

Christian Medical College Vellore



Newsline

November 10, 2025

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world. John 16:33

Lamp Lighting Ceremony



College of Nursing: The Lamp Lighting Ceremony for the Batch of 2025 of the College of Nursing was held on 17th October 2025 at 6.00 pm in the Scudder Auditorium. During this solemn occasion, 200 First Year Nursing Students dedicated themselves to the noble profession of 'Nursing'. The Chief Guest, Dr. Christy Simpson, Former Principal, College of Nursing, CIHSR, Dimapur, in her address, emphasised maintaining the values of compassion, professional loyalty, integrity and humility as the hallmarks of a professional nurse. She urged the students to be sensitive and provide holistic care and selfless service to patients. Prof. Shandrila Gnanatheebam, Dean, College of Nursing, gave the charge to the students, enlightening them on the significance of the Florence Nightingale Lamp and the Ceremony. She inspired the students to pursue their calling with single-minded devotion, considering themselves as being chosen from among the many according to God's plan to be trained in this great institution.



Dr. Mathew Joseph, Senior Professor of Neuro Surgery, Department of Neuro Critical Care, Ranipet Campus, CMC Vellore, offered his felicitations and emphasised the vital role of the nurses in the care of patients and also lit the Florence Nightingale lamp that was presented to the College of Nursing by our Founder, Dr. Ida S Scudder. This was followed by the lighting of the College lamps by the faculty, after which the students received their lighted lamps from the Dean and Prof. Alice Sony, Nursing Superintendent, CMC. The students pledged to be ardent nurses in the healing ministry. The Ceremony concluded with prayer and benediction by Rev. Joseph Devaraj, Chaplain, CMC Vellore.



World Food Day





College Of Nursing, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus

World Food Day was celebrated on 16th October 2025 at the patient waiting area in CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus with the theme "Hand in hand for Better Foods and a Better Future". The programme began with the prayer song led by the first-year B.Sc. Nursing students and devotion by Rev. Ajay Kummarigunta, Chaplain. Dr. Pastin Pushpa Rani, Vice-Principal, welcomed the gathering and introduced the chief guest, Mrs. Manimegalai, Head, Dietetics Department, CMC Vellore.

Mrs. Manimegalai delivered an inspiring talk on the importance of consuming healthy foods. She highlighted the health risks of excess sugar and salt, urging the inclusion of locally grown fruits, vegetables, and whole grains in the diet.

She alluded to the 'Ten Commandments of Healthy Life'; which includes daily exercise, two glasses of milk per day, three healthy meals, four food groups in diet, five different colour fruits and vegetables, six minutes of medication, seven hours of sleep every night, eight glasses of water, nine portions of cereals (250 gm) and ten minutes of sunlight exposure. Mrs. Anbarasi S, Associate Nursing Superintendent, CMC Vellore Chittoor Campus, offered felicitation. Mrs. Aarthi D, M.Sc. (N), Tutor delivered the vote of thanks. The programme came to an end with the closing prayer and benediction by Rev. Ajay Kummarigunta, Chaplain.

First-year B.Sc. Nursing students organised a Food Exhibition, inaugurated by the Chief Guest and attended by patients, their relatives, and healthcare staff. The exhibition featured informative models, posters, real displays, and videos on Healthy Eating. Students educated visitors on topics such as components of food, the food plate, balanced diets, the food pyramid, vitamins and minerals, reducing food waste, food signals, and the journey from seed to food.







CME on Instrumental Delivery: Operative Vaginal Delivery

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and the Department of Continuing Medical Education organised a CME on *Instrumental Delivery: Operative Vaginal Delivery* on 1st November 2025. The programme was moderated by Dr. Reeta Vijayaselvi, Professor, Department of OG – Unit IV. The speakers, Dr. Anuja Abraham, Dr. Nitin Alexander Abraham, and Dr. Reeta Vijayaselvi from the Department of OG, Dr. Shobana Sankar from the Department of Neonatology, and Dr. Hitesh Bhatt, Medicolegal Consultant, B & S Medicolegal Consultancies, Ahmedabad, discussed forceps delivery, vacuum delivery, prevention of post-procedure maternal complications, neonate in operative vaginal delivery, and medico-legal considerations. The programme was attended by more than 140 participants from 13 states and several departments in CMC. The CME Department thanks Dr. Reeta Vijayaselvi, all the faculty and the Telemedicine Department for making the CME possible.

Tamil Shiloh-2025

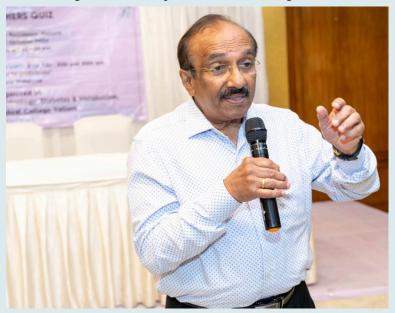


The Tamil Shiloh for the CMC staff was held for five days between the 2nd & 3rd October, 2025, in Ranipet Campus and 7th, 8th, & 9th October, 2025, in Main Campus. The guest speaker for Ranipet Campus this year was Dr. R. Saha Arul Raju, Founder & Chairman, Cross Medical Institutions, Nagercoil. The guest speaker for Main Campus was Mr. Charles Christopher, The Gideons International in India, Chennai. They spoke to the participants, challenging them to rededicate their lives to the cause of the institution. More than 2800 staff enthusiastically participated in both the Campus and were blessed through the word of God. It was a motivating experience, and many individuals made meaningful decisions during the five-day event. Dr. Vikram Mathews, Director, Dr. Jachin Velavan, Associate Director (Missions), Dr. Selvamani. B, Associate Director (Finance) and Mr. C. Reni Charles, General Superintendent, were present and encouraged the staff to commit themselves towards the vision and mission of Christian Medical College Vellore and to be part of the healing ministry of Christ.



World Diabetes Day 2025: Inspiring Awareness Through Creativity and Knowledge

In commemoration of World Diabetes Day 2025, the Department of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, organised a vibrant event comprising an essay and painting competition for students from grades VIII to XII, along with a quiz competition for schoolteachers. The event, held on October 18th, 2025, at Darling Residency, Vellore, aimed to inspire students to adopt a healthier lifestyle while addressing the challenges in diabetes prevention and management.



The Chief Guest for the event was Dr. George Chandy, Former Director, CMC Vellore and Director, Believers Church Medical College Hospital, Thiruvalla, Kerala. He stressed the need for diet, exercise, and lifestyle changes to combat obesity and diabetes, and highlighted the importance of educating students about Type 1 Diabetes.

He said, "This will break the stigma around the disease and insulin administration, promoting an environment of acceptance and support towards these patients and their families".



The essay competition on the topic "Healthy Habits Today; Healthy Life Tomorrow – The Role of Parents and Teachers in Preventing Diabetes and Obesity in Children" saw enthusiastic participation, with 95 students writing in English and 90 in Tamil. The participants thoughtfully explored the theme, emphasising the vital role of parents and teachers in shaping healthy habits among children. The winners for the essay competition will be announced later.



The topic for the painting competition was: Technology and Humanity – A Partnership for Better Health," with participation of 98 students.

The judging panel included Dr. Ronald Carey, Professor & Head, Department of Medicine Unit IV, Dr. Justin Benjamin, Associate Professor, Department of Nuclear Medicine, and Mrs. Abijah Princy, Additional Deputy Dean and Professor, College of Nursing, CMC Vellore.



Painting Competition

First place: Uday Karthik and Ashwanth from Ida Scudder School

Second place: Subiksha-Freedom Concept School & Kavyanjali- Sri Narayani Vidhyashram

Third place: Miracline Benita -Little Flower Convent School, Pragnya S - Sree Jayam School & Chathriya

Sree - Maharishi Vidya Mandir School

Consolation Prizes: Hasini from Ida Scudder School, Faridha St.Mary's School, Aravind from Sri Sai Vidyashram, Afsana Asmee from The Koona Presidency School, Dishite from Rishi Matriculation School

Teachers Quiz

Topic: Nobel Prizes, Sports, General Knowledge, General Health, and General Science

A total of 23 teams participated, with the top five advancing to the finals

First place: Om Sakthi Narayani Public Higher Secondary School

Second place: Kingston International School **Third place:** Spark Matriculation School

The event was presided over by Dr. Padmavathi T.G, Assistant Professor, Department of Endocrinology,

Diabetes and Metabolism



World Spine Day Awareness Programme - October 2025



World Spine Day was observed through programmes organised by the Surgical Nursing Unit and the Department of Spine Surgery. With the theme "Invest in Your Spine," the event included a week-long series of competitions at the CMC Town Campus. The activities saw enthusiastic participation, with a total of 240 entries across various events.

An exhibition on spine health awareness was organised on 18th October 2025 in CMC Town Campus, which included interactive stalls and educational displays. The inauguration ceremony was graced by Dr. Henry Prakash, Deputy Medical Superintendent, Mrs. Alice Sony, Nursing Superintendent, Dr. Kenny Samuel David, Head of Spine Surgery, Dr. Asha Solomon, Head of Surgical Nursing, and Rev. Paul Ravikumar; they offered their felicitations at the event.

The exhibition stalls displayed educational infographics and activities, including game-based health education on spine health, posters, a video on body mechanics, participatory activities on spine-friendly diet, postural ergonomics, and a QR-code-based health education on Spinal health and Spinal conditions; offered in English, Tamil, Hindi and Bengali. At the back school stall, the physiotherapist actively educated visitors on proper back exercises and spine care. In the spine-specific screening and referral station, 39 individuals were screened for spinal issues, and 19 of them were referred to the Department of Spine Surgery for further evaluation and follow-up.

This initiative was a meaningful step in spreading awareness on spinal health. The event fostered community engagement and encouraged spine-healthy habits. Continued collaborative efforts are planned to sustain momentum and improve spinal health outcomes.



The winners of the various competitions were awarded prizes by the dignitaries during the inauguration ceremony. The prize winners are:

Quiz Competition

First place: Ms. Axa Babu, Staff Nurse, Staff Nurse, A9 ward; Ms. Silviya Rani, Charge Nurse, O6 East

ward; Ms. Angel Macwan, Staff Nurse, A9 ward

Second place: Mr. Andrew Avinash, Staff Nurse, Q2 ward; Mr. Samson, Staff Nurse, A2 ward;

Ms. Anandhi A., Staff Nurse, B3 ward

Third place: Ms. Roopavathi, Staff Nurse, B2 ward; Ms. Janvi, Staff Nurse, B2 ward; Ms. Roshini, Staff

Nurse, B2 ward

Short Essay Competition

First place: Ms. Hannah George, Tutor, FON

Second place: Ms. Mallika Mondal, Staff Nurse, D404 Ward

Third place: Ms. Anandhi A., B3 ward

Poster Competition

First place: Ms. Cynthia, MICU POD-5

Second place: Ms. Nidhimol, Staff Nurse, Q3 Ward

Third place: Ms. Sandhiya S., Staff Nurse, Trauma OR and Ms. Malathi, Staff Nurse, PBBOR

Slogan Competition

First place: Ms. Shobana, Staff Nurse, PBBOR

Second place: Ms. Christina, Staff Nurse, C301 Ward

Third place: Ms. Mallika Mondal, Staff Nurse, D404 Ward.

World Pharmacist day



The Department of Pharmacy Services celebrated *World Pharmacist Day – 25th September* on the theme, *Think Health, Think Pharmacist* in Jacob Chandy Hall, Paul Brand Building. The valedictory programme started with an opening prayer by Mr. Issac Premkumar, Sr.Sel. Gr.Pharmacist, OP Pharmacy and bible reading by Mr. Justin Sudhakar, K., Sel. Gr.Pharmacist, Main Pharmacy.

Dr. Ronald Carey, Head, Department of Pharmacy Services, gave the welcome address with a brief note on the role of pharmacists and their contributions in various sections of the department including manufacturing division, dispensing outlets, pharmacy purchase & stores sections, drug information services, pharmacovigilance programme, continuing pharmacy education and patient counselling at the OP Pharmacy and ISSCC General Pharmacy. He appreciated and thanked all the pharmacists working in the department on the occasion of World Pharmacist Day celebration this year. The Chief Guest, Mrs. Alice Sony, addressed the gathering and commended the pharmacists for their consistent quality of work and their expertise in interpreting prescriptions, understanding drug interactions, and decoding medical abbreviations. She acknowledged their vital role in managing the growing number of patients across all campuses of the Christian Medical College and expressed appreciation that pharmacy courses will soon be introduced at the new College of Pharmacy on the Bagayam Campus.

A series of competitions were organised, including a Flashcards Contest, Dumb Charades (two participants per team), Pharmacists' Skills Contest, and a Quiz Competition (three participants per team), all centered on the event's theme. Over 76 pharmacists and pharmacy trainees from across all CMC campuses registered and actively participated in these events. The competitions were planned and coordinated by Dr. S. Annadurai. The Chief Guest, Mrs. Alice Sony, Nursing Superintendent, CMC, and Dr. Ronald Carey, Head of Pharmacy, CMC, distributed prizes and certificates to the winners of the various contests.

Dr. S. Annadurai, Professor and Staff In-charge, Manufacturing Division., Department of Pharmacy Services, delivered a brief talk about the importance of World Pharmacist Day. He highlighted this year's theme, "Think Health, Think Pharmacist" and summarised the core skills and contribution of hospital pharmacists in patient care. He mentioned that hospital pharmacists are integral to our health-care systems, being the trusted point of contact, ensuring access to and providing guidance on essential medicines and medical devices, minimising medication errors and providing expertise for medication adherence and pointed out the common medication safety challenges faced by pharmacists in day to day work.

Later, Dr. Annadurai administered the "Pharmacists' Oath" [a vow that pharmacists take to serve humanity and uphold the standards of pharmacy profession] to all the pharmacists gathered at the valedictory programme.

The programme concluded with prayer and benediction by the Chaplain, Mrs. Abisha. Mr. Thomas Vijayaprakash, Department Treasurer, proposed the vote of thanks. The Department Secretary, Mr. Sadrock Kingley and the other office bearers of the department, Mr. Stalin Selvaraj and Mrs. Caroline Sheeba made the arrangements for the event









World Pharmacists Day - Competition Results

Pharmacy Flashcards Contest – 18.09.2025

1st Prize: Mr. Syed Nisar Ali, J – OT Pharmacy, CMC Ranipet

2nd Prize: Ms. Mangalam Rebakkal Hanah, I – ISSCC General Pharmacy

3rd Prize (shared): Mrs. Renuka, D – OP Pharmacy, Town Campus & Mr. Walter Issac, A – OP

Pharmacy, CMC Ranipet

Dumb Charades Contest - 19.09.2025

1st Prize: Team "E" – Mr. Saran Ajith and Ms. Pooja – OP Pharmacy, CMC Ranipet

2nd Prize: Team "B" – Mrs. Shadhiya, B and Mrs. Evelyn Indra, F – Main Pharmacy, Town Campus **3rd Prize:** Team "C" – Mrs. Devi Bala – KP ICU Pharmacy, CMC Ranipet and Ms. Asha, T – OP

Pharmacy, Town Campus.

Pharmacists' Skills Assessment Test – 22.09.2025

1st Prize: Mr. Ulaganathan, K – OP Pharmacy, Town Campus

2nd Prize: Ms. Asha, T – OP Pharmacy, Town Campus **3rd Prize:** Ms. Pooja, G – OP Pharmacy, CMC Ranipet

Pharmacy Quiz Contest - 23.09.2025

1st Prize: Team "D" – Mr. Gokul Raj, Mr. Purushothaman, and Mr. Arshad, H – Rx Stores, CMC Ranipet –

2nd Prize: Team "B" – Ms. Mangalam Rebakkal Hanah, J, Mrs. Komathi, N, and Ms. Sriranjani, R –

ISSCC General Pharmacy, Town Campus -

3rd Prize: Team "A" – Ms. Gomathi, N, Mrs. Renuka, D, and Ms. Asha, T – OP Pharmacy, Town Campus 10

Sports News



The CMC Woman's Futsal team won as runners up in the intercollegiate Sports Fest - STANLEA'25 organised by Stanley Medical College; at Chennai on 20th September 2025.

Result: Kaviya Sri S (Batch of 2021) B.Sc. Medical Laboratory Technology

Result: Hannah R (Batch of 2021) Bachelors of Occupational Therapy Runners up

Lakshana R (Batch of 2022) MBBS

Following students participated:

Rea Ann Mathew (Batch of 2022) MBBS

Donia T Shaju (Batch of 2022) MBBS Johanna George (Batch of 2023) MBBS

Sanjana S (Batch of 2022) MBBS

Special Prayers: November 09 - 15, 2025

Nephrology: Dr. Vinoi George David and Staff

Dr. Santhosh Varughese and Staff Dr. Suceena Alexander and Staff Mrs. Reena George and Staff Mrs. Shalini Chandran and Staff

Emmanuel Hospital Association

Council Member: Dr. Deepak Samson Singh

Hospitals: The Duncan Hospital, Raxaul, Asha Kiran Hospital,

Lamtaput, Makunda Christian Hospital,

Herbertpur Christian Hospital, Prem Jyoti Community Hospital,

Chinchpada Christian Hospital and others.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madhya Pradesh

Council Members: Dr. Rajiv Choudhrie and Dr. Deepa Choudhrie

Hospital: Padhar Hospital, Betul and others.



Laurels & Recognitions

Dr. Arun Govind, Assistant Professor in ENT has won the best paper award for his presentation at the 26th Annual Conference of the Skull Base Surgery Society of India (SKULLBASECON 2025) held at Chennai from 30th October to 1st November, 2025.

Retirement

Mr. Balaji V, Senior Selection Grade Medical Lab Technician retired on 20th October 2025 after completing 37 years of his valuable service in our institution. He joined the Community Health Department in 1986 under an ICMR project and was later incorporated into the regular Medical Lab Technician stream in 1988. From the humble beginning of Laboratory services of CHAD Hospital, the secondary care level hospital to its present upgraded version, Mr. Balaji has provided his service consistently and sincerely. He was found to be hard working, meticulous in his reporting and proactively informing critical values to the concerned clinician. He was also found at times to stay back late to complete pending work.



His tenure as the Senior Lab Technician, was marked with his consistent and remarkable involvement in the Lab infrastructure renovation, upgradation of the analysers and the setting up of the CHAD Blood Storage Centre. His involvement in arranging for OSPE during University examinations is also remembered.

His colleague and friends in CHAD will miss his service and we all wish him the best and a healthy retirement life.

Upcoming Event



Obituaries

Rev. Israel Yenuberi, father of Dr. Hilda Yenuberi, Associate Professor, Obstetrics and Gynaecology-V, passed away on 2nd November, 2025. Let us uphold his wife Mrs. Ruth Rukmini, son-in-law Dr. Ajith Sebastian, Professor, Gynaecologic Oncology, grandchildren and all the bereaved family members in our prayers.

Mrs. A. Baby, mother of Mr. A. Ramesh, Sr. Sel. Gr. Pharmacist, ISSCC General Pharmacy, passed away on 4th November, 2025. Let us uphold Mr. A. Ramesh and all the bereaved family members in our prayers.

Mrs. Jeyaseeli Nesammal, mother of Mrs. Ebenezer Beulah S., Charge Nurse, Psychiatry Department and mother-in-law of Mr. C. Samuel Chandraraj, Sr. Sel.Gr. Coordinator, Directorate, passed away on 6th November, 2025. Let us uphold all the bereaved family members in our prayers.

Mr. M. Kannan, father of Mrs. Manimegalai, Hospital Attendant in ENT Unit-IV, passed away on 7th of November 2025. Let us uphold his children, grandchildren Mr. Sivanandam, Lab Technician, G20, Mr. Sathyamoorthy, Hospital Attendant, REHAB, Mr. Barani, Pharmacist and all other bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

Mrs. Rani mother of Mr. V. Dhinakaran, Junior Engineer in Electrical Department Ranipet Campus passed away on 7th Nov 2025. Let us uphold her Daughter in law Mrs. Maria Marfina, Staff Nurse, Q5E, grandchildren and all the bereaved family members in our prayers

Situations Vacant

Click the following link to view the vacancies https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx

Vacancies under the Principal's Office - for queries, contact the mentioned office

1. Senior Resident / Assistant Professor with MS (General Surgery) for the Department of Trauma Surgery

Experience: Should have at least one year teaching experience as (Asst. Professor) in any NMCrecognized teaching institution for applying Assistant Professor post.

Salary: As per institutional rules.

Accommodation: Provided (Subject to Availability).

Applications to be done only through an online application system.

Please log on to https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx

Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted. Applications will close by November 22, 2025.

2. Occupational Therapist (Term Post) with BOT (Regular Course) for the Department of PMR (Occupational Therapy)

Eligibility:

- CMC Graduates who have completed 2 years of service obligation.
- Graduates from other colleges who have completed 4 years + 6 months of compulsory internship.

Salary Scale: As per the institutional rules.

Accommodation: Not Provided.

Applications to be done only through an online application system.

Please log on to https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx

Hard Copies and Emails will not be accepted. Applications will close by November 22, 2025.

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

3. Engineer Gr. IV for the Department of Biomedical, Civil & Mechanical Engineering

Qualification: B.E. (Bio Medical, Civil & Mechanical Engineering).

Salary: As per Institutional Norms. **Age Limit:** 35 years and below.

Job condition: Candidates those who have Successfully Completed Asst. Engineer - 4th year

Please log on to https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx

Apply on or before November 12 2025

Note: Qualification "Full time formal courses from recognized college/university only. Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered. Final Year Students are not eligible. Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered. Existing Staff (term or project or permanent) can apply only after getting necessary approval from Head of the department.

4. Superintendent Engineer (SE) / Associate Superintendent Engineer (ASE)/ Deputy Superintendent Engineer (DSE)

Departments: Mechanical / Electrical/ Civil/ Biomedical/ Communication / Air-conditioning /

Environmental / Engineering Departments

Qualification: B.E. or B.Tech. (Mechanical / Electrical & Electronics / Civil / Bio-Medical/

Communication / Refrigeration and Air Conditioning / Environmental)

Salary: As per Institutional Norms.

Job Experience 17 Years/15 Years/12 Years' Experience After Qualification

Please log on to https://clin.cmcvellore.ac.in/cmcapp/listapplication.aspx

Apply on or before **November 30, 2025**

Note: Qualification "Full time formal courses from recognized college / university only. Applications should be made online. Applications through other job portals will not be considered.