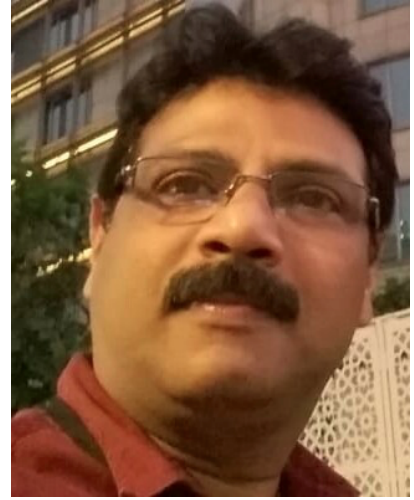


Hi,

President message

At the outset my sincere thanks to you for electing me as your President. KCS has done a lot of good things in the past and members have a lot of good memories always to share with their near and dear ones. Especially two KCSians meet, they keep talking about their past, tours, picnics, get togethers, fellowships, celebrations, projects, charity and so on. KCS has done well in the past and all the old and new members agree that KCS can do even better.

I do not know whether it is the right juncture, the context has changed a lot and more opportunities and facilities are available for members for fellowship and get togethers. I agree that we cannot live in the past glory, we need to do something now to create a new future and new memories to cherish. I guess that we have a great opportunity now to play for the next level. It is the right time to set new goals, new approaches and do exciting things in line with today's need however holding strongly the KCS vision set by our founding members and veterans.



During AGM, senior members shared a lot of ideas to rejuvenate KCS and surely the new GC team will evaluate all the suggestions and work out an action plan. One of the suggestions was to get back our old members who left KCS for various reasons. As KCS is celebrating its silver jubilee, members during AGM have agreed that we can offer a one time consideration of admitting those left members back with Rs. 5,000/- admission fee and Rs.10,000/- towards this year's subscription. The outgoing Office bearers have already sent letters and initiated action in this regard. It will be great to see those members of KCS back in action.

The new GC will be meeting formally on 9th July for their first GC meeting for the year 2022-23. We will keep you posted on the plans and would request your continued support and guidance.

With love,
Oommen Abraham
President KCS

KCS VISION

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.



Thank you for the trust and for entrusting me with this honourable President position and it is my duty to ensure that I keep up the trust and deliver the best for KCS. I along with the new office bearers and GC and with your support will work towards making KCS a vibrant society. The past president Mr. EC Thomas, gave us a clean slate with all the pending IT cases closed, provided a new Air-conditioner to our KCS house for better meeting, a dialysis project to feel proud of and so on. And I am really happy to take over the Presidentship from him as a successor to him.

- Oommen Abraham



Binny Lawrence taking over as the Treasurer of KCS (2022-24), receiving bouquet from outgoing President Mr. E C Thomas. The new Vice President Joseph Jose and new President Oommen Abraham look on.

Secretary message

Minutes of the 8th Governing Council (2021-22) of Kerala Catholic Society held on 10th June, 2022 at KCS House, 23 Halls Road, Kilpauk, Chennai -600010 at 6.30 pm

The meeting started with a prayer by Mrs. Lekha Antony.

Welcome: The President welcomed all the members.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of GC held on 07th May, 2022 was circulated and passed.

Review of Accounts: Accounts for the month of April and May 2022 were circulated and passed.

Silver Jubilee Meeting:

Members appreciated each other for making the well attended Silver Jubilee meeting a grand success. However, the GC accepted its inability to proceed with the cultural programmes, as scheduled, due to time constraints. Further it was decided to compensate the expenses met by the zones for the arrangements of cultural programmes, due to its cancellation.

**MRS. ANIRITA GEORGE IS
TAKING OATH AS SECRETARY
2022-24 (2 YEARS) DURING 26TH
AGM HELD ON 18 JUNE 2022.
SHE WILL BE DOING THE
MINUTES FROM NEXT GC
MEETING.**

**REQUEST YOU TO JOIN ME IN
WISHING HER ALL SUCCESS IN
HER NEW ROLE.**



AGM 2021-22:

Members were requested to do the needful for conducting the AGM, with maximum participation.

Salary increase:

Salary increase of KCS house staff members - passed on to the next GC to decide.

25th year Souvenir:

It was decided to make a 25th year Souvenir of KCS.

Vote of thanks:

The President thanked all the members for their active participation.

**M.S. Abraham
Secretary.**





"I feel great about being on board this team, however, since I'm new to the GC team I still do not know what exactly is my role beyond minuting the meetings. We are a new team and we need to set our goals after discussion and sharing of ideas. So give me time to acclimatize. I believe that my work should be louder than my words and in the past two months I think I've done just that".

- Anirita George

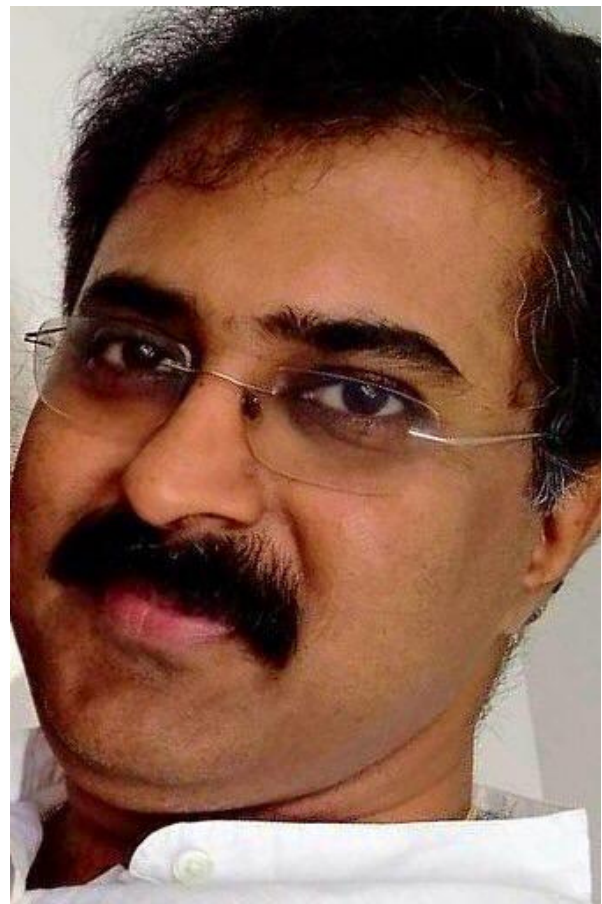


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യേൽക്കും.

"Joseph Jose has been elected as the President of Chennai Real Estate Agents Association.



"Improve our strength by new members , and we will do it together"
Joseph Jose, Vice President KCS,
2022-24 (2 years)

Congratulations to you!



"Ranjit Dominic, GC member has lots of plans to activate KCS youth back to glory again



"Mini Jose, GC member representing Ladies group suggests that KCS should invite 1 or 2 invitees to GC on rotation regularly for more & better ideas.





KCS members attending the 26th AGM of KCS held on 18th June 2022 at KCS House, Kilpauk, Chennai.



Suneela Thomas Salgar Award given to two students 1. Sofia Fareen, III BSc Adv Zoology & Biotechnology and 2. Amala Sherin, BSc Plant Biology & Biotechnology of Stella Maris College, Chennai. Augustine Joseph, Manager KCS handed over the cheques to the students in the presence of Principal, HODs of respective departments.



പാടി കമ്മ്യൂണിറ്റി ആശുപത്രിയിലെ ഡയാലിസിസ് കേന്ദ്രത്തിന്റെ ഉദ്ഘാടനം മന്ത്രി ശേഖർബാബു നിർവഹിച്ചപ്പോൾ

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ചെന്നൈ ▶ കേരള കാത്തലിക് സൊസൈറ്റിയുടെയും റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബിന്റെയും സഹായത്തോടെ പാടി കമ്മ്യൂണിറ്റി ആശുപത്രിയിൽ ഡയാലിസിസ് കേന്ദ്രം ആരംഭിച്ചു. തമിഴ്നാട് ദേവസ്വം മന്ത്രി ശേഖർബാബു ഉദ്ഘാടനം നിർവഹിച്ചു. ജോസഫ് സാമുവൽ എം.

എൽ.എ., കാത്തലിക് സൊസൈറ്റി പ്രസിഡൻ്റ് ഇ.സി. തോമസ്, റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബ് ഗവർണർ ജെ. ശ്രീധർ, ടാങ്കർ ഫൗണ്ടേഷൻ സ്ഥാപകൻ ഡോ. ജോർജി ഏബ്രഹാം തുടങ്ങിയവർ ചടങ്ങിൽ പങ്കെടുത്തു. കേന്ദ്രത്തിൽ 12 ഡയാലിസിസ്

മെഷീനുകളാണ് ക്രമീകരിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നത്. ഇതിൽ ഒമ്പത് മെഷീനുകൾ കാത്തലിക് സൊസൈറ്റിയും മൂന്ന് മെഷീനുകൾ റോട്ടറി ക്ലബ്ബുമാണ് സംഭാവനചെയ്തത്. സൊസൈറ്റിയുടെ രജതജൂബിലി ആഘോഷത്തിന്റെ ഭാഗമായിട്ടാണ് പദ്ധതി നടപ്പാക്കിയത്.

KCS Dialysis project in Padi, Ambattur was inaugurated by Mr. P K Sekar Babu, Minister of Hindu Religious & Charitable Endowments, Tamilnadu Government. Inauguration photo and news as appeared in Malayalam daily "Mathrubhumi" on 29/05/2022.



KCS Padi dialysis unit is functional. Above are first set of beneficiaries. Below our KCS members visited the unit on their first day of operation.



The Youth Power



As the KCS President during its silver jubilee year, one of my goals was to reform the basic structure of KCS to make it relevant to modern times and to develop a young team to lead the organisation for the next 25 years. I had promised to myself that the future Presidents of KCS must be from the next generation and I must be the last President of the older generation. If I am asked to name one accomplishment of my presidency of which I am personally satisfied, I have no hesitation to say that the torch has been passed to a young team. I am proud and pleased to state that the new team who took charge on July 1, 2022 is relatively young and it is raring to go. The path has been cleared for them. The average age of the current GC is just 50 years. Just like the visionary men and women who were in their forties or fifties when they assembled on December 15 of the year 1996 to weave the warp and woof of Kerala Catholic Society, it is remarkable that after a quarter of century another group of successful men and women of around the same age group have taken over the reins to lead the society for the next 25 years. It is an epochal change indeed.

When the KCS was founded, the internet was in its nascent stage. Emails were not prevalent. Cell phones and social media were in the imagination of technological minds of that era. The Indian economy was just opening up with Maruthi 800 cars. The years of 2021 and 2022 are vastly different in style and substance from the days of 1996. Life has changed in profound ways. So it is imperative that any organisation worth its salt must listen to the clarion call of change, if not, the organisation is bound to wither and die.

Mr. Rajeev Bhargava, Professor Centre of Study of Developing Societies, put it succinctly. "Like individuals who constitute them, institutions also go to sleep. They suffer from lethargy and inertia. When that happens, they need to be reawakened and renewed, something impossible without self-reflection. From time to time, there should be collective deliberations about the purpose and importance of the practices of institutions."

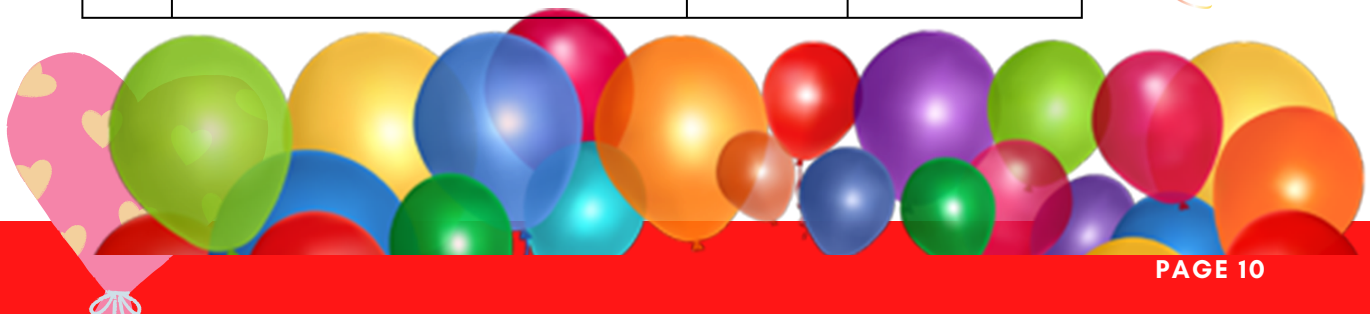
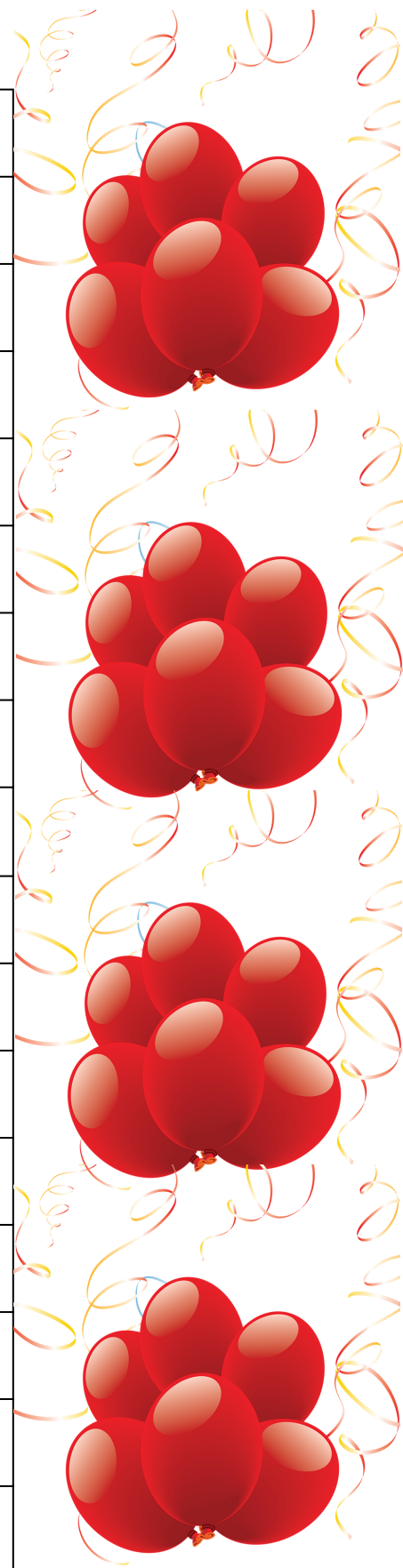
We must examine if our society is sleeping. If so, how do we reawaken and renew ? It is a challenge and opportunity for the new leaders. I am of the opinion that our membership is strong financially and structurally. From my personal experience of the dialysis project, I can say with confidence that for a good cause, our members will cooperate wholeheartedly and donate generously. Therefore, the horizon of opportunities is wide open. It is for us to grasp and change. I am confident that the new office bearers will lead the KCS to a generational change by ushering in new programmes, projects and activities to attract the seemingly reluctant youth to join our society to make it more dynamic, energetic and glorious.

I wish the new team the very best and invoke special blessings of our Lord in their endeavours. "It is fascinating to think that the team now in charge will be around in 2046 when KCS celebrates its golden jubilee".

EC Thomas

Happy Birthday

Date	Birthday July 22	KCF No.	Mobile no.
5	John Chiramel	160	82818 57800
7	Marina Joseph	217	99402 89986
10	Silvy Tommy % Tommy	230	98400 88850
10	Jisha Varghese % Varghese	156	92810 57343
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 % Jimmy	29	93810 14060
22	Tessy Thomas	77	99869 49062
23	Jose thomas	34	94440 61754
28	S J Michael	58	93810 30882
28	Jolly Abraham % MS Abraham	237	94453 90907
30	Anita Kurian	117	94449 03032



HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Date	Wedding anniversary July 22	KCF No.	Mobile no.
10	Gerard George & Lilly Gerard	176	98411 23642
30	MS Abraham & Jolly Abraham	237	94453 90907

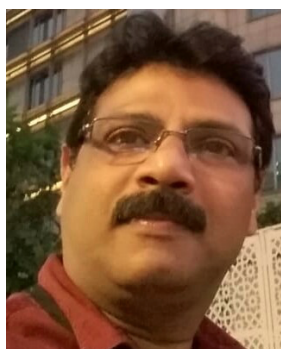
KCS has transferred Rs. 6,51,840 towards one Dialysis machine to Kidney Federation of India, Thrissur, founded by Rev. Fr. Davis Chiramel.

As you are aware, KCS has mobilised funds and donated 9 Dialysis machine, 12 patient cot & beds to the Urban Primary Health Centre, Padi, Chennai.

With the fund collected for Dialysis machine, Rs.1,87,000/- was given to Tanker Foundations towards consumables / running cost.

Thanks to all the members for their generous contribution and special thanks to the outgoing President Mr. E C Thomas for this wonderful initiative.

The first GC of the new team will be held on 9th July and the team will soon share their projects & plans for next 2 years.



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