



# Expressions



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## Training conducted at DKSHA Cornerstone Orphanage

DKSHA Cornerstone Orphanage stands as a Centre for Excellence. The Child Welfare Committee (CWC) and DCPO-District Child Protection Unit, recognized DKSHA Cornerstone as a model children's Home in Tiruchirappalli District, Tamil Nadu State in South India. As a result, other NGOs and Social Organizations have come to receive training from our organization in order to learn about our best practices.

The Miracle Foundation India, through Ms. Banu Hariharapudran, the Senior Coordinator of the south regional offices for education and training, conducted a 2 day exposure mentoring visit at Cornerstone Home for Salesian Sisters from Mumbai and Chennai. This 2 Day Training Program included: Mentoring Meetings; Understanding Organizational Systems and Processes; Verifying DKSHA's Registers and Records; a Cornerstone Campus Visit; a mock session by Master Trainer of Family Culture, Sr. Joanita; Child Development Stages training from Sr. Caroline; Child Abuse Prevention Training from Sr. Sunanda; and meetings with our house mothers, Social Worker, Education Facilitator, Coaching Teachers, and Computer Instructor. DKSHA Cornerstone Children's Home sincerely thanks The Miracle Foundation India for supporting this wonderful, highly beneficial training at our DKSHA Cornerstone Home!

Dear Reader,

Greetings and welcome to our last Newsletter of 2018, DKSHA's Silver Jubilee year! We began as a very small organization in 1993 and it is a great achievement for us to be completing our 25th year! We are very thankful to all who stood with us in DKSHA's budding years, and for all of the support as we steadily grew. Now, we have just begun the preparations to celebrate our Jubilee in April / May 2019. We are so grateful for all who walked with us in 2018, giving help to us by way of grants and gifts, both in cash and in kind. We are also so thankful for our many volunteers, both over-seas and local. We wish you all a Happy New Year 2019!

-Isaac Arulappan



### DKSHA children receive new cupboards!

Children both boys and girls at DKSHA Cornerstone received new Cupboards! This gift for the children was received with help from the Rotary Club of Whitby, ON - Canada. Opening of the newly made cupboards was done with local Rotary Club leaders and members from Trichy and Manapparai.



Annabelle and Edouard were two volunteers from France that spent time with our DKSHA Cornerstone family. They helped teach computer skills to our children, helped with crowd funding, updated our website, and sponsored 6 special meals among other things! We thank you both so much for your love and service to our home and family!



Dr. Amod Kumar conducted a medical monitoring visit for all of our children at DKSHA

## Cornerstone Activities!



Aayutha Pooja celebrated at DKSHA (Festival of Triumph)



Art competition held on World Mental Health Day



Happy children on hand wash day



Children participating in Life Skills Education



Kids receive prize from Sugumar at World Mental Health Day function



Children take part in a tree building exercise

# Cyclone Gaja stuck DKSHA Cornerstone Home

Cyclone Gaja hit Tamil Nadu State in southern India mid November bringing wind gusts over 100 KM / H. It caused great damage across our state, and even at our DKSHA Cornerstone Home.



Many trees fell at DKSHA Cornerstone Home including every tree along the front side.



Broken Greenshed at DKSHA



Broken water tank at DKSHA



Children with local Rotarians planting trees after Gaja

DKSHA  
India

DKSHA, Mullippadi, Tiruchirapalli - Tamil Nadu - India

## CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION 2018

Children's day 2018 celebration included drama, solo/group singing, poem recitation dance, sports, games and more, including a wonderful session from our chief guest Mr. P. Mohan, state member for protection of child rights, titled 'face the future'.



# Triple Fest 2018

Everyone at DKSHA had a wonderful, simple Triple Fest 2018 celebration. This celebration combined Christmas 2018, DKSHA Cornerstone's 14th Annual Day, and welcoming in the 2019 New Year!



Santa dancing with Cornerstone boys



Dance by Cornerstone girls



DKSHA Cornerstone College girls at Triple Fest 2018



DKSHA Cornerstone College boys at Triple Fest 2018

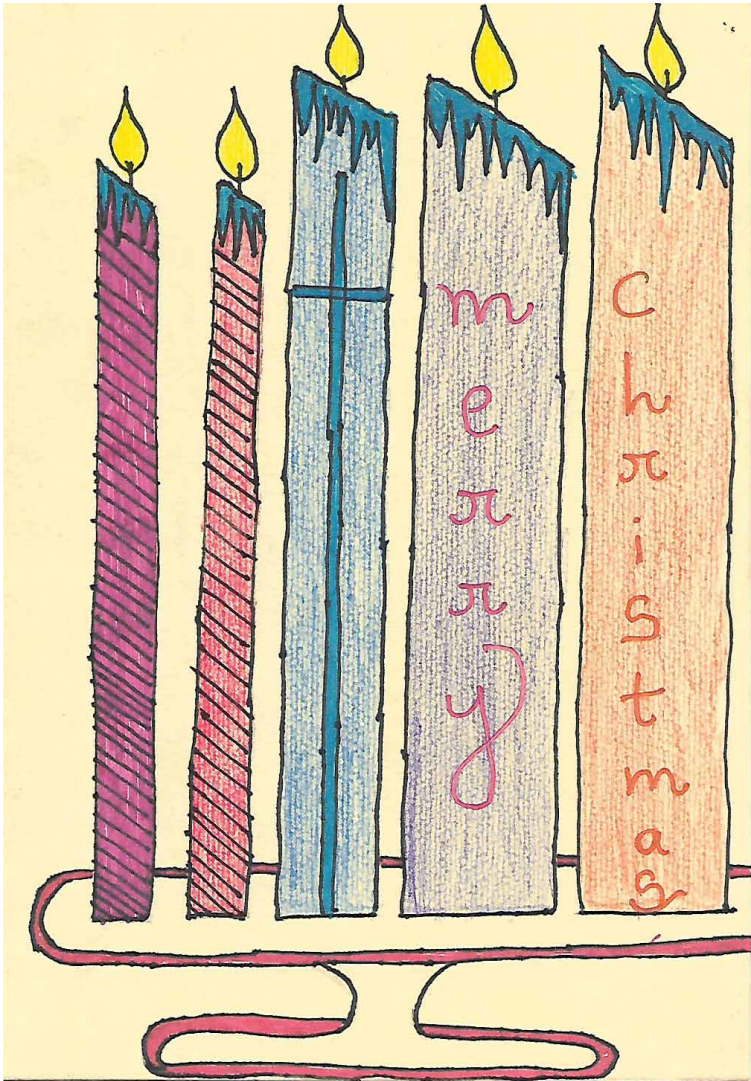


Ms. Ruth's Family with Children and Staff



DKSHA children welcoming Ms. Ruth and her family

# Kid's Corner



Please enjoy our children's artwork!



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**Dear**

**DKSHA Sponsors  
& Friends,**

Your care and Support  
has given us a Christmas  
of Joy and hope. You are  
appreciated by all of us  
here at DKSHA.

Wishing you a Christmas Season  
filled with peace and love,  
and may the coming **NEW YEAR - 2019**  
bring you much fulfilment and prosperity...!



**Children & Staff - DKSHA - INDIA**

The DKSHA Cornerstone family sincerely thank the following Donors for their timely help in the restoration measures following the cyclone Gaja and allied needs:  
Rotary Club of Whitby, and Rotary Club of Brighton, ON, RI Dist. 7070 - Canada.  
Rotary Club of Breckenridge Mountain and Rotary eClub One, CO, RI Dist. 5450-USA.  
Ms. Monica Schultheis, Lukas Schultheis, Lisa Evers and all friends - Germany.  
Ms. Susi and all her Friends - Germany.

DKSHA Cornerstone family sincerely thanks Ms. Ruth Rosenblum Behlman, from Miami Beach, Florida, and all her family members & friend for visiting our children and staff on 31st December 2018. We all enjoyed your love filled visit - this day we will never forget!

Please contact DKSHA Cornerstone Orphanage, we would LOVE to hear from you!

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