

**KCS announces the annual theme for 2021
“2021 - The year of the youth”****From the desk of KCS President**

Dear friends,

We have just come out of a long lock down of the city. The citizens of this great metropolis have beaten the second wave of coronavirus with some success. It is needless to state that due care must be taken to beat the third wave that is expected later in the year by strictly following covid protocols.

We plan to call the AGM towards the end of July. Notice with mandatory 21 days will be sent shortly. Empowered Committee recommendations have been circulated for your valuable suggestions. We hope to have an in person meeting with provision for virtual attendance. The KCS office will contact you to get to know how many could attend in person. Your cooperation is requested.

Our planned programmes are at a pause. I discussed its practicality of celebrating our scheduled Onam celebration on August 14 with past Presidents, senior members, and GC colleagues. The consensus is that we cannot have much of a celebration with masks and social distancing. Moreover, many expressed their apprehension of being in a closed hall with air conditioning.

I understand that no zonal helpline meetings happened during the last one year. One of the recommendations of the Empowered committee (Its recommendations and related resolutions have been sent to you already) is to federate zones to let them have their own celebrations for better attendance and interaction. The zones could decide to celebrate Onam in their own innovative ways. The leaders of Anna Nagar zone have come up with an idea of virtual celebration of Onam. Zonal leaders may contact me, for any KCS involvement, if needed for zonal meetings.

A word about annual subscriptions. I have dealt with this unpalatable subject before. I am happy to report that all members have paid their subscription last year except for a couple of members although it needed some effort. We request the same cooperation this year too. Some members are of the view that the subscriptions need not be paid as there were no programmes. While I appreciate that it is their will and pleasure to pay or not, it may be noted that subscriptions are a yearly fee for the right of membership of an organisation and are required to meet due infrastructural and overhead expenses. It is well known that programmes could not be held due to health concerns of members who are mostly seniors as well as due to covid protocol by the Government. As a matter of fact, it is a personal disappointment to me and the GC of 2020-2021 that all our well laid out plans were cancelled due to covid. I look forward to having our silver jubilee celebration in December.

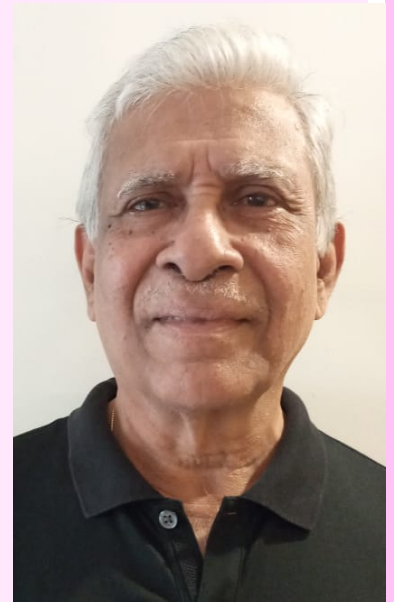
I hope that you will agree that ours is a social organisation. We are not equipped to operate like well-founded and funded NGOs or church organisations with solid infrastructures. We had formed a task force with me as the convener to help members in need and informed members. We reached out to those members who were affected by covid, offering counsel and services. From our Project Trust fund, we are reaching out to needy victims of covid who have been left out of largesse from Government or other service organisations. Vice -President Mr. Oommen Abraham and Trustee, Mr. Soy Joseph are in this effort.

Thanking you all,

Warm regards,

E C Thomas,

President



From the desk of KCS Secretary

Approval of the Minutes: Minutes of the GC meeting held on 01.05.21 was circulated and approved after discussion.

Review of the Accounts: Accounts for the month of May 2021 was circulated and approved after review.

AGM: Due to the current COVID pandemic situation, it is proposed to conduct the AGM on 17.07.21 (Saturday) @ 6 p.m. at KCS House.

Onam on August 14th: Due to covid restrictions KCS Onam celebrations may be postponed. It is suggested that zones could have their Onam celebrations. Feedback from members for any help from KCS is to be ascertained. Accordingly, an appropriate decision will be taken in the next GC meeting.

Web site: It is requested to complete the web site by 30.06.21.

KCS Directory: Details available for 60 members. It is requested to collect the details of other members also by 15.07.21.

Subscription: As 30.06.21 will be the last date for remittance of subscription, it is decided to send a reminder letter to the members. All GC members shall remit the subscription on or before the aforesaid last date.

Legacy projects: GC welcomed the support extended by Mrs. Molly Antony, our senior member, to start good projects with the TN Govt's allocated funds.

Silver Jubilee: GC thanked Mrs. Molly Antony for her offer to arrange celebrities for the Silver Jubilee celebration:

Vote of thanks: The President thanked all the members for their active participation.

M S Abraham
Secretary



KCS shall evolve into a premier organisation

- By instilling a sense of pride in being associated with it and thereby motivating the young and the old of the Kerala Catholic families to join the society wholeheartedly.
- By creating an image in the city of Chennai and elsewhere by initiating special projects for the community, working in tandem with similar organisations, if necessary.
- By utilising the inherent talents and strengths of all its members to initiate activities that will install a sense of belonging and promote fellowship.
- By creating an atmosphere for constant, innovative, and timely improvements in the organisation and its structure.

Covid care

KCS will be working towards recuperating the Covid affected poor families by serving the essentials to those who have real need. Government is distributing home essentials to those who have ration cards. KCS is in the process of identifying around 50 families who are migrants, daily wage labourers who do not have any job now, physically challenged or who do not have any other means to meet their family needs. In this regard it is working with Corona Sevai Maiyam run by Mr. Abraham Lincoln in North Chennai. We will share more details and pictures in the next issue. It is proposed to meet the cost of the 50 kits from the Trust amount approximately Rs.1,000/- per kit.

Request to be generous:

There are many members who want to do something for the needy and expressed in whatsapp group. In case anyone wants to contribute, please feel free to contact any of the GC members. There are lot of people asking for help and I am sure there is a lot of savings to us in the last one and half years otherwise we would have normally spent like travel, clothes, dinner outs, etc. There are lot of people struggling to meet their ends as they lost job due to Corona. There are families who are not able to meet their medical expenses due to Corona where more than one member in the family is affected. KCS members for helpline meeting used to spend some money every year, since there was no helpline meeting for the last one and half year, at least that amount may be contributed to the benefit of Corona affected families. In KCS we have around 100 active members and if each member contributes Rs.1,000/-, easily we can contribute Rs.1 lakh for the needy

Obituary



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**Mrs.MARY PAUL
THALIYATH**

We lost one more family member, Mrs. Mary Paul Thaliyath, mother of Mrs. Tessy Thomas, KCF No. 077

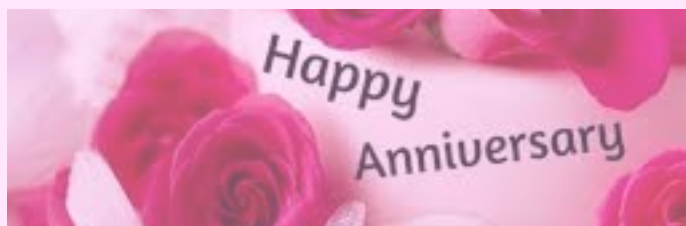
We members of KCS express our heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Tessy Thomas and family. Our prayer for the departed soul to rest in eternal peace.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Date	Birthday - July 21	KCF No.	Mobile No.
5	John Chiramel	160	82818 57800
7	Marina Joseph	217	99402 89986
10	Silvy Tommy	230	98400 88850 (% Tommy)
10	Jisha Varghese	156	92810 57343 (% Varghese)
11	K.G .George	194	94441 27773
13	Geetha Paul	165	94441 57799
14	PC Johny	221	98410 25462
14	Jose Mathew	234	98400 64525
20	Joshy Joseph	142	87545 36989
20	Rita Joseph	94	98840 98606
22	Dominica Jimmy	29	93810 14060 (% Jimmy)
22	Tessy Thomas	77	99869 49062
23	Jose thomas	34	94440 61754
28	S J Michael	58	93810 30882
28	Jolly Abraham	237	94453 90907 (% MS Abraham)
30	Anita Kurian	117	94449 03032



Date	Wedding anniversaries - July 21	KCF No.	Mobile no.
10	Gerard George & Lilly Gerard	176	98411 23642
30	MS Abraham & Jolly Abraham	237	94453 90907



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