



Dear friends and well-wishers of DAIA,

Greetings in the matchless name of our risen Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for your valuable and continued support for the work of DAIA. In this newsletter, we share with you the activities undertaken in October 2018.

Visitors



During 2018 October, we were delighted to welcome Pr. Sukumar and his friends, to DAIA's herbal garden. We were proud to take the visitors on a tour of the garden and explained to them the many medicinal benefits of the plants. Mr. Bala purchased some medicinal plants.

A.P.C. Mahalaxmi college visit



An Expo of a different kind

An exhibition was organised by A.P.C. Mahalaxmi College for Women in Tuticorin on 4,5, and the 6th of October 2018. Numerous exhibits were displayed at the event. The motto of the event was "to bring back alive many old traditional and important cultural practices which are abandoned now".

The Botany Department displayed many medicinal plants like the Indian Mulberry which is a remedy for diabetes, and commonly used plants for home remedies like vasambu".

DAIA staff were delighted to attend the Expo and to know more about the old traditional practices.

Medical Camp



On the 13th of October 2018 we conducted a medical camp for 45 patients. Each of the patients received a variety of medicines which included tonics and a total of 50kgs of nutrition powder. We also provided some snacks for them and they were very delighted. We are always joyful in knowing that through your financial contributions we are able to continue to give to the people who attend our medical camps to get these medicines for opportunistic infections.

Embracing Elders



As we mentioned in an earlier newsletter, DAIA is always looking for ways in which to help people and one area that we have highlighted is the urgent need for the care of the elderly, specifically those who have been abandoned by their families. Through this program we assist them with grocery items and importantly, spiritual encouragement. We kindly request you to keep these senior citizens in your prayers.

Care and Support Program



On the 27th of October.2018, Care and Support Program was started for the people living with HIV/AIDS in a remote village near Kovilpatti. Fifteen people participated. They are illiterate and most of them are widows. We taught them about the importance of care and support program which helps to prevent infecting other people with HIV and to enhance the prevention management of HIV- related infections and to motivate them with hope to meet the challenges of living with HIV. We also provided necessary grocery items to them. They were much satisfied and delighted.

Need for Christmas

Dear Well Wishers of DAIA,

We are planning to have a special gathering as a **Christmas Celebration** in the 2nd week of December 2018. We are expecting nearly 350 HIV/AIDS infected and affected people. We give them sarees, shirts, gifts for children and a good lunch for them. We are in need of 1.5 lacs approximately. We expect your generous help for the program. Kindly help us and share it with your friends too.

Regular activities during October 2018

During October 2018, 90 PLHAs were counselled. A Medical camp was conducted on 13th October 2018 and 45 patients were treated. Nutritional powder was also provided to the HIV/AIDS patients and to their children. Life skill programs were organized in the following places. Students who attended the program found it very interesting and enjoyable.

Date	Place	Topic	No. Of Students
08.10.2018	Child Labour School	Addiction	12
22.10.2018	Tuition Centre	Addiction	14
25.10.2018	Caldwell College	Addiction	58
Total			84

Only with your ongoing financial support for the work of DAIA, can we continue to conduct these type of Medical Camps THANK YOU SO MUCH!

We are giving our bank account numbers below for easy transfer of money.

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Please pray and support us. Your personal help or introducing to someone will help us to carry on DAIA's work.

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