

# THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, MADRAS

## ANNUAL REPORT 2015



### **MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN 2015**

The Membership Campaign 2015 was inaugurated by Mr. RBU Shyam Kumar, CEO of New Generation Group (Puthiya Thalaimurai). He was the Campaign Commissioner which yielded a bumper collection of Rs. 1 Crore 40 Lakhs 15 Thousand. The Vepery team won the Campaign Shield for highest Collection and they have also won the cup for highest number of Members. Esplanade grabs the 2nd Place. We record our thanks to all the Campaigners for their invaluable contribution.

### **RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES**



YMCA Madras Religious Activities Committee in association with Isaac Joe Music & Motivations organized a Youth Conference & Concert for Youth at YMCA Royapettah on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2015. The program commenced with opening prayer by the Mr. R. Richard Ezekiel, Associate General Secretary. And the Religious Activities Committee chairman Mr. Vincent Sahayaraj welcomed

the gathering. The President Er. M.M. Selvakumar honored our Speaker Bro. Isaac Joe for this concert. Special songs, solo songs and dance were the centre of attraction performed by the WCC Choir, Spartan Matriculation School, Daniel Joseph & Emmanuel Joseph. Mr. Anand Pillai, Dr. Kishore, Mr. Ashvin Dhyriam and Mr. Suresh Chakravarthi gave their testimonies which inspired many youngsters. Bro. Issac Joe filled with good worship and gave an inspiring message on “Destined 4 Greatness” lucidly.



YMCA MADRAS Religious Activities Committee in association with Vedagama Nanban organized a Bible Expo from 8<sup>th</sup> July to 12<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at YMCA Vepery. During the five days, it was open to the public there were several hundred visitors visited the Bible Expo. The Exhibition comprises a visual display in the form of models, dressed figures, ancient artifacts and screens, which take visitors on a pictorial journey through the Bible. The exhibition takes visitors through the Bible, its history, its message and its contents.



The renovated chapel at YMCA Vepery was dedicated to the Glory of God on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015 at 9 a.m. by our President Er. M.M. Selvakumar. Our beloved Rev. John Victor conducted the Service. The dedication ceremony was attended by Board members and staff. After service a fellowship breakfast was served to all.



## PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES



YMCA Madras Physical Activities Committee and Chennai District Sports Karate Do Association organized Chennai District Schools Karate Championship held on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at 9.00 a.m. at YMCA Vepey. The programme commenced with an Opening Prayer by Er.M.M.Selvakumar, President, YMCA Madras. Mr. M.J. Martin Kennedy, Chairman, Physical Activities Committee extended a warm Welcome to the gathering. Mr. Chozha Naachiar Rajasekar, President, The Tamil Chamber of Commerce inaugurated the Tournament and Lighting of Kuthuviilakku was followed by him. Mr.P.Asir Pandian, General Secretary, YMCA Madras presented a memento to the Chief Guest. There were around 250 Children from various Schools and different Karate Clubs who participated in this Tournament. Another Special Chief Guest who attended this Program was Mr. Karate R.Thiyagarajan, President, Karate Association of India. The Prize distribution Program took place in the evening at 6.30 p.m . The Chief Guest Mr. D.S. R. Subash, State President, Tamil Nadu union of Journalists gave the Chief Guest address. Mr. M.J. Martin Kennedy, Chairman, Physical Activities Committee presented a memento to him. The Chief Guest distributed the Medals and certificates to Winners and Runners. Mr. Ivan Sunil Daniel, Programme Secretary, proposed the vote of thanks. Programme conclude with Prayer and Benediction by Mrs. Bakkiyam Thangaraj , Correspondent Angel Baby Land Matriculation Hr. Dec. School.

## CULTURAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES



YMCA Madras Cultural and Social Activities Committee in association with Aachi Masala group of Companies organized an Inter School Folk Dance Competition on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at YMCA Vepery. The Folk Dance Competition depicted the Heritage of India. The programme begun with a word of prayer by Mr.R.Richard Ezekiel, Associate General Secretary, YMCA Royapettah Branch and Mr. Rajjiv George, Chairman, Cultural and Social Activities Committee welcomed the gathering.

Mr.Abishek Abraham, Executive Director, Aachi Masala Group of Companies inaugurated the programme by Lighting of Kuthuvillakku. 23 Schools participated in this Competition. The Prize distribution function was held immediately after the competition. Mr.R. Chinna, Film Dance Master was the Chief Guest and distributed the prizes. Prior to this Prize distribution, Mr.P.Asir Pandian, General Secretary, YMCA Madras presented a memento to the Chief Guest and Judges. All the participants were given participation certificates. Mr.J.Eric Christopher, Convener, Cultural and Social Activities Committee proposed vote of thanks.

Flood Relief operation was done by Madras YMCA in the various parts of the cities. YMCA Madras distributed nearly 5,000 food packets at flood affected areas and also cleans Chennai campaign was initiated at Aminjikai & Otteri. YMCA also conducted basic health check-ups, medical diagnosis at free of cost to the affected families in association with Apollo Hospitals on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2015.

## **YMCA MADRAS BRANCH ACTIVITIES**

### **ESPLANADE**

#### **TABLE TENNIS SUMMER COACHING CAMP**

Summer Coaching Camp for Table Tennis 2015 was held from 1st May 2015 to 31st May 2015. More than 15 trainees attended the Coaching Camp. Mr. John Bosco was the Coach.

#### **70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF YMCA PATTIMANRAM**

70th Anniversary of YMCA Pattimanram of Esplanade YMCA was celebrated on 23rd June 2015. Dr.Avvai Natarajan, President of Pattimanram presided and paid glowing tributes to YMCA Madras.

Dr.V.Irai Anbu I.A.S. (Principal Secretary to Govt and Commissioner Tamil Nadu Economics and Statistics Dept.) who was the Chief Guest spoke inspiringly about the significance of literature and lauded the efforts of YMCA Pattimanram for the past seven decades in promoting Tamil literature and culture. Solicitor Sree Kandaraja from London who also spoke on the occasion stressed the part played by grammar in the sustained growth of language. Professor G.R.Mahadevan from Madurai rendered few melodious Tamil songs of cinema play back singer T.M. Soundararajan.

#### **INDEPENDENCE DAY PROGRAMME**

Independence Day was celebrated on 15/08/2015 at the Branch premises at 8.00 a.m. The function commenced with prayer by Mr.B.Ravikumar David, Chairman, YMCA Esplanade Branch hoisted the National Flag. Mr.Kung-Fu Balu delivered Independence Day message. The salute to the National Flag was followed by National Anthem.

The Trainees of Mr. Kung-Fu Balu performed a special Kung-Fu demonstration. Mr.J.Eric Christopher, Secretary proposed vote of thanks. Sweets and Breakfast were distributed to the participants.

### **OPEN CARROM TOURNAMENT 2015**

The Annual Open Carrom Tournament was conducted by YMCA Esplanade on Friday, 18/09/2015 by Mr. Isaiah Kumar, Director, Chalcedony Controls & Instrumentation Pvt. Ltd. and Board's Representative for YMCA Esplanade Branch. The programme commenced with prayer by Er.M.M.Selvakumar, President, YMCA Madras. Mr.B.Ravikumar David, Chairman, YMCA Esplanade, Board of Director of YMCA Madras, Senior Vice-President of TNCA & CDCA welcomed the gathering.

On 19/09/2015 the Finals and Prize Distribution function started with prayer by Mr. Ivan Sunil Daniel, Secretary, YMCA Kilpauk. Mr. A.Ilangovan, Advocate, Madras High Court was the Chief Guest and distributed the prizes. A new Trophy was instituted for the Women's Singles Winner by Er.M.M.Selvakumar, President, YMCA Madras in memory of his father Late Mr. M.D.Selvaraj. Mr. J.Eric Christopher, Secretary, YMCA Esplanade proposed the vote of thanks. YMCA Officials – Mr. Asir Pandian, General Secretary & CEO, Mr. Samuel Swamikkan, CFO and Mr. Isaiah Kumar, Board Member were also present.

## **ROYAPETTAH**

### **SUMMER CAMP FOR UNI – Y STUDENTS AT YELLAGIRI HILLS ON 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2015**

YMCA Royapettah organized a summer camp for students from 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at Yellagiri Hills YMCA Camp site. A team of 17 Uni – Y Student members were started on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2015 morning by Brindavan Express and reach Camp Site at Yellagiri Hills. The Members enjoyed trekking, boating and Visiting Natural Park. After dinner a Camp Fire was organized. The students returned to Chennai by Kovai Express on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2015 with pleasant memories. Members expressed their thanks to the Associate General Secretary Mr. Richard Ezekiel for organizing such enjoyable trip and requested to organize many more similar programmes.

### **INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS AND FREE MEDICAL CAMP AND HEALTH AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2015:**

YMCA Royapettah organized flag hoisting function and free Medical Camp and Health Awareness programme on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 8.00 a.m. at YMCA Royapettah premises. Mr. Ashwin Dhyriam, Director, Good News Channel was the Chief Guest and unfolded the National Flag. The programme commenced with prayer by Mr.Annpumani. . Mr.Richard Ezekiel, Associate General Secretary extended a warm welcome to the members present and introduced the guests. Mr. Narayanan, President, Toast Masters Club gave a toast to the Nation.

After flag hoisting function a Free Medical camp and Health Awareness programme was conducted for the neighboring underprivileged people. A large gathering from neighbour community benefited through this camp. The eye screening was done by Agarwal Eye Hospital team. Testing related to Diabetes, Blood pressure and General checkup done by Laksha Hospital and Agada Hospital. Dental treatment was conducted by Raagas Dental team. Awareness programme was conducted on natural bypass with slide show by Rtn.Ganesan Balasubramanian.

We place on record our thanks to the sponsors of the Camp M/s. VJS Properties, Mr.Balamurugan and also the co-ordinator Mr.Gangadharan.

### **TOAST MASTERS CLUB INTER COLLEGIATE ORATORICAL CONTEST-2015:**

An Inter Collegiate Oratorical Contest under the Toast Masters Club was held on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015 at 10.00 a.m. at YMCA Royapettah. The contest was started with a word of Prayer by Rev. Anderson Kirubasingh. Mr. Richard Ezekiel, Associate General Secretary introduced Guests and Officials. Rev. Peter Solomon, Branch Chairman, YMCA Royapettah extended welcome to the gatherings. Mr.Balasubramanian, introduced the Chief Guest and explained about the Role and function of Toast Masters Club. The Chief Guest Mr.Sashi Kumar, Chairman, Media Development Foundation & Asian Institute of Journalism was the Chief Guest and inaugurated the competition. Mr.Asir Pandian, General Secretary, presented a memento to the Chief Guest.A few books were presented as consolation prizes. Participation certificates were distributed to all participants. Mr. M. R. Narayanan, President, Toast Masters Club was Guest of Honour and distributed the prizes to the winners and the vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Padmanaban, Secretary, Toast Masters Club.

### **YMCA / YWCA WEEK OF PRAYER COTTAGE PRAYER MEETING ON 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2015 :**

YMCA Royapettah Branch conducted a Cottage prayer meeting in connection into week of Prayer YWCA/YMCA on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 6.30 p.m. The meeting was commenced with prayer by Rev. Anderson Kirubasingh. Songs were sung by congregation. Message was rendered by Mr.R.Jeba Kumar, Branch Committee Member on the theme of Week of Prayer “Let there be Hope”. Earlier, Mr. Raja read the Scripture portion. Mr. Anbumani, Member offered a prayer after the message. The programme concluded with vote of thanks by Mr.Richard Ezekiel, Associate General Secretary. Mr. Jebakumar pronounces the Benediction. We are thankful to Mr.Raja and his family for hosting cottage prayer meeting at their residence. Dinner was served to the members.

### **VEPERY**

#### **SUMMER CAMP**

YMCA Vepery Branch, conducted summer camp coaching from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2015. The activities like Swimming, Shuttle, Table Tennis, Karate and Chess. There was good response from all the members.

#### **TABLE TENNIS:**

The camp was conducted on all days (except Sunday) in the month of May. The camp was conducted by Mr. M.S. Ashok Kumar former Indian Table Tennis Coach. He was assisted by Mr. N. Ganesh. In order to encourage the players, an In-House Table Tennis Tournament was conducted during the end of the camp i.e. 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2015. All players participated in the tournament with lot of enthusiasm.

The prize distribution function was held on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2015. Mr. P. Asir Pandian, Addl. General Secretary, YMCA Madras, kindly accepted to be the Chief Guest and gave away the prizes and certificates. There was immense praise from all the parents and the players. Emphasis was given as the technical and tactical aspects of the sport. Physical fitness was also taken care during the camp.



### **SHUTTLE:**

The camp was conducted on all days (except Sunday) in the month of May. Mr. Bharath Kumar, State Player of Tamil Nadu, was the Coach. In order to encourage the players, an In-House Shuttle Tournament was conducted during the end of the camp i.e. 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2015. All players participated in the tournament with lot of enthusiasm. Physical fitness was also taken care during the camp.

The prize distribution function was held on 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2015. Mr. P. Asir Pandian, Addl. General Secretary, YMCA Madras, kindly accepted to be the Chief Guest and gave away the prizes and Medals. There was immense praise from all the parents and the players.

### **INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS**

The 69<sup>th</sup> Independence Day function was celebrated on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 at YMCA Vepery at 7.30 A.M. Mr. P. Asir Pandian, General Secretary YMCA Madras presided over the proceedings. The guest of honour was Mr. N.C. Williams, (Regional Chairman, NCYI).

The YMCA Branch Members, Staff and a few guests from Chennai Challenge Team, Guildford, London all formed an august gathering.

The General Secretary Mr. P. Asir Pandian, YMCA Madras hoisted the National Flag and gave the Flag salute. Then Mr. N.C. Williams spoke a few words on the occasion.

The function concluded with the distribution of sweets, followed by the fellowship breakfast at the premises.

### **TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

YMCA Vepery life members' children were permitted to participate in the Table Tennis Tournament organized by Velammal Group of Institution on September 2015 at Velammal Bodhi Matric, Ponneri.

It was a pleasure to watch our children in YMCA Vepery uniform. A bus was organized at YMCA for pick up point to take all the children, parents and coach and they were dropped back. Lunch and fresh juice were served to the players at free of cost. YMCA Vepery coach accompanied the players for the tournament. With this exposure, we are very confident that YMCA Vepery will participate in the State level & District Level Tournament.

## **KILPAUK**

### **INTER CLUBS TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

YMCA KILPAUK BRANCH organized an Inter club tennis tournament for Chennai city Tennis Clubs from 11th April to 24th April, 2015. The tournament was inaugurated by Mr. K. T. Kuruvilla, Chairman of the Tournament committee. They were 35 teams from different clubs who participated in this tournament. The prize distribution function was held on 28th April at 6.p.m. The programme commenced with prayer by Mr.K.T Kuruvilla, Mr. Rajjiv George Branch Chairman Welcomed the players. The General Secretary Mr.M.Jeeva Kumar was the Chief Guest and he distributed the trophies to the winners and runners. Mr.Gerald Ebinizer the tournament sponsor gave away the cash prize to the winner. Mr.Ivan Sunil Daniel, Asst. Secretary YMCA KILPAUK, proposed the vote of thanks.

### **INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS**

The Independence Day function was held at the branch premises on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 8.a.m. in the presence of a large gathering of members. Function began with prayer by Mr.

Ebenezer, office clerk. Mr Rajjiv George Branch Chairman hoisted the National Flag and delivered the Independence Day message. Branch Secretary Mr. Ivan Sunil Daniel, Proposed the Vote of thanks, at the end sweets were distributed.

### **INTER YMCA MEMBERS SHUTTLE BADMINTON TOURNAMENT FOR ARJUN MEMORIAL TROPHY:**

Inter YMCA Badminton Tournament – YMCA Kilpauk organized the Tournament from 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> August 2015 in the categories of Men’s Singles, Doubles A, Doubles B, Veterans Doubles and Under 15 singles. Members from different Branches participated and the final was held on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2015. Mr. Justice P.N Prakash Judge, High Court Madras, was the Chief Guest. The programme commenced with prayer by Er.M.M Selva Kumar, President YMCA Madras, Mr. Rajjiv George Chairman, YMCA Kilpauk welcomed the gathering. The prizes were distributed to the winners by Chief Guest.

This Tournament was conducted in the memory of Arjun who was a Life Member and regular Badminton player of YMCA Kilpauk. We record our thanks to Mr. Siva Subramaniam and his family for sponsoring the Tournament for the fifth year in his son’s name (Late) Mr. Arjun Balasubramaniam. Cash prize, individual trophy and Certificates were given to the winners and runners. The function concluded with vote of thanks by Mr. Ivan Sunil Daniel, Branch Secretary.

### **MEDICAL CAMP**

YMCA KILPAUK BRANCH organized a free medical camp for the poor on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 9.00 am. The camp commenced with prayer by Mr. Churchill Joseph Kilpauk branch member. Mr. Rajjiv George Branch Chairman welcomed the gathering. M.J.F Lion Dr. K Gireesh Dean SRM Medical College inaugurated the medical camp there were around 200 patients who attended this medical camp. Mrs. Bhavani Shankar 70<sup>th</sup> Division counsellor attended this camp and thanked YMCA for their initiative. She was honoured by Mr. Rajjiv George branch chairman. The Medical camp concluded by 1.30 pm. Mr. Ivan Sunil Daniel Secretary, Kilpauk branch, extended his sincere thanks to Chief Dr. Gireesh and his team in conducting this medical camp.

### **YMCA/YWCA WEEK OF PRAYER**

YMCA Kilpauk Branch conducted a Cottage prayer meeting in connection with week of Prayer YWCA/ YMCA on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 6.30 p.m at YMCA Kilpauk premises. The meeting commenced with prayer by Bro. David Martin, Songs were sung by the congregation. Bro. Daniel Sathish read the scripture portion. Message was rendered by Rev. Peter Solomon, Pastor, Kumaran Nagar Church of Christ on the theme of Week of Prayer “Let there be Hope”. The programme concluded with Prayer and Benediction by Bro. David Martin. Vote of thanks by Mr.Ivan Sunil Daniel, Secretary.

### **YMCA KILPAUK TOAST MASTERS CLUB**

The Toast Masters Club was inaugurated by Dr.Premanand Suredner, Dy.Planner of CMDA, was the Chief Guest and Inaugurated the Club on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at YMCA Kilpauk. Mr. Rajjiv George, Chairman of the Branch felicitated the Toasters Masters Club which is one more added activity to the Branch. Nina John, President of the Toast Masters, Annan Nagar conducted the Demo Meeting of the Club. Mr.Richard Ezekiel, Asso. General Secretary, proposed the vote of thanks.



## **KODAMBAKKAM**

### **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Good Friday service was conducted on Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2015 at our branch premises from 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Pastor Sampath from Assemblies of God's Bible College delivered the lord's message. More than 300 people attended the service.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Vacation Bible School was conducted for the slum children in the YMCA Kodambakkam Branch from 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. from 27<sup>th</sup> April to 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2015.

### **INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION**

The Independence Day celebration was held at branch premises on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 at 8.00 A.M. in the presence of large gathering of members. Function began with opening prayer by Rev. I.G. Daniel S. Kumar, Board's representative on Branch. Mr. A.D. Jagadish Chandira, Branch Chairman hoisted the National Flag and delivered the Independence Day speech. Branch Asst. Secretary Mr. A. Denis Bezanio proposed the vote of thanks, at the end sweets were distributed.

### **TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

YMCA Kodambakkam Branch organized a Table Tennis Tournament for Branch members on 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of August 2015 in the categories of Senior, Junior & Sub Junior.

The prizes were distributed on Independence Day after the flag hoisting by Mr.A.D. Jegadish Chandira, Branch Chairman and the function concluded with closing prayer & benediction by Rev. I.G. Daniel S. Kumar. Mr. A. Denis Bezanio, Branch Asst. Secretary proposed the vote of thanks.

### **SHUTTLE TOURNAMENT**

YMCA Kodambakkam Branch organized a Shuttle Tournament for Branch members from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

## **ROYAPURAM**

### **41<sup>st</sup> Annual Scripture Quiz Contest for Dheena Bandhu Rolling Trophy 2015**

YMCA Royapuram Branch conducted the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Scripture Quiz contest for Dheena Bandu Rolling Trophy 2015 for the Sunday schools and institutions on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015, at CSI Ulaga Meetper Alayam, Royapuram. Programme commenced with opening prayer by Mr. Augustine Jayakumar, Welcomed by Mr. Arul Rabi, Chairman Royapuram Branch, contest inaugurated by Rev. Bagiyaselvan, Presbyter, CSI Ulaga Meetper Alayam, 19 teams participated in this contest, Mr. Michal Anand, conducted the quiz for the children. Prize distribution programme began with greetings by Er. M.M. Selvakumar, President, YMCA Madras, and Mr. P. Asir Pandian, General Secretary gave greetings and presented the mementos to Chief Guest. Rev. Dr. S. Ashok Kumar, Rev. of C.S.I. William Charles Memorial Church was the Chief Guest and Distributed the Rolling Trophy to the winner, Mr. Martin Kennedy, Board Member YMCA Madras proposed the vote of thanks, Mr. A. Denis Bezanio organizing Secretary organized the programme; at the end Mr. Mohan Paulraj's family sponsored the refreshments.

## **KOTTIVAKKAM**

### **Summer Camp**

We were organized summer camp for the year 2015 on 15/4/2015 to 14/5/2015. The following games are organized by our branch.

1. Cricket
2. Tennis
3. Volley ball
4. Badminton
5. Table tennis

### **Independence Day Celebrations**

The Independence Day function was held at the branch premises on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 8 a.m. in the presence of our destitute home students. Function began with prayer and welcome address by our Branch Addl. General secretary Mr.S.Edwin Abraham followed by Mr.S.Samuel., Chairman, Kottivakkam Branch hoisted the National Flag and delivered the Independence Day's message to our students. Members of Chennai Challenge Team from UK also participated in Independence Day celebration. Branch Asst.Secretary Mr.Ananda Kumar proposed vote of thanks.

### **Inauguration of Uni Y- Club as a Part of YMCA Movement:**

Hi Y- Club is a part of YMCA Movement. We Planned and framed a Uni Y Club as an important objectives of YMCA movement which was not done so far. Uni Y Club was inaugurated by our Addl. General Secretary Mr.S.Edwin Abraham on Friday, the 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 at 4.00 P.M. He gave a special speech emphasizing the need of our club member's work and contributions to the community who was economically and socially in under developed situation. Some of nearby college students have joined as member. Our Branch Asst.Secretary Mr.Ananda Kumar proposed vote of thanks.

### **Christmas Celebration cancelled and Flood Relief activities:**

Due to the flood, Christmas program was cancelled. On behalf of Kottivakkam branch a team involved in the activities like flood relief work, volunteer food distribution.

## **FORT BOYS TOWN HIGH SCHOOL**

### **ANNUAL SPORTS MEET**

The Fort School Annual Sports Meet was conducted on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2015 at 9.30 A.M. at Pachaiyappa's College Higher Secondary School Grounds. Er. M.M. Selvakumar, President, YMCA Madras inaugurated the Sports Meet. The Sports Meet commenced with colourful march past of the four houses. Er. M. M. Selvakumar and Mr. P. Asir Pandian, General Secretary & Correspondent distributed prizes to the students who excelled in sports. Mrs. J. Swarna, Headmistress, proposed the vote of thanks.

### **INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION**

Independence Day celebration was conducted at Fort Boys Town on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 8.00 A.M. Rev. Chadwick S. Mohan was the Chief Guest and hoisted the National Flag. The Children delighted the audience with spectacular dances and cultural programmes. Mrs. Cathy, Chennai Challenge distributed the prizes to the winners of various competitions conducted by the school for the children.

## **KOTTIVAKKAM BOYS TOWN HR. SEC. SCHOOL**

### **Ullas Trust 28.06.2015:**

Ullas trust is conducting a written test for students studying 9<sup>th</sup> STD for the schools in Chennai in every year. The Merit students are awarded with cash up to college level and the amount will be raised in 6 months once. In this academic year 2015-16 three of our school students qualified the exam and won the cash award Rs.900/- and certificate of merit.

### **New Toilets Inauguration**

New Toilets were constructed and donated to our school children by WILLIAMS LEA Pvt Ltd. Inauguration function had conducted on 10.07.2015 at our school. Directors of Williams lea and Board of Directors of YMCA Madras were inaugurated the newly constructed Toilets. Our President Er.M.M.Selvakumar honored the Directors of Williams lea and gave greetings. Our Correspondent Mr.S.Edwin Abraham honored the Dignitaries by adoring ponnadai. Our Branch Chairman Mr. S. Samuel thanked and wished the Directors of Williamslea.

### **Former Chief Minister Mr.Kamarajar Birthday celebration**

Mr.Kamarajar birth anniversary was celebrated in our school to make the children to know him and his memorable activities in the field of Education. Our Children gave speech about Kamarajar's achievements and other cultural programs were conducted. Our School headmistress Mrs.B.Sundari proposed vote of thanks.

### **(Thooimai India) CLEANS INDIA Competition:**

Cleans India program was started by our Prime Minister Mr.Narendra Modi to make awareness of cleanliness among the civil and the program was conducted in our school to make awareness to students also. Various competitions were conducted to students and distributed the prizes to the students.

### **Drug Awareness Program by Science Club of Our school**

Drug awareness was given to our school students by an awareness program which was conducted by SCHOOL SCIENCE CLUB under the guidance of our correspondent Mr.S.Edwin Abraham. Mr.Arunachalam, Deputy Joint Director, Tamil Nadu Drug Control Association was the Chief Guest. He gave a special speech to our students regarding the awareness of drug abusing and how to handle the general medicines in our daily life.

### **Welcoming our New General Secretary and Additional General Secretary:**

Our School children and staff were made a grand felicitation to our new General Secretary *Mr.P.Asir Pandian*. Our school children made a clap welcome to our President *Er.M.M.Selvakumar*, Vice President *Mr.Vincent George* and Treasurer *Mr.Jacob Raj Kumar*. *Rev.John Victor* did the prayer and blessed our New General secretary *Mr.P.Asir Pandian* and Additional General secretary & Correspondent *Mr.S.Edwin Abraham*. Our President, Vice President and Treasurer wished our New General secretary *Mr.P.Asir Pandian* and Additional New General secretary & Correspondent *Mr.S.Edwin Abraham*.

## **Condolences paid by our school children to Our Honorable Former President of India Dr.A.P.J.Abdul Kalam**

Our school children and staff paid deepest condolences to Dr.A.P.J.Abdul Kalam due to his sudden death on 27.07.2015 at Shillong. Children gave speech about Dr.APJ. Abdul Kalam's achievements.

## **Sports Day Celebrations**

School sports day was celebrated on 13.8.2015 in our school campus. Function started with prayer by our school Physical Education Teacher *Mr.A.Samuel* . School correspondent *Mr.S.Edwin Abraham* honored our chief guests *Mr.M.M.Selvakumar*, President, *Mr.Jacob Rajkumar*, Treasurer and Our Branch Chairman *Mr. S. Samuel*. Greetings delivered by our General Secretary *Mr.P.Asir Pandian* after that Mass Drill, group Dance, and other cultural programs were given by our school students. Prize distribution is done by our chief guests. Vote of thanks proposed by our School Headmistress *Mrs.B.Sundari*. Closing prayer and benediction given by our correspondent *Mr.S.Edwin Abraham*. Celebrations were concluded with National Anthem.

## **New Headmistress to school**

YMCA Board of directors appointed *Mrs.B.Sundari* as a New Headmistress. New HM taking charge function is happened in Headmistress Room. Our President *Er.M.M.Selvakumar* and Branch Chairman *Mr. S. Samuel* wished her for the future endeavors. Vice President *Dr. Vincent George* and Chief Financial Officer *Mr.R.C. Samuel Swamikkan* honored and greeted her.

## **Trip to MGM Theme Park by our school**

Our school children and staff were visited MGM Theme Park as School Tour under the Guidance of our Secretary *Mr.A.Ananda kumar* in Four Buses. Nearly 262 students and 15 teachers were participated. The concession was given in Entry fee. All Children were enjoyed the trip.

## **Independence Day Celebrations**

The 69<sup>th</sup> Independence Day celebration was held at the school premises on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 9.00 a.m. with our school students. Function began with prayer and welcome address given by our branch Asst. Secretary *Mr.A.Ananda Kumar* followed by *Dr. Ganesan*, Director-IGP hoisted the National Flag and delivered the Independence Day's message to our school students. Our School Headmistress *Mrs.B.Sundari* proposed the vote of thanks.

## **Thirukural Recitation competition**

Our school students participated in Thirukural Recitation competition for which our staff Mrs.Tamilkani practiced, encouraged and also took the children to the competition. The students won the prizes.

## **Competitions at Jeppiar school**

Our school students participated in various competitions conducted in Jeppiar school and won various prizes in different competitions. Our School Staffs Mrs.TamilKani, Mrs.Victoria and Mrs.Paulin Shiamala were taking the students to the competition. Our School Children won many prizes in various competitions.



## **DESTITUTE HOME**

### **Independence Day Celebrations**

The Independence Day function was held at the branch premises on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 8 a.m. in the presence of our destitute home students. Function began with prayer and welcome address by our Branch Addl. General secretary **Mr.S.Edwin Abraham** followed by **Mr.S.Samuel.,Chairman, Kottivakkam Branch** hoisted the National Flag and delivered the Independence Day's message to our students. Members of Chennai Challenge Team from UK also participated in Independence Day celebration. Branch Asst.Secretary **Mr.Ananda Kumar** concluded with Vote of thanks.

### **Visit of Chennai Challenge Team from UK, London:**

Chennai challenge team from UK, London had visited our Destitute Home and they interacted with the home children and conducted various games and gave gifts too. They took the Destitute Home children to Yelagiri as a refreshment trip from 07.08.2015 to 10.08.2015.

### **Visit of Paul Anand Team from Sweden**

Paul Anand team from Sweden had visited our Destitute Home with the help of our Honorable Board Member **Rev.Daniel S Kumar**. They interacted and shared their valuable time with our home children. They gifted various sports articles to our home children. That day Special Meal was sponsored by the Paul Anand Team.

### **Jeevan Yothi Week of Prayer**

The Jeevan Jothi program for our destitute home students was conducted by YMCA & YWCA at Vepery on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

## **WORKING WOMEN'S HOSTEL**

### **1. Independence Day Celebrations**

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