

# **Christian Medical College Vellore**



Newsline

**September 29, 2025** 

You are my refuge and my shield; I have put my hope in your word. - Psalm 119:114

# College of Nursing Alumni Reunion 2025 A Celebration of Legacy and Vision



The College of Nursing at Christian Medical College, Vellore, held its Alumni Reunion on July 18, 2025, in the Scudder Auditorium, Bagayam. The reunion brought alumni from across the country and abroad for a meaningful day of reflection, connection, and celebration, focusing on the theme "Building Generations – Celebrating 125 Years of Vision and Legacy".

The inaugural programme commenced with an inspiring devotion led by Rev. Dr. Finney Alexander, Head of the Chaplaincy Department, followed by a prayer song rendered by the staff of the College of Nursing. Prof. Shandrila Gnanatheebam, Dean and President of the Alumni Association, extended a heartfelt welcome, setting the tone for the day.

Dr. Selvamani B, Associate Director, presented a comprehensive overview of key developments across CMC's campuses over the past year. She invited alumni to contribute towards ongoing institutional needs and urged continued prayer support for the Consultation process shaping the next decade of CMC's mission.

# 125 Years of CMC Vellore 1900-2025





1920: Students were posted in mission hospitals during the summer vacation

Our commitment to mission hospitals was formalised into a working policy as far back as the 1920s, and this policy remains active to this day; carrying on Dr. Ida's torch of life.



Warm greetings and felicitations were extended by Prof. Alice Sony, Nursing Superintendent, followed by a concise outline of the day's proceedings shared by Dr. Mary Johnson, Vice President of the Alumni Association. Dr. Vinitha Ravindran, outgoing President of the Alumni Association, was thanked for her dedicated service. The gathering also officially welcomed Prof. Shandrila Gnanatheebam as the newly appointed President of the Alumni Association. Distinguished alumni who had received notable awards were also honoured during the session. The morning session concluded with a vote of thanks by Mrs. Bharathy R, Secretary of the Alumni Association, followed by a closing prayer and benediction. The subsequent business session commenced with a solemn tribute to eleven beloved alumni who entered the heavenly abode in the past year. Mrs. Sophie Philip (B.Sc Nursing, Batch of 1975) led a special prayer remembering the families of the departed souls. Prof. Shandrila Gnanatheebam presented an insightful review of the College's recent activities and shared plans, inviting alumni to continue their steadfast support and involvement.

Prof. Alice Sony delivered a detailed report on inpatient and outpatient nursing services. The Secretary and Treasurer of the association presented their respective reports, providing an overview of the association's administrative and financial updates. Jubilee batches were specially felicitated, and commemorative mementoes were presented to alumni from various graduating years.

The afternoon featured a vibrant cultural programme by alumni and students. A unique session followed, where senior undergraduate nursing students had the opportunity to hear from alumni serving in mission hospitals, international healthcare settings, and government health centres that enriched and motivated the next generation of nursing professionals.

The reunion concluded with a deep sense of joy, gratitude, and renewed commitment to the legacy of service envisioned by Dr. Ida Scudder, faithfully carried forward by generations of nursing alumni.

### Inauguration of the Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Clinic



Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) is rapidly emerging as one of the most common chronic liver conditions in India and worldwide, posing a significant public health challenge. In response to this growing burden, the Department of Hepatology has started a dedicated Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Clinic to provide holistic and patient-centered care. The clinic integrates expertise from Hepatology and Endocrinology, alongside essential support from Nursing, Dietary, and Physiotherapy services, ensuring comprehensive management for individuals with NAFLD.

The clinic was formally inaugurated on 2nd September 2025 in a special ceremony that began with prayer and dedication by Rev. Finney Alexander. Dr. Ashish Goel (Head, Department of Hepatology) introduced the clinic, followed by the ribbon-cutting by Dr. Ashwini K. Singhal, Chair of the American Gastroenterology Association Council (Liver Section) and Professor of Medicine at the University of Louisville School of Medicine. Felicitations were delivered by Dr. Balamugesh. T (Associate Medical Superintendent, MS Office, Ranipet), Dr. Uday George Zachariah (Associate Director, Chittoor), Mrs. Reena George (Associate Nursing Superintendent, Ranipet), Dr. Khushboo Agarwal (Assistant Professor, Department of Endocrinology), Mrs. Manimegalai. B (Head, Dietary Department) and Mr. Andrew Babu (Head, Physiotherapy Department).

The Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Clinic will function every Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at the Hepatology OPD, A101, Ranipet Campus. This dedicated service is expected to greatly benefit the community by enabling early detection, coordinated care, and long-term support for patients living with NAFLD.

## Vidyalayam Association of CMC Staff - Fundraising Carnival

On 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025, the Vidyalayam Association of CMC Staff organised its first-ever Fundraising Carnival at Scudder hall, Bagayam campus as part of an ongoing initiative to support the early childhood education centers across CMC campuses. The event brought together children and families from all the schools under the Vidyalayam Association—Balavihar (Town Campus), Sparkling Stars (Ranipet Campus), CHKG, CHM, Sunset (Bagayam Campus), and Adhyavikas (Kagithapattarai Campus)—for a day filled with fun, creativity, and community spirit.

The aim is to strengthen the community's support for these early childhood education centers that provide safe, nurturing, and value-based learning environments for the children of CMC staff.

The carnival saw enthusiastic participation from children, who engaged actively in various activities. Highlights included a drawing competition where young artists showcased their talent and received exciting prizes. The event featured a delightful variety of stalls such as a bake sale, terrarium, food stalls, games, face painting, hand block printing, live kitchen barbecue and savoury, pottery, and more, creating a lively and fun atmosphere for all attendees.

The children's artwork was creatively printed onto cards, which were displayed and available for purchase, adding a unique and personal element to the event. The event was a vibrant celebration of community spirit, creativity, and collaboration, aimed at supporting the education and well-being of the children of CMC staff.

With the invaluable help of the school committee members, principals, and teachers, we were able to bring together children and families from all the schools under the Vidyalayam Association for a day full of fun and community spirit. Their dedication and enthusiasm played a vital role in making this event a tremendous success.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the entire CMC community— administration, staff, families, and well-wishers—for their overwhelming support and generosity, which made this event a great success. Your contributions will help enhance learning materials, improve play areas, and ensure a supportive environment for our little ones.

Staff members and alumni who wish to contribute further may do so through Staff Self Service portal or by transferring funds to the following bank account:

Account No. 44360489446

Account Name: Vidyalayam Association of CMC staff

Branch: Vellore Town- 1618 IFC CODE:- SBIN0001618

We look forward to many more such initiatives as we continue to invest in the future of our children,

together.







# Special Prayers: September 28 - October 04, 2025

Pulmonary Medicine: Dr. Barney Isaac T.J. and Staff

Dr. Balamugesh T. and Staff

Respiratory Medicine: Dr. Richa Gupta and Staff

Poona Christian Medical Association

Council Members : Dr. Christopher David Moses

Dr. Shobha C. Moses

Hospital: Jalna Mission Hospital, Jalna.



#### Welcome

**Dr. Ajit Sabastian,** Professer, Department of Gynaecologic Oncology, on his return from study leave.

## **Laurels & Recognitions**

- **Dr. Indira Agarwal**, delivered the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. BR Nammalwar Oration in the NEPHKIDS Conference 2025 organised by the Department of Paediatric Nephrology, Apollo Children's Hospital Chennai on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2025.
- The following candidates who were successful in the **Postgraduate Higher Specialty** Examination held in **August 2025** (University results published on 03.09.2025).

DM/MCh - August 2025 session	
CANDIDATENAME	COURSENAME
Jat Neelamkumari Ramdayal	D.M. Clinical Haematology
Renil Tom Thomas	D.M. Pulmonary Medicine
Vasantha Kumar J	M.Ch. Neurosurgery (6 YRS) - Part II
Kent Reji K	M.Ch. Neurosurgery 6 Years - Part III
P Pavan Kumar	M.Ch. Neurosurgery 6 Years - Part III

# **Upcoming Event**



This tournament is scheduled for 2nd October, 2025.

The google form link for registration is also attached below:

https://forms.gle/8k4bowfFNv5zmJii7

#### **Obituaries**

- **Dr. George Itty,** father of Dr. Ige George (alumnus, MBBS batch of 1994, MD General Medicine 2003) Dr. Donae George, Professor, Psychiatry unit -II, passed away on 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2025. We uphold his wife Mrs. Annie George, son-in-law Dr. Zacharia Mathew C, CHAD Physician, daughter-in-law Dr. Preeta George (P.G. alumnus MD Anaesthesia 2003) grandchildren David Zacharia and Diya Ann George along with the extended bereaved family, as we praise God for a faithful life well lived.
- Mr. K. Jayaraj father of Mr. J. Muthukrishnan (Multi-tasking Staff, Centre for Stem Cell Research), passed away on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2025. Let us uphold all the bereaved family members in our prayers.
- **Mr. Suganandam,** father of Mr. S. Dinesh Kumar, Associate Professor, Medical Surgical Nursing Speciality IV, passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

  Let us uphold all the bereaved family members in our prayers.
- Mr. P. V. Abraham, father of Dr. Aby Abraham, Head, Department of Haematology, passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2025. Let us pray for his wife Mrs. Annamma Abraham, daughter in law Dr. Mary Purna Chacko and grand- children Greg Abraham Aby, Yeldho Chacko Aby and all other family members in our prayers.
- Mrs. V. J. Cicily, Retired Professor, Mathematics, Catholicate College Pathanamthitta, Kerala, mother of Dr. Beena Koshy, senior Professor, Developmental Paediatrics, passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2025. We uphold her son-in-law, Dr. Regi Kurien, Professor and Head, ENT-3, grandchildren, Reuben Cyriac Kurien (MBBS Batch of 2024) and Rhea Ann Kurien and all other family members in our prayers.

# **Situations Vacant**

Click the following link to view the vacancies <a href="https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx">https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx</a>

Vacancies under the office of Medical Superintendent-for queries contact the mentioned office

#### 1. Asst. Programmer (Term Appointment) for the CHIPS

**Qualifications :** B.Tech. (I.T) / B.E. (Computer Science) / MCA / MCS / MS Computer Science / M.Sc. (Computer Science). Preference will be given for candidates who have completed 1 year training in CHIPS.

Note: Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

**Consolidated Pay:** As per institutional rules.

**Age Limit:** 30 Years. **Accommodation:** Not Provided.

**Nature of Job:** To build in-house quality management software program (QMC).

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <a href="https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx">https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx</a>

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

Applications will close on October 13, 2025.

#### 2. Staff III Graduate Technician for the Department of Paediatrics Unit – I (Well Baby Clinic)

Qualifications: Any Graduate. and those who have 4 years of experience as Asst. Graduate Technician (Term Appointment) or equivalent only need to apply.

Only Male candidate need to apply. **Age Limit:** 35 Years.

Note: Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

**Salary Structure**: Rs.12762 - 510 – 25512 + DA & HRA as per rules.

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

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

Applications will close on October 06, 2025.

#### 3. Staff III Clinical Biochemist for the Department of Clinical Biochemistry

Qualifications: B.Sc., Bio Chemistry / B.Sc., MLT from the recognized University and those who have 4 years of experience as Asst. Clinical Biochemist (Term Appointment) or equivalent only need to apply.

Note: Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.

Age Limit: 35 Years. **Salary Structure :** Rs.12762 - 510 – 25512 + DA & HRA as per rules.

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <a href="https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx">https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx</a>

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

Applications will close on October 06, 2025.

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#### 4. Data Entry Operator (Project) for the Department of LCECU

Qualification : B.Sc. Computer Science, BCA.

**Age Limit** : 35 years and below.

Consolidated Salary: As per Institutional Norms.

Please log on to <a href="https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx">https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx</a>

Apply on or before October 09, 2025.

Note: Only Regular mode will be accepted, private or correspondence will not be accepted. Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered.

#### **Others**

5. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri invites applications for the following post: Quality Manager -

Qualification & Experience: MHA / PG Diploma in Hospital Administration with more than Five years of experience in implementing quality systems such as NABH, NABL and a strong understanding of healthcare accreditation standards to provide adequate training.

Apply with bio-data along with scanned copies of certificates and send to the directorate@karigiri.org and personnel@karigiri.org

Last date for receipt of applications: October 11, 2025.