



Life for All

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“ Dr Priya John, General Secretary, CMAI encouraging members to participate in the upcoming 48th Biennial Conference 2025”



This is the year for our Regional Conferences where we have the privilege of experiencing the uniqueness of each region. We have planned and prayed for over months to organise each region's regional conference. It is a joyful wonder that such a huge diversity still binds together in a single mandate and vision.

The importance of platforms that are local, regional and national cannot be boxed into a particular definition as each plays pivotal roles for the given situation. Bringing our members and network partners together, sharing knowledge, and building unity within specific geographical areas conforms to the essential strength of synergy.

These platforms are carefully designed to meet the unique needs of each region, giving professionals, experts, and community members a space to engage. The scientific sessions ensured the topics are relevant to the region while also connecting us to broader issues, local challenges and innovations. Celebration of local culture—through music, dance, food, and traditions is a beautiful experience. This adds so much joy and helps everyone feel connected and proud of where they come from. The praise and worship sessions bring a spiritual energy to the event, creating a shared sense of purpose and unity among participants.

The leadership and ownership at the regional level is something that we value greatly and we appreciate the efforts taken by each of the Regional Committees and Regional Coordinators. These conferences not only advance knowledge but also create a lively, connected community where our regional identity is celebrated.

I look forward to meeting you now at the 48th Biennial Conference from 6-8 November at Kochi, Kerala. Keep us in your prayers.

ANDHRA PRADESH & TELANGANA



The AP & Telangana Regional Conference was held on 18th July at the Ashirwad Global Learning Centre. The conference started with inaugural session, institutional sharing, a business session, and scientific sessions focussing on how to equip mission hospitals and healthcare. CMAI network hospitals contributed information and provided a valuable perspective to these sessions as resource persons and moderators.

Participants from 7 nursing schools and 20 mission hospitals across the region and nearby regions also attended the conference. Among the 148 attendees were 28 students including 83 members from CMAI member institutions, Churches, 10 individual members from CMAI, and 7 resource persons.

The conference began with the opening prayer by Rev. Jeevan Roy. Followed by Praise and Worship by the Christian Medical Centre, SON & Emmanuel General Hospital SSON team. The devotion message was given by Bishop Rev. Jeevan Roy on the Theme "Inspire to Aspire: Empowered to Heal - Proverbs 16:9. Followed by lamp lighting service by Dr. Vidya Saravanthi, Dr. Priya, and Bishop Rev. K. Jeevan Roy. A welcome dance was performed by CMC Pithapuram team. Post greetings from CMAI by Dr. Priya John and Dr. Vidya Saravanthi, a ruling party member delivered the inaugural address.

Dr. Jyothsna, Regional Secretary delivered vote of thanks and the conference concluded with closing prayer and Benediction by Bishop Rev. Jeevan Roy.

WEST BENGAL



The West Bengal Regional Conference was organized and held on 26th July (Saturday) 2025 at CMAI member institution - Mission of Mercy Hospital & Research Centre. The conference had 2 main sessions, institutional sharing, nomination of new regional committee members, dedication of new RC members, group prayers etc.

The Premananda Memorial Leprosy hospital staff led the praise and worship session. Rev. Philip Bari extended a warm welcome to the delegates and introduced the Chief Guest and keynote speaker of the program Mr. Sanjay Prasad, ED, MoM hospital. A session on "Leadership Model of Christ" by Rev. Philip Bari, Chaplain Mission of Mercy hospital and Session on "Communication Skills" with group activities and lecture was led by Dr. Priya John.

There were around 42 participants from mainline churches, 6 members and non-members institutions and Christian NGOs. It was a Physically, Mentally and Spiritually refreshing one day regional conference.

In addition to an inaugural session, Institutional sharing, a business session, and scientific sessions focused on how to equip mission hospitals and healthcare.

CMAI network hospitals contributed information and provided a valuable perspective to these sessions as resource persons and moderators.

ODISHA



The Odisha Regional Conference of CMAI was held from 11th to 13th July 2025 at Hill View Cottage at Gopalpur, Ganjam District in Odisha.

A total of 105 delegates from 7 Member Institutions, Resource Person, Guests and CMAI staff attended. Ms. Shimy Mathew, Secretary of Nurses League of CMAI moderated the whole three days Regional Conference with delegates from all the seven participated Member Institution. Dr. Priya John, General Secretary of CMAI addressed to all the dignitaries and delegates present at the conference.

The Conference started with praise and worship by Evangelical Hospital Khariar delegates followed by Devotion on Healing Ministry Inspire to Aspire – Empowered to

Heal (Proverbs: 16.9) by Rev Ajay Patra, Presbyter in charge, Odia Baptist Church, CNI, Berhampur.

After that, Dr. Cynthia Sarah Mathew from Evangelical Hospital Khariar presented a Scientific Session on Toxicology – Organophosphorus Poisoning.

The Asha Kiran Hospital, ECOS Eye Hospital, Nowrangpur Christian Hospital, Serango Christian Hospital and Christian Hospital Bissamcuttack shared about their institutions facility available, their past history and present status. The Odisha Regional Conference concluded by a closing prayer by Rev. Ashish Dukhi.

KARNATAKA



The Karnataka Regional Conference was held on 11th July 2025 at Vidya Deep CRI Brothers Institute, Bangalore.

More than 10 participants from 10 Member Institutes and 2 Non-member institutions from the region participated. 40 active members and 68 Non-members took active part in the conference as devotions with praise and worship spiritually nourished all the participants.

As per the needs of the region, the following sessions were held at the conference:

- Leadership in Mission Hospitals
- Sustainable human resource management in low resource settings

- Rise in specialization for nurses and global shortage
- Information technology in healthcare networks

The conference once again provided the access of growth both professionally and spiritually to the participants of the region. Institutional sharing gave the platform to know about each Member Institute personally and developed the fellowship with each other's.

A follow-up will be taken with the Non-members to join CMAI family. The participants had a blessed and useful time.

NORTH-WEST AND J&K



The regional conference of North-West and J&K region theme: "Inspire to Aspire" Empowered to Heal - Proverbs 16:9" was held on 4th & 5th July 2025 at Navjiwan Renewal Centre, 4, Raj Niwas Marg, Ludlow Castle, Civil Lines, Delhi.

CMAI Member Institutions, Schools of Nursing, various Private and Government Hospitals, organizations, and Churches participated.

In total 60 participants including the CMAI staff attended the conference.

The CMAI Northwest & J&K Regional Conference commenced with Praise and Worship, devotional message, welcome address, keynote address, which inspired participants

with the theme "Inspire to Aspire, Empowered to Heal.

Following the keynote address, the conference proceeded to its scientific session on "Leadership that Builds Work-Friendly Cultures." And Building Sustainable Community Programs: The Role of Engagement, Needs Assessment, and Collaborative Models." Continued with Business Sessions.

The conference concluded with a closing prayer and benediction by Dr. Samuel Richmond, Executive Director of the Caleb Institute, Gurugram.

TAMIL NADU & PUDUCHERRY



The Tamil Nadu & Puducherry Regional Conference was held on 27th and 28th June 2025 at the Tamil Nadu Laity Commission, Trichy. The conference was filled with vibrant praise and worship, meaningful fellowship, a devotional message, a keynote address, a session on The Mission Hospital Model, a panel discussion on Partnering with Purpose, a session on Mental Wellbeing and Work-Life Balance, and a business session. A new regional committee was elected during the conference. A total of 147 participants attended, including 62 individual members.

Conference began with Praise and Worship by TELC Joseph Eye Hospital, Trichy. Devotional message shared by Rt Rev Dr Christian Samraj, Bishop of Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church. Keynote address delivered by Dr Prathiba, Director, Joseph Eye Hospital, Trichy.

Then The Mission Hospital Model (Patient Experience in Mission Hospital) session was taken by Dr Samraj, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet. Mr Asher introduced a book on Standard Medical Documentation Procedures.

Business Session: Prof Dr Jothi Sophia, Regional Secretary chaired the session. The regional report (2023-2025) presented to the members. The nomination committee report was presented to the floor.

The vote of thanks delivered by Mr Santhoskumar, Regional Coordinator. The conference ended with a closing prayer by Maj Jeyaprakash, Administrator, Catherine Booth Hospital, Nagercoil.

GUJARAT & RAJASTHAN



The Regional Conference of Gujarat & Rajasthan region under the theme: "Inspire to Aspire" Empowered to Heal - Proverbs 16:9" was held on 4th May 2025 (Sunday) at Salvation Army.

92 participants from CMAI Member Institutions, Schools of Nursing, various Private and Government Hospitals, organizations, and Churches attended the conference.

The conference started with inaugural prayer was offered by Major Shailesh Khristi, followed by a devotional message on the theme "Inspire to Aspire: Empowered to Heal" (Proverbs 16:9) was delivered by Mr. Francis Macwan. Dr. Priya John, General Secretary of CMAI, delivered the keynote address, discussing Christian Medical Association of India

(CMAI) and its ministry. The conference featured four scientific sessions on Patient-Friendly Initiatives, Innovative Initiatives for Sustainability, Care Like Jesus Christ - Spiritual Session, Burnout in the Medical Profession, by various resource persons from the region and the mission hospitals. The conference also featured a Cultural Program, CMAI Baseline Survey on Digital Access and Literacy, promotional messages for the CMAI 48th Biennial Conference, scheduled for November 6-8, 2025, in Kochi, Kerala.

The vote of thanks was delivered by Major Jayanti G. Macwan. The regional conference of Gujarat and Rajasthan region concluded with a closing prayer and benediction.

MAHARASHTRA & GOA



The regional conference of the Maharashtra & Goa region, themed "Inspire to Aspire: Empowered to Heal" (Proverbs 16:9), was held on May 16th-17th, 2025, at PSCJM Leadership Training Centre in Khandala, Maharashtra.

The conference had 69 participants from 5 CMAI member institutions, including 4 resource persons, 5 CMAI HQ staff, and RCOs.

The regional conference was a resounding success, marked by seamless coordination, active participation, and meaningful dialogue. With a strong focus on enhancing collaboration and capacity-building among healthcare professionals and organizations, the event featured a series of insightful scientific sessions, panel discussions, and network-

ing opportunities. Participants appreciated the well-organized logistics, thoughtful hospitality, and the relevance of topics discussed, which addressed both current challenges and future opportunities in our field. The valuable contributions of all speakers, facilitators, and attendees enriched the overall learning experience.

Special thanks to CMAI team members for their unwavering support and hard work in making this event a success.

UTTAR PRADESH & UTTARAKHAND



Regional Conference of Uttar Pradesh & Uttarakhand held from the 13th to the 14th of June 2025 at Christian Retreat Centre, Dehradun, UK. Six institutions took part in this conference.

In total, 45 participants joined, 4 resource persons and 2 registered as participants as well and 7 staff from Admin, Finance, Communication and RCOs. 6 students lead a soulful time of praise & worship for both the conference days.

The conference started with the opening prayer and devotion conducted by the Rev. Ajeet Oliver Francis, Secretary, Chaplain Section. Dr. Sandeep Kumar, Sectional Secretary, Regional, gave the welcome address & introduction to the conference. Dr. George

Clarence, Director, Landour Community Hospital, was the Keynote Speaker of the conference. He shared his own experience and testimony. And he challenged all the participants to understand their "work as a JOB or your MISSION".

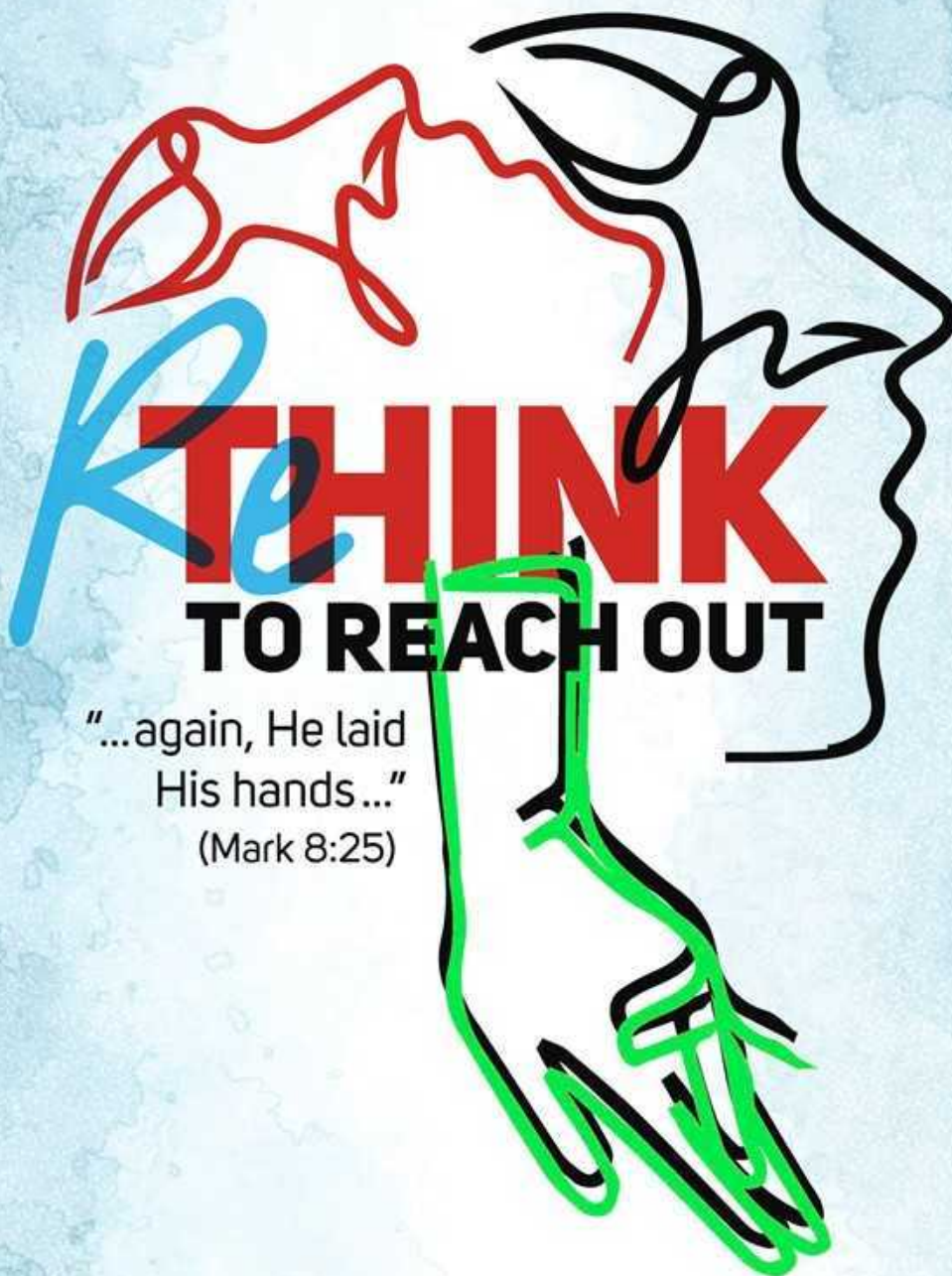
On day 2, Mr. Vijay Jain, ADF Lawyer, took a session on "The Legal Framework Governing Church Property in Today's Context". He gave insight into how to prevent the land of the hospital and the church. Dr. Sandeep Kumar, Regional Secretary- UP & UK presented the regional report from 2023-25.

Dr. Albert Dani took a session on "Ethical Issues in a Hospital Setting". Rev. Ajeet Oliver did the closing prayer and benediction.

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Ministry Week

HEALING MINISTRY WEEK 8th-14th February 2026
HEALING MINISTRY SUNDAY 8th February 2026
CMAI Day of Prayer 11th February 2026

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"...again, He laid
His hands..."
(Mark 8:25)



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