

We Care

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*What we give to our children today
will return back to society tomorrow !*

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EDITORIAL

We Care has turned 20!

From 1999 to 2019 seems like a very long time, yet the years have passed by so quickly!

At this juncture we wish to reflect with you on some aspects of our journey that have so strongly influenced us and left us changed. These factors, such as technology, internet and computerization, ever increasing traffic and climate change, have had and are having a serious impact on our personal lives and on the future generations. We are aware of the problems, but proper solutions have been elusive.

Daily life is moving and changing at a rapid pace. With new developments in technology all aspects of our life are being challenged and transformed. The demand to cope up with the fast changing pace is having its pulls and pushes on individuals and family life. Conventional methods of doing things have become outdated. The exposure available to individuals, especially the youngsters, is indescribable. The volume of information available at one's fingertips and the speed at which a word can go round the globe and return has become phenomenal.

Artificial intelligence, computer automated (driver-less) vehicles, bio-metric driven gadgets have become part of our daily menu. Computer Technology and its interface with human beings is opening new avenues and opportunities as never before. Our thinking, memory, emotions, and perhaps every aspect of our lives is undergoing changes. While an F16 may seem like a mighty flying machine, a small drone can make an F16 look outdated!!! What next? The pressure on every individual, especially our children, youth and elders has increased. Perform or perish is the mantra.

A few days ago I met a youngster who made me sit up and wonder as he began to share how he lives his life today. He said, I am an "app-man". When I asked him to explain what an "app-man" means, he said, for everything there is an app today. Right from the first

alarm wake up call to the time I retire to bed my life is driven by apps. He said, there was a time when I would have to run around doing things. Today I just need to get the right app to do my work. He said, I do not know when was the last time I seen my bank, banking apps have made it easy for me. I do not need to worry about my next appointment; my mobile will give me a reminder. I can get any kind of food delivered at my door step with the click of an app. The plumber, the carpenter, the electrician are all on the app. He narrated an incident. The other day, I left my keys at my mother's place. On reaching my home I realized that my keys were left behind. I used a delivery app. Someone collected the keys from my mother's house and brought it to me! That's what I call being an app-man! Amused listening to this young man, I thought to myself – an app man, quite different from an ape-man that I was used to!!!

Traffic, has become a daily buzz word. It has also become a safe excuse for being late for work or for a meeting! But the growing traffic is real and menacing. The present infrastructure is not able to carry the burden of so many vehicles. Two-wheelers are taking risks of zip-zapping between vehicles and to beat time schedules even ride on the foot-path. The bus drivers are a pitied lot with having to frequently change gears and jam brakes at the unexpected flying objects appearing and disappearing before their tired eyes. The pedestrians, young and old, women and school children, are left at the mercy of God, taking the risk of crossing the road while traffic is whizzing by. Pot holes, road rages, screaming ambulances, constant honking, pollution, etc., have all added to the pressure on our blood vessels. How has the traffic impacted us at We Care?

A few years ago, We Care had a successful Community Based Rehabilitation Programme for the Disabled. We had to abandon the same as it was becoming functionally non-viable. In the first place, other local NGO's mushroomed taking up the same work and covering the same space. Then the time and energy consumed in travelling from one place to another was constantly increasing. Further the safety and security of our women staff was also becoming a serious issue. Will the driver-less vehicle be the

answer to our ever growing traffic? Or will we end up having fly-over over fly-over, till we touch the sky!

Climate change is also now a real threat. Many years ago we thought it was only a theoretical debate between environmentalists and politicians. But today, after having witnessed the irregular climate patterns and the destruction caused by the floods, hurricanes, fires, etc., there is no room for doubt. Environmentalists have been warning us that climate change is man-made. The insatiable greed of human beings to exhaust the resources of the earth as quickly as possible, as it there is no tomorrow, are having dire consequences. When we were children, we saw real fruits, flowers and animals. Now-a-days teachers and parents are educating their children with plastic, wooden, rubber and paper items. How are we preparing ourselves and our children to face the reality of climate change?

Our children are facing the brunt of all these changes and they suffer the most. With soaring rents and smaller spaces, families are living in crammed homes (lack of privacy), both parents having to work for long hours (no family time), highly polluted food, water and air (poor health), and the quick changing scenarios (confused minds), what is the quality of life that parents and teachers can provide for our children?

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We Care is grateful to God for giving us this opportunity to reach out to the poor and needy in a spirit of love and service for the past twenty years.

At We Care we try in small but significant ways to provide an environment where the children can develop their physical, intellectual, emotional and social self. We provide opportunities to children, to explore their talents and develop their skills, which would otherwise have been ignored in a highly competitive school environment. We know we cannot achieve great things, but if our presence can make a difference to some lives, then we find our presence justified. From the feedback we receive both from parents and the children, we know that We Care is truly making a positive contribution to their lives.

- Through the volunteers of Premankur, new born children of poor parents, receive clothes to cover themselves and feel welcomed into our world.
- Our scholarship and education assistance programme is benefitting the poor and deserving students studying in schools and hostels in various parts of India.
- We have been regularly supporting patients who are on dialysis, cancer treatment and other medical needs.
- The aged and destitute poor are also supported with food, medicines and hygiene in various places.
- We have a support programme for the mentally ill and challenged too consisting of medicines, hygiene and day care.

Putting people first, social accounting. In our efforts to enhance the quality of our work and to ensure the optimum cost-benefit we have made an effort to count the number of persons who have benefitted from the programme and activities. The figures given in the statistical tables are taken from our records. The details are not complete because the real number of people who benefit from our programme is not easy to determine. The information will however give the reader a fair view. It is not how many people you serve, that counts; it is how well you serve them, which really matters.

This newsletter covers the highlights of programmes, activities and financial information for April-March 2018-19. Photos have been arranged to suit the layout of the pages and do not correspond with the text where these have been placed. The newsletter is also available on our website [www.wecaretrust.org](http://www.wecaretrust.org)

**Dear Friends,** we are grateful to all our donors, for your generous contributions and continued support. It is through your help that we are able to achieve our initiatives and endeavours. We feel responsible to utilize the resources well and to reach out to as many needy persons as possible. Do support us with your prayers too.

Friends, we look forward to your generous support and encouragement for the coming years too. An individual is too small to make a mark in our world. But if all of us put our hands together, we can make a difference. Every drop helps in filling the bucket to the brim! Thank you for being part of We Care and together we can create a better world.

We remember with gratitude our Trustees, Donors, Benefactors, Well-wishers, Staff, Volunteers and those who associate and support us in one way or another. A special word of thanks to those who have set up memorial and corpus funds under the umbrella of We Care. We hope and pray that God Almighty may bless each one of you and your family members in ways that He knows best.

We remember with gratitude our Divine Patrons, St. Joseph and St. Anthony, whose constant intercession and protection we implore.

As we now step into the 20th year of our commitment, to humbly serve the poor with love, we are pleased to place this newsletter into your hands. Through all these activities, we endeavour, to touch the lives of as many children, patients and the poor, with lasting values that promote the goodness of life and to **“leave our fingerprints on every heart we touch”**.

With best wishes,  
Fr Trevor D'Souza,  
Managing Trustee  
31st March 2019



**Children enjoying a celebration with Fr Baptist D'Souza, OFM, Guest of Honour**

## WE CARE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME AND ACTIVITIES

We Care supports the education of children through scholarships, free tuition classes, nutrition, health care, honorarium to teacher-volunteers, uniform, books, study materials, hostel fees, etc. Proper procedures are followed and scrutiny is done to ensure that the economically weak and deserving receive the benefits. The total amount spent during the year **2017-18** was **Rs. 20,04,941**. The total beneficiaries was **2165** persons approximately, details of which are given in **Table 1**.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES

Scholarships (towards payment of school fees) and Education assistance (towards payment of hostel fees) are given to poor and deserving students. Most of the

beneficiaries are studying in the rural and tribal areas of our country. A large number of beneficiaries are girls. The students are selected by the respective schools.

Free Evening Tuition Classes is conducted for the EWS students (classes 1 to 7) at Pratiksha Nivas, Bangalore. This activity is carried on by Teacher, Ms. Rekha R, supported by Helper, Augustine C, and volunteers. Beside daily study, various awareness, fun activities, nutrition, health care, team building, talent discovery, drama, dance, drawing, music and many other activities were conducted for the children. This activity is substantially financed by Rambus Chip Technologies India Pvt Ltd., Bangalore, under their CSR programme. We thank Pearl D'Souza, Aadil Hussain and members of the CSR team of Rambus for their association and support.



Teacher Rekha conducts the Free Evening Tuition Classes for the children from the neighbourhood at Pratiksha Nivas, Bangalore. Here she is being appreciated by her students

## COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES INCLUDING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

As part of our community involvement, We Care also supports persons with disabilities and challenge. The total amount spent on Community programmes during the year **2018-19** was **Rs. 95,477**. The total beneficiaries was **392** persons approximately, details of which are given in **Table 2**.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES

In the distribution of education scholarship and other benefits, preference is given to students with disability or to families having persons with disability and children who have lost their father.

Ashray Matridham, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh has a regular stream of persons who suffer from mild to severe mental problems. The inmates are given lots of love and attention. Besides various activities, such as walking,

gardening, agarbatti making, singing, dancing, etc., are conducted in order to help the inmates to recover and be integrated with their families. We Care provides medicines and personal hygiene material on a monthly basis.

Maria Nikethan Day Care is located in the Nilgiris and provide day-care for persons with physical and mental challenge. We Care supports the persons with disability toward their costs in attending the Day-Care center.

Monthly rations were given to families having persons with disability.

Children with disability are encouraged to attend the Free Evening Tuition Classes, Summer camps and other programmes held at Pratiksha Nivas, Bangalore.

Relevant information on availability of scholarships, aids and appliances, employment opportunities, etc., are relayed to the persons with disability who are in contact with us.

**As part of the Free Evening Tuition Class, various cultural programmes were conducted during the year. The table below will give you a glimpse of the activities organized for the children.**

### OTHER PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED DURING THE YEAR 2018-19

|            |                                                      |                                                                  |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 30/06/2018 | Free Evening Tuition Inauguration                    | 38 participants (Trustees, staff, parents, children, volunteers) |
| 18/08/2018 | Independence Day                                     | 36 participants (Trustees, staff, children and friends)          |
| 08/09/2018 | Teachers Day                                         | 31 participants (Staff, children, volunteers and guests)         |
| 24/10/2018 | Gandhi Jayanthi                                      | 23 participants (Staff and children)                             |
| 24/11/2018 | Kannada Rajyostava Day, Children's Day and Deepavali | 28 participants (Staff, children, volunteers and guests)         |
| 14/12/2018 | Visit to Rambus Chip Technologies India Pvt Ltd      | 19 participants (Staff, children and staff of Rambus)            |
| 05/01/2019 | Christmas Programme                                  | 44 participants (Trustees, staff, children, parents and friends) |
| 02/02/2019 | Republic Day and Founder's Day                       | 25 participants (Trustees, staff, children, volunteers, friends) |
| 16/03/2019 | Women's Day                                          | 28 participants (Staff, children, parents and friends)           |
| 30/03/2019 | Free Evening Tuition Closing                         | 15 participants (staff and children)                             |

## MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME AND ACTIVITIES

We Care extends a helping hand to those in need of medical support. During the year **2018-19** the total amount spent was **Rs. 94,015**. Total beneficiaries was **27** persons approximately, details of which are given in **Table 3**.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES

- Financial support for persons undergoing dialysis, treatment for cancer, mental disorders, psychiatry and other illnesses. Patients are referred by St John's Medical College Hospital and Right to Live Foundation.
- Supplies of medical items for elderly and sick patients at two Palliative Care Centers.

## WOMEN AND CHILD PROGRAMME & ACTIVITIES

We Care conducts awareness and empowerment programmes for the benefit of women and the girl child. During the year **2018-19** the total amount spent was **Rs. 40,251**. Total beneficiaries was **123** persons approximately, details of which are given in **Table 4**.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES

- World Women's Day celebration at Pratiksha Nivas, Bangalore.
- Premankur Programme, distribution of home-stitched clothes for new born babies by the women volunteers, who distribute the same in government maternity hospitals every quarter.



Women's Day Programme, held at We Care, Pratiksha Nivas, Bangalore on 07/03/2018.

## OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

We Care supports various programmes for the benefit of the aged, poor and downtrodden persons of our society. During the year **2018-19** the total amount spent was **Rs. 48,147**. Total beneficiaries was **274** persons approximately, details of which are given in **Table 5**.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES

- Support for senior citizens at Karunamaya Destitute Home, Andhra Pradesh, Maria Sadan, Telegana State and St Joseph Prashanth Nivas, Karnataka.
- Used clothes distribution

## OFFICE ACTIVITIES

During the year **2018-19** we had one office staff, **Mrs Rehka R** and one support staff **Mr Augustine C**. **Mr Geo George**, volunteered his services assisting us in the office.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMMES & ACTIVITIES

- Staff training.
- Documentation and record keeping.
- Conducting the programmes and activities.
- Accounting, correspondence, etc.
- Publicity and public relations (newsletter-cum-annual report, quarterly reports updating Information on social media and the website).
- Other activities.



### Children engrossed in drawing

Cultural activities, such as drawing, music, singing, drama, indoor games, etc., play an important part in the education of a child.

During the Free Evening Tuition Classes the children are given an opportunity to express themselves in various ways. In the process the children develop a sense of confidence in themselves and also discover their talents.

## PREMANKUR : THE SEEDLING OF LOVE AND JOY



I wish to share a little story with you on the genesis of Premankur, the Seedling of Love. My name is **Jennifer Yvonne Pereira**. I am the Founding member of Premankur, which was born in April 2007. On one occasion, while I was reading the Bible about the birth of Jesus, I came across this passage, where the angel appeared to some shepherds in the fields and said to them: "Go, you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger" (Lk 2:12). While I was meditating upon this, it dawned on me that Mary did not have proper clothes to wrap her new born baby, Jesus. It suddenly flashed in my mind, how many young mothers, coming from poor families, do not have clothes to cover their babies. These thoughts began to haunt me and deep within me I felt I should do something about this. So I shared these thoughts and feelings with my close friends Cynthia Rosaria and Lydia Fernandes. After reflecting and praying over this, we were inspired to start Premankur.

Since the three of us were active housemakers, we took

up stitching clothes for newly born babies in our spare time. We decided to have about 25 pieces of cloths (nappies, dresses, cap, socks, mini-blanket, etc.) in one packet. When we had made about 25 packets, we decided to visit the local Corporation maternity hospital, where the poor expectant women would come for delivery. What we saw confirmed our inspiration. Truly many mothers barely had a little cloth to cover their newly born babies. Some women had just one piece of cloth, their own saree, to cover themselves and their baby!!! When we told them that we have brought some clothes for their child, they could not believe their ears and were so happy to receive the unexpected gift. The smiles on the mothers faces and their sense of gratitude is our joy and reward. Our visits to the poor mothers in these hospital made us realize that this act of love and mercy, is just a small loving step in welcoming another human being into our world with dignity.

Slowly the news began to spread and more ladies began to join us. Marie Mascarenhas, who was a master cutter, joined our group together with others. Today we are a volunteer group of 18 ladies, who meet regularly, stitch clothes in our free time and visit hospitals to share our love with the poor. Most of us are in our 70's and 80's. Some of our volunteers have gone to their eternal home. For the past years, we have been carrying on Premankur with our own contributions and small donations from generous persons. We give of our hands and put our tailoring skills into this act of love. Every year we bring clothing to about 90-100 new born children.

We pray that God sustains us with good health to continue this good work. Those who are interested to be part of this endeavor can contact us. I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to all our volunteers who so generously give of their time and talents to

**TABLE 1: EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP & ASSISTANCE IN 2018-19**

| <b>Names Of Schools/Hostels/Programmes</b>                                      | <b>No. of Students</b> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Alphonsa Vidhyalaya, Jasidih P.O, Deoghar Dist, Jharkhand                       | 30                     |
| Alphonsa Hostel & Vinay Bhawan T.H, Deoghar, Jharkhand                          | 15                     |
| Bharath Matha Nuseri Primary School, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu                       | 28                     |
| Bharath Community Matric Higer Secondary School, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu           | 30                     |
| Carmel High School, Darjeeling, West Bengal                                     | 30                     |
| Fatima Girls Higher Secondary School, Gudalur, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu             | 75                     |
| Gerosa Nursery & Primary School (English Medium), Gudalur, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu | 30                     |
| Gerosa Primary School (Tamil Medium), Gudalur, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu             | 20                     |
| Govt High School, Dharmagiri, Gudalur, Tamil Nadu                               | 20                     |
| Jyoti Niwas Girls Hostel, Hazaribag, Jharkhand                                  | 39                     |
| Maria Deepti Matriculation School, Panakahalli, Erode, Tamil Nadu               | 48                     |
| Pratiksha Nivas, Free Evening Tuition Class, Bangalore, Karnataka               | 25                     |
| Santhome Higher Primary & High School, Anavatti, Karnataka                      | 10                     |
| St. Alphonsa Hostel, Purnea, Bihar                                              | 40                     |
| St Alphonsa Niwas Hostel, Sundermore, Jharkhand                                 | 50                     |
| St Clare's Hostel, Satmi, Bihar                                                 | 30                     |
| St Clare's Hostel, Darjeeling, West Bengal                                      | 25                     |
| St Vianney Hostel, Satmi, Bihar                                                 | 10                     |
| St Francis Primary School, Kishanganj, Bihar                                    | 35                     |
| St Francis Hostel, Thakurganj, Bihar                                            | 35                     |
| St Joseph's Nursery & Primary School, Gudalur, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu             | 17                     |
| St Mary's Bal Bhawan (Hostel), Etah, Uttar Pradesh                              | 50                     |
| St Mary's High School, Etah, Uttar Pradesh                                      | 50                     |
| St Mary's High School, Gudalur, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu                            | 63                     |
| St Thomas Middle School, Sundermore, Jharkand                                   | 50                     |
| St Thomas Boys Hostel, Munshibari, Bihar                                        | 10                     |
| St Thomas High School, Munshibari, Bihar                                        | 50                     |
| St.Vianney School, Stami, Bihar                                                 | 40                     |
| St Gabriel High School, Hazaribag, Jharkhand                                    | 70                     |
| Students studying at various Schools in Gudalur, Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu           | 10                     |
| Students studying in various Schools, Bangalore, Karnataka                      | 7                      |
| Students studying in various Schools, Mangalore, Karnataka                      | 23                     |
| Students studying in various Schools, Rajkot District, Gujarat                  | 18                     |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                    | <b>1083</b>            |

**TABLE 2: COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMMES INCLUDING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN 2018-19**

| <b>Particulars</b>                                                      | <b>No. of Beneficiaries</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Competitions and Cultural Activities                                    | 368                         |
| Integrated Children Summer Camps, Pratiksha Nivas, Bangalore, Karnataka | 32                          |
| Maria Nikethan Day Care for Challenged, Gudalur, Niligris, Tamil Nadu   | 17                          |
| Ashray, Home for Mentally Challenged, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh - monthly | 27                          |
| Nutrition supplement for Disabled, Bangalore, Karnataka - monthly       | 4                           |
| <b>Total</b>                                                            | <b>448</b>                  |

**TABLE 3: MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME & ACTIVITIES IN 2018-19**

| <b>Particulars</b>                                                  | <b>No. of Beneficiaries</b> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Dialysis Patients, Bangalore, Karnataka                             | 5                           |
| Medical Supplies at Ave Maria Palliative Care, Mangalore, Karnataka | 22                          |
| <b>Total</b>                                                        | <b>27</b>                   |

**TABLE 4: WOMEN AND CHILD PROGRAMME & ACTIVITIES IN 2018-19**

| <b>Particulars</b>                                              | <b>No. of Beneficiaries</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Premankur, Clothing for new born children, Bangalore, Karnataka | 95                          |
| Women's Day Celebrations, Pratiksha Nivas, Bangalore, Karnataka | 28                          |
| <b>Total</b>                                                    | <b>123</b>                  |

**TABLE 5: OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES IN 2018-19**

| <b>Particulars</b>                                                                   | <b>No. of Beneficiaries</b> |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Food for Aged Destitute, Karunamaya Destitute Home, Andhra Pradesh – monthly         | 22                          |
| Food for Aged Destitute, Maria Sadan, Telegana State - monthly                       | 22                          |
| Senior Citizens, St Joseph Prashanth Nivas, Sisters of Charity, Mangalore, Karnataka | 200                         |
| Used Clothes Distributed, Bangalore, Karnataka                                       | 30                          |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                         | <b>274</b>                  |

**TOKEN OF GRATITUDE**

We extend our heartfelt gratitude  
to all the staffs and volunteers of We Care  
who work tirelessly for the benefit of poor and the less privileged in the society.  
We thank our benefactors and donors for their valuable and generous donations.

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## ACCOUNTS: DETAILS OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

| <b>PARTICULARS</b>                      | <b>2018-19</b>   | <b>2017-18</b>   | <b>2016-17</b>   |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Voluntary Contributions & Donations     | 81,500           | 1,75,001         | 51,200           |
| Interest on Investments & Deposits      | 24,53,018        | 22,55,974        | 24,35,905        |
| Contribution to Memorial & Corpus Funds | 9,54,280         | 7,94,300         | 9,99,500         |
| Other Income                            | 0                | 14,056           | 15,866           |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME</b>                     | <b>34,88,798</b> | <b>32,39,331</b> | <b>35,02,471</b> |
| Education Assistance                    | 18,76,654        | 20,04,941        | 24,28,767        |
| Community Activities including Disabled | 95,477           | 64,772           | 1,13,101         |
| Children & Women                        | 40,251           | 42,045           | 947              |
| Medical Assistance                      | 94,015           | 2,04,006         | 1,33,054         |
| Help for Poor, Aged, Destitute          | 48,147           | 1,04,020         | 92,848           |
| Administration & Other Expenses         | 1,74,359         | 2,35,560         | 2,51,557         |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>                | <b>23,28,903</b> | <b>26,55,344</b> | <b>30,20,274</b> |

**NOTE:** The above details are taken from our audited accounts. The figures are in Indian Rupees. We are grateful to our Auditor, **CA. Rohan Miranda of Lawrence Tellis Associates**, Bangalore and his staff for their valuable guidance and services. The contributions made to the Memorial and Corpus funds form part of the capital. These funds are invested in fixed deposits and the interest thereon is utilized for carrying on various activities.

## MEMORIAL AND CORPUS FUNDS

**If you love someone, show it. Set up a memorial / charity fund  
in memory of yourself / your loved ones  
Continue to live in the hearts and minds of people  
rather than on the face of a tombstone!**

Memorial and corpus funds are a beautiful way to preserve the memory of someone you love. At the end of March 2019, we have **60 (sixty)** memorial/corpus/welfare funds. We are grateful to those who have reposed their trust and confidence in us by setting up funds in honour and memory of their loved ones or for a particular cause. The funds are listed below comprise of Education Funds, Health Funds, Memorial & Charitable Funds, Welfare Funds and Other Funds. These are listed along with the year in which they were established.

|      |                                                                          |      |                                        |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------------|
| 2018 | We Care for Poor Fund                                                    | 2007 | Valeria Peters Memorial Fund           |
| 2017 | Sequeira's from Sakleshpur Education Fund                                | 2007 | Premankur Fund                         |
| 2016 | Franklin Menezes Memorial Health Fund                                    | 2007 | Lily and Bonaventure Memorial Fund     |
| 2015 | Raymond/Cecelia, Basil/Violet Lobo Memorial Fund                         | 2007 | Hands of Hope Fund                     |
| 2015 | Mary Valerian Rodrigues Education Fund                                   | 2007 | Amici Do Raoul Follereau Trust         |
| 2014 | Francis/Santanna Pinto, Andrew/Magdalene D'Souza Memorial Education Fund | 2007 | Amanda and Ambur Fund                  |
| 2013 | Daniel D'Souza Path of Charity Fund                                      | 2007 | Alwyn and Bernadette Nazareth Fund     |
| 2012 | Robert and Alex Lewis Memorial Fund                                      | 2006 | We Care 4 Children Fund                |
| 2012 | Mervyn and Irene Colaco Education Fund                                   | 2006 | Cecilia Thomas Memorial Fund           |
| 2012 | Mervyn and Irene Colaco Charity Fund                                     | 2005 | We Care Education Fund                 |
| 2011 | We Care Health Fund                                                      | 2005 | Prudente and Fatima Menezes Fund       |
| 2011 | Kulandai Mary & Marian Ambrose Memorial Health Fund                      | 2005 | Beatrice and Charles Noronha Fund      |
| 2011 | Kamala Nataraj Memorial Charity Fund                                     | 2004 | St Anthony's Charity Fund              |
| 2011 | John and Celine Smith Fund for Senior Citizens                           | 2004 | Rosario Vincent & Natalia Lobo Fund    |
| 2011 | Christopher Savio & Shantila Maria Correia Memorial Education Fund       | 2004 | Osborne and Ella D'Lima Fund           |
| 2010 | We Care Disabled Persons Fund                                            | 2004 | Mable Rodrigues Fund                   |
| 2010 | Noel Lobo Prabhu Memorial Fund                                           | 2003 | Rita Nazareth Memorial Fund            |
| 2010 | Kardel Education Fund                                                    | 2003 | Karen Maryann Pereira Memorial Fund    |
| 2010 | Jerry Cardoza Memorial Education Fund                                    | 2003 | John and Edith Coutinho Memorial Fund  |
| 2010 | Hailey Nazareth Penny Fund for Children                                  | 2003 | Dr Jeanette Pinto Fund (for widows)    |
| 2010 | Aruldass Ambrose Education Fund                                          | 2003 | D Y N Murthy Fund                      |
| 2009 | Yvette and Austin Da Gama Memorial Fund                                  | 2002 | Velthoria and George Sequeira Fund     |
| 2009 | Stella Sequeira Memorial Fund                                            | 2002 | Shirley and Maurice D'Mello Fund       |
| 2009 | Peter and Florine Tantz Memorial Fund                                    | 2002 | Annam Manikkathan Fund.                |
| 2009 | Mercy Jacob Charity Fund                                                 | 2001 | Vida and Douglas Lobo Health Care Fund |
| 2009 | Lazarus Rajamani and Erick Vaz Memorial Fund                             | 2000 | Women's Welfare Fund                   |
| 2009 | Ivy and Rudy D'Silva Marian Charity Fund                                 | 2000 | Maureen and Kevin Colaco Fund          |
| 2009 | Francis Xavier and Lilian Catherine Sequeira Memorial Fund               | 2000 | Leprosy Patients and Families Fund     |
| 2008 | Alma Philip Memorial Fund                                                | 1999 | John and Theresa D'Souza Fund          |
| 2008 | A Lazarus Old Age Memorial Fund                                          | 1999 | Initial Trust Fund                     |

## THANK YOU

We extend our sincere **THANKS** to many persons for their unstinted support and encouragement.

**STAFF:**

Rekha R and C Augustine

**FRIENDS OF WE CARE:**

Philomena D'Souza, Gladys D'Souza, Madhu Satish, Geo George, Narasimha Murthy, Pearl D'Souza, Anita Pelgrim, Kevin and Maureen Colaco and many others.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR FREE EVENING TUITION CLASS:**

Anitha Kumar, Teacher; Yashna Kumar, student, Bangalore; Fenelina Geraldine D'Souza, student, Bangalore; Kayya Lau, student, Christ University, Bangalore; Shardul Khandelwal, Christ University, Bangalore.

**COORDINATORS OF PROGRAMMES:**

Sr Sheela, Fr Ravi Lawrence, Miss J Narmatha, Sr Tresa John, Sr Rosa Philip, Sr Elizabeth, Sr Sherly, Jancy Joseph, Sr Mary M, Fr Charles Babu, Judith P.V, Sr Leena Mary, Sr Jophy, Sr Leela Jose, Sr Nobi, Fr Patras Hansdak, Naveen Kujur, Sr Manjula, Sr Jessy Abraham, Fr Sahaya Raj, Sr Binu AV, Sr Sheela Francis, Sr Jiji T J, Sr Elizabeth, Sr Liza, Sr Lizy Thomas, Sr Ranita, Judith D'Silva, Lydith Pinto, Sr Gracy Kuttikkat, Sr Aruna Theresa, Sr Treasa Muttathottil, Principals and Staff of various schools.

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**OUR DIVINE PATRONS:** St. Joseph and St. Anthony of Padua

**COMPUTERS MAINTENANCE:** Joseph Paul and Sam of Mangal Computers

**LEGAL MATTERS:** Advocate Baptist D'Souza

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**The highest education is that which does not merely give us information  
but make our life in harmony with all existence**

**Rabindranath Tagore**



Helper Augustine C being appreciated by the students of Free Evening Tuition Class

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## FRIENDS OF WE CARE



**MRS GLADYS D'SOUZA**

has been a very good friend and well-wisher of We Care from its very inception. Every ready and willing to be attend our functions, which is a great source of encouragement for the children. She is also very generous with snacks and gifts for the children. We Care is indebted to her for her generosity and moral support.

**WE CARE EXPRESSES OUR APPRECIATION AND  
GRATITUDE TO BOTH  
MRS GLADYS D'SOUZA  
AND  
MRS PHILOMENA D'SOUZA  
FOR THEIR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS AND  
MORAL SUPPORT.**



**MRS PHILOMENA D'SOUZA**

I have been associated with the We Care for several years. I must applaud the dedication and commitment of the Team. It has been an honour and privilege to be invited for the various activities they conduct over the year. I had the opportunity to attend two of their events last year. The Team takes great care in organizing each activity with paying attention to every detail, more importantly ensuring that the children have a memorable experience. I wish the We Care Team all the best for the future!

*Mrs Philomena D'Souza has been a very good friend and well-wisher of We Care for many years. In spite of her failing health, she never fails to enquire about the children and our well-being. She would travel by local buses just to be with the children, and invariably carry delicious cake for the children prepared with her own hands !*



As a part of our college academics, we had to undergo a Social Concern Project and that was when we got a great opportunity to come and teach such brilliant students at We Care. Wonderful place and environment for children to grow - a place which can be trusted blindly.

**Ms Kavya Lau and Shardul Khandelwal  
(Students, Christ University, 2018-19)**

Thanks to our young student volunteers. Your presence surely makes a difference to our children.



***This space is dedicated  
in prayerful  
remembrance of our  
donors, benefactors and  
well-wishers who have  
left for their heavenly  
abode. May their souls  
rest in peace.***



**GURURAJ N ( 1992 – 2018 )**

**Gururaj** hails from a very poor family. He was staying with his mother. At a very young age his kidney were affected and he had to undergo dialysis. Fortunately for him he was able to have a kidney transplant with the support of a State Government programme. With regular medication he was able to do some employment.

We Care encountered Gururaj as part of our CBR programme. Since he was finding it very difficult to take up a full time employment, We Care provided him with a job as a Helper in the Office. He was also given special privileges to go for his medical treatment whenever necessary.

We found him to be a very sincere and honest person. He was regular for his work, which he did diligently.

Owing to some infection his health began to deteriorate. He had to spend a long time in hospital and became invalid. After a prolonged illness Gururaj passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2018.



**Children outing at Rambus Chip Technologies India Pvt Ltd**



**ANITA KUMAR**, Volunteer, 2018-19.

My experience at We Care was absolutely amazing. I am very grateful to Father Trevor for giving me this opportunity to help with the children. This experience brought about so much of enrichment to my teaching skills. Father Trevor along with his staff Rekha and Augustine are really doing a remarkable job. At a time when my life had stagnated and I was feeling very lost We Care helped me find myself. The children are simply adorable and I will always remember how I looked forward to those evenings of sharing and caring with them. Thank you We Care and thank you Father for making my life meaningful once again.

*We Care is extremely grateful to Anita Kumar (a trained Montessori teacher) for giving her valuable time and talent for our children. The children loved her presence and enjoyed themselves in her company. Her creative ways of teaching made a big difference in the learning process for the children. We are happy to know that We Care could help you find yourself again. God bless you and wish you all the best for the future.*



Premankur Volunteers



Ms Fenelina D'Souza



Ms Yashna Kumar

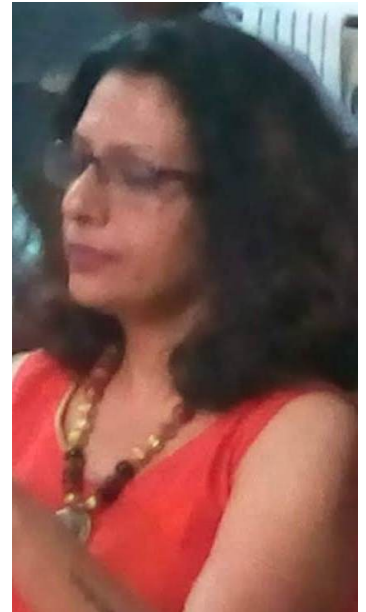
My experience at 'we care' was the most enriching and fulfilling one I have ever had. I worked at We Care during a break from my academics which I took due to certain health issues. As a student who aspires to make my mark in this world, I have learned so much from the children at We Care. Imparting knowledge to them and conducting a summer camp for them were experiences that changed my perspective on education and what it really is. It helped me realize the true meaning and value of the social institution of education. The work that We Care does for these underprivileged students is commendable. The experience helped my realize how privileged I am, I was to be able to go to school and get an education without any barriers. We often take our studies for granted and complain about it, but working at We Care made me realize how valuable it truly is. I appreciate the work We Care is doing because it is noble to be in a position to help these deserving young students overcome the barriers they face and enable them to get the education they rightly deserve. **Yashna Kumar, Volunteer, 2018-19.**

*Yashna and Fenelina thank you both for your valuable contribution as Volunteers to We Care. We you all the best for your future.*

We Care is a center where children can learn life-skills and grow into responsible citizens. It is a haven for mental, physical, spiritual, social and emotional well being for children. The staff are dedicated to the mission of education and development of children. We Care is a place where children feel encouraged and safe to explore their talents and skills. They are free to dream their dreams and believe that their dreams can come true with hard work and dedication to the cause. Children are encouraged in music, art, dance, drama and sports, in addition to their education. Here, all festivals are celebrated with equal fervor. With the dynamic leadership of Fr. Trevor and the support of the wonderful staff and volunteers, We Care has always been and will always be an encouraging playground for children.

**MADHU SATISH, Friend of We Care, 2018-19.**

We Care has had the privilege of knowing Madhu right from our inception. She has always been there for us, supporting us and encouraging us in our work. Her life is a great inspiration. Now in her 40's, she has taken up to motor-cycle racing and is winning !!! Madhu may God bless you as we wish you the best in your endeavours.



**Children celebrating Christmas**



Girls dressed up for dance



Fr Amaldas Belvendren, Trustee, distributing prizes to the children



**Women's Day Celebration**



**Republic Day Celebration**



Main Poster for the Summer Camp



Summer Camp



**Premankur Volunteers with the Children**



**Deepavali Celebration**



**Guests on Kannada Rajyostava Day Celebration**



**Independence Day Celebration**