introduced and trained our teachers on concepts and conduct in the entrepreneurial transformation of education. The outcome of the program includes understanding of concepts of entrepreneurial education and working knowledge in developing home-based entrepreneurial activities. The teachers who attended the training were awarded with certificates. Teachers also get an opportunity to take part in a National Mission on Entrepreneurial Transformation of the Conduct of Education. The seminar is conducted for Educationists of Foundational Stage (Pre-School to 2nd Std), Preparatory Stage (Std 3 to 5) Middle Stage (Std 6 to 8) and Secondary Stage (Std 9 to 12).



One-day Workshop for Principals and Fathers of the Province at Christ University

A One-day workshop on Effective Management of Schools was arranged at Christ University, Ghaziabad for all the Principals and Fathers involved in the Apostolate of Education of our Province. There were 28 participants for the workshop. Fr. Sunny Vettikuzhychalil invited all the participants and shared his expectations from the Schools and College of the Province. The resource persons were the Heads and Professors from different departments of Christ College. The participants enjoyed the gracious hospitality of Christ College. The main topics of the workshop were Strategic Management with special emphasis on stakeholder management and understanding the inter-related system, Strategic Leadership and team dynamics, innovative and best practices, promoting and designing wellness programs in organizations. The day was concluded with the sharing by Fr. Viju Painadath. He pointed out the need of far-sightedness and search beyond and invited the participants to communicate with the outer world by exploring its implications and opportunities. We sincerely thank Fr. Sunny Vettikuzhychalil and Fr. Biju Painadath and all the faculty of Christ University for their great generosity.



THE NATIONAL CRN PRESIDENT

Rev. Fr. Joji Velikkakath, the Mission Co-ordinator of our mission in Nepal, has been elected President of the CRN (Conference of Religious Nepal). We congratulate Fr. Joji and wish him all the best in the leadership ministry that he has been given.

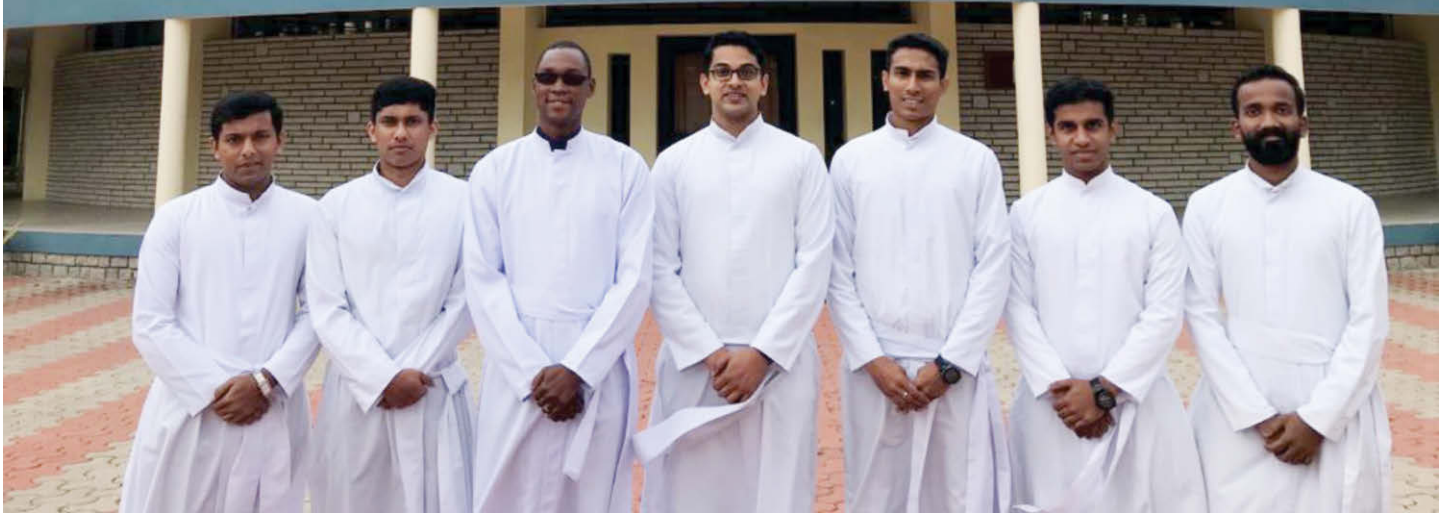


JULIUS HARRISON KODJO AHLIDOBU

Bro. Julius Harrison, a Ghanaian who did his novitiate at Kenya and made the first profession there and joined Dharmaram College, Bangalore for studies in Philosophy.



Julius Harrison Kodjo Ahlidobu with Emmanuel Boakye another would be CMI candidate.



From Left to Right : Bros. Mridul, Josemon, Julius Harrison, Arun, Joe Paul, Paulson, Jobin





TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION

Teachers' Day was celebrated with great fanfare in our schools. Students honored their teachers and various programmes were staged keeping the protocols of Covid-19.



**St. Joseph's Academy,
Ghaziabad**



**St. Joseph's Sr. Sec. School,
Jahangirabad**



**Mount Carmel School,
Champawat**



**St. Mary's School,
Nagina**



**Sacred Heart Academy,
Maigalganj**



**St. Chavara School,
Shahpur**



GHANA MISSION SCHOOLS

CMI MARIET SCHOOL, MARYLAND, KWAMANG

Procession by school children on 14 September 2021, the Exaltation of the Cross and tree planting on world environment day.

CMI Mariet School was opened on 15 February 2021. We began with 33 students of KG1 and Nursery. Though we had planned only for KG, we were forced to take the nursery students as the KG students' parents did not want their own younger ones in another school. Hence, we opened the school taking both KG and Nursery admissions, with two teachers who had completed Senior High School. Apart from the teachers, a cook is appointed from Kwamang, a village nearby. As we did not have a driver for the school, during the first term, Fr. Benoj drove the school bus.

As we opened the second term, we got more admissions. Now there are 55 students – 33 in KG and 25 in Nursery. We added two more teachers.



The construction of the next two classrooms is in progress. We might not be able to use these classrooms in the next academic year, due to the ongoing construction of the upper floor. We are also in need of a school bus for the next year as we expect 120 students (60 students we admit in a classroom).



Fr. Lijin Chakkanatt CMI

CARMEL SCHOOL AT BECHEM



Fr. Jose Mundadan,
Most Rev. Peter Atuahne,
Fr. Tomy Kappiarukudy and
Fr. Shibu Mandaly
with a class of students.

MINISTRY ONLINE

Kripa Tarang Ministry

At the initiative of Fr. T.A. Antony and with the approval of Dept. of Evangelization and Pastoral Ministry we have begun a Social Media Ministry under the banner of KRIPA TARANG. It was launched on 3 January 2021, the feast day of St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara. From the day of Pentecost, Hindi and English homilies were added to the Malayalam homilies of Sundays. Now we are dispatching Malayalam and Hindi homilies according to the Syrian liturgical calendar and English homilies according to Latin liturgical readings.

Fr. T.A. Antony, 8547299646

Sadharmyam Communications

During the Lent, Rev. Fr Joemon posted daily reflections and Paschal messages online. These messages were inter-religious and ecumenical in nature in keeping with the objective of the centre. In addition, messages on feasts and days of national importance were posted for the sake of the general public. Music composed by Sadharmyam is also available on the YouTube from time to time.

CHAVARA SEVA SAMAJ : DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL APOSTOLATE

MEDICAL CAMPS

CSS conducted two Covid and General medical camps at Nathewali and Kalheri with the collaboration with St. Mary's Hospital, Najibabad. The Camp at Nathewali was held on 08.08.2021, which was benefited by around 200 patients. The Camp at Kalheri, which was held on 05.09.2021 was benefited by 260 patients.



VACCINATION DRIVE

CSS vaccination drive was seen one three occasions in collaboration with the Public Health Department. The first of the series took place at Nathewali on 27.09.2021 and the second and the third ones were organized at Nagina on 21 and 28 September 2021. A total of 600 doses of vaccine were administered in these two centers.



COMPUTER CENTERS

At the Social Service Centres at Jalalabad and Nathewali, a total of almost 60 students are benefitting. A new center is about to be opened at Palri village, Shahpur shortly.



SHG (TAILORING CENTERS)

CSS has 13 centers where tailoring classes are regularly given. There are 12 centers in Nagina and 1 center in Nathewali. Almost 135 students are benefiting from the women empowerment programme.



SELF-HELP GROUPS

Under the supervision of the CSS around 60 SHG groups of women are organized with a total turnover of Rs. 75 Lakh. A two-day seminar on leadership was conducted by the centre for the leaders of these groups at Nathewali in which 160 participants were present.

