

Reaching The Unreached

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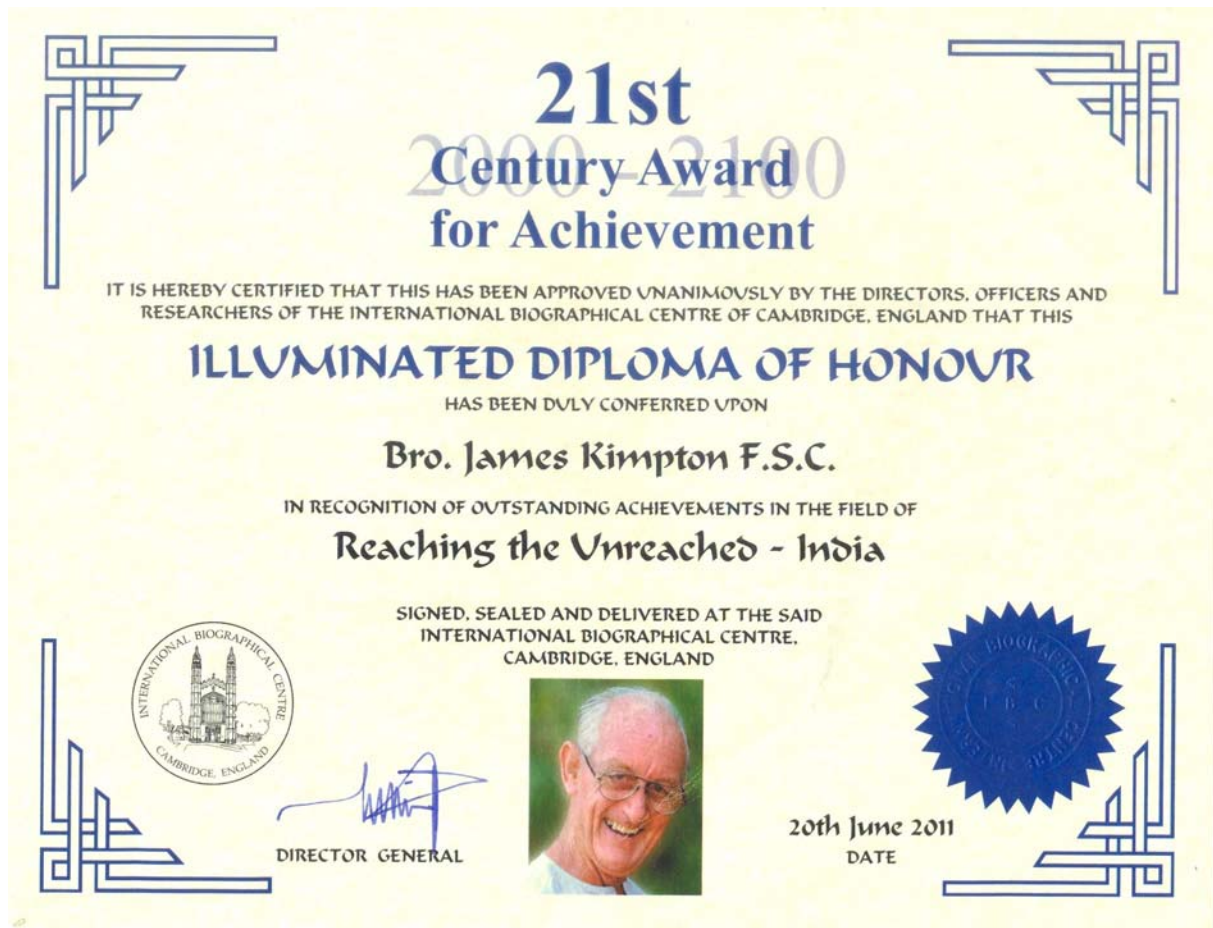
Happenings of June 2011

Dear Well-wishers,

Greetings from RTU.

As I have mentioned to you earlier I am giving you the latest statistics of RTU. This will help you to understand the extend of your support.

Our Brother has received “**ILLUMINATED DIPLOMA OF HONOUR - 21st Century Award for Achievement in Village Development in India**” for his selfless work for the people of this area from “International Biographical Centre of Cambridge, England”. This institution has given this same award to our Brother early in 2000. We congratulate him for this award.



Fr. Newton has joined RTU staff. He is 41 years old. He is heading Nutrition Department, teaching in the school and teaching singing and instruments to our hostel and CV students. Before becoming a priest he was a teacher.

Child Care:

This year we have 107 new admissions. We are proud of extending our help to so many children.

Centers	Poor		Semi Orphan		Orphan		HIV Affected		HIV+		Total			Families
	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	Total	
Anbu Illam	7	22	16	34	-	4	6	13	-	-	29	73	102	18
Sirumalar CV	-	21	12	26	2	7	9	30	18	41	41	125	166	21
Miriam CV	2	19	17	37	-	4	7	12	-	-	26	72	98	14
Nirmala CV	5	22	20	37	2	5	15	12	-	-	42	76	118	16
Miriam Girls' Hostel	-	4	-	23	-	4	-	19	-	-	-	50	50	
Velanganni Girls' Hostel	-	9	-	12	-	2	-	7	-	-	-	30	30	
Josephine Girls' Hostel	-	11	-	16	-	3	-	18	-	-	-	48	48	
Pushparani Girls' Hostel	-	8	-	14	-	2	-	9	-	14	-	47	47	
David Boys' Hostel	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	27	-	29	1	30	
Micheal Boys' Hostel	9	-	16	-	10	-	14	-	2	-	51	-	51	
Residential School*	10	2	26	14	7	-	34	8	-	-	77	24	101	
Professional Studies*	5	18	10	38	5	13	13	10	5	2	38	81	119	
Jeevan Jyothi Hospice*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	
Total	38	136	117	252	26	44	100	138	52	59	333	629	962	69
Grand Total	174		369		70		238		111		962			
Percentage (%)	18%		38%		7%		25%		12%		35%	65%		

*The centres, where we send our children for special training and education. The rest are directly run by RTU.

Category	HIV Infected			HIV Affected			Others			Total		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Orphan	20	27	47	24	27	51	28	44	72	72	98	170
Semi-Orphan	29	25	54	59	87	146	116	251	367	204	363	567
Poor	3	7	10	16	25	41	39	135	174	58	167	225
Total	52	59	111	99	139	238	183	430	613	334	628	962

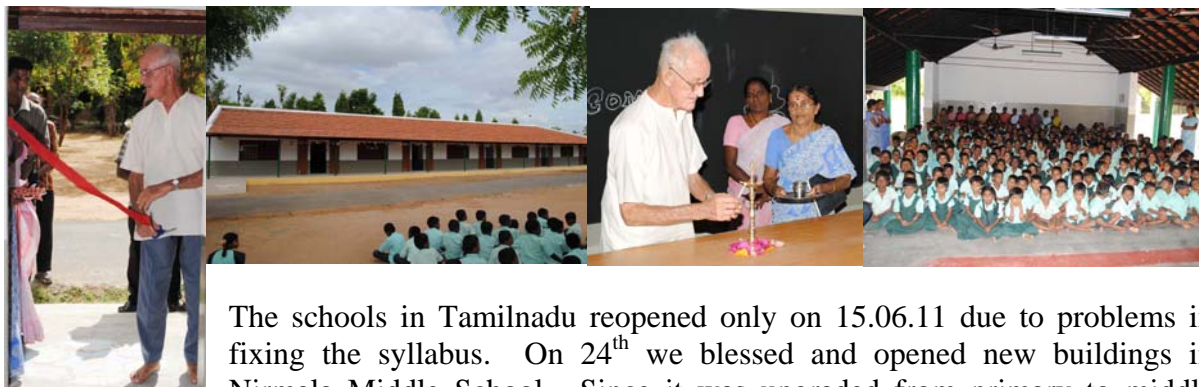
As always we have more girls (65%). The 119 professional students are studying the following:

	Course	Duration	1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year	4 th Year
01	GNM (General Nursing)	4 Yrs	8	6	9	10
02	ANM (Auxiliary Nursing)	2 Yrs		3		
03	B. Pharmacy	4 Yrs				
04	I.T.I	1-3 Yrs	10	17		
05	Teacher's Training	2 Yrs	2	2		
06	Polytechnic	2-3 Yrs	19	2	3	
07	B.C.A.	3 Yrs			1	
08	Engineering	4 Yrs		1	2	
09	B.A.	3 Yrs		1		
10	Ophthalmic	2 Yrs	2	3		
11	Scan Technician	1 Yr		2		
12	DMLT	2 Yrs		1		
13	Dip. Special Education	2 Yrs	5	2		
14	Waiting *	2-5 Yrs	8			
	Total		54	40	15	10

*The admissions in the government run paramedical institutions and polytechnics begin late and goes up to September or November and therefore few are waiting for it. If only they get a seat their job opportunity would be very bright.

An institution in Kuruvikulam (Thirunelveli Dt) namely “Punitha Valanar ITI” has consented to accept the HIV infected boys for Technical Training. 5 of our boys who completed 10th standard are going to have Refrigeration and A/C training.

Education:



The schools in Tamilnadu reopened only on 15.06.11 due to problems in fixing the syllabus. On 24th we blessed and opened new buildings in Nirmala Middle School. Since it was upgraded from primary to middle school (from 5th to 8th) the following extra facilities were made: 3 Classrooms, one computer room cum library, one science lab, extension of office building for store room, extension of auditorium, toilets and extra water tank. Our sincere thanks goes to Mrs. Susan Cooke, who funded generously all these facilities.



10th and 12th standard rank holders were awarded with prizes. The teaching staff who worked hard were gratefully remembered and appreciated. This year “James Kimpton Old Students Association” also gave a cash-gift to these students.

The present strength of the beneficiaries is as follows:

Centers	Teaching Staff	RTU's Children			Day-scholars			Total		
		B	G	Total	B	G	Total	B	G	Total
Arulmalar PS	14	19	21	40	82	78	160	101	103	204
St. Peter's PS	17	36	88	124	73	77	150	109	165	274
Nirmala MS	13	79	73	152	41	108	149	120	181	301
St. Peter's HSS	32	78	313	391	83	93	176	161	406	567
De La Salle Open S.	4	-	7	7	-	23	23	-	30	30
Pre-schools (8)	9	18	10	28	85	89	174	103	99	202
Day Care Centres (3)	6	3	2	5	42	37	79	45	39	84
Supplementary School (13)	17	-	-	0	173	248	421	173	248	421
J.K. Scholarship ¹	-	-	-	0	6	25	31	6	25	31
Scholarship to Staff's Children	-	-	-	0	6	9	15	6	9	15
Mobile School Science Lab (3) ²	6	-	-	0	4990	4203	9193	4990	4203	9193
Total	118	233	514	747	5589	5000	10589	5822	5518	11340

PS = Primary School; HSS = Higher Secondary School; MS = Middle School; S = School

¹43 students have completed their studies under this scheme.

²Through Mobile science lab we reach out to 94 schools in 75 villages. Our 3 tailoring units are teaching 75 women the skills of tailoring and handwork.



This school year is declared as year of “Clean Dress and Clean Surroundings” for all the students. The third Mobile School Science Lab was officially inaugurated in the Dindigul district. The rank holders of 10th and 12th standard were honoured.

Medical:

Our clinic has served 31,678 visits of the patients in the last one year and with the mobile clinic it has reached 3,578 from 8 villages. 273 old and infirm people from 31 villages receive a small support for their daily sustenance. This also takes care of the health of the 29 villages. 30 village health animators do this marvellous job of maintaining the good health of the village.

Home Sponsorship Programme (HSP) and AIDS Home Sponsorship Programme (AHSP)

In the HSP programme 186 families from 43 villages receive assistance for their 371 children. In the AHSP programme 93 families from 38 villages benefit and 189 children from their families are well nourished. In June all these children were given notebooks and uniforms.

In various programmes RTU is reaching out to more than 12,000 children in a minor or major level.

Community Development:

There are 90 Self Help Groups from 28 villages with 1436 members. Their balance sheet shows Rs.16,74,250 of their savings and Rs. 10,60,000 has been given out as loan for income generating activities. The total turnover has exceeded one crore rupees (10 million). They also manage efficiently 12 study centres or supplementary schools. We provided the children notebooks and uniforms.

Housing and Water:

With 195 houses built last year we have the satisfaction of sheltering a total of more than 7,948 families with decent houses. Last year we have built three villages namely Rajiv Gandhi Nagar (50 houses), Chinnapottipuram (45 houses) and Soolapuram (50 houses). Apart from this we have also built 50 sundry houses in the operational area of RTU. Last year 64 bore wells have been drilled and 20 hand pumps have been repaired. So far we have drilled 2225 bore wells.

Estate Department:

Being at the service of all the departments they are doing wonderful service of maintaining the campus neat and tidy. The uninterrupted supply of water to the whole of RTU is very astonishing. Even though they had to work day and night they do it gladly. They also maintain 32 vehicles (12 four wheelers and 20 two wheelers) to keep RTU on wheels.

The statistics are incredible. Your contributions have made significant differences in the life of our children and others that look for a change of life conditions. I sincerely thank you for your support whether it is small or big but it has made a significant difference in the lives of the people. May God bless you all!

Yours fraternally

Fr. J. Antony Paulsamy, OFM Cap.
Secretary.