

## CEO SPEAK



**Mark Clive**  
General Secretary & CEO

As I write this, I'm happy sharing the news of two beautiful facilities that New Delhi YMCA has recently acquired in Saattal, Uttarakhand. At the same time, we are pained to lose a young member of our extended New Delhi YMCA family. Enosh Nathaniel Prem would have been 34 this September. But destiny had it otherwise. Son of former President Mr. Peter Prem and nephew of Board member Mr Joel Prem left for his heavenly abode on February 17. It was a big shock to hear the news while returning from Saattal after inauguration of the two properties.

The Lake View Inn was formally inaugurated on February 13 by 97-year-old Ms Lillian Wallace, who played an even bigger role when it came to Dorothy Villa. The Villa, bought from Ms Wallace, was inaugurated the very next day. Both inaugurations were simple but significant, exemplifying the YMCA ideals. President Mr. Jovial Vaghela, eight other Board members, Secretaries and many members of local church were witness to the dedication service of the two properties. Rev N C George, Acharya from Saattal Christian Ashram, delivered the special message at both the services. Praise and Worship by local young performers stood out as a major highlight.

The inauguration, streamed live on Facebook, was watched by people around the country. With Spring in the air, new beginnings can't stay far. For instance, the activities at New Delhi YMCA are nearing the pre-Covid levels. The Tourist Hostel, the Education and Sports Department have begun running normally. The swimming pool is all set to reopen. The same goes for Nizamuddin School. And, with the launch of Lake View Inn and a Programme Centre at Dorothy Villa, New Delhi YMCA will soon have a wider reach to the community.

God bless us all

*Mark*



# NDY's New Programme Centre Launched in Uttarakhand

Dorothy Villa in Sattal was officially converted into a Programme Centre of New Delhi YMCA at a lively dedication ceremony on February 14. The Villa belonged to 97-year-old Ms. Lillian Wallace who has been involved in the community social work in Uttarakhand for over five decades. Ms. Wallace and her old associate Eileen Richards were present during the



## "WE ARE TAKING OVER A LEGACY"

Today we are not taking this brick and mortar building. We are taking over a legacy. This brick and mortar building has come out of the blood and sweat of a truly Christian missionary (Ms. Lillian Wallace).

The Board of Directors has requested Ms. Lillian Wallace and Ms. Eileen Richards to continue living here as long they want. I will add that the Board has requested you to continue to bless us with your presence here.



The blessings of these two elderly ladies would be enough for us to carry our mission forward.

I would like to request the executive team to please continue to call this premises Dorothy Villa. We will continue to carry this legacy forward and call it YMCA Programme Centre, Dorothy Villa, Maharagon, Sattal. I also propose to name one cottage at our Sattal Camp Site as Lillian Wallace Cottage. ■

ceremony, attended by nine Board members, NDY Secretaries, some Executives and members of local church.

"Sister Eileen and I are happy. We are getting to an age where we have to look for something. We are happy that we have taken the action to surrender the house and property to the New Delhi YMCA. We know they will take care of the building. But more important thing is that we serve the people of this area," cautioned Ms. Wallace after unveiling a plaque to dedicate the Villa to New Delhi YMCA.

Mr Mark Clive, General Secretary & CEO of New Delhi YMCA assured Ms. Wallace that New Delhi YMCA will continue to serve the community in Saattal. "This programme centre will be purely for our social development activities. Reminding the role of YMCA, Mr Clive said, "YMCA is based on Christian principles. But it serves community and every human being who is willing to take benefit from YMCA."

Rev N C George, Acharya of the Christian Ashram delivered a sermon on the occasion while young Rydell Medley and members of Redemption Ministries offered Praise and Worship. ■

## 'GOD HAS GIVEN NDY A REASON TO SMILE'

A day before the dedication ceremony of Dorothy Villa, the Lake View Inn was formally added to New Delhi YMCA's hospitality sector. Ms. Lillian Wallace cut the ribbon at a formal ceremony on February 13. The 24-room Inn is barely at a stone's throw distance from the existing Camp Site.

In his address Mr. Jovial Vaghela, President New Delhi YMCA said "It is indeed a day of joy for all of us. In

this hour of gloom and despair due to Covid, God has given YMCA a reason to smile. God's blessings are upon New Delhi YMCA that in spite of Corona NDY is looking up for extension of its mission." Incidentally Y School of Music and Fitness Centre are already functioning and Education Centre is running physical classes with all mandatory safety precautions.

Mr. Harish Bisht, owner of the Inn,

profusely thanked New Delhi YMCA for taking over the Lake View Inn. "I am happier than you because I know that my property has gone to the right people for operations. I am more than satisfied," he said.

Mr. Pavan Sah, Treasurer of Bheemtal YMCA and an active social worker also expressed happiness that NDY has taken over the working of the Inn. "I have seen YMCA's work during the Corona and lockdown and I have only good words for the association," he said. ■



## CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL LENTEN SERVICES

For more than 1,400 years, Canterbury Cathedral has been the focus of Christian worship. With its roots in the Benedictine tradition, the ongoing daily pattern of morning and evening prayer and Eucharist (Holy Communion) continues the prayers and praises of countless generations.

All Lenten services of the Cathedral are available on Cathedral's website and YouTube channel.

Morning Prayer and Evensong will continue to be shared daily, with a new video series - Windows into the Divine – produced by Cathedral clergy each evening. Plus, register to join Lent, Life, and Lockdown at Canterbury, a series of online talks each Tuesday.

### Lent at Canterbury Cathedral: Online worship

The following services are broadcast on the Cathedral's YouTube channel:

- **Morning Prayer:** By 10.30 each day. In his Morning Prayers for Lent, Dean Robert



will be reflecting on the Gospel of John, using the lectionary reading for each day.

- **Evensong with music for Lent:** Live stream at 17.30 each day
- **Windows into the Divine:** Lent through sacred arts and everyday

objects - by 17.30 each day. Each evening our Cathedral Clergy explore a picture, a poem, a piece of music or an ordinary object as a way into reflecting on the Lenten journey of life.

- **Lent, Life, and Lockdown at Canter-**

**bury (online talks with Q&A):** Tuesdays in Lent, 19.30. Reflections from Cathedral Clergy on how the experiences of the last year have re-shaped our understanding of what it means to follow the Christian way. Open to all online. There is no charge, but pre-registration is necessary.

All services are available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TER-TUn1UsLk>

### Opportunity for young budding singer!

- **Choral Scholars:** Alto, Tenor & Bass  
Canterbury Cathedral is delighted to offer opportunities to outstanding early-career singers to develop their voice and professional profile with Choral Scholarships. The Cathedral is offering Choral Scholarships to singers to develop their voice and professional profile. Benefits include £7,500, free accommodation, vocal coaching & professional mentorship. The deadline for applications is Monday 8 March. ■

Contact [recruitment@canterbury-cathedral.org](mailto:recruitment@canterbury-cathedral.org) with any questions.

## BHIMTAL TRADERS HONOUR YMCA OFFICIALS FOR COVID WORK



## MEMBERS SPEAK

### 'DOROTHY VILLA WILL BE A SHINING EXAMPLE OF CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES'

- The quality of the newsletter is commendable. Through the newsletter all the members have some level of involvement in the NDY. Else, the involvement of a majority of members was restricted to the Christmas Lunch. Even though I would come to the NDY frequently for meetings, but used to meet many members only once in the year. I am sure you must be receiving comments and feedback from the members.

— Rajiv Mallikarjun

- Heartiest congrats! May God bless and guide the Board and all the NDY members enjoy good health, long life and happiness for ever and ever.

— John Williams

- Dear Mr. Clive, congrats for spreading wings of New Delhi YMCA. Both these properties are excellent & nicely located. Need to extend right side boundary of the cricket field. Corporates would be thrilled to use it. Four years ago they demanded a decent accommodation for their executives, but we had only four huts to offer. That deficiency has now been removed and I am sure they would come in great numbers now. All the best.

— Royal McLaren

- Dear Mark, many congratulations on your latest achievement. I am sure under your leadership, New Delhi's YMCAs good work will extend much beyond Uttarakhand. May God bless you.

— Rev. John Calleb

- Congratulation. This is an awesome property.

— Jason John

- Heartiest congratulations on the new and great acquisition. Country Inn is an ideally located property.

— Rohit David

- Dear Gen Secy. Greetings in Jesus name. Hope you and your Board is doing well with new Challenges of 2021. Thanks for New Delhi YMCA newsletter. You and Board are in my daily prayers.

— Rev. Dr. V.K. Singh

- Great achievement! I am sure NDY's community work at Dorothy Villa will be a shining example of Christian principles. All the best. The Newsletter is a great source for members to interact. Very good initiative.

— Ernest Joseph

- I have been regularly reading your Newsletter. It is a very good way to know what is happening in our Christian community, specially in India. Recently we have had political problems in Myanmar. Even a YMCA Secretary was arrested for no reason. Kindly keep us in your prayers.

— Thazin Aye (Myanmar)

- Hi Mark. Great to learn of the Y's latest acquisition and was glad to be a part of the inauguration ceremony which was well conducted. Please convey my congrats to all the organisers too. All the very best and God bless.

— Bennet Pinto

- Congratulation Mark and all the team for acquiring building adjustment to YMCA Sattal campsite. It's so beautiful and looks so good. Thank you for the invitation. I must say it is a remarkable achievement under your leadership. God Bless. I believe YMCA Campsite is a place to write books especially on nature and love of God with mankind. A wonderful place for reflections, introspect which rejuvenate the inner self from the hustle and bustle of daily life which is killing us

spiritually & physically. God Bless.

— Rev. Timothy Shaw

- Dear Mark. Greetings of the Day! At the very outset, let me congratulate you and your team for the successful inauguration of new addition to Sattal Campsite. It's indeed a matter of pride for YMCA India to see the great strides taken by New Delhi YMCA especially during the pandemic which has disrupted everyone. Hope and trust that our continued efforts will bring normalcy back to our movement soon.

— Jacob Koshy  
(Vice President, NCYI)

- Thank you. All the best.

— Benny Joseph Chungakkaran

- Dear Mark. Thank you for sending the invitation for the inauguration of your new project. I wish all success to the programme. May this project be a light house to guide young people.

— N.V. Eldo Joji

- May God bless YOU. Regards and prayers.

— Reji Paul  
(Secretary, YMCA Kaviyoor)

- Best wishes.

— Samuel Mathai,  
(President, YMCA, Parimamam)

- Dear Mark Sahib. Congratulations on the new acquisition of the Country Inn and the expansion of the Y at Sattal region. It will indeed be a blessing not only for the YMCA but also for so many people who continue to use the YMCA facilities and would greatly benefit from this addition.

— Himadri S. De

- Dear Mark. Thank you very much for your kind invite for the inauguration of the above programme. I do appreciate you for taking one of the major efforts after joining as GS & CEO of the NDY during such difficult time of the pandemic.

— Saju Varghese

