



Laying of the foundation stone of the first Indian religious congregation, CMI at Mannanam May 11, 1831

Dear Rev. Fathers and Brothers

*Wish you the blessings of CMI Foundation Day*

Let us thank the Lord and our beloved mother for protecting and guiding our congregation in the last 187 years. On this great day of blessing, CMI family salutes our founding fathers - Malpan Thomas Palackal, Malpan Thomas Porukara, St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and Bro. Jacob Kaniyanthara - for the great sacrifice they made to begin and nurture CMI spiritual movement. And today we have grown wider, deeper and taller, despite the challenges and roadblocks.

Let us imbibe the spirit of our founding fathers to creatively respond to the signs of the time. May every CMI member be truly enlightened religious with reading, silence and meditation and every CMI institution be more evangelized and socially oriented and committed!

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