

Loving greetings from Liza's Home. We wish you all a blessed New Year 2018. We thank God for all his love and grace bestowed upon Liza's Home these last few months. We will be sharing the events from November 2017 in this Newsletter.

### **Events**

#### **November 2017**

- Physiotherapist Susie Varghese and her team raised funds for Liza's Home and gifted us lumbar belts, pillows, rolls and weights for our members and staff. Thank you.
- Some major sanitation work was completed.
- Dr Chetan and his team from District Mental Health Department came and issued Disability Identity cards for 9 of our members (few were renewed).
   This was indeed a blessing as it is an arduous work to get the ID cards.
- The fabrication work of the new building was completed.
- A communion service conducted by Rev. David Selvaraj.
- Anusree and Johnson, our new staff, moved into Liza's Home.
- On 29th Nov, some of our members and staff
  participated in the Protest with other groups at the
  Town hall regarding the PWD ACT (RPD Act) and
  increasing the amount for disability pension.

#### December 2017

- On World Aids Day, we had a teaching session on HIV/AIDS for our staff by Dr. Subramanian and Dr. Deepa.
- We joined in the celebration of World Disabled Day by Preethi Nivas Trust with many other NGOs.





- We had a blessed Christmas function and Fr. Prof. Mathew Chandrankunnel (Director, ECC) was our chief guest.
- On the last day of the year 2017 we had a time of thanksgiving and testimonies.

#### January 2018

- Dr. Deepa conducted a medical check-up for the staff of Liza's Home.
- We had a communion service with Rev. Sujit David.
- After some miscarriages of our goats earlier, we were blessed with two baby goats
- 3 Doctors and nurse, chaplain from Seventh Day Adventist Medical Centre and Dr. Deepa, Dr. Subrahmanian and Dr Thomas helped us in conducting a General Medical camp with Eye and Psychiatry check up too. Some of our friends from other NGOs were also helped by this camp.
- On 18th Jan, Marjorie David passed away suddenly due to ill health. She
  was working with Liza's Home for a year but was associated with late Rev.
  Dr. K.C. Abraham much earlier when he was director at ECC in 1980. We
  will miss her. May her soul rest in peace.
- We celebrated Republic Day with Rev. Sujit David as the chief guest. His Church, CSI Ebenezer Malayalam Church, Marathahalli, helped us with garden work, painting signboards for Liza's Home. They even cooked lunch for us.
- The problem of Waste disposal was sorted by its collection by Panchayat.
   They now come at regular intervals.

### February 2018

- On 4th Feb, we took part for the first time in a sale at CSI church, Kothanur.
- We had a good harvest of ginger and got about 108
   kg. Thank you Mr. E.V. Paul for helping us with this.
- We also had a Breakfast sale at St. Mark's Cathedral on 11th Feb.
- We had a memorial service for Ms. Marjorie David on 16th Feb.



#### **March 2018**

- We took part in a service, for World Day of Prayer, conducted by Bible Society, Bangalore.
- Mr Pradeep Kumar Suna (of Bible Society) and his family conducted a service on Sunday, 25th Mar (Palm Sunday) and we had a small procession in Liza's Home. He and his family came again on 22nd Apr to conduct a service and will continue to do so every fourth Sunday of the month.
- We started My Dream Garden on the terrace. We are starting to enjoy the fruits of the harvest.
- On 29th Mar, we had a Maundy Thursday service and Rev Selwyn shared the message. We had the feet washing act also.
- On 30th Mar, we had the Good Friday service. Rev
  Dr Leela Mannaseh shared the Word of God. Ms
  Susheila (our music teacher) helped us with the
  service and songs.







### **April 2018**

- We had the Easter service on 1st April. Rev David Rajan of CSI Kothanur church came and conducted the service with Holy Communion. He also brought to us the Easter message.
- We had a SUJOK acupressure course taught by Ms Georgina on 7th and 8th April for some of our staff.
- On 17th April, a work team (volunteers) from
   Pastor Saju's Church (St Mark's Church) in
   Gillingham, UK, visited and worked hard for two days in Liza's Home. They helped us in various things painting, garden work, etc.



- A Music team from Music Man Project, UK (who work with children and adults with learning disabilities) also worked with our members and staff for three days. The founder, David Stanley, also came. They brought to our members much joy and 'magic' with their music.
- On 21st April, alongwith members from 'Manna' and 'Diya Foundation', Liza's Home took part in the concert of Music Man Project at Visthar.
- We had parents/siblings of our members come for a meeting on 29th April at Liza's Home.





# Outing

- On 19th Jan, some of our members and staff visited Lalbagh for the beautiful flower show.
- On 13th Mar, all members and staff of Liza's Home visited ECC, Whitefield. Rajashekar and team of the Fishermen Trust conducted activities for the members there. We thank both Director, ECC and Rajashekar for the fun and relaxing time.

# Outreach

- Dr. Deepa is conducting clinics at Divya Shanti Christian Association, LR puram and at Medico-Pastoral Association, twice a month. She also has counselling sessions at Sunshine Children's Home (orphans), Kalkere once a month.
- Dr. Deepa and Dr. Subrahmanian conducted training sessions at Sandesh (vocational training centre for ID) on CPR, First Aid and Neuro-psychiatric aspects of ID on 24th March, 21st and 28th of April. This will continue as per their needs.

## Volunteers and Interns

- 3 students from SABC completed their ministerial experience in Jan 2018.
- 3 students from UTC who were with us for their societal engagement exposure completed their programme by 17th Mar
- Three volunteers from Holy Cross convent helped us from 1st Mar till 20th Mar
- We thank Mr. Sam Paul (father of our member Joanna) for his voluntary services.
- We like to thank all our volunteers and other friends for the much needed help you brought and continue to bring to us.

### **Visitors**

- Women Fellowship of Emmanuel Church, Cooke Town.
- From 17th November, Sarasu & her daughter Susha (a special child) from Chennai were with us till 26th November.
- Women Fellowship of CSI East Parade Malayalam Church
- Women Fellowship of CSI Kothanur Church
- Saviour's Call Church, Banashankari
- Ebenezer Church
- Seventh Day Adventist Church
- CSI Emmanuel Church, Magadi road
- 'Little More Love' group and other carol groups
- Women Fellowship of St. John's Church
- Members of Y's Men Garden City, Bangalore
- Members of Y's Men Millenium, Bangalore
- Samuel Selvakumar and family
- Students and staff of R.V. Public School, Bangalore
- Sujit Achen, Sunil, Sanjay David family
- "Logos" school/St. Joseph's Church
- Ebenezer Malayalam CSI Church, Marathahalli.
- Seventh Day Adventist (Horamavu) group visit

- Helping Hands
- BSW 1st year students from St Joseph's College, Bangalore
- Seventh Day Adventist Hospital
- Sunshine Seventh Day Adventist Church
- SDA Central Tamil Church
- Pastor Jeevan Sam
- Mrs Mira Bhupathi and Marcelinne Pinto
- Acharya Law School students and staff.
- Rajashekar and team, The Fishermen Trust, Bangalore.
- Pastor Saju and team, St Mark's Church, UK and Music Man Project, UK.
- Many celebrated their birthdays, wedding anniversaries and other events.