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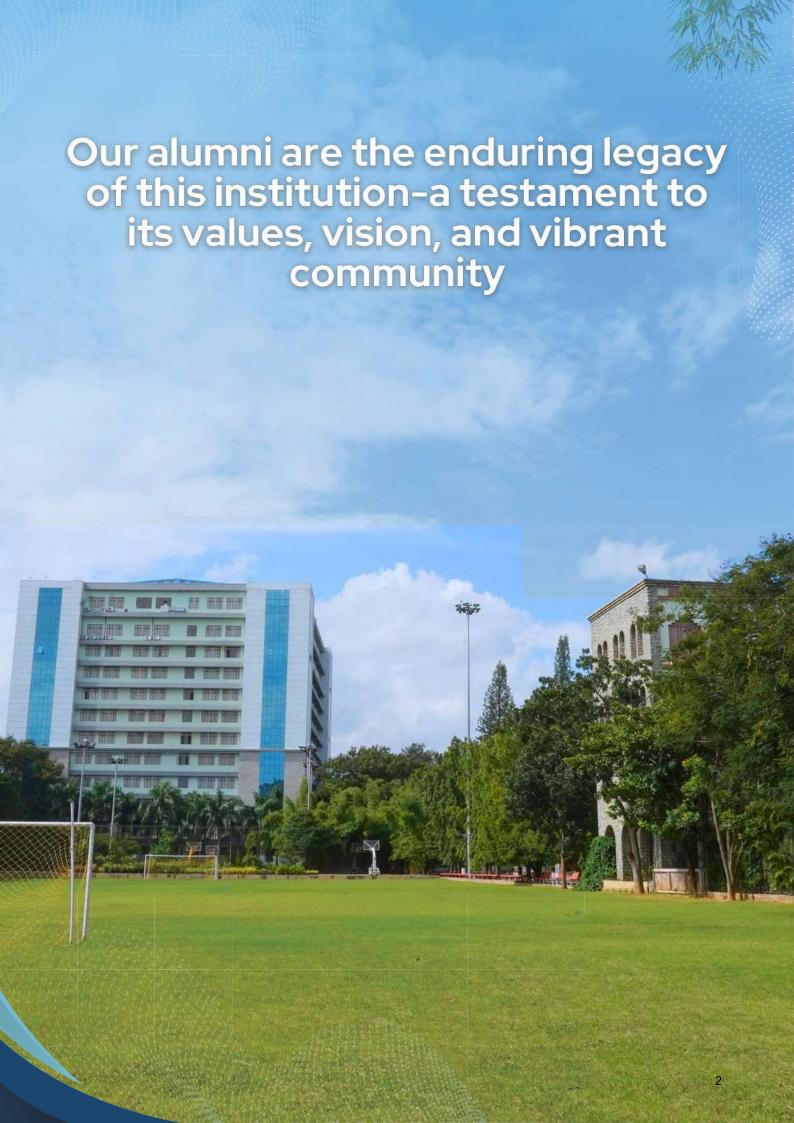
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### **About CHRIST University Alumni Foundation**

The Alumni Foundation of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) is a vibrant and dynamic body that connects graduates across the globe. It aims to foster a strong, interactive alumni network that supports the University's mission through mentorship, academic contributions, and career support.

The Foundation organises many annual events, viz., the Alumni Family Get-Together held on 26th January every year along with the Departments' Alumni meets. Fun Fiesta is a carnival for faculties and non-teaching staff that is held at all the four Bangalore campuses during July/August. Free medical camps for students/ faculties/Staff is held at all four Bangalore campuses along with blood donation drives.

Scholarships are offered to needy fellow students. Departments arrange sponsorships for service projects. Internships and placements are helped for students through its networks.

The Alumni foundation raises funds throught its contributions by mainly the core team, along with like-minded alumnus The main target set by NACC is every year meet by The President and his core team of the foundation.

The President represents its alumnus and addresses all convocations and important University Department events to showcase the Alumni's strong stand with its Alma Mater. Together, the Alumni Foundation and its members play a key role in strengthening the CHRIST community and promoting the University's legacy of Excellence and Service.



Mr Jugnu Uberoi, President and Core Committee members of Alumni Foundation

### **About Office of Alumni Engagement**

The Office of Alumni Engagement (OAE) at Christ University serves as the vital link between the University and its ever-growing global alumni community. Established with the vision of fostering lifelong relationships, the OAE works to create meaningful platforms for alumni to stay connected with their alma mater, contribute to its growth, and support current students through mentoring, networking, and philanthropy.

The Office of Alumni Engagement (OAE) at Christ University facilitates a diverse range of initiatives to strengthen ties between the University and its global alumni network. These include alumni reunions, chapter meets, professional development programs, and flagship events such as Alumni Day, Christ Carnival, Crossroads, and Start'o'sphere.

The Office of Alumni Engagement also acts as a single point for all departments, internally in the university, for any alumni-related engagement activities such as Student Internship and apprenticeship opportunities through Alumni, Placement opportunities, mentorship and many other engagement activities.

In the academic year 2024–25, the Office, in collaboration with the Christ University Alumni Foundation, successfully inaugurated three International Alumni Chapters, expanding the university's global footprint.

OAE also manages strategic communication through newsletters, social media platforms, and the alumni portal, ensuring consistent, meaningful, and timely engagement with Christites across the world.

The office plays a strategic role in building partnerships between alumni and various departments, encouraging alumni contributions to academic and institutional development, and celebrating the achievements of Christites across the globe.

The Office of Alumni Engagement functions under the overall leadership of the Vice Chancellor, Dr Fr Jose C C, and assisted by Dr Fr Jossy P George, Director of BGR Campus. The office is headed by Brig B G Jagdeesh(Retd) with Ms Ranju Mathew as the Co-Ordinating Officer, with a large number of Student Volunteers who are the back bone of the office. The office is located in the Central Campus in Block No. 4, First Floor.

With a commitment to inclusivity, innovation, and integrity, the Office of Alumni Engagement remains dedicated to nurturing the Christite spirit beyond campus boundaries.

#### **Fun Fiesta**



The 21st edition of FUN Fiesta, organised by the Christ University Alumni Foundation under the leadership of Mr. Jugnu Uberoi, took place across four campuses in Bengaluru during August 2024. The event was specifically designed for Teaching and Non-Teaching staff, aiming to promote unity, wellness, and camaraderie through engaging activities and interactive sessions.

The festivities began at the Central Campus on August 3rd, proceeded to the Yeshwantpur Campus on August 9th, continued at the Kengeri Campus on August 21st, and wrapped up at the Bannerghatta Campus on August 24th. Every campus featured a variety of events, including team-building exercises, sports tournaments, and carnival games with attractive prizes for winners.

### L.E.T.S Talk



The Office of Alumni Engagement, CHRIST University, hosted an inspiring L.E.T.S. Talk (Leadership, Entrepreneurship, Technology, Sustainability) session for B.Com students, featuring distinguished alumnus Wing Commander P.N. Krishna Kumar (Retd.), from the 2013 batch. He shared his incredible journey from Christ University to serving in the Indian Air Force, offering valuable insights into leadership, discipline, and resilience. His talk emphasized how the foundational values gained during his university years shaped his career and service.

The session was made more impactful through an engaging Q&A segment, where students asked thoughtful questions and received practical advice. The event effectively bridged classroom learning with real-world leadership and career pathways, leaving students motivated and more connected to their alumni community.

### **North America Chapter**



Christ University proudly launched its North America Alumni Chapter at St. Antony's Church, Brooklyn, New York. The hybrid event saw around 35 alumni attending in person and many more joining virtually from across North America and India. Coordinated seamlessly across time zones, it marked a significant step in strengthening Christ University's global alumni network.

The event featured a keynote address by Vice Chancellor Fr. Dr. Jose C.C., who highlighted the university's growth and the vital role of alumni in its global journey. Dr. Phinu Rose welcomed participants, and the Core Committee, led by Nidhi Singh (President), was formally introduced alongside regional representatives from the U.S. and Canada. Future plans include launching a North America Alumni Directory, newsletters, and hosting festive gatherings. The session concluded with reflections from Mr. Jugnu Uberoi and Brig B G Jagdeesh(Retd), a vote of thanks by Dr. Rose, and the Christ University Anthem, reinforcing a strong sense of unity and belonging.

### START'O'SPHERE



Start'o'Sphere 2024, was a dynamic entrepreneurship exhibition hosted by the Office of Alumni Engagement, Christ University. The event brought together 10 alumni entrepreneurs and 14 student-run enterprises, drawing a crowd of over 1000 visitors. Inaugurated by Pro Vice Chancellor Rev. Dr. Fr. Viju P D, the exhibition highlighted 24+ startups from diverse sectors such as food, wellness, art, and education, offering a vibrant platform for innovation and networking.

Notable ventures like Pondy Bistro, Eterna, and Dhandristi captivated attendees, who engaged directly with founders and explored a wide array of creative products and services. The event concluded with a valedictory address by Brig. B.G. Jagadeesh, recognizing the entrepreneurial spirit and reinforcing Christ University's dedication to fostering innovation, collaboration, and startup culture within its community.

### **Annual Medical Camp**



The CHRIST University Alumni Foundation, organied a multifaceted health initiative across its Bangalore campuses, aimed at promoting wellness and providing essential healthcare services to students and staff.

This event featured a Blood Donation Camp, a Medical Camp, and Free Health Check-ups, made possible through partnerships with Narayana Health Hospital and Titan Eyeplus. The comprehensive health services offering a range of tests and procedures with modern equipment. Both Staff and students participated in large numbers.

### **NAMMANEERU'25**



The Namma Neeru Marathon 2025, was a resounding success, bringing together students, faculty, alumni, and the public to advocate for water conservation. Organised by the Department of Sociology and Social Work, the event featured a 2K Fun Run and a 5K Challenge, awarding cash prizes worth ₹25,000/- sponsored by Mr Ankit Jain, an alumni. Participants united in highlighting the urgent need for sustainable water practices to combat Bengaluru's growing water crisis.

A key highlight was the ₹55,000/- sponsorship facilitated by the Office of Alumni Engagement, generously supported by alumni. This funding covered logistics, promotional materials, and prizes, showcasing the enduring alumni-university relationship. The marathon underscored Christ University's commitment to environmental awareness, community action, and social responsibility, while fostering deeper alumni involvement in impactful initiatives.

### **CHRIST Carnival**



CHRIST Carnival 2024 was a joyful Christmas-themed cultural evening organised by the Office of Alumni Engagement, drawing over 300 attendees for a celebration of creativity and connection. The event was inaugurated by Dr. Johny Joseph and Brigadier B.G. Jagadeesh and featured a rich lineup of performances, including a book talk by alumnus Mr. Shiva, a soulful dance by alumna Shubhangi, and musical pieces by the Christ University Choir, setting the tone for an evening of festive spirit.

The second day showcased vibrant performances by the band RANG, elegant student-alumni collaborations in music and dance, and a captivating fusion act by Madhav. Concluding with a musical finale by the Organising Committee, the carnival highlighted Christ University's dedication to fostering community bonds, artistic expression, and alumni engagement through a culturally immersive and memorable experience.

### **CROSSROADS'25**



CROSSROADS'25, was a memorable 25-year reunion for the Christ University batch of 2000, organised by the Office of Alumni Engagement. The day began with a nostalgic classroom session where 72 alumni shared reflections on their personal and professional journeys alongside former faculty members. A sports segment followed, with cricket and basketball matches rekindling camaraderie and college spirit. The networking lunch allowed for informal interactions and sparked conversations around future collaborations with the university.

The afternoon included a special visit to CHRIST Consulting, where alumni explored the university's academic, outreach, and entrepreneurial initiatives. The event concluded with a lively cultural evening showcasing performances by students and alumni, followed by a grand dinner. CROSSROADS'25 was a heartfelt celebration of connection, growth, and gratitude, reaffirming the enduring bond between Christ University and its alumni community.

### **Annual Family Day**



The Annual Alumni Meet 2025, held on 26th January alongside Christ University's 55th Annual Family Day, was a joyous celebration of legacy and belonging. Organised by the Alumni Foundation and the Office of Alumni Engagement, the event brought together alumni from various batches, faculty, and dignitaries. The day began with a traditional academic procession and inspiring addresses by key university leaders including Vice Chancellor Dr. Fr. Jose C.C. President, Alumni Foundation Mr. Jugnu Uberoi, and Brigadier B.G. Jagadeesh, focusing on alumni contributions and future directions.

A major highlight was the launch of the Alumni Engagement Website, enhancing global connectivity and mentorship opportunities. The Annual Alumni Report 2024 showcased the year's achievements, while distinguished alumni and faculty were honored for their service. Cultural performances added a festive touch, and the event concluded with a community lunch that deepened connections and renewed commitment to the Christ University alumni network.

### Middle East Chapter



Christ University officially launched the Middle East Chapter of its Alumni Foundation at Millennium Central, Downtown, Dubai. Organised by the Office of Alumni Engagement, the event brought together 76 alumni in person and many more virtually. The evening featured a welcome by Ms. Maria Monica, an invocation dance, speeches by Fr. Jose C.C., Fr. Varghese, and Dr. Biju Toms, and the introduction of the chapter's core and executive committee members.

The event celebrated Christ University's growing global footprint while outlining plans for alumni networking, mentorship, and engagement. Cultural performances, alumni reflections, a newsletter launch, and a lively "Mingle Bingo" activity fostered connections across batches.

## **LEGACY AND BEYOND**Honouring Christite MPs and MLAs



Christ (Deemed to be University) hosted "Honouring MPs and MLAs – Legacy and Beyond" to celebrate alumni serving as Members of Parliament and Legislative Assembly. Organised by the Office of Alumni Engagement, the event featured ceremonial traditions, inspiring addresses, and the felicitation of eight distinguished alumni, including

- Smt. Sudha Murty, MP, Alumni Faculty (1996-2002)
- Adv. Francis George, MP, HEP (1971-74)
- Shri. Krishna Byre Gowda, MLA, BBM (1991-94)
- Shri. Mallesh Babu, MP, BBM (1992-95)
- Smt. Shilpi Neha Tirkey, MLA, BBA (2010-13)
- Adv.Chandy Oommen, MLA, LLM (2015-16)
- Adv. Darshan Dhruvanarayana, MLA, BA LLB (2013-18)
- Shri. Sagar Eshwar Khandre, MP, BBA LLB (2016-21)

With cultural performances and the unveiling of the Legacy Book, the day underscored CHRIST's commitment to leadership, nation-building, and fostering strong alumni relations.

### Recruitment Reunion Recognition (RRR)



The Office of Alumni Engagement and the Centre for Placements & Career Guidance hosted "Recruitment, Reunion, and Recognition" at the R&D Block, Christ University. The event began with the felicitation of alumnus and Chief Guest Mr. Vinayak Kini, along with alumni Mr. Ratan Manglani and Mr. Shivam Mantry. Inspiring addresses by Brig. B.G. Jagadeesh and Mr. Kini highlighted perseverance and career preparedness.

A key feature was the recruitment drive with 18+ alumni-led and partner companies. It led to 24 final placements and 25 internships. The event promoted student-alumni-industry collaboration through networking, performances, and career opportunities.

### **Australia Chapter**



Christ University inaugurated its Australia Alumni Chapter in Melbourne, hosted at AICHM. Over 60 alumni attended the event, which was organised by the Office of Alumni Engagement. The evening featured an invocation dance, a documentary screening, and inspiring speeches by Dr. Johny Joseph and virtually by Rev. Dr. Fr. Jose C.C., emphasizing global alumni unity and Christite values.

Core and executive committee members were formally introduced, and the Vision 2025 Roadmap was unveiled. The event concluded with cultural performances, alumni reflections, and the Christ University Anthem, followed by a networking Dinner to strengthen bonds and plan future initiatives.

## **RELIVE'96**Reunion of Alumni from HEP Batch of 1996



ReLive'96 was more than just a reunion-it was a soulful homecoming for the HEP batch of 1996, celebrating a tapestry of memories, milestones, and enduring friendships. Hosted by the Office of Alumni Engagement, the day unfolded with a warm blend of nostalgia and gratitude. From an evocative campus tour to a light-hearted classroom session, alumni were transported back to the heart of their student days. Heartfelt memory-sharing, a joyous cake-cutting ceremony, and moving cultural performances brought the years rushing back.

The formal proceedings honoured cherished faculty members through a touching felicitation ceremony. Esteemed educators like Dr Fr Jose C.C., Dr Kennedy, and other senior faculty graced the event with their presence, making the day all the more special. Their words of wisdom, filled with fond recollections and encouragement, deeply resonated with everyone present. The event continued with inspiring addresses and a rousing rendition of the Christ Anthem, echoing the spirit that once shaped their formative years. The celebration concluded with a vibrant community lunch, where laughter, stories, and old camaraderie flowed freely. ReLive'96 stood as a testament to the unbreakable bond between Christ University and its alumni-a legacy that continues to inspire across generations.

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