

President, Rtn. Er. J Sampath Speech on 20th Installation program on 20 Jul 2011 at Alumni Club...

ஆனந்தத்தின் எல்லை கடந்து,

ஒளி காட்டிய வண்ணத்தின் வழி நடந்து

இன்று, இந்த அண்ணாமலை தீபத்தை தரிசித்து நிற்கிறோம் !!

Respected, Dear

- Chief Guest of the Day – DG, எங்கள் மண்ணின் மறைந்தன் Rtn A. Sampath Kumar
- Guest of honour – Rotary MGR CSR
- Club Trainer – My Rotary Brother, Rtn Gnanavelan
- Our beloved AG – Our Light House Rtn SNB
- IPP – My Dear Friend, Rtn Subbu
- Dist Secretary Rtn Babu Peram
- My Tenure Secretary Rtn K Murugan,
- Other Dignitaries on and off the Dias
- My Board of Directors
- Rotarians of RC Madras Cosmos
- Rotarians of other Club
- Anns
- Annets
- Past Presidents
- Ladies and Gentlemen
- My Friends
- My Dear Co-Presidents

Good Evening...Vanakkam

It is my great pleasure and pride to stand here as the 20th President of the much respected club, Rotary Club of Madras Cosmos.

I thank My Good Friend IPP, Rtn Subbu for holding this club for an year, it was an unforgettable and wonderful experience... I appreciate and I wish to give a memento to him..lets give a Big applause...

I joined in Rotary on 10 Jul 2007 and I have completed 1471 days and today is my 1472nd day In Rotary. I thank my beloved Rotary brother Rtn Gnanavelan for seeding and grooming me in Rotary.

Start from the beginning, in many occasions I felt and realized the spiritual movements in Rotary. It made an impact on me.

In my Life, I have come through various stages:

- As a Baby, as a Son to Parents, as a Brother to Brothers, as a Student to Teachers, as a Friend to Friends, as an Employee to an Employer, as an Husband to Wife, as a Father to a Child, as an Employer to Employees. Also at one point of time, I have become a Rotarian
- I cannot see much difference in me in most of other cases but I hold a big comparison chart to before and after becoming a Rotarian.

Who am I? - What I am doing is what I am.

Who are you? - What you are doing is who you are.

After becoming a rotarian, I understood that something is happening in me and I worship not only gods in temples but also the Service through Rotary.

As soon as I saw the theme of this year “**Reach within to Embrace the Humanity**”, I was able to feel that this strong spiritual statement comes out of the realization. I am sure no one other than an Indian can think of this theme - that’s our RI President Rtn Kalyan Banergee.

Further, I enquired to myself on this theme- how do I reach within? I found that worshipping is the way. So I offer, contribute and serve as worship through Rotary.

Our meetings are the Sathsangs.

Our Actions and Projects are our prayers unto him.and to reach within.

My dear friends in Rotary, this Rotary year is going to be a unique spiritual year. By serving through rotary as worship you can reach within. Once you reached within you will get the Spiritual Alignment in you. Once you get the Alignment you can do anything and everything you want.

With that state, whatever you do becomes good for you and people around you.

As I am the newly elected president, I understand this Presidentship is not the status but the Responsibility bestowed upon me..

I see that Membership and Funding is important and immediate to improve and strengthen the Club. I have been talking with all our Board of Directors and members about this. Everyone is a source of positive energy and with their support I revise our commitment, which I made during PETS, to 200%.

That is, our commitment of membership increases from 6 member to 12 Members. For Foundation, our commitment increases from \$2400 to \$4800.

I am telling you all now that we are Going to Continue all our Existing ongoing projects:

- Veera raghavapuram School
- Interact Clubs

- Job Connect
- Help Connect
- Blood helpline
- Rotarians Network

Regarding meetings, you will see our Club as the model Club to run a Club in a professional way including maintaining the documents, starting and closing the meeting on time etc.

We will have of eminent speakers regularly. Weekly meetings will be conducted and joint meetings with other clubs will be planned.

Family participation and outings are in the plan.

Beyond the Planning, My Vision goes..

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With the Larger perspective somehow I strongly believe and see the possibility..

So I set a target for ourselves that in another 100 days we will stand with 60 members in Cosmos and in another 300 days we will raise funds of Rs 15 Lakhs through our Ongoing fund raiser RotariansNetwork.com, In that we give 30% to the Foundation. The rest will go into other Club Projects.

Some of my good friends ask, how is it possible ?

My Answer is this: in any Mission, Assignment or Task the Effort is my part and Result is His part.

A thought will not come in mind without power to execute that.

Thank you very much all my Spiritual Relatives Here..