



# NEUVILLITES DAY

**With a vision;**

**To create a just and integrated society with justice,  
peace and equality for one and all**

**With a mission;**

**To seek the lost**

**Bring back the strayed**

**Bandage the wounded and**

**To make the weak strong**

The Good Shepherd sisters have been instrumental in spreading the merciful love of Jesus the Good Shepherd to the lost, least and last.

The Sisters of Good Shepherd with the support of the lay collaborators have been spreading the mission to different parts of the India to work in an effective and efficient way since 1854. To commemorate this fellowship the Neuvillites day is celebrated every year to unite the lay partners as one family in prayer and partnership which has been a strength that drives them forward in carrying out the mission with Zeal.

This year the Neuvillites day was celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2017 at Good Shepherd Convent, Chennai.

***“The Lord shall be your light forever” (Isaiah 60:19)***

With lamps held high the celebration began with a procession followed by the prayer service. The mission of Jesus the Good Shepherd expands as new lay partners engage themselves and pledge to carry forward the mission to every nook and corner of the world. The lay mission partners took their oath and the anthem was sung that enriched each partner to walk and work together in spreading the mission of shepherding.

Sr.Mariam, addressed the gathering and highlighted on the service and tasks undertaken by the lay mission partners. Sr.Mercy George, emphasized on the great

works of our Mother Foundress St. Mary Euphrasia and her relationship with the laity; this motivated the mission partners to be co-responsible and to labour with zest and passion. The celebrations concluded with games and activities to surge the enthusiasm and energy of the partners.

As years go by the vision of the partners evolves bigger and mightier to stay committed and to strive to the uplift and to respond to the call of the needy. Through every work and service extended the members look to abide by the words of St. Mary Euphrasia as she continues to guide us to **“Go and extend the mercies of God”**.

***“I am the light of the world whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life”***

***John: 8:12***

