

Dear well-wishers and supporters,

We believe that you had a good Christmas and the New Year would have started off well for you. We take this opportunity to wish you a blessed and rewarding New Year 2018. We are happy to give you an update of what took place in Ebendavid Charities in the last few months with your support and donations. We will not be able to pursue this vision “to share love by caring for the poor, needy and helpless in distress to transform their lives”, without your upholding. When these beneficiaries praise God for being relieved from their burden, those praises turn as blessings for you and your family for generations to come. May God bless you!

1. Nehemiah Care Projects: Our Nehemiah Care Centre provide simple life changing care to uplift the life of the poor, needy and the helpless in distress.

Education Support Program (An update)

In our previous newsletters we announced about the Education Fee Support Program and many donors came forward supporting us. An amount of Rs.92600 was collected and education fees were paid for the academic year to the following students.



The beneficiaries and their families thanked everyone who supported this program and showered their blessings. We trust that donors will support these students till they complete their course and in the future more donors will come forward to help more poor and needy students, as support like this change their life for ever.

Testimonies:

My name is Saraswathi, studying 2nd year B.Com. When I started this course, we did not even have money to pay my 1st semester fees and my college was adding late fees month after month. At that moment, by God's grace, I had a chance to approach Ebendavid Charities and they helped me to pay my fees. And now my fees are paid up to date. Thanks for the timely support provided for.



I am B. Preetha of Somangalam village (Kanchipuram Dt.), studying Class XII in Govt. Hr. Sec. School. I was in need of Coaching Guides to prepare for my exams, but I did not have money to buy these and the exams were nearing. I approached Ebendavid Charities and they helped me to buy these required Coaching materials on time and I was able to appear for my exams in confidence. My family and I are Thankful to God and to Ebendavid Charities that supported me.



Health Support Program

A Free General Medical & Eye Camp was organized at Gudiyatham Village in Vellore district on 28th Oct 2017, in the premises of our local partner there. This place is 120 miles away from Chennai city and is surrounded with 1000 families of daily laborers. This Free Medical Camp was facilitated by 4 doctors and 7 nurses of General medicine, Dental, Dermatology, Eye & Diabetes care to examine, prescribe free medicines and to provide further treatment for those in need from CMC Hospital, Vellore with the support of Ida Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet. A total of 130 individuals from the age of 5 to 80 years attended this camp and were examined and given medicines.



Ten patients were given free spectacles after examining and 6 patients were advised and supported for cataract surgery. Those attended were happy about us organizing such a camp closer to their homes.

We thank CMC Hospital and Ida Scudder Memorial Hospital for supporting this medical camp, as it helped many poor to uplift their lives by caring for their physical well-being.

Micro programs to break the cycle of poverty:

One day Micro skill development program was organized at Timiri Village of Vellore District on 6th Oct 2017. 10 women participated and they were taught to make wire baskets, creatively design with woolen thread, prepare masala powders, idly powder, curry powder and tomato pickle.

At Padapai village in Kanchipuram District 5 day's Micro skill development program was conducted from 8th to 12th Dec 2017 for 10 women. The participants were taught to make chemical products such as, Surf Powder, Phenoyl, Dish washing powder and Robin blue. They were also taught to make candles.

These were taught for them to make some extra money from home. All were excited and confident to make these products on their own to make some extra money to transform their lives.

Testimony:

My name is Suganya. I am a house wife living in the village of Padapai. I heard about the skill training to be provided near my home for free and I enrolled to the program. The training on making Chemical Products impressed and motivated me to learn these skills with utmost care. I got the raw materials for preparing surf powder and phenoyl even before the training period completed and prepared these products taught, on my own, with the support of the trainer. It was so simple to learn and do. I never thought that I would get an opportunity like this. Going forward, these skills will help me to increase my family income. I thank God and Ebendavid Charities for organization such a program in our village.



2.Skill Development Centres: Skill development centres are set up in various locations to provide skill development courses for the unemployed, poor and destitute women/children, for these people living in poverty to transform their lives.

Tailoring skill development centres:

Course Completion: 36 women completed course successfully in the following centres and were given an opportunity to change their life forever.

Location	Certificate Iss.Dt.	No.of Women
Kaveripakkam	26.10.2017	8
Ambjiapet	09.11.2017	7
Gopalapuram	10.11.2017	11
Devarpalli	10.11.2017	10
Total Graduated		36



Let us wish them good luck in becoming financially stable!

New Course Commenced: 71 women commenced their training in the following centres.

Location	Course Start Date	No.of Women
Gopalapuram	09.11.2017	27
Devarpalli	09.11.2017	14
Vaithianpettai	19.12.2017	15
Vannivedu	26.12.2017	15
Total Women Joined for Training		71



Courses in progress: 213 women are continuing their training in the following centres.

Location	Course Start Date	No.of Women
Rantham (TVM Dt)	18.06.2017	15
Madayathur	26.07.2017	15
Vadakadambadi	26.07.2017	12
Payianoor village	17.08.2017	15
Veeranatham	24.08.2017	14
Arcot	11.09.2017	15
Thimiri	11.09.2017	15
Channasumathram	12.09.2017	15
Kuruvimalai, Kanchipuram	12.09.2017	15
Padapai (Aarambakkam)	16.09.2017	15
Mealikottiar	16.09.2017	12
Rampuram Kavripakkam	26.10.2017	14
Gopalpuram, Ravulapalem District	09.11.2017	27
Devarpalli (AP)	09.11.2017	14
Total women continuing Training		213

Our Tailoring skill development centres have capacity to train 456 women in a year. And we have requests to start skill development centres in Visakkapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), Veepur (Vellore), Vannivedu (Arcot) and other parts of Tamilnadu. Payment to a trainer to start one location is **Rs.2500** per month. We solicit sponsors to add more centres to the benefit of more women.

Success Stories:

"My name is A. Durga. I am housewife and I live in the village of Ambajipeta of Andhra Pradesh. I came to know that free tailoring course is offered and I enrolled to the program on 25.4.17 and the course ended on 10.11.17. By completing this tailoring course, I learnt to stitch Chudithar, Blouse and Kids dresses. Now I have started my own tailoring business from home. I am greatly thankful to Ebendavid Charities for providing this free tailoring course to a poor like me."



"My name is Valli from Padappai village, Kanchipuram District. I got an opportunity to join the free tailoring course on 20.3.17 and the course completed on 16.9.17. This training course of 6 months has developed my skills in cutting and stitching of Blouse, Children's Dress and Chudithar. This training program also helped me to get employed and now I am working for a Garment Factory earning Rs.6000 per month. I thank God and Ebendavid Charities for providing such a great opportunity to develop my skills."



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“I wish to know more about Education support or Health support or Micro skill or Skill Development Centres.”

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Thank You For 2017

All of us at Ebendavid Charities thank you for all your support in 2017.



David



Nikie



Wesley



Emmanuel



Melki



Phillip



Rebecca



Angeline

But for your support, we would not have been able to help the poor, needy and those in distresses. “Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” – Jesus Christ.

Thanks for your great support !