

CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT OF SRI LANKA - WATTALA CELL

It did not take long for this movement to spread to other dioceses in Sri Lanka. The first cell to be established after Negombo was Wattala, in 1968. The first president couple was Rex and Magdalene Jayamaha together with a few other families. We salute our pioneers who had the foresight to initiate a cell at Wattala and their dedicated service and their unwavering commitment towards the ideals of the movement without which we would not be celebrating our Golden Jubilee in 2018(celebrated on 3rd March 2019).

Membership Status

Type	Number
Couples/Families	14
Solo/Single Parent	4

Cell Chaplain (Parish Priest): Rev. Fr. Gregory Jayantha Fernando

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President Couple	Janaka & Rashika Silva	0777 584587
Secretary Couple	Saman & Enoke Silva	0718 746261
Treasurer Couple	Christopher & Wendy Valencia	0777 637374



CFM WATTALA CELL – SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Seated L to R : Late M.L.A. Timotheus & Lilian Edith, Late Rex & Late Magdalene Jayamaha, Late Rev. Fr. Ernest Poruthota, Late Flavian & Florence Weerasinghe, Alex & Late Wilfida Fonseka

Standing L to R : Late Stanley Perera & Therese Perera, Anton & Hyacinth Vincent, Sheriff & Devika Deen, Late Gerard & Late Chitra Kithudasa, Late Duran & Anne Perera, Late Samson Perera & Magda Perera, Herman & Yvonne Mendis

Not Present: Late Anton David Couple, Late Joe & Late Neelia Perera, Late M.D. & Beatrice Aloysius, Dharmasena & Late Bridgette Alahakoon, Late Mervyn Perera & Yvonne Perera, George & Bridgette Fonseka, Late Alice Perera, Late Therese Ekanayaka, Late Anton David, Late H.Wickramarathne, Late S.Samarasinghe



Seated L to R : Saman & Enoka Silva (Secretary Couple), Ranil & Ujitha Pinto(President Couple), Rev.Fr.Sumedha Pathum (Asst.P.P.), Rev.Fr.Sanjeewa Mendis (P.P.), Rev.Fr.Suraj Fernando(Asst.P.P.), Christopher & Wendy Valancia(Treasurer Couple)

Standing First Row L to R : Lionel & Berny Kularathne, Sunil & Shyamali Mendis, Jude & Niluka

Standing Second Row L to R : Chaminda & Dulangi Wanasinghe, Magda Perera,Janaka & Rashika Silva, Christy & Rewathi Balasingham, Philip & Shrimali Jonthan, Chrisanthi Dias, Hector & Dayani Peiris, Herman & Yvonne Mendis, Anton & Hyacinth Vincent, Gerard & Chitra Kithudasa

1) Linkage with the Church & other Organizations (Diocese and Parish)

- i) Take an active part in all Parish family-related matters and organize family counseling sessions on a need basis in the parish.
- ii) CFM member couples work closely with the Family Apostolate Services and support them by delivering lectures for the marriage preparation program (Pre-Cana) and other family enrichment programs.

2) Programs

- i) Monthly meetings at the cell level to discuss and plan out activities in the cell
- ii) Monthly meetings for new member couples to prepare them for a meaningful and dedicated service.
- iii) Organizing “Parish Family Day” – the annual retreat for the entire family
- iv) Organizing monthly wedding anniversary masses followed by fellowship and sharing of experiences in their married life by the couples
- v) Marriage Rectification programs at the Deanery level
- vi) Conduct awareness programs for parents
- vii) Organizing the Holy Family feast
- viii) Organizing Lenten pilgrimages

3) Plans for Future Action

- i) Formation of New CFM Sub Cells in Novena groups
- ii) Enrichment programs for widows/widowers and unmarried adults
- iii) Give new life to Original Marriage Encounter of Rev. Fr. Gabriel Calvo
- iv) Formation sessions for CFM leader couples



Herman & Yvonne Mendis's Family



Anton & Hycinth Winston's Family



Hector & Dayani Peiris's Family



Phillip & Shrimali Jonathan's Family



Christy & Rewathie Balasingham's Family



Lionel & Bernie Kulartne's Family



Saman & Enocha Silva's Family



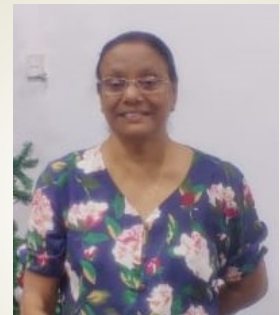
Jude Lalantha & Niluka's Family



Theresa Perera
(Late - Milton Perera)



Magda Perera
(Late - Samson Perera)



Chrishanthi Dias
(Late - Justin Dias)



Janaka & Rashika Silva's Family



Ranil & Ujitha Pinto's Family



Christopher & Wendy Valencia's Family



Sunil & Shvamali Mendis's Family



Chaminda & Dulangi Wanasinghe's Family