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I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

Luke 10 : 19



International Snake Bite Awareness Day



The first “International Snake Bite Awareness Day” was inaugurated on 19th September 2018, by the Department of Medicine in association with other leading health centres and civil society groups across the world. The main focus of this event was to draw attention to the neglected global problem of snakebites and create public awareness regarding important venomous Indian snake species, prevention of snake bites and appropriate first aid care.

The inaugural programme commenced with an opening prayer followed by felicitations by Dr. Chandra Singh, Associate Director, Dr. Prasad Mathews, Medical Superintendent and Dr. Shirley David, Professor and Head, Medical Surgical Nursing. Dr. Anand Zachariah illustrated the importance of spreading awareness on snakebite prevention practices. He also spoke about the paucity of functional primary health care units

in many Indian rural areas, forcing snakebite victims to travel great distances to access treatment, and the prevalence of erroneous immediate care practices for snakebites in the community that not only delayed treatment but also contributed to life threatening complications. Dr. Ramya highlighted the fact that India had the highest number of snakebite deaths in the world and that there was an urgent need for spreading prevention and proper first-aid practices in the community.

The awareness programme consisted of live interactive practical sessions on appropriate first aid management of snakebite victims, conducted by postgraduate registrars. Educational videos in multiple languages on recognizing venomous Indian snake species and puppet shows on effective snakebite prevention in the community were organized and conducted by the Department of Nursing services. The programme was attended by more than two

Special Prayers : October 07 - 13, 2018

Transfusion Medicine and Immunohaematology : Dr. Joy John Mammen

National Council of Churches in India Council Member : Rev. Dr. Roger Gaikward

North Bank Baptist Christian Association Council Members : Rev. Chowaram Daimari Dr. Koshy C. George

Hospital : Baptist Christian Hospital, Tezpur.

Sunday Services : October 14, 2018

6.00 pm : **Scudder Auditorium**
OPTSA Thanksgiving Service

6.30 pm : **Hospital Chapel**
Dr. Aby S. Charles

5.00 pm : **Friendship Chapel, KPTR Campus**
Dr. Gladwin Kanapur

4.30 pm : **Chittoor Chapel**
Mrs. Nirmala Samuel C. Raj

Memoranda :

The following changes in the functioning of Materials Department will be made with effect from 2nd October, 2018.

- **Mr. Joseph Selvaraj**, Sr. Manager will be in-charge of Purchase and co-ordinate the activities of the Materials Department.
- **Mr. Edin Decoster Lawrence**, G.M. Officer Gr.I will be in-charge of the Stores Unit.
- **Mr. Paul Dhinakaran**, Administrative Assistant Gr.III will be in-charge of the Central Receiving Section.



hundred people, consisting mainly of patients, their relatives, medical and nursing students, press and media representatives and interested individuals from the general public. It is hoped that this event will play an important role in increasing community awareness levels towards snakes, snakebite prevention and appropriate first aid care in the days to come.

Mrs. Esther Paul Retires



Mrs. Esther Paul, Sr. Grade Charge Nurse retired on September 16, 2018 after serving this institution for thirty five years. She completed her general nursing and midwifery at the School of Nursing, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet and joined CMC as staff nurse in 1983. After her completion of Emergency Module course at Adelaide, South Australia she initiated the triage system in the Accident and Emergency Department. She was an active member of the CMC, Emergency Response team which responded to the bomb explosion in Tamil Nadu Explosives Limited (TEL), Vellore in 1998 and train collapse in Vaniyambadi. She has been actively involved in Mass Casualty Management (MCM) in the capacity as Trauma Nurse Co-ordinator and contributed immensely towards the development of MCM protocol in CMC.

She was bestowed with the 'Best Nurse' award by CMC, Vellore and 'Best Clinical Nurse' award by the Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council. She has been resource faculty for workshops and conferences related to trauma management and leadership. She has held additional responsibilities in the local unit of Trained Nurses Association of India and Nurses League of CMAI.

She is married to Mr. Paul Prabakaran and has two sons and one daughter. Mr. Paul Jebaraj, her elder son has completed his BOT and Master of Public Health and is working in RUHSA as a training officer. Mr. Joel Ebenezer, her younger son completed his BE and is working in QMC and her daughter, Ms. Jenifer Sneha, BE, is working in the Department of Radiation Therapy.

The CMC community is thankful for her years of commitment to the institution and wishes God's blessings on her retired life.



National Awards

- **Dr. Alka Ganesh**, MBBS batch of 1965, Professor, retired Head of Department of Medicine, received the NBE Distinguished Teacher Award for the year 2014 from the Vice President of India, Shri. Venkaiah Naidu. After graduating from CMC in 1970, she went on to pursue her Postgraduation in Internal Medicine from the University of Delhi. She then returned to her Alma Mater in 1978 and continued till her retirement in 2008. Currently she is heading the Department of Medicine at the G. Kuppuswamy Memorial Hospital, Coimbatore.
- **Dr. Alexander Thomas**, PG Alumnus, received the NBE Emeritus Teacher Award 2014 from the Vice President of India, Shri. Venkaiah Naidu, in the presence of the Ministers of State, Health and Family Welfare, Smt. Anurpiya Patel & Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey and other dignitaries in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 21st September, 2018.

3rd Annual Symposium on Cell and Gene Therapy



The Centre for Stem Cell Research (CSCR), a unit of inStem, Bengaluru organized the 3rd Annual Symposium on Cell and Gene Therapy on 6th and 7th September, 2018. This symposium brought together scientists, physicians and others with a keen interest in developing this field in the country. The symposium was co-organised by the Department of Biotechnology and Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR). This year the focus of the symposium was on immune cell therapy, cell and gene therapy in neurological disorders, gene editing, non-viral gene transfer technology, technology advances in cell and gene therapy and applications of iPSC technology.

The sessions on Day One were on CART cell technology for cancers. There were several presentations on the advanced technologies that have been developed for processing and manufacturing of cell therapy products followed by talks on novel therapeutic approaches for gene therapy of neurological disorders such as Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy and Stem Cell Therapy for stroke recovery. There were discussions on RNA based-therapeutics and cationic lipid enabled CRISPR/Cas9 based genome editing. The key note address titled 'Gene therapy- From Promise to Reality', was delivered by Professor Trent Spencer from Emory University, College of Medicine, Atlanta, USA, in which he discussed the global development of gene therapy.

The second day of the symposium had various discussions on gene therapy in haemophilia and liver cancer, gene editing towards treatment of beta-hemoglobinopathies and translational applications of pluripotent stem cells and applications of iPSCs for ocular regeneration. There was a presentation on proposed framework for governing human gene editing in India. The participants had a good opportunity to listen to a talk by Dr. Dr.Renu Swarup, Secretary, DBT, through a video link.

7th and 6th advance course in medical education, contact sessions 1 and 2

The Medical Education Department, CMC, Vellore (MCI Nodal centre for National Faculty Development) conducted the 7th and 6th Advance Course in Medical Education(ACME), contact sessions 1 and 2 from 5th - 10th September, 2018 and 10th - 12th September, 2018 respectively. The first contact session of the 7th ACME course was for the batch of 2018(B) in which twenty five senior faculty members from thirty nine affiliated medical colleges participated.



The second contact course, of the 6th ACME course was for the batch of 2018(A), which was attended by twenty two participants. The contact course of the Advance Course in Medical Education (ACME) was awarded 6 credit hours by the Tamil Nadu State Medical Council.



During these sessions poster presentations were held, in which the best poster award was received by Dr. B.A. Ramesh, Associate Professor, Department of Plastic Reconstructive Surgery, SRMC, Porur for his poster titled “Google Classroom, a new teaching learning & method, compared with power point teaching method.”.

The runner up was Dr. K. Shantaraman, Professor and Head, Department of Pathology, Government Thirunelveli Medical College, Tirunelveli for the poster titled “A needs assessment study to develop a Comprehensive Curriculum for Research in MBBS course”.

Congratulations!

• **Dr. Surekha Viggswarpu**, Professor and Head of the Department of Geriatrics, was awarded the prestigious FRCP degree in the Royal College of Physician, London on 4th July, 2018.

Admission Notice

Nursing Postgraduate / Post Basic Degree & Diploma / Fellowship Courses Admission - 2019.

Applications are invited for Nursing Postgraduate/Post Basic Degree & Diploma/Fellowship Courses commencing in 2019. Application forms can be accessed **ONLY ONLINE** through the College website <http://admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in> from October 8, 2018 onwards. Admission Prospectus and Bulletin are available at our website.

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| 08-10-2018 | Applications can be accessed online |
| 23-11-2018 | Last date for downloading online application form till 24:00 hours (12:00 midnight). |
| 30-11-2018 | Last date for receipt of payment proof including supporting documents |
| 14-12-2018 | Last date for receipt of sponsorship forms |
| 29-01-2019 | Step I - Computer Based Test (CBT) - Online Test |
| 13-02-2019 | Announcement of list of candidates called for Step-II |
| 08-04-2019 to 10-04-2019 | Step II - Medical checkup and Assessment of Knowledge and Skills for M.Sc. Nursing |
| 10-04-2019 & 11-04-2019 | Step II - Medical checkup and Personal interviews for PBBSc, Post Basic Diploma & Fellowship in Nursing. |
| 17-04-2019 | Announcement of Final Selection List |
| 16-09-2019 | Registration for admission for PBBSc, Post Basic Diploma & Fellowship in Nursing |
| 17-09-2019 | Registration for admission for M.Sc. Nursing |

Obituary

Rev. John Jebaraj Singh, former Chaplain on 4th October, 2018. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

Situations Vacant

1. Senior Resident with MD (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit-I

Age limit : <40 years. Salary : As per institutional rules.
Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

2. Senior Resident with MD (Paediatrics) for the Department of Paediatrics Unit-II (Paediatric Nephrology)

Age limit : <40 years. Salary : As per institutional rules.
Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).

3(a) Senior Resident with MS (Orthopaedics) for the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics Unit

Fellowship experience in Paediatric Orthopaedics will be given preference.
Age limit : <40 years. Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).
Initial appointment will be as Senior Resident for one year and can be upgraded to Assistant Professor in the 2nd year (as per the latest MCI guidelines).

3(b) Registrar (Non PG) with M.B.B.S; D.Ortho for the Department of Paediatric Orthopaedics Unit

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Subject to availability).

4. Senior Resident Gr.III with MS / DNB (OG) for the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology Unit-II

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

5. Assistant Professor with DM (Neurology) for the Department of Neurology

Salary : As per institutional rules. Accommodation provided (Partly furnished, depending on availability).
Apply with bio-data, certificates and testimonial copies with contact phone number, e-mail ID and address to the Principal, Christian Medical College, Bagayam, Vellore – 632 002, email: princi@cmcvellore.ac.in on or before **October 20, 2018** for Items 1, 2, 3(a), 3(b), 4 and 5.

6(a) Anaesthesia: Senior Resident /Assistant Physician /Associate Physician / Physician with DA/MD/ DNB in Anaesthesia for the CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus.

6(b) Obstetrics and Gynecology: Senior Resident/ Assistant Surgeon /Assistant Professor / Associate Surgeon / Associate Professor / Surgeon with MS / MD / DNB / DGO for the CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus.

6(c) Orthopaedics: Senior Resident/ Assistant Surgeon /Assistant Professor / Associate Surgeon / Associate Professor/ Surgeon with MS / DNB in Orthopaedics for the CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus.

6(d) General Surgery: Senior Resident/ Assistant Surgeon /Assistant Professor / Associate Surgeon / Associate Professor / Surgeon with MS / DNB (Gen. Surgery) for the CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on the <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> link "Vacancies" or email to dir.chittoor@cmcvellore.ac.in with all testimonials and certificates on or before **October 22, 2018** for items 6(a), 6(b), 6(c) and 6(d).

7. Field Worker for LCECU

Qualifications : +2 pass. Salary: As per institutional rules. Age limit : 35 years & below.

8. Jr. Engineer (Project Mode) for Air -conditioning Department to work in Kannigapuram Campus

Qualifications : Diploma in Refrigeration and Air-conditioning (or) Diploma in Mechanical Engineering.
Salary: As per institutional rules. Age limit : 30 years & below.

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 **October 13, 2018** for Items 7 and 8.

9. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri invites applications for the following post: Nursing Tutor Gr.IV. Qualifications : B.Sc. Nursing with 2 years experience (only female candidates need to apply).

Apply with bio-data along with photocopies of certificates and a demand draft for Rs.50/- in favour of "SIH-R & LC., Karigiri" addressed to the Director, SIH-R & LC., Karigiri, Pin - 632 106.
Last date for receipt of applications is **October 13, 2018** for item 9.