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Newsletter of the New Delhi YMCA
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"Wherever you go I will go: wherever you live, I will live". Ruth 1:16



VIIIth National Women's/Gender Assembly

The New Delhi YMCA hosted the VIIIth National Women's/Gender Assembly at Greater Noida Programme Centre (GNPC), New Delhi YMCA from April 29 to May 01, 2011 on the theme "Gender Parity : Pathway to a Common Humanity".

Mrs. Sudharshan Pathak, Chairperson, Delhi Social Welfare Board was the Chief Guest at the Inaugural function. Mr. K John Cherian, National President, National Council of YMCAs of India was the Guest of Honour along with Mr. Vijay Sewak, President, New Delhi YMCA; Mr. Vernon D'Souza, Chairman, GNPC; Mr. John Varughese, National General Secretary; Dr. Patcharawan Srisilapanan, Chairperson, Gender Equity Committee, APAY.

Ms. Razia Ismail Abbasi, Co-President, FINCUN moderated the Panel Discussion on the theme "Women Creating a Safe World". The Panelists included: Ms. Madhubala Nath, Regional Policy Advisor, South Asia Sub-Regional Office, UN Women; Dr. Jyotsna Chatterjee, Director & Secretary, Joint Women's Forum; Dr. Ann Thomas, Vice Chair, Gender Equity, APAY and Chairperson, Women's Empowerment and Gender Concerns Committee, NCY.

Presentations were made by: Ms. Smeda Steves, Programme Manager, Christian Aid; Ms. Nilakshi Rajkhowa, Department of Gender Equity (Dept. of External Affairs), National Spiritual Assembly of Baha'is of India; Dr. Binita Behera, Programme Officer-Advocacy, Christian AIDS/HIV National Alliance; Mr. Vivek Aranha, Member, National Executive Committee, NCYI, President YMCA Pune and Chairman Western India Region of YMCAs and Mr. Christopher Bachman, General Secretary, YMCA, Patna.

Over seventy delegates attended the Gender Assembly.



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Dear Members,

The period under review- January to April 2011- has been both rewarding and enriching.

The annual 'Easter Pageant' was presented on 22nd and 23rd April, drawing an appreciative audience on both days. A Rally was flagged off by the Chief Minister on 22nd March, highlighting the need to preserve water. A North Eastern State Festival on 6th February and a Tribal Festival on 27th February showcased our country's rich cultural heritage, while a Seminar on 26th March highlighted the challenges experienced by tribal groups.

Invitational tournaments in Volleyball and Athletics were conducted in January and February respectively, and a concert was presented by students of the 'Y' School of Music in March. Earlier, eminent Journalist Mr. B G Varghese graced the IMSIT Convocation in January.

At a Members Workshop held in February, a Core Group was formed to consider the suggestions made in the Workshop.

In the words of Joyce Meyer, "The Scripture says that all things work together for good. Positive minds produce positive lives. We are to have minds that are open to the will of God for us, whatever that will may be".

Let us continue to trust in the Lord - and remain positive.

Bertram Devadas, General Secretary

CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS

An Evening of Prayer & Fellowship



An Evening of Prayer and Fellowship was held on January 15, 2011 in the Dining Hall, New Delhi YMCA Tourist Hostel. The Guest Speaker was Bro. George A Dawson, Senior Pastor, Amazing Grace Church, Delhi.

The programme was led by Mr. Joel Prem, Chairman, Christian Emphasis Committee. Mr. Bertram Devadas, Officiating General Secretary, NDY, Welcomed all the members and their guests. Opening Prayer was said by Mr. Maryel Micah, Member, NDY. The Praise & Worship was led by Mr. Lopez, Group Leader, and his choir from St. Michael Church, Prasad Nagar. Mr. Vijay Russell, Member of the Board of Directors, NDY did the Scripture reading. Rev. Sunil Solomon Ghazan, Vice-Chairman, Christian Emphasis Committee offered the Closing Prayer & pronounced the Benediction. The vote of thanks was proposed by the Asstt. General Secretary, Christian Emphasis.

Prayer Breakfast Fellowships

The Prayer Breakfast Fellowships were held in the following months at the Heinz Auditorium, Tourist Hostel.

February 12, 2011 – The Guest Speaker was Rev. Haqq, Founder President, Christian Family Association.



The Praise & Worship was led by Pastor Rahul, group leader and his team from Emmanuel Baptist Church, Raj Niwas Marg, Delhi.

March 12, 2011 – The Guest Speaker was Bro. A. Singsit, Vice President, Gideons International in India. The Praise & Worship was led by Mr. Manoranjan Minz, Choir Director, Centenary Methodist Church(Hindi congregation), Lodhi Road, New Delhi.

April 09, 2011 – The Guest Speaker was Bro. R. Rajkumar, Executive Director, Logos Ministries. The Praise & Worship was led by Mr. Lirio Lopez, Choir Director, St. Michael Church, Pusa Road, New Delhi.

Convention



The Department of Christian Emphasis organized its Annual Spiritual Renewal Convention on April 01 & 02, 2011 from 5:30 p.m. onwards at the Parking Area, New Delhi YMCA Tourist Hostel, Jai Singh Road.

Dr. Ajai Livingstone Lall, Founder Director, Central India Christian Mission (CICM), Damoh, M.P. and his team were invited to conduct this Renewal Convention.

Easter Pageant



The Easter Pageant popularly known as “The Mighty Acts of God” was organized on April 22 & 23, 2011 in English and Hindi respectively at 7:30 p.m. at the Quadrangle, NDYMCA Tourist Hostel, Jai Singh Road. It received an overwhelming response.

Rt. Rev Samuel Sunder Singh, Bishop, Methodist Church in India, Delhi Episcopal Area was the Chief Guest on April 22, 2011. Bishop Franco Mulakkal, Auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese of Delhi was the Chief Guest on April 23, 2011. Mr. Vijay Sewak, President; Mr. Joel Prem, Chairman, Christian Emphasis welcomed the Chief Guest.

Corporate

Members Workshop 2011

A Members Workshop 2011 on the theme "Partnership in His Mission - Vision 2020" was held on February 2011 in the Heinz Auditorium, Tourist Hostel. Total seventy five members attended the workshop.

Pastor George Dawson delivered the Message and Keynote Address. He emphasised the theme of the Workshop "Partnership in His Mission - Vision 2020" on the basis of I Corinthians : Chapter 3 Verses 5-11.

Three presentations were made :

"Developing Youth for Leadership Roles" by Mr. John Manohar, moderated by Mr. Sunil Gupta.

"Role of Members vis-a-vis Programme Participation" by Dr. Subhash Masters, moderated by Agnelo Miranda.

"New Thrust Areas of YMCA Programmes" by Mr. Gabriel Gonsalves, moderated by Mr. Kenneth Bird-sturgeon.



Group discussions were held on the presentations, moderated by Mr. R S McLaren.

In the concluding session, the Chairman Mr. Stephen DaCosta called for suggestions for formation of a Core Group. The Core Group was tasked with considering the suggestions made in the Workshop.

PROGRAMMES

Drive for Water



New Delhi YMCA Programmes Department organised a rally for Water consisting of vintage cars, bikes and scooters to campaign for the cause of conserving water. The rally was flagged off by Smt. Sheila Dikshit, Chief Minister, Government of Delhi from her residence on March 22, 2011 on the World Water Day. Traversing a distance of 55 kms on the Delhi Ring Road, the rally concluded at YMCA, Jai Singh Road with various colourful cultural programmes displayed by the youth group from NDY Community Development Centre, Sunlight Colony. The content of the event was based on the theme 'Save Water, Save Life'. Prior to the flag off, Chief Minister released the booklet 'Rally for Water' held from December 1-4, 2010.

The Chief Minister also sent a warm message to New Delhi YMCA. It read "I am glad to learn that New Delhi Young Men's Christian Association is organizing a Rally for Water on 22nd March, 2011 at New Delhi YMCA. This will go a long way to spread awareness on the conservation of water which is precious and has no substitute. We have to conserve for our next generation. I am sure that the Rally will disseminate the relevance and importance of water conservation."

Cultural And Tribal Affairs

North East Festival



The Department of Cultural & Tribal Affairs (DoCTA) of New Delhi YMCA is dedicated to work extensively for spreading the message of national integration and to promote the rich cultural heritage of India. In this direction, on February 06, 2011 DoCTA organized a day long North Eastern State Festival in which all eight states of northeast India were portrayed at New Delhi YMCA, Jai Singh Road. Rich tradition and heritage of each state was showcased by presenting their food, music, handicrafts, traditional dance, tourism information etc. The New Delhi YMCA provided space/stalls for display as well as sale of the different kind of handicrafts and food items of the respective states.

The above event is the first of its kind where all the states of northeast India have showcased and shared their rich culture and prolific talents with the rest of Delhi and NCR. The Chairman, Mr. Alope Michyari said, "We believe that tribal issues need to be supported from such forums. Northeast is predominantly tribal in nature."

Tribal Festival





A day long Tribal Festival was organized on February 27, 2011 at Tourist Hostel, New Delhi YMCA. The festival showcased the rich heritage and culture as well as traditional food, handicraft, folk dances and music of over 15 tribes belonging to various states of India. Some of the major tribes namely Oraon, Munda, Santhals, Ho, Kharia and Chik Baraik (Jharkhand and Chhatisgarh); Mukkuvar and Kavady (Southern India) and others participated in the above event and exhibited their rich tradition and talent through their colourful presentations and performances. People of all ages enjoyed the melodious tribal songs and music, purchased exclusive handicraft items, relished authentic tribal food, watched exotic dances and also gathered relevant information on travel and tourism pertaining to various Indian States having sizeable tribal population. Simultaneously, a painting competition for the children in the age group of 5-15 years was also organized.

The Chief Guest on the occasion was Shri Mahadev Khandela, Hon'ble Minister of States for Tribal Affairs, Government of India and the Guest of Honour was Dr. H.T. Sangliana, Vice-Chairperson National Commission for Minorities, Government of India. The President Mr. Vijay Sewak, Mr. Peter Prem, Vice-President, Mr. Alope Michyari, Chairman DoCTA, alongwith other Members of the Board and Members of New Delhi YMCA were also present at the Tribal Festival.

Seminar on “Impact of Globalization on Tribals in India : Challenges Ahead”



The department organized a seminar on the theme “Impact of Globalization on Tribals in India : Challenges Ahead” on March 26, 2011 at New Delhi

YMCA, Sports Hall. Dr. Rameshwar Oraon, Chairperson, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes was the Chief Guest and delivered the Keynote Address on the topic. The others as Panelists/Speakers were Rev. Fr. Francis Gonsalves, Principal, Vidya Jyoti, Delhi and Mr. Panger Nungba, Young Theologian from Nagaland. The Panel discussion was moderated by Ms. Leila Passah. The National General Secretary of the YWCAs of India. The employment, education and settlement of the tribals in India was discussed thoroughly. Mr. A.C. Michael, Member New Delhi YMCA and newly elected Christian Representative in Delhi Commission for Minorities was also welcomed at the seminar.

In-House Musical Concert



The Department organized the IN-HOUSE MUSICAL CONCERT by the students of ‘Y’ School of Music on March 25, 2011 at the Heinz Auditorium, Tourist Hostel, Jai Singh Road. The concert was inaugurated by the Chairman, DoCTA, Mr. Alope Michyari. The programme provided a platform to more than 100 students of ‘Y’ School of Music who showcased their talent in music like Piano, Guitar, Keyboard, Violin and Drums. The programme was very well appreciated and attended by the students’ parents, their friends, Members of the Board of Directors and Members of New Delhi YMCA.



Sports

XIV New Delhi YMCA Delhi State Invitational Volleyball Tournament



XIV Delhi State Invitational Volleyball Tournament was held from January 18 to 22, 2011 at the Volleyball Court, New Delhi YMCA. Total 22 teams participated in the tournament. The tournament was inaugurated by Mr. Kiran Pal Rana, International Volleyball Player of India. All the top teams of Delhi participated in the tournament.

The results are as follows :

Men's Section : CRPF

Women's Section : Jaunti Club

Mr. Kuldeep Vats, Executive Member of Indian Olympic Association and Senior Vice- President, Volleyball Federation of India was the Chief Guest at the closing ceremony.

New Delhi YMCA Delhi State Invitational Athletics Championship - 2011



The New Delhi YMCA Delhi State Invitational Athletics Championship - 2011 was organized from February 02 to 04, 2011 at the Central Secretariat Ground, Vinay Marg, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi. There were total 748 entries for the championship. The Championship was inaugurated by Smt. Asha Aggarwal, Arjuna Awardee (Athletics). At the closing ceremony Shri Gurbachan Singh Randhawa, Padam Shree and Arjuna Awardee (Athletics) was the Chief Guest. The championship was organized in different categories based on the age group for boys and girls (under 12, 14, 16, 18 & 20 years). The best March Past Trophy was won by The Indian Public School.

New Delhi YMCA Inter Departmental Cricket Tournament



The Inter Departmental Staff Cricket Tournament of New Delhi YMCA was held from March 07 to 11, 2011 at the Volleyball Court. Total 13 teams from various departments of New Delhi YMCA participated. The league matches were of 10 overs per innings and the semi-finals and finals were of 15 overs.

The result of the tournament is as follows :

Winners : Department of Sports

Runner up : H.P.D.P.

Man of the match and tournament : Mr. Gaurav Kumar, Department of Sports

Mr. Sunny Joshua, Chairman, Sports Committee, New Delhi YMCA was the Chief Guest at the final match and he along with Mr. Bertram Devadas, Officiating General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA awarded the Trophy and Souvenirs to the winning and runner-up team. The matches were played in high sportsmanship.



H.P.D.P

Institute for Media Studies & Information Technology



The Annual Convocation Function of Institute for Media Studies and Information Technology (IMSIT) was held on January 29, 2011 at the Heinz Auditorium, NDYMCA Tourist Hostel,

Former Editor, The Hindustan Times and current Chairman, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, Mr. B. G. Verghese addressed the convocation function.

The other officials present were the Mr. Noel Vaghela, Vice-President –NDY, Mr. John Churchill, Chairman-IMSIT, Mr. Bertram Devadas, General Secretary-NDY, Mr. Samuel Baid, Director-IMSIT

17 toppers from different streams were awarded prizes and Diplomas by the Chief Guest.

Nearly 300 alumni attended the convocation function and collected their diplomas.

Institute For Office Management

The institute conducts the following programmes and the admission process has commenced.

One Year PG Diploma in Office Management.

One Year Diploma in Office Management.

Three year B.Sc. in Fashion Technology.

One Year Diploma in Interior Designing.

One Year Diploma in Fashion Designing.

One Year Diploma in Apparel Merchandising.

Two Year Advanced Diploma in Interior Designing.

Prospectus and application forms can be obtained from the Institute between 8:30am and 5:30pm Monday to Saturday. Regular classes for the above mentioned programmes will commence from 3rd week of July, 2011.

Institute Of Management Studies

The institute conducts the following programmes in PG Diploma (1-Year)with option of Dual diploma. The admission process has commenced.

Business Management

Personnel Management

Marketing & Sales Management

Hospital Administration

Financial Management

International Trade

Retail Management

NGO Management

Foreign Exchange Management

The institute also offers BBA, a 3-Year Degree Programme, recognized by Punjab Technical University. Prospectus and application forms can be obtained from the Institute between 9:00am and 7:00pm Monday to Saturday. Regular classes for the above mentioned 1-Year PG Diploma programmes will commence from July 18, 2011.

Institute For Career Studies

The institute conducts the following programmes and the admission process has commenced.

Civil Service Examination (Preliminary & Mains)

Bank Probationary Officer's Coaching Class

Certificate Course in Hotel & Catering Management

Post Graduate Diploma in Aviation and Tourism Management

Travel Tourism and Airport Handling Course

Airlines/Travel Agents Personnel Course

Basic Course in Air Travel, Fares & Ticketing

Air Hostess/Flight Steward Course

Computerized Reservation (Air Ticketing) Amadeus

Personality Assessment & Development

Prospectus and application forms can be obtained from the Institute between 8:00am and 6:30pm Monday to Saturday.



ABM 2011

The following members were elected to the Board of Directors of New Delhi YMCA for the period 2011-2014.

Mr. Rajesh Sunny Joshua

Mr. Elwin Nathaniel

Mr. Sumit Gupta

Dr. Subhash Masters

Mr. Alope Michyari

Office Bearers

Mr. Noel Vaghela President

Mr. Peter Prem Vice President

Mr. Felix Fernandes Vice President

Mr. Rajesh Sunny Joshua Vice President

Mr. R. Sweety Prem Kumar Hon. Treasurer

Congratulations!

Mr. Bertram Devadas has been designated General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA w.e.f March 10, 2011 till December 31, 2013.

M/s. Ujjwal Kshitij Lamington, Mr. Paul Daniel Lakra & Mr. Feroze Khan have re-joined New Delhi YMCA as Assistant Secretaries, w.e.f April 2011, after successfully completing their training at UTC, Bangalore.

Ms. Leelamma John has been promoted as P.A. to the General Secretary, New Delhi YMCA w.e.f January 25, 2011.

New Appointments

Ms. Asma Jafri as Counsellor, SHD, on January 07, 2011

Mr. Jatin Rambert as Trainee Secretary, on January 10, 2011.

Mr. Rajnish Bharti as Web Designer cum Content Editor, on February 17, 2011.

Mr. Wilson John as Legal Advisor, on April 18, 2011.

Obituaries

The following persons left for their heavenly abode:

Mrs. Delphine Monica Simon, wife of Mr. Terence Simon, Member, on January 14, 2011.

Mr. Melvyn Jude Stark, brother of Mr. Earnest Stark, Office Supervisor, Corporate Office, on February 18, 2011.

Mr. Achint Prem, nephew of Mr. Peter Prem, Vice President and Mr. Joel Prem, Board Member, on February 20, 2011.

Mr. Patrick Young, father of Mr. Percy Young, Office Assistant, Placement Department, Education Centre, on February 23, 2011.

Mr. Vikramjit Russell, Member and son of Mr. Vijay Russell, Board Member, on March 13, 2011.

Ms. Madhulika Masih, wife of Mr. Naveen Masih, Member, on March 21, 2011.

Mrs. Shanti Devi, mother of Mr. Ram Sumarin, Peon, Sports Department, on April 14, 2011.