



Sneha Sparsh

A Home of Love

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My Dear brothers & sisters

I often meditate to find out why God has chosen me in the huge society to serve the least, mentally ill, neglected, poor and needy? He has led me with immense blessings in all trials and difficulties. He has provided me wonderful loving donors, well wishers and supporters. Above all he has moulded me to

work for His children. I am thankful for the lovely biological family He has provided, as well as the extended social family.

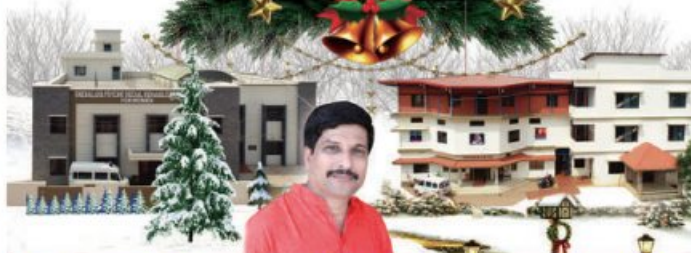
We have successfully completed 11 years in Service to Humanity on the 110th Birth anniversary of Mother Theresa, 26th August 2020. These 11 fruitful years has given us unforgettable challenges, unimaginable growth, unexpected opportunities and immense blessings from the Almighty.

At this occasion, with gratitude to Almighty God and to thank Him for all the gracious blessings showered upon SNEHALAYA and its team, a thanks giving Holy Mass was offered by Rev. Fr Roshan Crasta, Director Fr. Muller's homeopathy hospital, Rev. Fr. Vincent Saldanha, Parish Priest Manjeshwar and the resident Chaplain of Snehalaya Rev. Fr. Felix Noronha. We prayed for all the well-wishers, donors and volunteers for their contribution.

DEAR FRIENDS & WELL-WISHER



A HOME OF JOY, LOVE & HAPPINESS



Joseph Crasta & Snehalaya Family

We were passing through a crucial stage during Corona, where in 98 persons at Snehalaya including the inmates, staff and volunteers were affected by CORONA. The timely intervention by the health department, constant care by team Snehalaya and the prayers offered by our well-wishers, saved the worst face of this pandemic. All the patients recovered, that was one of the miracles that we have experienced during the month of October at Snehalaya.

As you may be aware, Snehalaya was selected and awarded with the **DK District Rajyostava Award for the year 2020** for the outstanding social work, by the Government of Karnataka & District Administration. I surrender this credit to you for being a part of Snehalaya in our mission.

The new mission **Social outreach program** started during this pandemic, which has been receiving great appreciation from the public and our well-wishers. We have completed 7 houses till December and handed over them to the respective beneficiaries. The Homes have not only provided them shelter but also a new lease of life, moral & social empowerment. We are extremely happy about the success of the project and the kind support of our donors & well-wishers.

I am happy to state the previous **SNEHA SPARSHA** issue was liked by many readers and have appreciated the content and design. I am thankful to the editorial board.

At the Psycho Social Centre we have 150 men, 56 women and 45 senior citizens at Shanthi Dham Centre. The most wanted project of Community Kitchen works is in full progress. We earnestly request all our readers and well-wishers to join hands and support the Mission. I am only an instrument of God to carry on the mission, and your help shall bring billions of blessings on your works, prosperity, family and health. Help us to serve the society genuinely.

I wish you Happy Christmas-2021.

Prayerfully,

Bro. Joseph Crasta
Managing Trustee & Executive Director



“ Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies. ”

- Mother Theresa



3 Golden Rules:

**Who is helping you,
Don't forget them.
Who is loving you,
Don't Hate them
Who is Trusting you,
Don't Cheat them**

- Swami Vivekananda



“ To succeed in your mission, you must have a single-minded devotion to your goal. ”

- Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam



Editor's Desk

We have been passing through the tough times. In history also similar pandemics, disasters, calamities and destructive acts are recorded. Though CORONA gave us mild shocks, some of us have suffered being victims of corona.

At Snehalaya it was a fearful scenario when one of the male Nurses (who was often on hospital duty) fell prey for the virus, all precautions were taken. But when he recovered others started showing various symptoms which put the team in a panic situation. The situation was getting worse and immediate intervention of Health Department, their advice and bold decisions taken at Snehalaya helped all 98 victims of COVID 19 swim across the tides.

It was yet another jewel on the crown, a great feather on the cap, when the Govt. Of Karnataka recognised the yeomen selfless humanitarian service of Snehalaya and the District Administration of Dakshina Kannada felicitated SNEHALAYA CHRITABLE TRUST, awarding the DK Dist. Rajyostva award 2020. Shri Joseph Crasta received the award on November 1st 2020.

I feel happy to note that Snehalaya has increased its bandwidth and as a result the counselling calls have increased. 7 housing projects have been completed and this has inspired many NGOs to take up housing projects and extend little help to the needy. Many NGOs, social workers have been seeking advice and collaboration with Snehalaya is a positive vibe.

Snehalaya has commenced its direct rehabilitation unit, which was otherwise carried out through Shraddha Rehabilitation Centre, Mumbai. This empowerment is an indication of the strength of Snehalaya.

Many readers have applauded the works of Snehalaya & the content presented in the previous issue of SNEHA SPARSH. I thank them. We are blessed to have the appreciation from our supporters and their words are our inspiration.

On my personal front, I sincerely wish all our readers, well-wishers of Snehalaya, donors and the family members of our inmates, staff, a joyful happy blessed CHRISTMAS and May the Heavenly blessings shower upon all of us in the NEW YEAR 2021. I wish you a Happy New Year.

 **Geo D'Silva, Agrar.**



Snehalaya
Psycho-Social Rehabilitation Centre for Men



Snehalaya
Psycho-Social Rehabilitation Home for Women



Snehalaya Chapel

Message



SHALOM PEACE. Peace I give you not as the world does give, said Jesus.

Peace was the gift of the resurrected Lord, When Jesus was born, angels sang, "Glory to God on high and peace to all men of goodwill". God is love. God is peace. God always lives in tranquility; there is no turbulence in him. He is of peaceful mind and nature.

Jesus was born in this world to bring peace, joy, happiness and tranquility in the world. He showed himself to shepherds who were looking after their sheep, who were at peace with themselves.

Jesus' incarnation is a mystery. Though he was in equality with God, he took upon himself, the form of a slave, he became man. He underwent all the sufferings and joys of a human person. By that, he has made human into divine.

Mary, our Mother and Jesus' Mother is a perfect example of peace. She lived in harmony and at peace with herself. Annunciation and Crucifixion of her son did not distract her in her life and in her mission. She gave herself and her son, Jesus to the world.

Innocence is the byproduct of peace. Children are innocent. They have no guiles. God became child, to teach us child likeness and to be innocent. He was fully dependent upon his parents, and on his 'ABBA' Father, till the very end of his life.

So, I wish you the JOY, PEACE and DIVINE, heavenly love of Jesus. Let baby Jesus bless you, with an outstretched arms, and bless your family and your good works.

**Fr. Felix Noronha
Chaplin**

The messages during the
Christmas Celebration at Snehalaya

"Snehalaya is an exemplary CRIB where in GOD's own children are reborn here."

Guest of Honor
Geo D Silva Agrar

"Jesus is born in every heart, every day.
Often we have no time to receive his presence"

Chief Guest
Mr. Dinesh

The wee tales of new family members of Snehalaya During July – December 2020

Due to COVID 19, the Government administrative statutory bodies had passed strict ordinances and passed on to all institutions not to admit any unknown individual from streets. There were restrictions even to serve food packets to the hungry. From April till October 2020, we came across several deserving brethren who needed the care, protection, shelter and medical aid. But we were helpless.

Some of the cases were referred by the Government officials with conditions to quarantine them for 14 days, which we happily agreed. On few instances, with intimation to the officials, we have personally picked some of the patients from the street and followed the quarantine norms.

Due to various reasons the complete identity can't be disclosed of the patients. However some of the cases presented here is an eye opener and we also sincerely seek the help of our readers and counterpart NGOs to identify the patient's family and help us reunite them back to their families.

Anitha aged 26 years

It was late in the evening around 9.30 pm, some unknown person from Kunjathur, called up Snehalaya to rescue a young lady in distress, alone and looks mentally unsound.



The team members of Snehalaya reached the spot where the public had gathered in big numbers. Our female staff advanced towards the lady who was in her shabby clothes.

The lady was in her mid twenties. She had Charming looks and mentally ill. She could respond to few basic questions and we learnt that her name is Anitha. She hails from some part of Northern India. She could have been abused if she was not rescued from the streets. She was brought to Snehalaya. After the preliminary procedures, she is being treated at Snehalaya.

Muttu :



On 15th November 2020, Snehalaya team found a psychiatric patient at Beeri, Mangalore. He was rescued and brought to Snehalaya. He was found in a bad state, shabbily dressed and in an unhygienic manner. Now, he is provided the basic care and treatment at Snehalaya

Rosna, aged 40 years



Snehalaya has become a landmark institute for the last, least and the lost in the coastal belt of Karnataka & Kerala. The government officials refer any helpless mentally ill patient to Snehalaya where they have seen utmost care and safety.

On 29th October 2020, the police officials of Kumbala police station found a mentally ill lady by name Rosna, basically hailing from Bihar, and sitting silently at the Perwad petrol pump, Kumbala. Her very looks were terrifying and the public had alerted the police to rescue her.

She was brought to Snehalaya for shelter, medical treatment and her further rehabilitation. The police officers are reliable partners in rescue and safeguarding those in distress.

Rosna, aged about 40, was accepted at Snehalaya, and as per procedure quarantined for 14 days. She is responding well for treatment and now in the safe hands of Snehalaya.

Vidhya aged 55 years



On 20.11.2020, a lady who was roaming on the highway at Ullala, was seen by our team members. Her helplessness, mental illness and her body language exhibited her aggressive nature. It looked like as if she is on streets for years together. The people around the locality were unable to approach her or help her.

The Snehalaya team approached her, built confidence and rescued her from the awkward situation she was in. She is a middle aged woman around 55 years of age. Her extremely poor personal hygiene, aggressive nature and fatigue were attended by our medical team. She is sheltered at Snehalaya, duly quarantined.

We called him Ramesh

When physical disability becomes a burden to the family members, it is most likely that hatred develops towards that individual and the victim becomes helpless. They are often thrown out of the house and uncared. A tale of similar kind of a deaf & dumb man is presented here.



He was deaf and dumb from birth. He was found roaming on the Bangalore-Mangalore Highway near Farangipete, Mangalore. Some residents of the locality observed him for some time and thought of extending some help to him. But he was unable to respond to anything that was communicated. The thoughtful residents called up Snehalaya seeking their help to provide shelter to this nomad individual.

Snehalaya team reached out on request and brought the person to the centre. As he was deaf and dumb Snehalaya named him "Ramesh". With the primary care and shelter, he is showing happy smiles on his face. He was quarantined as per norms and now leading normal life at Snehalaya.

Bhulan Shah, Martin and Jawahar



After the covid lockdown the numbers of mentally instable persons flocking on public places are increasing. On Nov 6th 2020 three such patients named Bhulan, Martin and Jawahar were picked from different parts of the city. They were found roaming in Kankanady railway station, Near Padil bus stand and the central railway station.

Bro. Joseph and the team of Snehalaya picked the brothers from streets and brought them to Snehalaya, bathing, providing new clothing and sumptuous meals has made them respond well to the care and are happy at the shelter home.



Lokeshwari aged 37 years



On 14th November 2020, the police authorities of North Police Station, Bundar brought a mentally ill lady from Mangalore. She was on streets for several days and was suffering from symptoms of anger, fear and childish behavior.

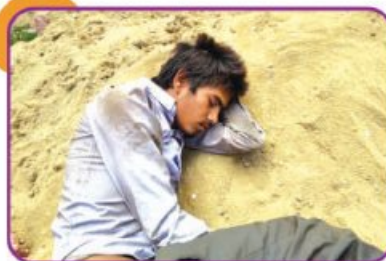
Her rescue was rather a challenge and she is now being treated at Snehalaya.

Mohan:



Mohan, was roaming in the vicinity of Beeri, Mangalore and was found on the same day that Muttu was saved. On 15th November 2020, Snehalaya team picked him from an unhygienic condition, half naked, dressed in rags and was brought to Snehalaya. Now after providing the primary care, food and shelter he is responding to the medical treatment.

A youth rescued from Padil



On 7th December 2020, a young boy, mentally ill, who was sleeping by the roadside, half dressed and without any food for days, was rescued from Padil, Mangalore by Snehalaya team. He is in his early 20s. and identified as Kamallesh. His primary treatment is done at Yenepoya hospital and is being treated, counseled and sheltered at Snehalaya.

They shared their special day's joy with Snehalaya

Newly wedded couple walks down to Snehalaya



During the corona lockdown, Shri. Valli D Souza and Anusha D Souza, got married and after the nuptials walked down to Snehalaya to celebrate their joyful day with the inmates. The management of Snehalaya greeted & wished them on their arrival and a fellowship meal was shared with all inmates. Snehalaya family wishes them happy Married life.

Vincent and Monisha shared their wedding joy



Vincent and Monisha, another Newly Married Couple, felt that celebrating their great day with the disadvantaged brothers is like celebrating their event in divine company. After their nuptials and a small family celebration they visited Snehalaya, along with their dear ones. The management of Snehalaya wishes them happy married life and Gods choicest blessings. They shared the wedding banquet with the inmates of Snehalaya.

Christmas Celebration by MCC Bank at Snehalaya



On 6th December 2020, the Management & staff of the MCC Bank Limited, Mangalore took their precious day out to share their Christmas joy with Snehalaya family. The thought of being with the least, neglected and mentally ill during Christmas is an unique gesture by the MCC Bank team led by its Chairman Shri Anil Lobo

The Chairman, Members of Management, and staff joined the holy Eucharistic celebration followed by a well organized Christmas celebration with the inmates & staff of Snehalaya.

Joseph Crasta Managing Trustee of Snehalaya and Mrs. Olivia K.L Trustee cum Secretary were honored by MCC Bank Management, admiring their wonderful selfless service to humanity. MCC Bank also contributed Rs. 50000/- as their Christmas gift to the inmates.

Aradhya's 2nd Birthday at Snehalaya



We should be trend setters. Others shall follow, says Snehalaya's Media Officer, Arun Kumar, who took a step forward to bring his entire family from Belthangady to Snehalaya to celebrate his daughter Aradhya's 2nd birthday on 1st December 2020.

We thank him and his entire family for setting a good example. We pray for the choicest blessings of the Almighty on Baby Aradhya and the parents.

First Birthday of Baby Nysa Dsouza



Mr. Joel D souza and Mrs. Melisha D souza of Nakre parish, Celebrated their daughter's first birthday at Snehalaya sharing the joy with our residents. The celebration venue shall have a great impact on the young heart when she is grown she shall note the divine example of her parents. Snehalaya wishes Almighty's choicest blessings on Baby Nysa D Souza and the entire family.

Birthday Celebration of Mr. Clifford Rodrigues



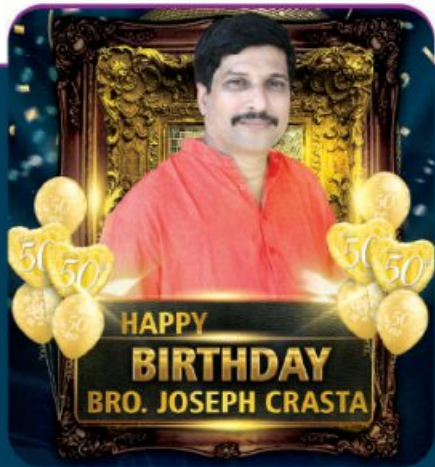
On 18th December 2020, Mr. Clifford Rodrigues celebrated his Birthday with the residents of Snehalaya. We thank him and his family for sharing the joy of his celebration. May Almighty shower upon him, His immense blessings and on his entire family.

First Holy Communion of Jean Royce Menezes



Mr. Jockim Menezes and Mrs. Rita Menezes from Siddakatte celebrated their daughter's first Holy Communion at Snehalaya along with our residents. Their close family members spent the day with the inmates. This kind example of celebrating a beautiful ceremony with the disadvantaged brothers shall kindle real humanitarian spirit in the young minds. We are happy about the proud parents who inspire their children by setting such examples. Snehalaya wishes Jean Royce Menezes almighty's choicest blessings and bright future ahead.

Our Founder's Birthday Celebration



" A life is a gift to us from God
How we live is our return gift to God

Bro. Joseph Completed 50 fruitful years,
On 5th November 2020.
A tough journey he travelled
His heart weeps for the poor and needy

" God chose him to be His instrument
To carry on an exemplary mission

He is at his best, so we thanked Lord
Good Health and peace be his treasure
All inmates & staff prayed Loud
A celebration so simple brought enough pleasure

Happy Golden Birthday To our Dear Bro. Joseph

Editorial Board, Snehalaya Trustees & Staff
Volunteers & inmates.

Christmas celebration with a difference



On December 6th 2020, Mr. Richard and Ruben from Mangalore visited Snehalaya and organized an instrumental carol day. The duo played Saxophone and flute with wonderful melodies, the Christmas Carols through the musical instruments set an atmosphere at Snehalaya campus soothing and comforting.

Man of God visits Snehalaya



Bro. Mario Joseph, a well known preacher paid a visit along with his wife Mrs. Gigi Mario, who appreciated a wonderful work that's being carried out at Snehalaya. Bro. Mario said" I am only a preacher, but Joseph is living the teaching in reality." Their words of appreciation are a energizer to the entire Snehalaya Team.

Re - Union

Back to Native

The objective of Snehalaya Psycho Social Rehabilitation Centre, is to reunite the inmates back to their family. The team Snehalaya has successfully reached more than 800 inmates/ individuals from streets back to their native homes in the past 11 years, in collaboration with Shraddha Rehabilitation Centre for all rehabilitation procedures. We are ever grateful to them for excellent service to society rendered by them.

Snehalaya has started its own rehabilitation team for reaching our inmates to their respective homes.

A successful reunion of Mr. Arun of Amravati.



Arun was rescued by Snehalaya's Trustee Mr. Prakash Pinto on 16th March 2020 from Thumbhe, near Mangalore. His health conditions slowly improved at Snehalaya due to the care and treatment provided by our expert team.

He was socially and emotionally empowered. He could recall his past. He shared the details that he hails from Amaravathi (Maharashtra), aged about 50. He was married and has 2 children. He could not recall when he had left his house.

The journey to Amaravathi started, with Arun and the legal papers duly authorized by the Police department. He was in his new looks and happy feelings. He led our team straight to his exact location, after reaching Amaravathi. Their joy was endless. At first sight the family members could not believe their own eyes.

His sister-in-law greeted him as his elder brother had gone to work. On first meeting a long silence spoke. There were no exchange of words till the emotional waves cooled down. As per Arun's sister in law, he was missing from 3 years.

They are from an economically poor family. He was married and begot 2 children. But due to some unknown reason, one child died and his wife abandoned Arun because of his ill health. The other child is taken by Arun's wife.

Though the reunion is an achievement to Snehalaya, it is a heavenly joy to Arun's family. We wish Arun a happy life ahead and reunion with his wife too. He was reached home safely on 3 November 2020.

Social outreach Activities of Snehalaya

Housing Projects

Snehalaya's social outreach programs are an offshoot of COVID times. During the initial period of COVID the Government had imposed the lockdown where the usual life was crippled and Snehalaya took up an initiative to reach out to the needy by helping them, providing them food kits, medicines and basic needs.

During these visits the pathetic living condition of few families touched our heart. There were no walls, few houses with no roof and few houses had no toilets, main doors and found that many grown up children living in a single room 140-160 sq. ft. area.

Snehalaya with the help of kind hearted donors initiated few housing works which was left half done. The pioneer housing project for Mr. Leo D Cunha of Madanthyar, was an eye opener to many leaders in the society. Neither the religious leaders nor the political leaders had extended their hand to this family or such hundreds of families.

Housing project 2 of Nonaya Poojary, Maddaka



The second Project is of Mr. Nonayya Poojary aged above 70 at Kuvettu Gram Panchayat near Maddadka, Belthangady, was inaugurated and handed over by Belthangady MLA Shri Harish Poonja.

He applauded the service rendered by Snehalaya and promised his help in his constituency jurisdiction for any social activities of Snehalaya. Shri. Joel Mendonsa, Taluk Panchayat Member was present during the function. Local leader Shri Prabhakara appreciated Snehalaya for reaching out to real deserving family. Daughter is deaf & dumb, deserted by her husband who is having two children studying in 5th & 3rd standards.

Joseph Crasta founder of Snehalaya spoke on this occasion saying how he was impressed by the words of small children requesting him to save them from this rainy season. Geo D Silva compared the event and made impressive introductory note.

Third Housing Project of Mrs. Eliza Menezes of Agrar handed over



The newly built house of Late Eliza Menezes, at Agrar was blessed by Rev Fr. Gregory D Souza, Parish Priest of Agrar. The family & ward members also offered month's mind mass in honor of Eliza Menezes prior to the blessing of the house.

In a simple function held on 29th July 2020, the new house was handed over to Prakash Menezes by the Chief Guest, Mr. Daniel Crasta, who had served in Indian Army for 20 years and is now employed at Corporation Bank.

We may recall that the lady, the head of the family Eliza Menezes, was with 4th stage cancer, died in the month of June 2020. The only surviving alcoholic son aged 28 was under the care of Snehalaya for treatment.

On June 6th 2020 the work of this new house in collaboration with the ward members of Velankanni ward of Agrar Parish began. The ward head Ronald D Souza took the lead while Snehalaya's Unit head Geo D Silva took up the responsibilities of construction & completion works. Within 50 days the new house was ready for occupancy.

4th Housing Project for Mr. Joachim D Souza



The 4th housing project is for Mr. Joachim D Souza of Bela in Kasargod Dist. Rev Fr. John Vas, Vicar forane of Kasargod Deanery & the Parish Priest of Bela Church Blessed the newly constructed house in the presence of a dignified invited guests & family members.

After the blessing of the house traditional customary house warming was done by the elders, followed by a simple meaningful formal function, officiated by Rev. Sr. Jeeva, MSJ Principal of St. Marys College Cherupanathadi, Kanhangad as the Chief Guest. A noted writer, TV Program host & Journalist Shri Ravi Naikapu was the Guest of honor. Advocate Thomas D Souza, Rev. Fr. John Vas, Rajesh Stephen Kumble, The complete expenses of the house was sponsored by single donor as a remembrance of their wedding anniversary, sacrificing the celebration.

Shri Geo D Silva, Advisor to Snehalaya compeered the program and highlighted the glimpses of Snehalaya's 11 years journey. Local youth were part of the whole project under the able leadership of Naveen D Souza, a local youth leader .

The 5th housing Project for Mrs. Mary D Souza of Salethur

Mary D Souza an elderly lady, living with her bachelor son Phillip D Souza, aged 42 in a small pump shed for the past 10 years at Katathila, Velankanni ward, Salethur, was the beneficiary.

Rev. Fr. Henry D Souza Parish Priest of Salethur Church blessed the newly constructed house on 7th Sept 2020. It is a wonderful gift to the family, during COVID pandemic, God sent these angels



to this place to wipe out the tears of this real needy, Rev. Fr. spoke. This is an auspicious occasion, as on 8th September being the feast of Nativity of Mother Mary, this house is a gift to Mrs. Mary by Mother Mary.

Shri Subhaschandra Shetty, former president of Salethur-Kolnad Gram Panchayat was the chief guest, who handed over the newly constructed house to the beneficiary. He applauded the humanitarian works of Snehalaya who went out of the way to support the deserving families. He personally was moved when he heard about the various activities of Snehalaya and requested public to support the Institution.

The founder of Snehalaya Joseph Crasta spoke on this occasion and thanked the donors & well-wishers. He appreciated the good work of our volunteers during the difficult times.

The Sixth Project for Mrs. Sunitha D Souza



Sunitha D Souza, a widow along with two children was staying in her father's house since 25 years. She had a piece of landed property received from her father. She is working at one of the hospitals as a cleaning staff and both girls are pursuing their education.

Through the help of Grama Panchayat, they started to construct their dream house. But due to financial crises they could not finish the work. For several years they were stuck. Upon receiving the application, we evaluated the situation and took up the project.

Sunitha's father Leo Monteiro inaugurated the house. Rev. Fr. Sunil Veigas Parish Priest of Pajeer, blessed the newly constructed house.

Shri Stephen Pinto, ex-banker and renowned social thinker, handed over the newly constructed & completed house to Mrs. Sunitha D Souza, the beneficiary on 7 Nov 2020. Stephen, in his message said there is great joy in giving to others without expectation. Joining hands with Snehalaya is like becoming a part of their mission.

It was a great honor to have the presence of Padmashree Awarded Harekala Hajabba, known as the AKSHARA SANTHA, in the celebration. He expressed how he was helped by Christians building his own house when he had no home. The contribution given by kind hearted people to build his school is an example that GOD WORKS through different people. He said he has closely

seen the works of SNEHALAYA and such work can be carried forward only through Gods blessings and peoples support.

Smt. Anitha D Souza ex-president of Harekala Gram Panchayat and well-wishers were present. Joseph Crasta appreciated the help, support and sponsorship for erecting this house. He also said God is working through different people and shared few examples. The volunteers and guests were recognized during the ceremony.

Shri Geo D Silva welcomed the gathering and presented a brief on Snehalaya's activities and Programs.

Christmas Gift to Mr. Francis & Phiyad Monterio of Montepadav



During this Christmas season the family of Mr. Francis & Phiyad Monterio, have all the reason to celebrate the joy with their 2 sons as they got their dream full filled. A beautiful home by Snehalaya was a gift which shall cherish long sweet memories.

A houseless family for 8 years, younger son Royal had slipped off at work from first floor of a building and was injured, Mr. Francis is sick & bed ridden, Snehalaya took up the half completed structure below the lintel level and helped them to complete the house.

Mrs & Mr. Francis Monterio with their sons inaugurated the house in the presence of a small gathering, family members & well wishers. Rev. Fr. Denis Suvares, the Parish Priest of Paneer Parish blessed the newly built house.

Shri. John Maxim D Souza the Managing Director of Mazaya group Sharjha, UAE, handed over the occupancy through an encrypted portrait "There is a reason to smile - A home by Snehayala".

In his message he said he is happy to be a part of the event and appreciated the donors who strive for a cause. Rev. Fr. Denis Suvares, blessed the newly built house and applauded the works done in a short span of time for a needy family.

The founder of Snehalaya Bro. Joseph Crasta, spoke on this occasion thanking all the donors and especially made the mention of few donors who have been of tremendous help in any distress. He promised to remain grateful to them.

Mr. Dharnappa Shetty, who had donated the land to construct the house, was facilitated by Mrs Phiyad & family. He expressed his concern towards the poor.

Phiyad Monterio expressed her gratitude in praising the works of Snehalaya. Royal Monterio thanked all Donors especially Snehalaya for giving them a house of their dream. A jackfruit tree sapling was planted by the guests as a memory to cherish.

Mannah Mission



"Mannah" is one of the projects of Snehalaya which is feeding about 600-700 poor people daily. The objective is to provide at least one meal to the destitute, irrespective of caste, creed or religion.

We are happy to share that, Mannah Mission (Food for hungry) successfully completed 5 years, we express our heartfelt gratitude to all donors, who directly or indirectly contributed for this project. Special acknowledgement to our well wishers who have donated the vehicles for the mission at most crucial needy times.

Educational sponsorships



During this CORONA pandemic we have received many applications seeking support for children's Education. Snehalaya considered the genuine requests and many students were helped for their education by paying their fees, and for online classes, mobile etc.

Programs conducted by Snehalaya

Independence Day Celebration



Snehalaya celebrated the 74th Independence Day, with great joy and enthusiasm. The flag hoisting ceremony was done by Rev. Fr. Felix Noronha, Br. Joseph Crasta gave the message of One World One Family and the staff and inmates performed a patriotic musical dance and sweets were distributed for all the inmates.

11 years of service to the children of God

Snehalaya Charitable Trust completed 11 years in Service to Humanity on the 110th Birth anniversary of Mother Theresa.



To thank God for all gracious blessings showered, thanks giving Holy Mass was offered at Snehalaya Chapel.

Rev. Fr Roshan Crasta, Director Fr. Mullers Homeopathy Hospital, Rev Fr. Vincent Saldanha, Parish Priest of Manjeshwar and resident Chaplain of Snehalaya Rev. Fr. Felix Noronha offered special prayers at this occasion.

Feast of New Grains (Monti Fest)



On September 8th we celebrated the nativity feast along with all inmates. Eucharistic celebration was offered at 8 am. After mass, blessings of the grains, offering flowers to Mother Mary and honouring her was a feast to the eyes. A sumptuous fellowship meal with all traditional dishes was served to all inmates, guests with new blessed grains.

International day of older persons and Gandhi Jayanhti Celebration



On 2nd October 2020, dual events were celebrated at Snehalaya, International Day of the Older Persons, and Gandhi Jayanhti involving our inmates with special focus to our elderly persons.

Mrs. Olivia Crasta trustee cum secretary, Mrs. Josliya Crasta trustee, and Mr. Lewis were present at the occasion. The program started at 10 am by lighting of the lamp followed by games.

Senior inmates were honored and prizes were distributed to the winners.

Livelihood provided



The very story of Mr. Arthur Coelho is thrilling. Arthur is a fisherman, an experienced dingy operator (supporting boats to main fishing boats). On September 5th a major mishap gets detached from the mother boat and Arthur was left alone in the tiny dingy for 3 days in the deep waters.

His rescue was done by a passing boat after 3 days, and he was feeble without food and water for days. This life story touched a renowned journalist Shri Vishnu G. Through his initiation a plan to provide a new boat to Arthur gained momentum when he presented the case through MILAP APP.

Kind hearted donors and Snehalaya jointly contributed to provide a livelihood by providing them a new fishing boat named ANGEL. The new boat started its journey after inauguration on 5th December 2020.

Staff Sports day



On 3rd December 2020, the staff of Snehalaya spent a day playing various games. Coming together, knowing each other out of work space and the team work skills through games were great learning for the staff. Each staff participated and enjoyed the day, the winners were given prizes as appreciation.

Christmas day celebrated by Snehalites



The Snehalaya campus jingled the melodies of Christmas on the 19th December 2020, evening when a lovely gathering witnessed the Christmas Celebration.

Mr. Dinesh, The Section Officer, District Legal Service Authority, Kasaragod was Chief Guest who conveyed a beautiful message. Prof. Geo D'Silva, Chairman of Rural Welfare Trust (NGO), former Director for Centralized Placement Cell for Visvesvarayya Technological University & Snehalaya Advisory Chief and Mr. V. K. Joy, Director, Hi – Tech group of Consultant were the guests of honor.

Prof. Geo delivered a wonderful message" there is no better crib than Snehalaya where God's children are re-born.

Bro. Joseph Crasta, Managing Trustee, Snehalaya Charitable Trust presided over the function. He thanked all donors and staff for helping him to do God's will and wished all a happy Christmas. Mr. Prakash Pinto, Mrs. Olivia K.L, Mrs. Josliya Treasa Crasta- the Trustees of the Snehalaya Charitable Trust were present. Rev. Fr. Felix Norona, Chaplain of Snehalaya, and many well-wishers were present.

A beautiful, meaningful Cultural program was presented by Snehalaya Staff & inmates. Prizes were distributed for various games and the day was blissful. Ms Bibina compared the event without flaws. The Christmas meals was served to all participants and guests. The inmates cut the Christmas cake to declare the Christmas season open.

Special Rescue operation



One of Snehalaya's well wishers Vishu Shetty, a Social Worker, from Udupi district called up regarding an important issue of one Mr. Nrasimha Kulal living in inhuman condition near Brahmavar.

Mr. Nrasimha Kulal a mentally ill person was locked into a newly constructed room especially built to accommodate him for his extremely aggressive behavior. He was uncontrollable and was a terror in the locality. He was in confinement for few months.

He was notorious in the locality carrying on many disturbing acts, such as home invasions, public assaults, illegal access to locals' homes, and the destruction of furniture. These nuisances had forced the family members to lock him up in a closed room to free themselves from deadly assaults.

Visu Shetty, knowing the facts, had requested Snehalaya to rescue him from bondage and treat him for his sickness, as there were no rehabilitation centers for the mentally ill in the district.

The team Snehalaya reached the spot On 19th December 2020, and brought Narashima Kulal, to the shelter home and he is being treated with high dignity.

International day of persons with disabilities



On 3rd December 2020, District Legal Service Authority, Kasaragod, celebrated the International day of persons with disabilities along with our Residents. It was a new experience and well organized informative session. The Chief Guest Sri Suhaib, Secretary (Sub Judge) DLSA, and Sri Dinesh K section officer were the part of the program.

Sri Joseph Crasta Executive Director, Snehalaya and Smt. Olivia K. L Trustee cum Secretary were present at the program. A beautiful cultural program, "Sneha Sanje" was presented by Snehalaya inmates.

Deepawali Celebration



Deepawali a festival of lights is one of the most popular and much awaited festival was celebrated with great pomp and glory by Snehalites on 14th Nov 2020.

Colorful lights and hundreds of diyas were lit by the inmates, representing different people, culture and conditions. The meaning was explained how all are united in oneness to brighten the surrounding. Each lamp has limited source of glow but bright light comes when all are lighted up.

Dance, singing and putting up various rangoli were the highlights of the day. The trustees, staff and all inmates participated in the unique festival of good things, curbing evil.



DK District Rajyostava Award



Snehalaya Charitable Trust is awarded this years DK District Rajyostava Award by the Government of Karnataka and the DK district administration for the yeomen service rendered to the society.

Snehalaya completed its 11 fruitful years serving humanity. Bro Joseph Crasta received the award on behalf of Snehalaya Charitable Trust. The District In-charge Minister Kota Srinivas Poojary administered the award. Shri Veda Vyas Kamath, MLA, Mangalore South, Shri Joyous D Souza Chairman Christian Welfare Board were present at the ceremony.

Celebrate your special day with and at Snehalaya

Contribution towards food Mannah & Inmates	Dear Brothers and Sisters, Share generously with those in need, and good things will come to us in return.			All contributions/donations made to Snehalaya Charitable Trust are exempt U/s 80 G of the income tax act 1961.
	Food	Daily Expenses of Inmates	Mannah Expenses	
	Breakfast	5000	700x10=7000/- Rs. 10/- per person	
	Lunch	10000		
	Dinner	10000	Special Meal Rs. 25000/-	
	Total	25000		

Every rupee in cash or kind, received at Snehalaya is acknowledged with receipt. Our bank account details are provided below, for the reference of kind hearted donors.

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