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Many More Returns of the Day

Dear Joseph Pathiyil

A Legend

With Love from MGA and MANA



Festive Mood - You are 90 Joe

(A Welcome Medley Of MGA And MANA)

(By MG Jacob Mathecken MGA—Hyderabad)

*(This Composition is inspired from the Novella [The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry](#) published 80 years Ago. The Prince comes from a very small planet...The prince travels to a series of asteroids... The main theme of the fable is expressed in the secret that the fox tells the little prince: "It is only with the heart that one can see rightly: what is essential is invisible to the eye." This is the theme of this Welcome Medley "**Festive Mood....You are 90 Joe**" with the metaphors from the Little Prince. And Joe Pathyil landed on this planet Earth 90 years ago on Oct 4, 1934 like the Little Prince and remains young as ever.)*

PART A First Chorus (Main) sings/recites

Festive Mood.....enthalls our hearts,
Lifts our spirits in rhythmic melody.....
Festive Mood...makes us glad to dance with happiness
For this is Your 90th Birthday... Joe Pathyil its your Birthday
Festive Mood ...enthalls our hearts
Lifts our spirits in rhythmic melody

PART B Stanza 1& 2 (with matching steps and choreograph)

Stanza 1.

Chorus Group 1	Chorus Group 2
If you love this flower	Joe is this flower
Flower that became 90	Joe is this flower
Flower of love and service	Joe is this flower
And the star is goodness	And the star is goodness

Solo or Chorus Group 1 Refrain

If you love this flower that shines on a star
It is sweet and sweet to gaze at the sky at night, at night, at night
All the stars are abloom with this Flower
All the stars are abloom with this Flower

*(Main Chorus Refrain --- **Festive Mood enthalls our hearts...**)*

<i>(Chorus Group 1)</i>	<i>(Chorus Group 2)</i>
If you love this spirit	Spirit of love and laughter
Spirit of love and gaily	Spirit of love and laughter
Spirit that lives in 1000 stars	You and I those 1000 stars
Stars that shine with laughter	You and I those 1000 stars

(Solo or Group 1 Refrain)

When this gaiety spreads to 1000s of stars
It is sweet and sweet to be in the sky at night, at night, at night
You will 've stars that can laugh
You will 've stars that can laugh

*(Main Chorus Refrain --- **Festive Mood enthalls our hearts...**)*

PART C – WELCOME ((with matching steps expression and choreography)

(Chorus/Group 1)

We are grateful to our God
For the Gift that is Joe
With songs of joy with claps of praise
And prayers to protect Joe

(Chorus/Group 2)

We are glad that you have come
'tis with pleasure we welcome
With open arms – with flowers of love
And sense of gratitude

We wish to welcome you - Joe's Guides and Fellow Travellers
We wish to welcome you – Joe's Parents, Peers and Teachers
We wish to welcome you – All our honoured Guests.
With open arms- with flowers of love
And sense of gratitude

We wish to welcome you Our Chief Guest Our Joe Pathyil –(2)

We wish to welcome you ...

Swagatham (4) Swagatham (4) – (2)

(First Chorus and Second Chorus sing or recite) overlapping

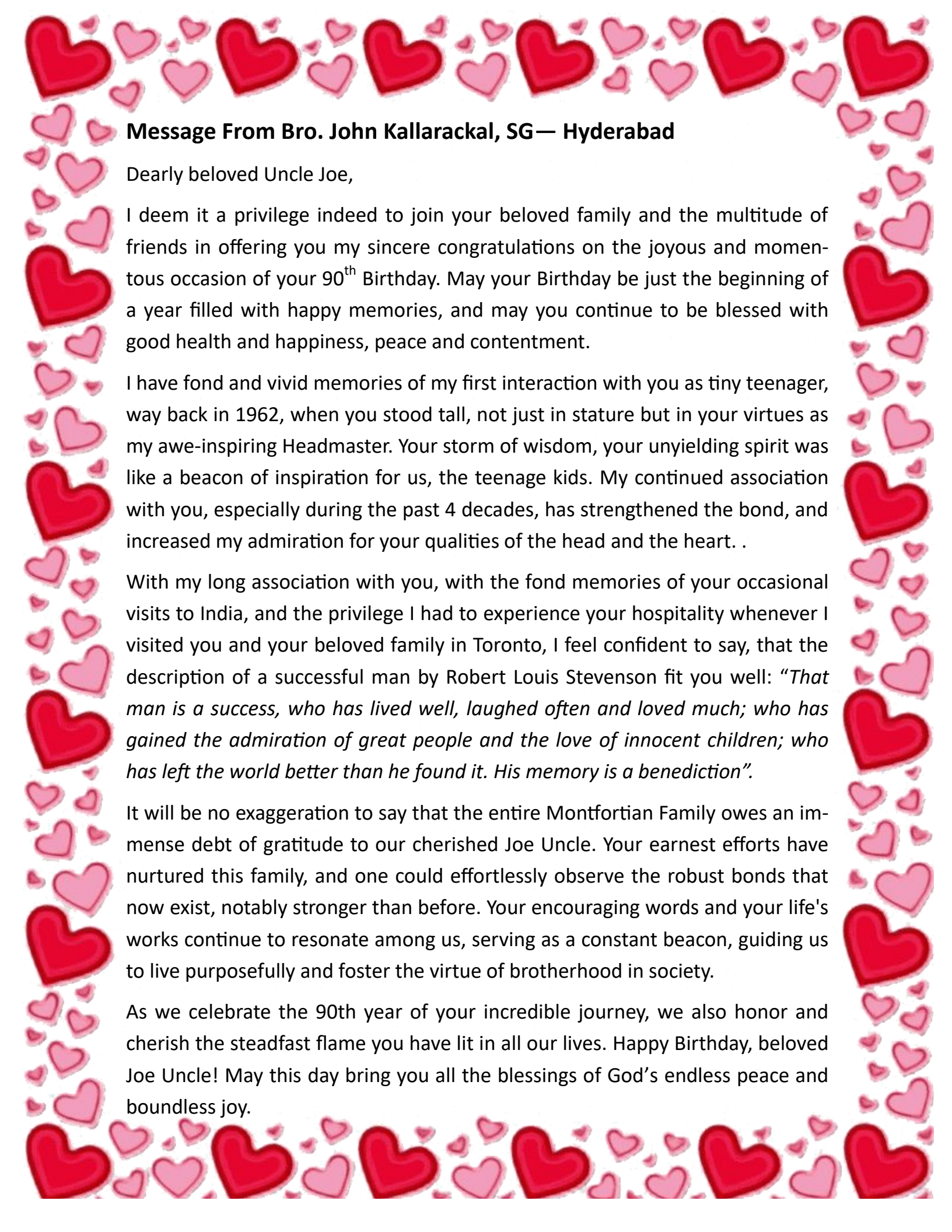
Together Festive Mood.... and Swagatam....Swagatagam...Simultaneously)

(Chorus Group 1)

(Chorus Group 2)

Festive Mood enthralls our hearts
Lifts our Spirits in rhythmic melody.
Festive Mood makes us glad to dance with happiness
For this is your 90th Birthday .
Joe Pathyil it's your Birthday

Swagatam...Swagatham
Swagatam...Swagatham
Swagatam.. .Swagatham
Swagatam...Swagatham
Swagatam...Swagatham



Message From Bro. John Kallarackal, SG— Hyderabad

Dearly beloved Uncle Joe,

I deem it a privilege indeed to join your beloved family and the multitude of friends in offering you my sincere congratulations on the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday. May your Birthday be just the beginning of a year filled with happy memories, and may you continue to be blessed with good health and happiness, peace and contentment.

I have fond and vivid memories of my first interaction with you as tiny teenager, way back in 1962, when you stood tall, not just in stature but in your virtues as my awe-inspiring Headmaster. Your storm of wisdom, your unyielding spirit was like a beacon of inspiration for us, the teenage kids. My continued association with you, especially during the past 4 decades, has strengthened the bond, and increased my admiration for your qualities of the head and the heart. .

With my long association with you, with the fond memories of your occasional visits to India, and the privilege I had to experience your hospitality whenever I visited you and your beloved family in Toronto, I feel confident to say, that the description of a successful man by Robert Louis Stevenson fit you well: *“That man is a success, who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has gained the admiration of great people and the love of innocent children; who has left the world better than he found it. His memory is a benediction”*.

It will be no exaggeration to say that the entire Montfortian Family owes an immense debt of gratitude to our cherished Joe Uncle. Your earnest efforts have nurtured this family, and one could effortlessly observe the robust bonds that now exist, notably stronger than before. Your encouraging words and your life's works continue to resonate among us, serving as a constant beacon, guiding us to live purposefully and foster the virtue of brotherhood in society.

As we celebrate the 90th year of your incredible journey, we also honor and cherish the steadfast flame you have lit in all our lives. Happy Birthday, beloved Joe Uncle! May this day bring you all the blessings of God's endless peace and boundless joy.

Salutation on the 90 th Year From Wilson—Chairman -MGA

Joe Uncle the Power Bank of MGA

I am with a sort of awe feeling that I jot down these lines; inhabitant, yet compelling within, because it's YOU, dear Joe Uncle, the subject. It's YOUR day, a wonderful day, the 4 th of October, on which the history marks the 90 th year of sunshine on an admirably towering personality, named Joe Pathyil. The universe had pre-arranged your visit to this planet earth on a day that is befitting your arrival, the day dedicated to a most unassuming soul, St. Francis of Assisi, his Feast day.

Distance doesn't matter; you touched me from afar, and touched me deeply at heart and in mind. It was the day you spoke to me, for the first time, just you and I, after the MGA online meet in 2020. You asked me, as the meeting was being concluded and all others were leaving the meeting, to stay on. That one to one conversation for an hour or so, between the two unknown individuals then, extends to eternity now. All credits to you alone, uncle. Filled with gratitude I must say that you make me comfortable, confident and encouraged; it's a feel that a powerful hand is always open to which I can run to hold for guidance and solace. That's me, love you uncle.

Message from Antony Moreli—Lucknow

Wishing Joe Pathyil a joyous 90th Birthday. May this special day be filled with love, laughter and celebration. Great to remember your ever smiling face

Message from

Bro. Joseph Louis—MCDS Chennai

Br. Eugenius was my Head Master when I joined St. Antony's, Coonoor in 1957 till I passed out in 1960. He was a towering personality with a height of 6 feet or more. He was my English Teacher in addition to Head Master. I had the credit of scoring the highest mark in English in SSLC.

MCDS (Montfort Community Development Society) started by Bro. Gerard Patrick, the nephew of Joe Pathyil in 1996, was initially supported by Joe Pathyil through The Cardinal Leger Foundation, Canada for more than 10 years. After the untimely demise of Bro. Gerard Patrick, the Congregation has decided to take over the management of MCDS and the mantle of continuing this noble work has been entrusted to me and continued to be so for the last 10 years.

As the present head of the organization and his past pupil, I consider it a privilege to wish Joe, A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY and hope to join the celebrations after 10 years, when he hits a century.

I am extremely impressed to know that as Ex-Montfortians you are assembling at his home to honor him.

Birthday Greetings from B. O. Devassy (Sebastian) - Angamali

Looking back to those happy days in St. Anthony's Coonoor, I am filled with happy memories. You were my Head Master and English teacher. You were one of those who had inculcated the basic knowledge and to love English. Till date, I continue to be an English teacher. Thank you Brother.

My prayers and best wishes on your 90th Birthday. God bless you always to spend the golden years of your life happily and peacefully. " With a grateful heart,

A Tribute to Josphe Pathiyil (Uppachan) — A Legend

By CYRIAC Puthenpurayil from Chicago

Joseph Pathiyil was born on Oct 4th, 1934, in Kaipuzha to Pathyil family to Abraham and Naithy Pathyil. In 1947, at the age of 13, he joined the juniorate in Coonoor, Tamil Nadu for his high school education. In 1950, he joined the Novitiate with the intention to become a Montfort brother. After two years of religious

training he took his religious vows and assumed the name “Bro. Euginius”. He then was sent to Loyola College for 4 years of education to get his Bachelors Degree and later took Bachelor of Education Teacher’s Training course from Palayamlottah College in Tamil Nadu. At the age of 23, he was appointed as the Head Master of St. Antony’s High School in Coonoor. He was well respected and known as a resourceful person. He was also a strict disciplinarian. In 1962, he was transferred to St. Gabriel High School in Kazipet.

in the state of Andra Pradesh as the principal of that school. In 1962, he was also invited to Europe, to spend time in studies and recollection. In 1967, after an internal struggle, he decided to leave the congregation. In 1967, he came to Canada and married Josphine who was a military nurse. They have two boys named Frank and Vincent. He was involved in the education system of Canada and held many prestigious positions. He was also involved in the Knanaya Community and served as the Chairman of the KCCNA (Knanaya Catholic Congress of North America) for the Convention in Toronto Canada. He is a person of great character and integrity. We wish him a Happy 90th Birthday.

From JOSE OLIYANICKAL—CHICAGO

DEAR JOSEPH CHETTAN,

YOU ARE TRULY A ROLE MODEL FOR ALL OF US. YOUR LEADERSHIP QUALITY IS WELL APPRECIATED BY AT LARGE. THERE IS LOT TO LEARN FROM YOU. I AM SURE YOUR TRAINING DURING EARLY YEARS OF LIFE HELPED YOU TO BECOME WHAT YOU ARE TODAY. HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU. MAY THE ALNIGHTY GOD KEEP YOU HEALTHY AND WELL FOR YEARS TO COME

Tribute From Bro. V K George—Mizoram

I am so glad to know that you Montfort Associates of North America is going to Celebrate the 90th Birthday of legend Joseph Pathyil who was known as Eugenis in our congregation.

I know him only through Bro Patrick. Bro Patrick had great love and respect for Mr. Joseph and considered him as a role model for him. Listening to Bro Patrick speaking about his uncle I used to envy him and wish I had such a great uncle. He used to speak about him often and used to tell me that Mr. Joseph was a great motivation force in his work with the disabled children.

Kindly convey my congratulations to him. I know that Bro Patrick will be joining in the celebration from heaven. All the best for the event and congratulations to you for taking the initiative to make it a memorable one. Kindly give my greetings to all our Montfortians. Many of you are known to me and I keep you all in my heart and prayers.

Wishes From James Thadathil—Chicago

I have never lived or seen Joseph Pathyil but I have heard much about him as a man of knowledge and great integrity. I understand he did an outstanding contribution to the Ontario KCCNA Convention as the Chairman. The opinion of people who knows him make me to believe that he is gifted with organizational abilities, leadership qualities and Pathyil is a philanthropist with a heart to give back to the community. I am glad to be part of this 90th Birthday organized by Montfortian Associates of North America (MANA). Happy Birthday to Joseph Pathiyil.

With lots of affection from Mathew Illikattil—New York

HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY TO YOU BRO. JOSEPH PATHYIL

We have come to celebrate your wisdom, fullness of life and your photographic memory.

You are a walking history book about the evolution of our congregation from the days of St. Montfort through the centuries, from the French renaissance to the days of Voltaire, to the French Revolution to the French missionary movement to India, to days of Bro Eliezer and your days in Madras Loyola.

You saw our congregation multiplying in so many ways in India. We are so lucky to have known you. We are lucky to come from far away places and be with you on this historical special day. Happy birthday.

From Dominic Chackonal—Atlanta.

A very happy Birthday to you dear Joseph Pathiyil, whom I admire and consider as a role model in my life. I am so happy to be with you on this day, along with my Montfortian Associates from North America (MANA).

I have heard of you from Brothers like Dominic Savio, Bro Patrick, and Bro. Oliver with whom I lived. From them I understand that you are a great noble personality with wisdom and intelligence. You were appointed as the Principal of a school, at a very young age, proving your talents and abilities as an administrator.

After coming to America, We talked over phone few times and our bond grew. Your role is significant in forming the Montfort Global Associates (MGA) expressing your love for the Montfortian roots. Let your charisma shine among us for many more years to come.

Tribute from

SHAJU NELLIKATTU—New York.

The man of today, Joseph Pathyil as he courageously takes another leap into the next decade to complete his centennial year by 2034, represents an echo of deep humanity. We believe that this celebration with his friends from different places in North America sets a prelude to a major milestone yet to be celebrated.

After joining the Monfort Brothers of St. Gabriel in 1947, Joe made impressive strides both as a missionary and a visionary. Through the years in Madras Loyola, Coonoor, Kazipet, and several other places as student, teacher, headmaster, and administrator, he has earned several accolades to his legacy. Personally as a witness I remember very well in 1985 how Joe directed a church full of mourners and students the solemn funeral service of Fr. Philip Cherukara.

Joe's unparalleled gift as a vivid historian, philosopher, great storyteller, charismatic leader, a music lover, sportsman, and a great orator with razor sharp memory, is part of the art of life that is ever growing and continues to evolve even at this age. While his service to the communities of Montreal and Toronto is noteworthy, his contributions and commitment to the Knanaya community is deeply ingrained.

We the Montfort Associates of North America (MANA) is privileged and honored to celebrate your 90th birthday in your hometown. We wish Joseph Pathyil continued health, happiness, and liberty to live to the fullest and that legacy will be the gift from you to us along with the lessons of how to profit from your business of staying young. Happy Birthday our dearest Joseph Pathyil.

Tribute from Brother John Berchmans-Mysoor

Our former Brother Eugenius—Joe Pathyil, was my Headmaster in St. Antony's High School Coonoor, just after his passing B.T, He was also the Headmaster at St. Gabriel's High School , Kazipet , when I was in our Scholasticate, studying in the Govt. College, Subedari, Warangal. He was very good to me, and always called me by my name. I spent one week with him at Toronto, in 1987. He treated me more than my parents would do. He would leave me at the metro, giving me his mobile phone, to call him , on return. Since my niece missed one flight, on her return from home after the funeral of my eldest brother, and her father, Mr. Joe Pathyil and his wife took me to the Niagara waterfalls. just for my sake . They waited outside for half a day. till I was back after my visit. He treated me so very well, more than my own parents would do. I am very grateful to him, and never forget his hospitality. I keep on praying for him, and I am sure that God will take care of him and family. God bless us.

Greetings by Thomas Kappen from Thodupuzha

Dear Brother Pathyil

Happy Birthday to you dear brother.

Man of wisdom, Man who inspired thousands, Man who moulded Montfort provinces into fineness and greatness through his contributions through the 'Rule of Life'.

Once again, Happy Birthday to you dear Brother

Tribute from Thomas Chamakala (Thomas C I) - Dallas

Best wishes to Joe Pathyil, my principal at St Gabriel's Higher Secondary School, Kazipet from 1963 to 1965 on the occasion of celebrating his 90th birthday. May the good Lord bless him spiritually, mentally and physically. He is from my own place (Kaipuzha) and has influenced me in my life in several ways.

His father was a good friend of my father and his younger brother Mathaikunju has taught me in the school. When I saw Joe Pathyil in Kazipet, he was such a handsome person around 30 years of age with a stout personality. At such a young age, it was unthinkable to become a principal of a large school and a director of a large community of Brothers. The superiors who appointed him at this young age as the principal and director did not make any mistake as he was a mature young man and a multi talented person with a far reaching vision and with a lot of charisma and vibrant. Whatever he touched, it was turned into gold. During our juniorate days we were taken out for a walk on Sundays. On one occasion we were taken to the Railway High school near Kazipet railway station. At the end of the walk as we were resting under a tree in the railway school premises we found our Hindustan car being driven and it was going to Kazipet station. A few minutes later it returned and as we were watching we found the car engulfed by heavy dust. So we all rushed to the spot and we found a person coming out of the overturned car from the driver's side smiling and with bruises and blood all over his face. It was none other than our Joe Pathiyil who was able to keep up his smile in the midst of this bad situation. He was able to keep up the calmness and the serenity in his face even in difficult times. Another experience that I had with Joe Pathyil was in the year 2003-2004. He was the chairman of the convention of the Knanaya Catholic Association of North America held in Toronto, Canada in 2004. He came to New York for a function which had "chenda melam" in which I was also a part of it.

He was enamored and taken up with the performance of the chenda melam. Hence he asked me to organize this kind of chenda melam for the convention. I was not very happy about it as it involved a lot of time and energy to coordinate. But he saw the potential in me and wanted me to take care of it. In the end on his advice we tuned the chenda beats, burned the CDs and sent them to different units in New York, Florida, Detroit, Chicago, Houston and California for practice. The technology in those days was not developed as today, hence we had to burn the CDs. From that day onwards there is an organized chenda melam including the competition for every convention. It was his will power and his encouragement which made me do and I am happy and proud of it. There are a lot of other great things that can be written about Joe Pathyil popularly known as Joe Uncle. Let me again wish him a happy birthday invoking the blessings from the Almighty, the prayers from St Montfort and the intercession from Mary, our Mother.

Sebastian Vattakunnel from Australia on Joe Pathyil

I did not live with him to know him better and so I cannot write about him I met him in 1963 when I came to Kazipet juniorate and he was our principal we used to call him huge man I admired his knowledge of English and his management of a big school with English and Telugu Media school after our one year of stay he was transferred to Kothakudam and again he was sent to Rome for second novitiate and later I heard that he left the congregation to work in a developed school in Canada he was a wonderful person who loved the poor people around him. From his writings I understand that he had a habit of diary writings about events and people around him he was very good at studies so he was sent to Loyola college Madras and he was made headmaster in many schools.

A good person with deep spiritual formation. He was my hero in many ways I too went to Loyola college Madras and then worked for 6 years at Montfort School Yercaud from there I left Montfort brothers company went to Delhi to work in a private school from there went to Zambia and again to South Africa presently I am retired and staying with two of daughters one is a medical Doctor and the other one is a manager of a big company.

I was keenly following the writings of Joe he had a habit of writing diaries about people and events I hope he is still doing that he is a fountain of knowledge and people A good mannered person with a heart for the poor. God had given this long life to enrich the lives of many. Many people are not blessed like Joe May the Lord bless him further you are an institution so keep the good work you are doing

Joe Pathyil influenced me in my outlooks and my determination to achieve what is good. Let me wish him a very happy 90th Birthday and many more years to serve actively for our society. I am glad many of our Ex Montfortians are visiting him on his birthday.

Tribute from Fr Abraham Kottooparampil–Kottayom

I join all the Montfortains and all the well.wishers of Mr Joe Pathiyil to wish him A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND MAY HE LIVE TO HIT A CENTURY. He was my Headmaster at Coonoor and Bro.Patrick being his nephew and my classmate.he had a special regard for me and whenever he visited his sister Pennamma at Paravanthuruthu he made it a point to pay a visit to me. That shows his love and regard for others.

Have a fantastic day.

With love and prayers Fr Abraham Kottooparampil

Happy 90th Birthday to a True Legend Joe Pathyil

Dear Joe

Today, we celebrate an extraordinary milestone—the 90th birthday of a remarkable person, a true legend. Over the course of nine incredible decades, you have lived a life filled with wisdom, grace, and inspiration, touching the hearts of everyone fortunate enough to know you.

Your life has been a shining example of perseverance, kindness, and strength. Through your achievements, your generosity, and your unwavering spirit, you have left a lasting legacy in your family, your community, and beyond. The stories of your journey, your leadership, and your character continue to inspire all of us, generation after generation.

As we celebrate this special day, we not only honor your 90 years of life, but also the countless lives you've impacted. You are a pillar of wisdom and a source of strength for all who know you. Your presence lights up every room, and your words carry the weight of experience and love.

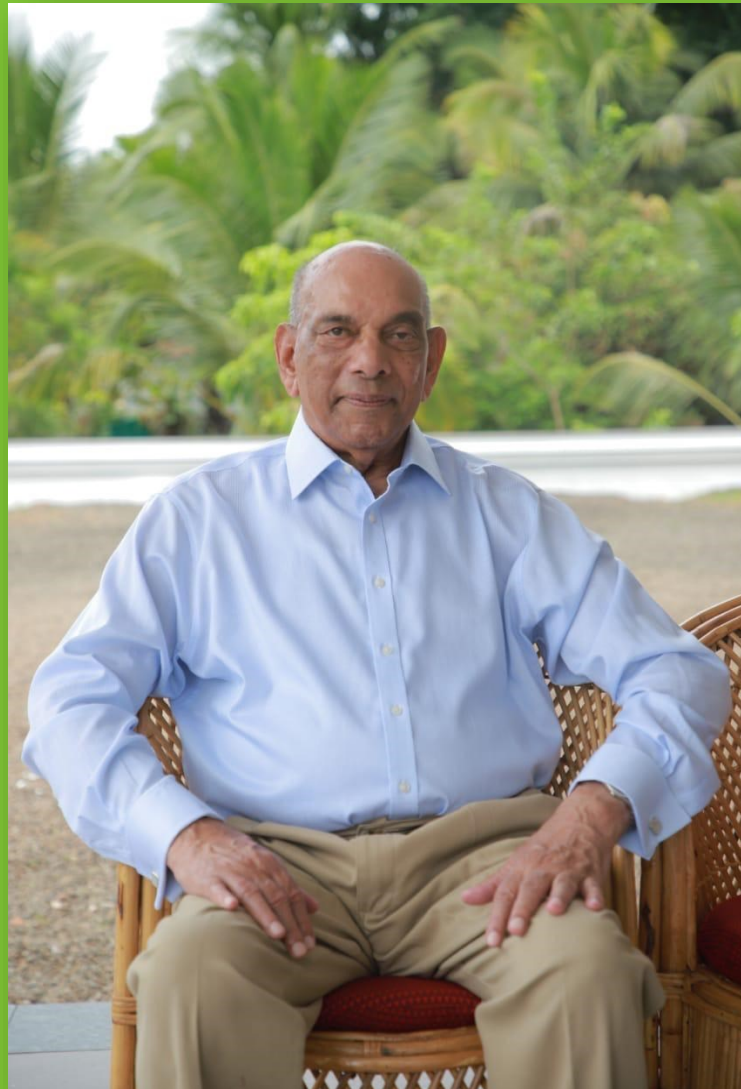
May this milestone birthday bring you as much joy and happiness as you've given to others throughout your life. We are all grateful for the gift of your presence in our Community. May God bless you with continued health, peace, and happiness in the years to come.

Here's to celebrating 90 years of an extraordinary life and looking forward to many more years of joy and blessings!. With deepest respect and admiration,

Montfort Global Associates (MGA)

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HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY
Dear Joseph Pathyil



Salutations and Greetings from
Montfort Global Associates (MGA)
Montfortian Associates of North America (MANA)

October 5, 2024

