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Dr. K.S.Krishnan,
Director,
National Physics Research Institute,
New Delhi.

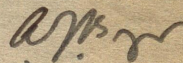
Dear Dr.Krishnan,

I take the liberty of sending you a copy of a circular letter which, in recent weeks, I have been sending out to former students of the College.

Please accept my warm greetings and good wishes, and please also consider whether you can contribute to my Building and Development Fund. I am quite certain that, if we are to retain our traditional character and standing as a college, we must increase our resources very considerably - without, however, becoming wholly dependent on subventions from the State. And, to realise that end, we must depend partly at any rate, on former students of the College. I hope that you will want to take a share in this task, and will do what you can to help the old College - now beginning to be perhaps a little short of breath - to keep abreast of modern developments.

Yours sincerely,

Encl:



Madras Christian College,
Tambaram,
November, 1955

Dear "Old Student",

I used to write an annual letter to former students of the College, but war-time conditions brought that to an end. Now I am once more stirred to action by the fact that my service in the College is drawing to a close; I go on furlough in April, and shall then be retiring. My first purpose in writing, therefore, is to send you my greetings and good wishes, and to say how grateful I am for all the friendship I have enjoyed during these thirty years in the Madras Christian College. It has been a very great privilege to work in such a college, and you will understand that the prospect of saying goodbye is painful.

Before taking leave of you, I want to make one urgent request. Partly because of the remodelling of the university courses, but for other reasons also, the time seems to have come when the College must contemplate considerable reorganisation and expansion, for which large expenditure will be required. After making allowance for Government aid, I think that we ourselves shall have to find about ten lakhs of rupees, within the next few years, for additional classrooms and laboratories and for the provision of new courses, and I want to ask you to help. Would it be too much to hope that, by large gifts and small, our former students might make a substantial contribution to a fund "for building and development"?

If you would like to take a hand in this, will you please send me a contribution, not later than the end of January 1956, and, if possible, at once? And will you please pass on my request to other former students with whom you are in touch, since I can send this letter only to those with whom I have been in personal contact in recent years, or whose present addresses are otherwise known to me. I shall not apologise for mingling requests with farewells, for I think it is my duty to make this appeal before I disappear from the scene, and I am sure that many will welcome an opportunity of doing something for the College.

With warmest greetings,

Yours very sincerely,

