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Dear Readers,

Greetings from METAS Group of Institutions.

We have come to the close of another financial and academic year and soon will be ushered into the new. Life is crawling back to normal with our schools, colleges, and the university slipping back to the pre-pandemic era. Though the government has relaxed the COVID-19 safety norms, I urge each of us to still practice the minimum safety measures of wearing a mask in public places and maintaining social distancing.

April and May are the most anxious months for students as they are filled with preparation, examination, and jubilation. METAS Adventist Schools saw emotional farewell bidding moments as children got together on Graduation Day, for one last time, before getting buried in books and studies. The moments of realization that soon schooling days will be over, and ahead lies a more serious academic journey that will shape their career and future. We will miss every child as they walk out the portals of our schools with the hope that the flames of Adventist ethos will be ever burning in their lives, lighting their path for a bright future.

Christmas is not the only season of giving. The Global Youth Celebrations engage the youth globally in the spirit of giving. Food, clothes, and essential items were shared with the unfortunate ones. The wise word, 'It is better to give than to receive' is very true. The sense of satisfaction and happiness found in giving to others is priceless. God loves a willing and cheerful giver.

As we together read through the pages of this edition, I welcome you to feel the energy and passion of the events conducted on our campuses. We move forward in faith into the new and thrilling beginnings of many events, opportunities, adventures, and avenues of possibilities, with God as our Captain.

Prof. (Dr.) Eliah Srikakolli, PhD
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Dr. PAUL BAGGEIN
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UGC EXPERT TEAM VISITS NEAU FOR SPOT INSPECTION



The Expert Committee constituted by the UGC conducted a spot inspection of the North East Adventist University on March 7 & 8, 2022. The Expert Team constituted by the UGC was composed of Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice-Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh (Chairperson); Prof. Mazhar Asif, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Dr. S.C. Singh; Prof. Ajay Kumar Gupta, Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi; and Dr. Gopi Chand Merugu, Deputy Secretary, UGC, Guwahati. The members of the esteemed committee were comfortably lodged at the Orchid Inn about 2 kms away from the university campus.

The first day of the inspection began with the reception of the team members at the entrance of the campus by the NEAU administration. A short introduction of the members was provided at the VC's office. This was followed by a felicitation program at the university auditorium which was arranged by the administration. Following the felicitation

program, the administration along with the expert team gathered at the Board Room for the VC's presentation. Inspection of the university facilities was done thereafter by the team members breaking up into two teams. Among the facilities visited and inspected were laboratories, classrooms, teachers' rooms, offices, library, hostels, etc.

The second day began with a meeting with the members of the Board of Management, which was followed by further inspection of hostels, waste disposal facilities, and verification of institutional official documents. The team was also able to take some time for a short cultural program presented by the students of the university. The rest of the time was spent checking documents and writing the Inspection report. We sincerely thank the expert team for their valuable inputs, suggestion, and recommendations.

NEAU is thankful to God for His unfailing mercies. In answer to our prayers, God

sent us a UGC team of experts who were largely understanding and considerate. The expert team was supportive of the work done by the university although it was pointed out that there was still room for improvement. As such, we are looking forward to a favorable report from the expert committee.

I want to take time to thank the Hon'ble Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Elish D. Srikakolli, and all the officers of the sponsoring body for their continual support. My sincere thanks to all the staff and faculty members of NEAU who are tirelessly working to fulfill the mission of this university. My heartfelt appreciation to the team of dedicated administrators who were able to unitedly pull together as a team and bring us to where we are now. We humbly solicit your prayers so that God would continue to bless our efforts and make NEAU a beacon of light to the world.





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NORTH EAST ADVENTIST COLLEGE OF NURSING LAMP LIGHTING CEREMONY



Lamp Lighting Ceremony is held as a tribute to Florence Nightingale known as “Lady with the Lamp”. The ceremony marks the student's entry into the nursing profession.

We the North East Adventist College of Nursing conducted the 1st Lamp Lighting Ceremony with the theme “Arise! Shine! For Your Light has Come” on 31st March, 2022 at the University Auditorium. A total of 28 students took the Florence Nightingale Pledge. The program was guest with the presence of the Chief Guest Mrs. Basyrpailin Thabah, Registrar, Meghalaya Nursing Council along with

other dignitaries from the field of Nursing as well as the guest from North East India Union of SDA and the parents.

The procession started at 3:00 pm by the 1st year B.Sc. Nursing Students with a welcome from Ms. Harmeon D Sangma, Nursing Tutor, NEACON.

The audience were blessed with a scripture reading from Ms. Sibilant Lamin, Retd. Matron, Civil Hospital, Jowai and was followed by an opening prayer from Dr. Andrew Zimik, Registrar, NEAU. The honoring of guest and introduction of the guest was done by Dr. Paul Bhaggein, Vice-Chancellor, NEAU. Addressing of students was done by Prof. Betty Metilda RB, Principal, NEACON. The dignitaries lighted the lamp and inaugurated the ceremony and was followed by the entry of Florence Nightingale 'A Lady with The Lamp', Assoc. Professor Bailinda Dkhar, Vice-Principal, NEACON. The students were led into their profession by lighting their lamp and meanwhile



Nightingale Pledge was administered to the students by Prof. Betty Metilda RB, Principal, NEACON and followed by recitation of pledge. The students pledged themselves to uphold the duties as a professional nurse. A melodious Candle song 'I Will Shine' was sung by the Nursing students. Pr. Barnabas Zimik, President, North East Indian Union of SDA offered the dedicatory prayer for the Nursing students. The NEAU Choir rendered a beautiful special song “Goodness of God” while the students lighted their lamps. The Chief Guest, Mrs. Basyrpailin Thabah, Registrar, Meghalaya Nursing Council in her address to the gathering applauded the students for choosing the nursing profession. The closing prayer was offered by Mr. Barnabas D. Sangma, Chief Financial Officer, NEAU. The Lamp Lighting Ceremony ended with a vote of thanks proposed by Mrs. Amy Ch. Momin, Nursing Tutor, NEACON. The program was compered by Mrs. Phiralynn Kharkongor, Asst. Professor, NEACON.



the introduction of 1st year B.Sc. Nursing students was done by Ms. Penina Langhu, Asst. Professor, NEACON. The Florence

STUDENT AWARD



The Deputy Commissioner of West Jaintia Hills District of Meghalaya, India organised a short program to felicitate the toppers of the district, among whom one of the students was our student by name Larisa Lamin.



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IMPACT OF STRESS ON JOB SATISFACTION

Job satisfaction is important for every employee to go on with the job. In addition, it is crucial for any organization to recognize employees and know how an employee can act upon paramount. Hence, it is vital for an employer to satisfy their employees to augment their output. As workforces are the most precious assets for any organization, it is significant to satisfy them and retain. When people are ambitious towards a job they can handle the stress, if not they no longer work for the organization due to stress on the job. In addition, simply find a way to quit instead of surviving.

There is a negative relation existed between stress and satisfaction factors such as salary, Benefits,

Relationship co-workers, opportunity to utilize the skills, support for additional training. On the other hand positive relation satisfaction factors are Opportunity for promotion, Job security, recognition for work etc.

Work is a central part of almost everyone's life. Most adults devote weekdays to work (Landy & Conte, 2004) as career development makes up almost 70% of all human developmental tasks. Work and the workplace emphasizes many issues related to industrial and organizational psychology including personnel selection and training, work conditions, job satisfaction, quality of work life, human factors, performance appraisal, motivation

and leadership, and the physical and mental health of workers. Perceived satisfaction on the job is reflected by the needs of sense of fulfillment and expectation for the job to be interesting, challenging and personally satisfying (Smither, 1994). Low job satisfaction can be an important indicator of counterproductive employee behavior and can result in behavior

such as absenteeism (Spector, 1985; Martin & Miller, 1986) and turnover intentions (Spector, 1985; Dupré & Day, 2007). Job satisfaction is also an achievement indicator in career developmental tasks (Sidek, 2002) and is associated with the psychological (Limbert, 2004) and individual well-being (Nassab, 2008). Job satisfaction can also partially mediate the relationship of psychosocial work factors to deviant work behaviour. Therefore, maintaining and enhancing job satisfaction is important in order to establish quality worker, workplace and work itself.

The aspects of job satisfaction are related to as the working environment, nature of work, relationship with employees, operations and organizational traditions, salary structure and travelling pattern etc. On the other end, Stress related trauma is centralized more in target-based jobs, stress may be common in all the fields of work but we can say its quantity may be more in field-oriented jobs. At the same time, we can also make a point that career advancement may also have in the same field based jobs comparatively with other jobs.

Lowering the stress can bring the satisfaction among the employees this can lead to reduce the turnover and the company's image can flourish.



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REPORT ON **STOCK SIMULATION GAME EVENT**

Application Used for Game: Stock Trainer: Virtual Trading (Stock Markets)



Taking into consideration the growing knowledge and interest of students in stock markets and smart investments, METAS Adventist College, Surat, organized an event under the valuable guidance of the President and CEO, Dr. Eliah Srikakolli, titled "Stock Simulation Game". It is a Virtual Game on Stock Markets, played using an application available online. Students of the B. Com stream and BBA stream (Finance specialization) were invited to participate in the event. They were invited through text messaging applications and were asked to register themselves via Google Forms.

Around 87 candidates registered for the game and 78 among them appeared to participate in the event. The event was organized in the

Conference Hall of the college campus. Volunteers spread out to manage and handle the requirements of the participants. Mr. Samuel Banal from the IT department played a key role in the organization of the event and ensured that the participants didn't face any hassles with regard to the Internet.

The event was graced by Dr. Radha Vyas, Asst. Professor, D. R. & R. B. Patel Commerce College & B. C. Patel BBA College, Surat, who provided exceptional guidance and got the students more involved by teaching them, as the event went on, about the nuances of the stock market. She also expounded on the importance of making smart investments. Dr. Mohan Rao (Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs) and Mr.

Subhakar Prasad (Associate Vice President, Students Affairs) also graced the event.

The following are the names of the students who excelled and outshone, and were awarded by the above-mentioned dignitaries:

1st Prize:	Milanz Agrawal
2nd Prize:	Neev Pansari
2nd Prize (tie):	Akshat Patel
3rd Prize:	Kirtan Jain

The event was a huge success, thanks to the ceaseless efforts of the organizers of the Finance Club, Dr. Priya Narayanan, Ms. Vineeta Chopra, Ms. Tanvi Agrawal, and Ms. Unnati Doshi. The media coverage was done by Mr. Ashish Mall.

A Glimpse of the Event:





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GIVE CHEERFULLY AND ACCEPT GRATEFULLY

Eureka Club/Vivacity Club 8th April, 2022

There's an inspirational motto that goes "When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed.". METAS Adventist College organized a Donation Drive to an Old-Age Home called "Matoshree".

"Matoshree" is an old age home serving the aged needy in Palanpur Patia area, Surat. This organization has a total of 30 old age people residing in its premises.

A total of 6 Students and 5 faculty reached Matoshree at 12.30 p.m. in the afternoon on the 8th of April 2022. One of the primary motives was to serve the elderly, lunch. Our students & faculty served a nutritious vegetarian meal to the inmates. Thereafter, the students and faculty spent time interacting with them,

learning more about their lives in the Old Age Home. The faculty and student volunteers discovered their other needs during the discussion with the management. They expressed that they were being cared for well there.

Our college donated the following: -

1. One time Lunch
2. Cash for one month's vegetables i.e Rs. 11,000
3. 25 liters of edible oil
4. 60 kg Urad Dhal
5. 75 kg Rice
6. 100 kg wheat
7. 75 kg Tuvar Dhal
8. 13 kg Masoor Dhal

The above things were collected from

students from various courses. All the students donated cheerfully. The volunteers made a pilot trip to discover their urgent needs and we made sure that the required food was donated, which will pull them through for a long time. Through our visit, we came to know that they all are happily living there with minimum basic provisions.

The success of the event should be attributed to the Eureka club. The members are, Ms. Rajul S, Ms. Tushti B, Ms. Vishwa K & Ms. Unnati D.

Eureka is extremely grateful to our President and CEO, Dr. Eliah Srikakolli, Executive VPAA, Dr. N. Mohan Rao, and Assoc. VPAA, Mr. Subhakar Prasad for the moral support and guidance in conducting this event.





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BASKETBALL

March 27, 2022

METAS ADVENTIST COLLEGE, Warrior's club organized an interclass basketball tournament for the first time on 27th March 2022, 7:30 onwards on the police parade ground opposite Umra police station. The matches were conducted in the presence of esteemed faculty members. The players selected their opponents by chit system.

The matches were between two categories.

Young Ladies: There were two teams Avengers and Tyrants in the round. It was a time-framed match. As the match began, cheering for their favorite players started. The players were full of spirit of the game and they tried to score as soon as possible to win the match.

Right from the beginning, the heat of competition with composed sports spirit was clearly visible on the court. Both the teams have given a tough fight against each other. And in the end, the result went in favor of the Avengers by 4 points, and the Young Ladies' winner trophy was lifted by Masoom, Priya, Pal, Niyati, Suhani, and Khushi. And Tyrants remained runners up

Young Men: There were 10 boys teams namely Golden State, Spankers, Vipers, 2DP, Gajerians, MJ, Legendary Warriors, Warrior, Jordan1, Venom. It was a point-based match. As the first match began the air was filled with vibrancy. Stiff efforts of dominance were felt. Five teams qualified for the second round it was in this round that the heat of the competition actually multiplied, where every player

tried their best to score the goal as fast as possible and fix their position in the finals.

Here the competition was ever grave, every team tried to make their way to the top score. The final match was between Gajerians and the Legendary Warriors. The match was so intense that even the audience was confused, so they cheered every time each of the teams dropped the ball through the basket. None of the teams were giving up in spite of the heat draining their energy, and thereby the match was entertaining to the audience to the fullest. And the result went in favour of Legendary Warriors with 5 points. Yash, Heet, Bhupendra, Gautum, Ayush, Sparsh, Naitik, Neel proudly lifted the cup of victory. The Gajerians became runners-up.

We are extremely thankful to Dr. Mohan Rao sir- Executive VP ACADEMICS, Mr. SYAM PRASAD GADDAM – AVP ACADEMICS, Mr. KHIROD DALPATI, PLACEMENT HEAD & Mr. N. SUBHAKAR PRASAD, ASSOCIATE VP STUDENT AFFAIRS, for their continuous support, guidance, and motivation with which the event had reached the next level of performance.

Also, we are thankful to a core team of warriors' club volunteers who helped conduct the event with good coordination.

It was the hard work of volunteers and even leadership, direction, and motivation of Warriors' Club faculty Mrs. Surbhi S, Mrs. Vishwa K, Mrs. Rajul S, Mrs. Tanvi A and Mr. Sudhir Krupal that made the event a success.



METAS PREMIER LEAGUE

[BOX CRICKET LEAGUE (BCL)]



There are many cultures and religions followed in a secular country like India, but the only thing that unites the heart and soul of every Indian is cricket. Although India's National game is hockey cricket in India has got a huge fan base. Be it a school-going child or a retired elderly person, the appeal of cricket has charmed pretty much every Indian. Regardless of which part of India it is, one can discover children playing cricket full of energy and enthusiasm anywhere.

The BOX CRICKET LEAGUE (BCL) is the miniature version of cricket. Several versions of the game have been in existence since the late 1960s, and like conventional cricket, the indoor version involves two batsmen, a bowler, and a team of fielders. The bowler bowls the ball to the batsmen who must score runs. The team with the highest score wins at the end of the match.

Keeping the craze of the college students in mind, METAS ADVENTIST COLLEGE organized the METAS PREMIUM LEAGUE

in an innovative way like the BOX CRICKET LEAGUE (BCL) with each team consisting of 6 boys and 2 girls who played in the limited roofed place surrounded by nets. The BCL was held at CB PATEL CRICKET ACADEMY, VIP ROAD, SURAT from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm on April 28, 2022.

The title sponsor was Aurament and the co-sponsor was Sanjay tiles co. Their generous contribution made the event a grand success.

The BCL was started at 7 in the morning with 12 teams, namely, ALLSTAR, VIPERS, MAVERICK KINGS, WE ARE STARS, ULTRON, DREAM 11, INFINITY WARRIOR, GREEN BULLS, CONQUERORS, MARIO, ROYAL STRIKERS, SUPER RANGERS. The starting match was held at seven in the morning. The semi-final started at 11:00.



The enthusiasm of the players was at its peak to grab the winner's title. The audience was continuously cheering their favorite team and giving them the motivation to win the title. After all the hustle finally, the title was won by MAVERICK KINGS, and it was a great achievement for them. A tough competition was given by INFINITY WARRIOR who remained runners-up. The most awaited event of our college had a cheerful ending with the vibrant support of the rest of the student body.



CHESS TITAN 2022



Warriors Club organized Chess Titans Championships 2022, which was concluded after an exciting series of 20 matches, which included 4 rounds, the Semifinal, and the final. This enthusiastic event was conducted by the Warriors Club at METAS ADVENTIST STUDENT CENTRE.

CHESS TITANS materialized with the intelligent participation of the first to third-year BBA & B Com and first and second-year MBA students from 11:40 to 1:00 pm on 17th March 2022

The overall winner was SHAISHAV VADODARIYA – SY MBA who according to the regulations was awarded the Master's title. On what turned out to be an easy day as black in the final round. The SY MBA ace let the result come along and did not try anything unwarranted, after reaching the minor pieces endgame with no breakthroughs available.

RONAK LUNIA – FY MBA smashed through the competition section to take the title with perfect points. His play is

strong and mature and we can expect big achievements in the years to come. RONAK LUNIA from FY MBA ended as the runner. In the closing ceremony, the winners were greeted enthusiastically with rounds of applause & cheers.

Sincere thanks and appreciation to all the 40 participants who exhibited their sportsmanship and hearty congratulations to the winner and the runner-up.

BATTLERS-SOCCER CUP-2022



Football, which is also called soccer, is a team game played between two teams of eleven players including a goalkeeper. Players pass the ball by hitting it with their feet, chests, or heads. To score a goal a player must kick the ball across the goal line and into the net. The team that scores the highest number of goals in the limited time becomes the winner. The goalkeeper is the only player allowed to touch the ball with his hands. A referee and two assistant referees make sure that players obey the rules, and who has the power to send a player off the ground in case the rules are broken while the game is in session.

The football game in India needs academies and schools at all levels of development if the national team ever hopes to compete against the best teams in the world. Taking a step forward in that direction METAS ADVENTIST COLLEGE,

SURAT with the coordination of the Warriors club, conducted the football tournament "BATTLERS- THE SOCCER CUP". The event was held on 13th APRIL 2022 at SPORTS VALLEY, ALTHAN, SURAT. The students took the maximum benefit of it and participated enthusiastically in the event. There was a total of eight teams that participated in the tournament, namely, METAS United, Dark Horse, All-stars, Legendary Warriors, Khatarnak Kartik, VS Wonders, Jaydeep & Red Devils. Initially, the tournament started with league matches. It was divided into two halves of fifteen minutes with five minutes extra time. The matches started at 4:00 in the evening. After finishing two rounds of league matches the semi-finals took place which started at 8:00 pm. The semi-finals were conducted for two halves of 25 minutes each and five minutes extra time.

The winners of the semis went to play for the finals. They got huge support from the audience and the local spectators. The audience kept cheering for their favorite team and their favorite player. The final match was a nail-biting experience for the spectators where for each minute the teams continued to give a tough fight to their competitors. But finally, the lovely cup was taken away by the team METAS UNITED. The team played very well and finally came out to be victorious. DARK HORSE ended up runners in spite of giving tough competition to the winners all through the set time but failed to score enough goals during the extra time.

The credit for the success of all these tournaments goes to the Warriors Club consisting of Mrs. Surabhi Sugathan, Mrs. Rajul Shah, Mrs. Vishwa Kikaganesh, Mrs. Tanvi Agrawal and Mr. Sudhir Krupal.



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INTERNATIONAL HAPPINESS DAY

'There is no path to happiness. Happiness is the path..'

The international Happiness Day 2022 campaign theme is 'Build Back Happier' and is aimed at global recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The purpose of this day is to know the value of happiness in one's life and create awareness around it. From a pandemic to war, the world is currently facing unprecedented challenges and there is every reason to celebrate every ounce of happiness we have in our lives. So, keeping this frame of mind, college students decided to bring happiness to the lives of the

Frontline Workers for the services they have offered to the nation through thick and thin i.e Gratitude for the Frontline Workers.

The enthusiasm and fervor among students could be witnessed through their motivated participation. 15 students from the college participated in the activity.

An appreciation certificate and a box of snacks were offered as a good gesture by the students.

The event started in the morning at 8.30 am and by 11.30 am, we offered 100 snack packets and

appreciation certificates to the civil servants including police officers and cleaners.

With the support from Dr. N Mohan Rao, Executive Vice-President, Academic Affairs); Mr.Subhakar Prasad, Student Affairs, the event was a success. Much enthusiasm among the students was seen. The event was appreciated by the IPS officer, at Umra Police Station.

The credit for the success of the event is attributed to Ms. Rajul Shah, Ms. Tusti Bakrania, Ms. Vishwa Kikaganesh and Ms. Unnati Doshi.





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A VISIT TO “CHHYANDO - SURAT MANAV SEVA SANGH”

METAS Adventist College organized a visit to “Chhyando – Surat Manav Seva Sangh”, located in the Civil Hospital, Majura Gate, Surat. Student volunteers, in-charge faculty members, and Associate VP, Student Affairs, joined for the visit. On reaching the venue of our visit, all the participants assembled near the office building of Chhyando on the civil hospital campus. METAS Adventist College donated walker- 8 pieces, commode h/s, and commode chair tub – 7 units, as per the need of the trust. METAS Adventist College Volunteers served lunch to the attendees of the patients who were admitted to the civil hospital, Surat.

The visit was for a short time but it left a lasting impression on all of us. The visit was done on 27th March 2022 from 10:30-12 noon. The finances for carrying on the event came from the liberal contribution of the student body.

With wholehearted support from our President & CEO Dr. Eliah Srikakolli, Executive VPAA, Dr. N. Mohan Rao, Assoc. VPSA, Mr. Subhakar Prasad, staff members, photography team, dear students, etc. the event was successfully completed around 12:00 noon. The event was highly appreciated by every member of the METAS family. The impact of the visit will have a lasting impression on our

minds. It made us more conscious of the suffering souls around us. We felt much satisfied to see the reaction of our students, who'll perhaps grab every such opportunity in the future.

The success of every event rest in the hands of the student volunteers, who work tirelessly till the deed is done in the best way possible. The active volunteers of the event were: Richard Morkhiya, Janardan Panchal of TYBBA, and other volunteers of different classes from BBA, B. Com, and MBA.

The credit for materialization goes to the Vivacity Club Members Ms. Rajul Shah, Ms. Tushti Bakrani, Ms. Vishwa Kikaganesh & Ms. Unnati Doshi.





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STUDENT OF THE YEAR COMPETITION 2022



Student of the year is the most awaited event for METAS students. The event is an exhibition of mental, physical, creative, endurance and leadership abilities. The event held in four phases attracts the maximum number of participants. This year the first phase was conducted on March 30. An IQ test comprising of questions based on reasoning, current affairs, and general knowledge was conducted and the round had attracted 230 participants. Thirty-seven of the highest-scoring participants were selected for the second round.

The second round was a test of communicative and cognitive skills of the participants was held on April 3. The participants were divided into five groups and were asked to discuss and debate current issues around the world. The students were tested on basis of subject knowledge, leadership ability, and communicative and listening skills. Two renowned judges were invited to select the best of the participants. The top

twenty students were selected for the next round which was the stress interview round.

The stress interview the third round of the competition was conducted on April 17 in which 20 students participated. The stress level, patience, and knowledge of the participants were tested in a gruelling session conducted by an eminent consultant and industry expert.

The most awaited mega final round was held on May 1. Twelve of the best who succeeded in the previous two rounds and emerged winners made it to the finals. The round was a test of physical and athletic skills of cycling and running. The participants gathered in the early hours of the morning to participate in the round which was held in Gaurav path, opposite the Rahul raj mall. They had to cover a total distance of 6.2 km. The participants had to cycle for 3.2kms up to Sargam shopping center in the Parle point area and then start their run for the next three

km. Students were provided with water and refreshments along the way at four points. A group of teachers and volunteers cheered the participants all along. METAS Adventist hospital was gracious to provide an ambulance and medical staff for emergency use. The participant's stamina and endurance were tested to the fullest and the first to reach the finish point in front of the college gate was Mr. Manav Chandwani of Third year BBA class. Mr. Dhaval Lodha of Third year BBA finished second. All the finalists completed the race. The winner and final round participants were honored with trophies.

The event was keenly awaited, enthusiastically participated, and was a huge success. A special kudos to all faculty members, student volunteers, participants, and administration for rendering relentless support and participation.





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E-HEALTH: PARADIGM SHIFT IN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

In the early 1960s, telemedicine appeared in urban communities touching down in the world of emergency medicine. The University of Miami School of Medicine partnered with the local fire department in 1967 to transmit electrocardiographic rhythms over the radio to Jackson Memorial Hospital in rescue situations. Remote medicine had officially hit the streets.

Telemedicine became popular in rural areas, where populations with limited healthcare access could now reach specialists from afar. In the 1960s and '70s, the Public Health Department, NASA, the Department of Defence, and the U.S. Health and Human Services Department all invested time and money in research in telemedicine. In a broader sense, the term characterizes not only a technical development, but also a state of mind, a way of thinking, an attitude, and a commitment to networked, global thinking, to improve healthcare locally, regionally, and worldwide by using information and communication technology."

The World Health Organization (WHO) defines E-Health as:

"...the cost-effective and secure use of information and communication technologies in support of the health and health-related fields including healthcare, health surveillance and health education, knowledge and research."

10 E'S IN "E-HEALTH"

Efficiency - one of the promises of e-health is to increase efficiency in health care, thereby decreasing costs. One possible way of decreasing costs would be by avoiding duplicative or unnecessary diagnostic or therapeutic interventions, through enhanced communication possibilities between health care establishments, and through patient involvement.

Enhancing quality of care - increasing efficiency involves not only reducing costs but at the same time improving

quality. E-health may enhance the quality of health care for example by allowing comparisons between different providers, involving consumers as additional power for quality assurance, and directing patient streams to the best quality providers.

Evidence-based - e-health interventions should be evidence-based in the sense that their effectiveness and efficiency should not be assumed but proven by rigorous scientific evaluation. Much work still has to be done in this area.

Empowerment of consumers and patients - by making the knowledge bases of medicine and personal electronic records accessible to consumers over the Internet, e-health opens new avenues for patient-centered medicine and enables evidence-based patient choice.

Encouragement of a new relationship between the patient and health professional, towards a true partnership, where decisions are made in a shared manner.

Education of physicians through online sources (continuing medical education) and consumers (health education, tailored preventive information for consumers).

Enabling information exchange and communication in a standardized way between health care establishments.

Extending the scope of health care beyond its conventional boundaries- This is meant in both a geographical sense as well as in a conceptual sense. E-health enables consumers to easily obtain health services online from global providers. These services can range from simple advice to more complex interventions or products i.e. pharmaceuticals.

Ethics - e-health involves new forms of patient-physician interaction and poses new challenges and threats to ethical issues such as online professional practice, informed consent, privacy, and equity issues.

Equity - to make health care more equitable is one of the promises of e-health, but at the same time there is a considerable threat that e-health may deepen the gap between the "haves" and "have-nots". People, who do not have the money, skills, and access to computers and networks, cannot use computers effectively. As a result, these patient populations (which would actually benefit the most from health information) are those who are the least likely to benefit from advances in information technology, unless political measures ensure equitable access for all. The digital divide currently runs between rural vs. urban populations, rich vs. poor, young vs. old, male vs. female people, and neglected/rare vs. common diseases.

COVID-19 continues to impact lives across the world, hampering health equity and outcomes and creating barriers to the socio-economic growth of countries. The past year has been a testing time for the healthcare sector, to put it mildly. While the pandemic exposed the vulnerabilities of our healthcare system, it also led to an unprecedented push toward the adoption of digital technologies for healthcare management and to improve the overall efficiency of healthcare delivery. Today we live in a connected world where patients are expecting better health outcomes without comprising on convenience and quality. A tech-enabled primary, secondary and tertiary healthcare system would have to strike a balance between affordability, convenience, and also on issues of safety and security of data. This pandemic has certainly laid a strong foundation for innovation, collaboration, and the adoption of technology in both preventive and curative healthcare. For India to build a resilient and future-ready health ecosystem there is a compelling need to re-imagine our health care priorities with a technology-focused lens.



MR. ROSHAN POTHURAJU
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1ST DAY OF PRE-SCHOOLERS AT METAS - A DELIGHTFUL KICK-START

“A school's environment is extremely important for kids of all ages. The social interactions they get to have here, with teachers and their peers, are valuable. We must understand that students, especially lower grades, were heavily stressed the past two years, bound to online classes within the four walls of a room at home. Many of them couldn't go out even though their parents did. A crucial period of their lives was spent inside”.

Without kids, the school seemed just another lifeless concrete structure. After long time the METAS family, was thrilled and delighted to witness the loud sounds and chirpy smiles of Pre-Primary children.

At our esteemed institution, METAS Adventist School, Surat, a school that has served for nearly 8 decades now, the Pre-Schoolers returned to school on April 11, on

Commencement of the academic year 2022-23, after a pandemic-forced gap of 26 months.

The Pre-Primary block and classrooms were beautifully decorated with colorful articles and attractive paintings by the Art & Drawing teachers and the class teachers. Every classroom was decorated with welcoming notes and beautiful pictures to make the children feel comfortable and exuberant with the classroom environment.

On this eventful day, our School Principal, Mr. Ravikumar Peteti, and his administrative team welcomed and received the children and their parents jubilantly.

Parents started to enter the school premises with their little ones by 7

am. It was a blissful occasion for our eyes to see the bright, smiling faces of the kids with joyful gaits into



the school premises. They were excited and overjoyed to dive into the new adventures in the classroom.

Parents were extremely joyful and glad to bring their children to the school for the first time, with feelings of mixed emotions rolling out of them as they entrusted their precious ones into the hands of our teachers, who welcomed them with cheerful smiles.

The Pre-Primary class teachers have played an influential role in receiving and engaging the children in the classroom activities on the first day of their school life at METAS. The sessions ended with the children happily bustling back to their parents with beautiful memories of the day.

Overall, it was a euphoric day for METAS Adventist School to witness this eventful kick-start of the Pre-Primary School after a considerable gap.





MRS. HRITIKA VERMA
Supervisor
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Vyara

SCHOOL REOPENING FOR SESSION 2022-23



The new session 2022-23 at METAS Adventist International School, Vyara commenced with great enthusiasm and positivity equally among students, parents and teachers. Just when the charm of classroom teaching was regaining its lost valour, the school campus started buzzing again with the sound of school bell and the happy chatter of children.

The school reopened it's new session 2022-23 for Nursery to std. XII on 7th April, 2022 with the strength of almost 700 students, out of which 300 students came from pre-primary & primary section

while secondary section classes had almost 400 students. This strength saw a rise in the days that followed with almost 900-1000 students coming to school every day. With the rise in new admissions, many classes had to be further divided into new sections.

The teachers levelled up the excitement of the students by conducting orientation session on the first two days of reopening (i.e. 7th & 8th April) in each class. This included introduction of both student and teacher and different kinds of fun games and activities. Each teacher had carefully planned

a series of games and activities for their assigned class and decorated the classrooms to welcome their students back to school for the new session.

The anxious parents of first time school goers from pre-primary section were delighted to see their kids mingle freely with the teachers and the motherly care given by them to soothen the children.

Overall, the new session started on a positive note and we hope that this academic year will help in the holistic development of our students.





Mrs. NITHYA GIFTSON
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METAS Adventist International School,
Vyara

12th GRADUATION CEREMONY

METAS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, VYARA



Preamble: Providing world class quality education for 4 decades, our prestigious METAS International School stands out distinct with its motto, 'Today we follow, tomorrow we lead'.

Glimpse of the program: 'Graduation Day' is one of the most important milestones in every student's life, where His/her success is celebrated in a grand manner. The significance of it is, every person will remember his graduation day throughout his lifetime. It's a flagship moment in a student's life marking a symbol of change, of progression and of moving onto new adventures. Not only the academics but also the beautiful memories of student life carried so far will be remembered. In the '10th Graduation Ceremony for the 12th students', METAS has given opportunity for every student to celebrate for what they have achieved so far.

After the 2 challenging years of pandemic, METAS had celebrated its 10th Annual Graduation Ceremony for the outgoing 12th std students on 2nd April, 2022 (Saturday). The ceremony started gloriously with a beautiful entry of students carrying the flags. The flag bearers proudly carried the academic flags and the METAS flags representing their academic classes and school in the processional. The flag bearers are succeeded by the procession of all the



honorable dignitaries and staff members to the dais.

Dr. Mohan N (Executive VPAA) opened the event with a prayer followed by Mrs. Jaya Eliah Srikakolli (Headmistress) who read the Scriptures. The esteemed members, staff, students and the parents were warmly welcomed by Mr. Prasad K, Headmaster. The talented students choir, ELITE Music Choir, smoothened the atmosphere by their sweet song.

Dr. Eliah Srikakolli, President and CEO of METAS group of Institutions was the Chief Guest, who was introduced by Mr. Sunikumar CH, the respected principal. Dr. Eliah Srikakolli was the former principal of our School. He was the pioneer, who sowed the initial seeds of METAS, meticulously cared them and now we are reaping the harvest, the fruits from those trees which he nourished decades earlier.

Dr. Eliah delivered a motivating address on the Aim and Motto of the graduating class. He stressed on the mission statement, "To touch the lives and to transform people by teaching, by healing and by creating a better community for man and to God. And he also encouraged is by quoting the vision statement "To become a dynamic global institution and a centre of excellence. Finally, he motivated all the graduating students to maintain honesty and integrity in all aspects of life. He concluded saying, "My beloved children, the rest of your life is assured in METAS. It has prepared you well for your future". All I want to tell you is that make your life worth living and let your work make a difference in the lives of others, set your goals high, live your dreams. Congratulations and may God bless you all." His speech was an encouragement and blessing to all the budding graduates of METAS to be the responsible citizens of our nation. This was an icing to the cake.

Towards the end the staff members



read out a brief introduction of each student covering his/her interests and future goals. Special achievement awards of recognition were received with tears of joy. Among the 72 such pearls of METAS, many have started their careers from Junior KG. Mr. Agnew Jacob, the Executive Vice President of Finance offered the closing prayer followed by the vote of thanks from Mrs. Purvi Nilay. The program finally ended with a sumptuous and delicious fellowship dinner of students, staff and the parents.

The graduation event was jubilantly successful because of the strenuous efforts put forward by the principal, headmaster, all the staff members and specially by the untiring work of the officers of the graduating class. The following were the student officers of the graduating class 2021-22: Rajveersing Arjunsing Vasave, President, Zion Sunisha Sunil Chillimuntha, Vice-president, Khushi Snehal Shah, Secretary, Sangeet Sahebrao Khandagle, Treasurer, Lallawmzuala MC Sangkhuma Maulchin, Pastor, Krisha Vijay Maisuria, Musician, VZ Sudikshadiwakar Pawar, Florist and Nunaramarao Kopuri, Artist. The class representatives were Meet Bharatbhai Patel and Vinodraj Prakash for Boys and JeelSatisbhai Patel for girls. The graduation sponsors were Mrs. Rupa Sunilkumar Chillimuntha and Mr. Vasu P.

The 10th graduation ceremony which had a professional start ended with lots of emotion as the budding graduates continued to share their love, joy, happiness and hope towards their alma-mater. On the whole, this event was a grand success!



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GLOBAL YOUTH DAY AT METAS RANCHI

Global youth day is celebrated every year and the preparations were started a month earlier. The students and staff of METAS Adventist college were involved in fundraising activities. As the theme of the year is "Loving the Forgotten". The Adventist youth of Ranchi chose a different set of people who face a challenge in their daily life, and who need support and encouragement from the community. These people are who have difficulties in life with health, habits, and financial resources. After permission from the administration, the activities were started to meet their needs. Food sale, yard cleaning, back yard cleaning, car washing, graveyard cleaning, pot painting, and funds from the sponsors were the financial resources for the outreach activities. 19th March was the most awaited day for the students and staff of METAS Adventist College to celebrate the theme "Loving the Forgotten". The students along with the staff were divided into different groups to visit places in and around Ranchi.

❖ CURIE CANCER HOSPITAL RANCHI

The youth sang songs, prayed, and also distributed drinks, face towels, paste, soap, and emollients for the patients who have undergone surgery, radiation therapy, and chemotherapy. 45 patients received the kit in person and 15 kits were donated to the surgical ward. The encouragement of the youth brought bliss to the face of the cancer clients; the youth were really moved by the way they were received by the health challenges.

❖ CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY

The central institute of psychiatry is a reputed institution in Ranchi where they have clients who are mentally challenged. The youth visited the De-addiction ward, where most of the clients were addicted to alcohol and drugs. The clients of this ward welcomed us with warm hearts. The youth made them sing songs and spent quality time with them. Gave them flowers and cake and also thanked the staff nurses for their benevolent service with flowers and drinks. Dr. S.K Munda in charge of this unit appreciated the youth for cheering the clients with words of happiness and the small token of love which made them feel that they are important to their family, friends, and community.



❖ MEDICAL AND CHILDREN MINISTRY AT TAPE

A free medical ministry was organized in Tape which is 40 km away from Ranchi. This village needed medical help and the children were teachable of God's word. Dr. Sarosh and Optical technician Mr. Patras, assisted by three nursing staff, have conducted the medical ministry. A free medical camp was organized, 11 clients had general ailments and 3 of them had vision problems. These clients were given free medications and were referred to the local PHC. The children in these villages were interested in listening to Bible stories,



learning songs and music. The children enjoyed the games based on the theme "Loving the Forgotten"

And toys, chocolates, and balloons were distributed to make them feel loved. These children were not fortunate. The GYD team witnessed the happiness of these unfortunate children

❖ **CHESHIRE HOME**

This home includes 40 inmates which have a group of specially enabled children and senior citizens. The GYD team conducted a skit in the local language titled “Lalatch na kre” which means not be greedy and to share. “kisney banaya phoolon ko” a song about creation was taught to the children and senior citizens. Games were conducted to enrich the bond between them. The inmates received paste, soap, and cookies with gratitude. The youth appreciated their participation

❖ **GURUNANAK HOME FOR SPECIALLY ENABLED CHILDREN**

This home has 35 kids and adolescents who are physically challenged. Due to the Local celebration of Holi, the team could only show the love of God through the distribution of drinks and toys and the home was thankful for this small act of kindness.

❖ **DAV OLD AGE HOME**

Youth paid a visit to senior citizens home to make them happy. There were 43 senior citizens. The music which was played for them lifted their souls and their heart was filled with happiness. The young team spent time and had fun with them and realized how the senior citizens were young at heart and they were fun-loving. The songs and a small pack of snacks made their evening cheerful.

❖ **SABBATH SERVICE AT RANCHI CHURCH**

The vesper on Global Youth Day was conducted by the youth of the church. Ms. Rachel Masih, Nursing tutor preached on the title “The 7ReasonsTo Come To Church” which revived the congregation and the youth presented a skit on “Infinite love” which portrayed the love of Jesus for the forgotten people on his earthly ministry which edified the church members.

The sabbath school was presented by the youth of the church. They presented a mime on “The Helping Hands” followed

by the lesson study conducted by a group of panelists under the guidance of Ms. Anny Sushila Adhikary, Nursing tutor.

The divine preachers were Mr. Bobprinston Velpula and Mr. Jasnel Subhakar Narlapati, who preached on the theme “Loving the Forgotten” these young preachers shared their personal testimonies in what way they were miraculously led by God and how God used them to share his love to others.

❖ **PITHORIA CHURCH SERVICE**

The cornerstone of the church and some students took part in conducting the sabbath service at Pithoria which is an hour drive away from Ranchi. The children's storytime and the skit titled, “Way Back Home”, were enjoyed by the children and adults. The children's story by Mrs. Reena Raj and Mr. Mokshit Subhakar Narlapati made the children understand the crux of the theme. Preacher Mr. Vijay Raj Spoke on the theme which inspired the church at Pithoria. The youth conducted sundown worship which was lively. The congregation was blessed. There were about 45 children who were part of GYD 2022. The youth is looking forward to meeting them sometime again.

❖ **S.D.A HOSPITAL**

Our S.D.A Hospital is visited every year on GYD. Some of the patients in S.D.A hospital were confined to bed. We conveyed the love of Jesus through songs and offered a prayer for their healing. The doctor, nurses, and supporting staff too joined us in praising God.

The youth of the church had a wonderful experience visiting in and around Ranchi. They felt how incredible is God's love for His lost human race.

The global youth team would sincerely thank the Executive Vice-President and church pastor, Pr, Cornelius Murmu for his directions and guidance and the Administrators Dr. S.D.D Naidu the General vice-president, Mr. Bobby James Velpula Associate vice president of



financial affairs Mr.Ajit Bazroy Associate Vice-President of hospital affairs, Mr. Sunil Kumar Ayyanki, Vice president of Academic Affairs, Mr.Vijay Raj Asst. vice president of college administration, Mrs.Merlin Mohan, Principal of Metas Adventist college of Nursing, the hostel deans Mrs. Hirani Dang and Mr. Ravi Dara, and the sabbath school department in charge Mrs. Manolatha Bobby James for their support.

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- Ms. Anny sushila Adhikary, Nursing tutor
- Ms. Premshila Bara, Nursing Tutor
- Mr. Mokshit Subhakar Narlapati, Audio Visual Aids

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HELP EXTENDED



When Dr. T R Flaiz, an American Missionary established the Giffard memorial hospital, Nuzvid in 1925, Seventh Day Adventist Church, Nuzvid was born along with it.

Over the years, with the village ministry and services of the hospital, the church grew. The youth of the church were so active that they went around the surrounding villages, rendering their services and proclaiming the gospel. This outreach ministry gave rise to many churches in all the villages they visited.

As days went by, the small village

churches with smaller congregations started struggling. But mostly remained constant with very few faithful members.

When the General Conference Youth Department declared the theme for the Global Youth Day, 2022 - "Loving the Forgotten", "I will go" was more than just a logo for the Adventist Youth team of Nuzvid



It became our response to our God's Great Commission to embrace the forgotten churches and establish God's kingdom through those churches. Struggling churches in the vicinity, with dedicated pastors and faithful members, were visited by the AY team and their needs were studied. God worked in many kind hearts and with their generous contribution, we were able to

purchase and distribute things like loudspeakers, microphones, etc. that will help the churches to reach out to many. Chairs, mats, fans, and tube lights were also donated. These amenities will enhance the experience of members and keep them comfortable in the church.

A detailed list of churches visited and things donated is summarized as follows: -

1. Venkatayapalem Church:

Table Cloth, 1 Fan, 3 mats, 5 chairs.

2. Turup Digavalli Church:

Microphone with stand, 5 fans, 9 chairs, 4 tube lights, 6 mats, Roof repair and Church Painting

3. S. Apparaopetta Church:

Amplifier, Box Speaker, Horn Speaker, Microphone with stand

destitutes living on the streets, homeless, and forgotten. The AY team wanted to remember to love them too. There were nearly 50 elderly homeless people, staying under a tunnel on the outskirts of



Vijayawada city. We visited them and distributed food packets for one meal, blankets to protect them from the cold of night, and footwear to

mommy and sleeping just one night, feeling the mother's love and warmth?

It was indeed a blessing for the AY team to visit the children who lost their parents during the pandemic, not only to count our blessings of having a family but also to share our love with the children and spend some time with them.

Their caretakers were having a hard time finding funds to provide for the children. It is our privilege that God helped us find them when they needed us. By God's grace we donated the following for them:-



protect their wandering legs from the scorching heat of the summer.

4. Metlapalli Church:

Table, Table cloth, 3 fans, 4 tube lights and 6 mats

5. Ganapavaram Church:

Amplifier, Box speaker, Horn Speaker, Table, Table cloth, Microphone with stand, 8 chairs, 6 mats, 2 fans and Church Painting.

NEEDY LITTLE ONES

They say childhood is the happiest part of life that creates beautiful memories. But what about the ones who have



no parents? There has to be someone to take care of their needs. But what if

16 rice bags, 10kg Dal, 10 kg Peanuts, 5 kg Pulses, Oil Can, Healthy snacks, and toys.

the innocent child feels like having ice cream, whom will she ask? What if she feels like hugging her

It is our earnest prayer that loving the forgotten, visiting them, and helping them becomes our lifestyle, and not just a one-day event. What's exciting is that the young people are excited and they are coming up with new creative ways to make it work."

NEGLECTED POOR

There are many people out there,





DAMONLANG SHYLLA
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GLOBAL YOUTH DAY 2022



An integral event of the North East Adventist University English Church of SDA, Global Youth Day was celebrated on March 18 & 19 with preparations starting well in advance in our church. Several activities were planned out by the AY Department, such as 1. Cleaning Drive 2. Visitation of Break Through Centre 3. Visitation of an Orphanage 4. Loving the Forgotten 5. Blood Drive. We had an overwhelming response despite the late decision to celebrate GYD22. A total of 250+ participants joined hands in the activities.

We had to use old T-Shirts as we were not allowed to sell them due to the Pandemic.

On March 18, groups were distributed to different parts of the community in the radius of 4 kms to clean the surroundings and set up dust bins in and around the society.

Dustbins were put up at strategic locations for general public to access.

On March 19, we had the other activities which were:

1. Break Through Centre - Visitation of the Break Through Centre which is located 3-4 kms away. Based on mutual understanding, a Table Fan was handed as a gift to the centre, in order to support them in their service to Mankind. Devotion and games were also part and parcel of the visitation.
2. Orphanage - visit to an Orphanage located across the Church. We were blessed being the hands and feet of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. A cupboard was also gifted to the centre to be used for the children. Similarly, devotion and games were part and parcel of the visitation.
3. The Forgotten - Selected needy families in and around Khliehtyrshi were given rice, dal and some other household goods items as part of our celebration.
4. Blood Drive – A total of 47 members came forward to donate their blood which was held within the campus premises.

Financially, an amount of 20,829 was spent for all the activities which was majorly borne by the Church. We also received a few donations from a few people.



May God richly bless the Youth Ministries and this program as it continues to contribute to the spiritual upliftment of the youth of our Church.



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LOVE SHARED WITH THE VILLAGERS

With the motivation given by our beloved President & CEO Professor & Dr. Elish Srikakolli, METAS Adventist Church, Surat as part of “Global Youth Day celebrations-2022” imbibing the theme “Loving the Forgotten” has visited several small villages and donated food grains, dal, cooking oil, Wheat flour, Bread, clothes, etc., to many poor families individually on several occasions for the whole month of March on every Sunday. We spoke to them; we understood their dire living conditions whose source of income is only daily agricultural labor and we prayed for them. The church members were very liberal in their contributions to the cause. As a whole, we could distribute approximately 500 Kg Rice, 200 Kg Wheat flour, 60 liters cooking oil, and 100 kg of Dal.

Also, some snack was distributed to the Lakhali church members and new clothes were gifted to the aged.

Almost all the members including the President's family and small children took turns to visit and donate not caring about the summer heat which takes a toll in this part of the country.

The church has come up as one unit towards the cause and was very enthusiastic in every activity. Our Adventist Youth Officers have contributed their best efforts for the GYD22. We praise God for the opportunity of serving the community and spreading God's Love to the forgotten.

While the majority of the beneficiaries were daily wage earners who don't get regular work, the others were aged, crippled, and slum dwellers.

“If anyone is poor among your fellow Israelites in any of the towns of the land the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hardhearted or tightfisted toward them.” Deuteronomy 15:7 Let's be liberal.





LOVING THE FORGOTTEN

"Go and do likewise" Luke 10:37

METAS Adventist School, Surat as part of "Global Youth Day celebrations-2022" arranged a visit on 25th March 2022, to "Jeevan Vikas Trust", which runs a Mentally challenged children & Adults school and Autism Centre, near Gujarat gas circle, Surat. Around 110 students along with a few of the teachers were led by the Youth Director, who visited and donated some eatables and a few simple articles which they are in need of, which aid in training them to read, write, and speak like the normal ones. We spent two hours of quality time with them. We played, sang our Adventist Youth Song and other choruses, prayed with them, danced, and colored pictures with them. Our hearts were delighted to spend time with them and bring smiles to their faces. It was such a heart-touching moment for all of us to associate with them and make them feel they're loved. We thank our school administration for giving us an opportunity of this nature.

As per the GYD22 theme "Loving the Forgotten", when a call was given for the outgoing students to contribute, buy the T-shirts, and join this simple philanthropic act, there was a vibrant

response at the very first appeal. They joyfully purchased the T-shirts which carried the message of love to the forgotten and cheerfully donated to the cause. And on that blessed day, it was a sight to see about 70 two-wheelers moving out like an army, yes, our students and faculty moved with a true spirit of vibrance to conquer the specially enabled with loads of love. It was a sight to see some of the children hug our students tight and kissed them. Some of our students who came out of their luxurious abodes for the first time became so emotionally attached to them and it became a challenge for us to bring them back. honestly, our effort to reach the forgotten and unreached was a great success beyond our expectations.

The management expressed their gratefulness for our thoughtful gesture and gave us an open invitation to visit them anytime.

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' Matthew 25:45. So let's not neglect but take pleasure in doing it each time we get a chance.



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