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**“Rebuild. Restore. Renew.”**

### OUR VISION

Inter-Mission India works with poor and marginalised children, women, and communities, rebuilding their lives through aid, holistic care, rehabilitation, and spiritual guidance, restoring their hope and dignity, and renewing their purpose and potential

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# CHILD CARE HOMES

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Periodical visits to all Homes are conducted by a Project Officer, and the reports of the visits are forwarded to the IMI Board from time to time. The SEO also visited all the Homes, except the Home at Vinukonda, which is scheduled during July 2017.

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## ALAMATHI

**No. of Children : 112 Children**

**No. of Staff : 6 Staff, 2 cooks, one Helper**

To ensure that the children are well cared for and healthy, Dr. Suresh (Gen. Physician) periodically conduct medical checks for our children. In addition, we conducted a free medical camp for our children at Alamathi Homes on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016. A team of doctors and nurses (General, Eye and Dental) checked and prescribed treatments that were carried out for the children.

We are trying to work out the possibility of running a Health Care Centre which would be of help and witness to the community in Alamathy area at large



### **FIRST AID PROGRAMME**

In order to equip the Home Parents and in case of any emergency, they attended a First Aid Training conducted by St. John's Ambulance at Padi on 30.7.2016 and 13.8.2016. The staff were benefitted and reported the usefulness of the training.

On 10.10.2016 a Parents' meeting was held at Alamathi. More than 50 parents attended the meeting, out of which, fifteen parents publicly thanked the Mission and its leaders for caring for and educating their children in a good atmosphere. Some of the parents expressed their feelings of gratitude with tears.



### **FLOORING & SHELVES AT ALAMATHI**

Out of the total estimated cost of Rs. 2,71,128, the work was finished within Rs.1, 53,259. The work was started on 20.9.2016 and completed on 13.10.2016. This was possible by the gift raised by Ulla Andreas.



## VARDHA CYCLONE

On 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 2016, the Vardha Cyclone created a lot of damage at our Alamathi Homes. Roofs were blown off and trees were uprooted. We lost nearly 40 trees in the Campus.



On 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, volunteers from Bhumi NGO came to our Children's Home, and planted 20 trees in our compound under the program of "THINK GREEN". (8 Neem trees, 6 Mango trees, 3 Teak, 1 Guava and 2 flowering trees)

Our primary school children enjoyed helping the Bhumi volunteers plant the trees in different places, and learned the importance of growing trees to protect nature.



## MEETING HALL RENOVATION

The renovation work of Meeting Hall will commence shortly with an estimated amount of Rs.3,63,890.- which we have received from Inter-Mission Germany.



## OVERSEAS VISITORS

On 13<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Bro. Peter Arndt & Group (12 people) and Bro. Markus & Bro. Karl visited Alamathi Homes and spent time with the children.



26<sup>th</sup> February – Mr. Alex Eggert & group (15 people) visited Alamathi Children's Home and spent time with the children.



On 3.3.2017 a group of 15 people from Germany visited Alamathi Children's Home and spent time with the children. They distributed the gifts, sweets, and used dresses to the children.



## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Two of our girls, Adi Lekshmi H 2/16C, and her sister, Soundaria H 67/45, were honoured by the Village President, Mrs. Sasikala Sekar, through the school on the auspicious day of 70th Independence day for good academic performance during the year 2015-2016 (8<sup>th</sup> Std and 9<sup>th</sup> Std).



1<sup>st</sup> Prize - Adhi Lakshmi with Gold Ring      2<sup>nd</sup> Prize -Soundariya – cash award of Rs.1500

After a long gap, the Alamathi Home Children went on an educational tour on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016. They visited Chennai's Rail Museum, Govt. Museum, Science Centre, Marina Beach etc.



## SOME NEW EVENTS

Received special gift boxes (100 Nos) from Samaritan Purse for the children during the month of December 2016.

Rs.56,000 received from Inter-Mission Germany towards higher education expenses for H14 children.

New telephone connection for Alamathy was installed during 15 Nov, 2016.

Savings Accounts were opened for all the children at Indian Bank, Red Hills as per Child Welfare Officer's advice.

Obtained Sanitary Certificate (valid up to June 2018), Stability and Building Certificate (up to March 2019), Fire & Safety Certificate (up to August 2017)

This year we have achieved 100% results in Std. 12 Examinations in our Alamathi Home.

Christmas programme was conducted on Christmas Eve.

From 1st to 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 Summer Camp was conducted at Karunya Church.

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## RANIPET HOME

**No. of Children : 27 children**

**No. of staff : 2 Staff and 1 Cook**

We received support from Inter-Mission Germany towards higher education expenses for 3 children.  
Ration permit received from Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies up to December 2017.

Three of our Home Children got awards in Badminton and Kabbadi on a District level.



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## PONDICHERRY HOME

The Pondicherry Government issued a notice to close the Children Home at Pondicherry by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016. Following this, Bro.Dhas visited Pondicherry Home on 6<sup>th</sup> June and made the following arrangements:

Explained the issues (closing of Home) to all the parents of the Children.

Out of 33 children, 7 children were locally sponsored and 26 children were sponsored by IM Germany. All the locally sponsored children received their TC and continued their studies with support from their parents/guardians.

Out of the 26 German sponsored children, 8 children joined Alamathi Home to continue their studies, and the rest returned to the care of their parents.

The Social Welfare Department was informed regarding the closure of the Home.



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## KARAIKAL HOME

**No. of Children : 16 children**

**No. of staff : 2 staff and 1 Cook**



On 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017, SEO, Bro. Dhas & Bro. Easudas visited our IMI Children's Home in Karaikal.

The Child Protection Officer of Karaikal District visited/inspected the Home on 3.4.2017. Since the first floor of the building is used for the church, he instructed that the building could either be used for the church or for running of the children's home, not both. A request had been made for the extension of time for shifting to a new place. Permission was granted till December 2017.

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## VINUKONDA HOME

**No. of children : 29 children**

**No. of staff : 2 staff and 1 Cook**



Vinukonda Home was shifted to a new building. The rented house is sufficient for the children & staff. (4 rooms, 2 halls, veranda, 2 toilets, upstairs: one small room with asbestos roof and one toilet.)



# SCHOOLS

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## ELIM SCHOOL, THORAIPAKKAM

Concrete efforts have been taken to develop the school to offer excellent education and to invest good values, morals, ethics, sportsmanship, discipline, patriotism, etc., in these young minds. We endeavour to shape the students into better citizens, not only in their neighbourhood, but in the nation and world as well.

A free Dental Camp at Thoraipakkam for Elim School students was conducted on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016 by Make Empower India Foundation, Sholinganallur, and our children were benefitted by this camp.



This year we have achieved 100% pass result in Std. 10 Examination (16 students)  
The EB connection from the old building has been shifted to the new building

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## INTER-MISSION NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL (DC 36), PALAVAKKAM

Normal academic scholastic, curricular and co-curricular activities were conducted at Inter Mission Nursery and Primary School.

On 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016 the School conducted an exhibition and children displayed their talents.



Students were taken for picnic on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017 as a part of their study

On 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017 the annual sports meet was conducted

On 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017 the school conducted a summer camp

The school contributed and invested much in the lives of these children by providing quality and holistic learning by conducting exhibitions, field visits, learning experiments and skit programmes from time to time as a part of their co-curricular activities.

In order to renew the Registration of the school, a new Govt. Regulation stipulated that all schools should be run either on their own premises or on property leased for 30 years with good infrastructure. The school had been running on a rented facility (2 grounds). Sadly, due to the cost of land having escalated quickly and the unavailability of funds to buy the land, it was not possible to run the school and the school had to be closed from May 2017.

# TAILORING SCHOOL

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## ALAMATHI

The Tailoring School (2<sup>nd</sup> batch) which started in the month of March 2016 came to completion in Sept 2016. The graduation programme was held on 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2016, at our Children's Home, Alamathi. Three of our Inter-Mission Board of Trustees, Pastor. K.B. Edison, Mr. Prabhu Rayan and Rev. Dr.Kosala graced the occasion with their presence.

The Tailoring School updates were shared by the teacher, Mrs. Vathana, followed by the sharing of students, Mrs. Thamilarasi and Manjula, who have completed the course recently. They thanked the mission, leaders, and staff for the opportunity given them to study tailoring. They displayed the dresses that they stitched during their regular classes. Certificates of completion were distributed to the 16 trainees by the leaders of Inter-Mission India.



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Batch was started on January 11, 2017 with 21 students. Mrs. Vadhana expressed her inability to continue for few months due to her poor health, and excused herself from the school. We interviewed and appointed Mrs. Nerina Jebaraj as an Instructor, and she is doing her job very well.

## TAILORING SCHOOL RENOVATION

The Tailoring School building was renovated with the financial support of Rs. 4,35,000 received from Mr. Alex Eggert & group and Inter-Mission Germany, out of which Rs.4,26,670 spent for the renovation, portico etc. There is still some more work to be done, such as laying a cement block platform, painting benches, electrical fittings, plumbing, false ceiling etc., for which an amount of Rs.1,13,414 has been sanctioned by IM Germany.



# OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATION

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## STAFF TRAINING

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On 25.8.2016, a refresher programme was conducted for IMI Staff and Home Parents on Health and Nutrition, in order to learn new methods that would benefit the children.

During the Forenoon, Mr. Ravi Mohan, the Health Inspector, from DMS (Directorate of Medical Services) spoke on Primary Health Education and various causes of illness and prevention methods, in line with the living conditions in the Homes.

In the afternoon session – Ms. Rinuta from Qua Nutrition Clinic, Chennai spoke on Diet, Health and Food and emphasized on how our health depends on what we eat, and how to look after our health by eating healthily. Providing nutritious and balanced food for the children was discussed during the seminar.



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## **DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS IN INDIA**

Both IMI (Inter-Mission India) and Partner Missions receive funds with the generous support/ gift of Inter-Mission Germany (IMD) and Inter - Mission Switzerland (IMCH).

Every month IMI Head Office prepares the Funds Request for the support of all children for all Partner Missions, and in addition, the Project Applications for the special projects received from them, and forwards the same to IMD and IMCH for approval and to include in the funds advice. Inter-Mission Germany and Inter-Mission Switzerland, after careful scrutiny, transfer the funds directly to the Partner Mission's Bank Account. Upon confirmation of funds transfer, IMI office informs the Partner Missions, collects the receipt of the transfer for their records and conducts follow-up.

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## **PARTNER MISSION VISIT AND OUTSTATION PROGRAM**

The SEO had attended the 4-14 Window India Summit held at Bengaluru between 23 – 25 September 2016. The rich experience was shared with the Board.

Also, from Feb 3 to 12, 2017 as to the request of Bro. Markus, the SEO was sent to visit some of the partner missions in the North India. This visit enabled the SEO to experience a wider perspective of the work of IMDE /IMCH and IMI.

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## SEMINAR

Staff were encouraged to attend seminars conducted by Children Track Network, in order to network with and learn from other organisations working with children and youth.

- a) On 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017 Bro.Dhas, Bro.Justin, Bro. Subash and SEO attended the meeting held at Metro Mission Office at Santhome, Chennai. The purpose of this meeting was to meet other leaders in the city, build relationships, and think of ways to collaborate.
- b) On 11<sup>th</sup> April 2017 in the CTN meeting was held at RAPHA Training Centre, Mogappair. Dr. Shanthi Davidar, who is a well-known Psychologist, spoke on “Sexuality and Spirituality”, and the need to create awareness on sexual abuse in our churches and organisations.
- c) On 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2017 another seminar entitled “Fearless Workshop” was attended at ACROPOLIS, the focus being, ensuring the safety and wellbeing of the future generation.

The staff were much encouraged and were able to see that much has to be done. Their eyes were opened to the cause of the ministry.

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## ACCOUNTS

Staff Group Mediclaim Insurance was renewed

EPF Transfer – we are on the process of transferring the EPF amount through internet banking as per the government instruction

Each year all our accounts are audited and are files complying with all regulations set by the government of India. Copies of audited accounts for 2016-2017 are uploaded on the website as per govt. requirements.

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## NEW INITIATIVES

Keeping in line with the board's vision, the staff were encouraged to visit a few villages in Tiruvallur District (Around 50 -70 kms radius) to survey the needs and look for possibilities for future projects.

### 1. PUNNAMBAKKAM AND RAMATHANDALAM (BEEMA THOPPU) VISITED ON 2.3.2017

Our staff visited the villages and reported on the possibilities of starting Village Development Projects, Day Care Centres and Tailoring Projects for women in this locality. During this visit, two boys and two girls from the tribal Irula community requested enrollment in our Homes.

### 2. AMBATTUR, ORAGADAM VISITED ON 10.3.2017

Our staff visited Oragadam. There is a great need to start a Children's Home and Village Development Project here as the interior villages do not have basic facilities and are in need of social, health, and educational help.

### 3. MANALI VISITED ON 2.6.2017

The staff visited Thanthai Periyar Nagar, near CPCL in Manali area, as well as families near CPCL. There are no schools for around 5 km. radius of this area. 500 to 600 families are not natives of this region, but have come from other places and settled here in search of work.

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## IMI COULD START

A day care centre for the poor children below 4yrs (Balwadi)

Evening-Tuition (LKG to 12<sup>th</sup> standard children )

Primary & Middle School

Potential – 115 children of different age groups.

Land/house is available for rent/purchase to start with

## CONCLUSION:

Looking back on the year June 2016 to June 2017, we are thankful to our dear Lord, for his guidance, presence, and faithfulness.

We place on record the valuable, and at times sacrificial, support provided by IMDE and IMCH, without whose help we could not have accomplished this.

I would like to close with a Scripture from Galatians 6:9

***“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up”***



**“Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress and working together is success”**

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Presented to the AGM

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