

Catholic Syro Malabar Eparchy of Great Britain



4th CSMEGB Bible Kalotsavam 2020



Competition Rules and Guidelines

Theme:

“He and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God” (Acts 16:34. b).

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Virtual Bible Kalotsavam 2020

As we are living in unprecedented times, some significant changes have had to be made in the way Bible Kalotsavam is conducted. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Bible Kalotsavam 2020 will be conducted virtually with a limited number of competitions. Let this virtual Bible Kalotsavam be a blessed experience for all the families in our Eparchy.

1. Rules and Guidelines

This section describes the general rules and guidelines applicable to the Bible Kalotsavam 2020. All participants and co-ordinators must read this document carefully and strictly adhere to it.

Please check the Bible Kalotsavam website (<http://smegbbiblekalotsavam.com/>) regularly for latest updates. This document has been updated. Updates are in blue text.

There will only be Eparchial Bible Kalotsavam this year. There will be no unit level or regional level competitions. Regional winners and Eparchial winners will be selected from submitted Eparchial level competitions. There is no limit on the number of participants wishing to take part in the competitions from a single Parish/Mission/proposed mission.

2. Eligibility Criteria

- 2.1 The participant must be a practising Syro-Malabar Catholic in any of the CSMEGB parishes/missions/proposed missions.
- 2.2. The organising committee will contact the respective 'mission-in-charge' to verify the applicant's/participant's eligibility to participate in the competition.
- 2.3. The participant(s) may be disqualified at any stage of the competition if the 'mission-in-charge' cannot verify the participant's eligibility. It is the participant's responsibility to ensure that they meet the eligibility criteria.

3. Age Categorisation

- 3.1 The age is based on the participants' age as of 31st August 2020. The participants must ensure that they fall within the age group as of 31/08/2020.
- 3.2 Proof of age may be requested if there is a contention.
- 3.3 Age groups are divided into the following 7 groups: Please note that age groups may be revised for next year.

| Age Groups | I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| | 4 - 7 Years | 8 - 10 Years | 11 - 13 Years | 14 - 17 Years | 18 - 24 Years | Adults (25 Years and Over) | Family |
| Date of Birth Range | 01/09/2012 to 31/08/2016 | 01/09/2009 to 31/08/2012 | 01/09/2006 to 31/08/2009 | 01/09/2002 to 31/08/2006 | 01/09/1995 to 31/08/2002 | 01/01/1900 to 31/08/1995 | Grandparents/ Parents/ Children/ Grandchildren/ Couples |

4. General Rules

| 4 th CSMEGB Bible Kalotsavam 2020 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Competition Items | | | | | | | | | | |
| No | Age Group | Single items | | | | | Family Items | | | |
| | | Bible Story Telling (ST) | Bible Mono Act (MA) | Bible Costume (BC) | Oration - English (OE) | Oration - Malayalam (OM) | Dramatic Presentation of a given Christian Song (DC) | Dramatic Presentation of a Bible Story (DB) | Christian Cartoon Voice Over (CC) | Family Group Song (SG) |
| I | 4 - 7 Years | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| II | 8 - 10 Years | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| III | 11 - 13 Years | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| IV | 14 - 17 Years | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| V | 18 - 24 Years | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| VI | Adults (25 Years and Over). | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| VII | Family | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

- 4.1. Each participant can only take part in a maximum of 3 individual items and any 2 out of 4 family items.
- 4.2. Number of winners from Regional Levels to Eparchial Level
 - a. Solo Items: Best two winners from Regional Level.
 - b. Group Items: Best one winner from Regional Level.
- 4.3. Family items should be performed as a family, i.e. Grandparents/parents/Children/grandchildren/couples living at the same address in UK. Family items performed only by children without any grandparents or parents will not be considered as a family item. Couples who do not have children are allowed to participate on their own in family items.
- 4.4. The videos submitted for the Eparchial Bible Kalotsavam will be used for the Regional and Eparchial Bible Kalotsavam. Regional winners will be selected from the videos submitted and the regional level winners will go forward to the Eparchial level competition. The regional and Eparchial level winners will be notified.
- 4.5. CSMEGB Bible Apostolate Commission will not be responsible for any copyright violation and plagiarism for the videos or images provided by participants.

- 4.6 The participants may provide their photographs along with parental consent for minor participants. The photographs or videos of competition provided may be published with the results in CSMEGB's publicity materials, media, websites and facebook pages in accordance with the UK-GDPR. If you do not wish to publish your photographs or videos, please let us know in writing before the results are declared.
- 4.7 A video of each competition item in MP4, MOV or VLC format in HD quality should be forwarded as shared files (e.g. Google drive, Wetransfer, WeShare, Dropbox). Maximum file size: 2GB. Registration confirmation e-mail will provide the link to upload/share the video. The name of each video you submit must be in the following format. **Item code, Age category and Chest number**. For example, if a participant with chest number **VKB50** in **18-24 age category** for **Mono Act (MA)**, the video must be named as **MA 18-24 VKB50**
- 4.8 Please refer to the individual item details for the duration of time allowed. The duration of the competition will be calculated from the start of the video clip received. For example, if the specified duration for a competition is four minutes, only the first four minutes of the video clip (including titles and credits) will be considered for judgement.
- 4.9 The decision of the CSMEGB Commission for Bible Apostolate will be final. For the smooth running of the Kalotsavam, the CSMEGB Commission for Bible Apostolate reserves the right to make any changes that may be deemed necessary in the event of any unforeseen circumstances.
- 4.10 Last date to receive the submission of videos: **01st November 2020**.

| Bible Kalotsavam 2020 - Important Dates | |
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| Registration starting date: | 30/08/2020 |
| Registration closing date: | 11/10/2020 |
| Competition closing date: | 01/11/2020 |
| Declaration of results: | Date will be published later on |
| Prize distribution: | Date will be published later on |

5. Registration

- 5.1. To participate in the competitions, the participant must complete the online registration form/consent form or the participants can contact their Parish/Mission/proposed mission co-

ordinator. The co-ordinator can complete the online registration form on behalf of the participant.

- 5.2 Once the registration has closed, a list of participants from each Parish/Mission/proposed mission and bank account details for registration fee transfer will be provided to the Parish/Mission/proposed mission co-ordinator. The co-ordinator must check the list and confirm the eligibility of the participants. The confirmed list must be forwarded to biblekalotsavam@csmegb.org. The co-ordinator is responsible for the collection of registration fees for all the participants on the confirmed list and the transfer of the registration fees to the bank account, details of which are provided. Registration is complete only when the payment has been received by the national co-ordinators.
- 5.3 Once the registration is complete, each participant will be notified the chest number by email.

6. Registration Fee

- 6.1 Solo items - £5 per person.
- 6.2 Group items - £10 per family

7. Complaints

- 7.1 Eparchial Kalotsavam is aimed at promoting the Bible and the Christian faith. The Christian spirit is expected from every participant. It is noted that occasionally there may be a genuine reason for complaint. This section explains the complaints procedure.
- 7.2 No complaints pertaining to the judgement will be accepted. The judgement of the judges will be final.
- 7.3 If you believe that there is a technical fault such as tabulation of marks, any grounds for disqualification, misconduct or disregard of rules, such instances may be notified to the appeals committee. Details of the appeal committee will be provided later on.
- 7.4 The decision of the Appeal Committee will be final.
- 7.5 Complaints/appeals must be submitted through Regional Kalotsavam co-ordinator within 24 hours after the result is announced.
- 7.6 Fee to file a complaint/appeal is £25 which will be refunded if the appeal is successful. Fee from unsuccessful appeals will be added to CSMEGB Bible Kalotsavam Organising Fund.

8. Rules for each item

This section describes the rules and marking criteria for each competition item.

Single Items

8.1 Bible Story Telling

ITEM CODE: ST

AGE GROUPS: 4-7 years, 8-10 years

Duration: 4 minutes

8.1.1 Bible Story Telling – Rules

- a. The story must be based on themes from the Bible.
- b. No props allowed.
- c. No specific dressing that would assist in identifying the character or would convey the story.

8.1.2 Bible Story Telling – Judging Criteria

- a. Text Development (structure)
- b) Intonation
- c. Christian message emphasis
- d. Proper word usage and pronunciation
- e. Poise and appearance
- f. Gestures
- g. Memorisation
- h. Expression

8.2 Bible Mono Act

ITEM CODE: MA

AGE GROUPS: 11- 13 Years, 14-17 Years, 18-24 years, Adults

DURATION: 4 minutes

8.2.1 Bible Mono Act – Rules

- a. The act should be based on a Bible story or a Christian theme.
- b. No props allowed.
- c. No specific dressing that would assist in identifying the character or would convey the story.

8.2.2 Bible Mono Act – Judging Criteria

- a. Quality of idea
- b. Christian message content
- c. Effectiveness of impersonation of character and conveying the theme.
- d. Voice modulation, memorisation, emotion
- e. Expression, poise, body language and stage presence.

8.3 Bible Costume

ITEM CODE: BC

AGE GROUPS: 4- 7 Years, 8-10 Years

DURATION: 30 seconds

8.3.1 Bible Costume – Rules

- a. The costume should be based on a Bible story or a Christian theme.
- b. Participants can express their character through costume, make up, facial and bodily expressions. No external involvement is allowed.
- c. Participant must not speak or make any sound during performance
- d. Props are allowed but background sound & light effects are not permitted.
- e. Same rules apply for all age groups.

8.3.2 Bible Costume – Judging Criteria

- a. Costume details, originality
- b. Christian message content
- c. Effective use of props
- d. Expression & stage presence
- e. Quality of idea & presentation

8.4 Oration

ITEM CODES: Oration English – OE

Oration Malayalam – OM

Oration English Age Groups: 11-13 Years, 14-17 Years, 18-24 Years

Oration Malayalam Age Groups: 18-24, Adults

DURATION: 4 minutes

| Age Group | Topics for Oration English | Topics for Oration Malayalam |
|--------------|--|---|
| 11-13 Years | God is my strength | No competition |
| 14-17 Years. | Christian Life is a call to holiness (1Peter.1:15) | No competition |
| 18-24 Years. | Importance of the sacrament of matrimony in Christian life | Christheeya jeevithathil vivahamenna koodasayude pradhanyam ക്രിസ്തീയ ജീവിതത്തിൽ വിവാഹമെന്ന കൂദാശയുടെ പ്രാധാന്യം |
| Adults. | No competition | കോറോണാനന്തര സഭയുടെ സാമൂഹിക പുനർനിർമ്മിതിയിൽ ദമ്പതികളുടെ പങ്ക്. |

8.4.1 Oration – Rules

- a. The content should be based on the given topic.

8.4.2 Oration – Judging Criteria

- a. Theme clearly stated, summarisation, logical organisation of theme, originality in content, bibliography or source and maturity of thought.
- b. Christian message emphasis
- c. Proper word usage and pronunciation
- d. Tone quality and projection
- e. Poise and appearance
- f. Gestures
- g. Memorisation.

Family Items

8.6 Dramatic Presentation of a given Christian Song

ITEM CODE: DC

Age group: Family

DURATION: 5 minutes

Song: The track will be provided to the registered participants once the registration is complete.

8.6.1 Dramatic presentation of a Given Christian Song – Rules

- a. The participants must be from the same family.
- b. Costumes and props are allowed.
- c. The presentation should be based on the original song given by the Bible Kalotsavam committee, no alteration to the lyrics or track is allowed.

8.6.2 Dramatic presentation of a Given Christian Song – Judging Criteria

- a. Content, creativity, originality, coherence, narrative flow, replay value.
- b. Performance – acting, compelling, interesting.
- c. Creative production, appropriate props and costumes
- d. Organisation – well organised and executed.
- e. Unity of purpose and cooperation among the presenters/actors
- f. Relevance to the theme - The themes are clearly explained and relevant.
- g. Props and Costume – Use of props (could include costume) that accurately fit the period, show considerable work/creativity.
- h. Technical skill – visual creativity, cinematography, lighting, framing of shots, sound design and soundtrack, composition skill.
- i. Overall presentation

8.7 Dramatic Presentation of a Bible Story

ITEM CODE: DB

Age Group: Family

DURATION: 5 minutes

8.7.1 Dramatic Presentation of a Bible Story – Rules

- a. The Dramatic Presentation should be based on a Biblical event or a Christian theme.
- b. The participants must be from the same family.
- c. Costumes and make ups are allowed.
- d. Participants can either deliver the dialogue live or play pre-recorded dialogues.
- e. Pre-recorded audio downloaded from the internet or any other media is also acceptable.
- f. Participants can use lighting effects if required.

8.7.2 Dramatic Presentation of a Bible Story – Judging Criteria

- a. Effective portrayal of characters
- b. Originality, creativity, clarity and depth of the theme
- c. Quality of idea and power of message
- d. Performance – acting and dialogue delivery
- e. Costumes, effective use of props and stage
- f. Overall presentation

8.8 Christian Cartoon Voice Over

ITEM CODE: CC

Age group: Family

DURATION: 3 minutes

8.8.1. Christian Cartoon Voice Over – Rules

- a. The cartoon should be based on Christian theme.

8.8.2 Christian Cartoon Voice Over – Judging Criteria

- a. Christian message content
- b. Lip synchronisation.
- c. Expression - ability to convey the emotions of the character through the voice.
- d. Suitable voice, relevant to the cartoon character
- e. Script Development (structure)
- f. Intonation
- g. Christian message emphasis
- h. Proper word usage and pronunciation

8.9 Family Group Song

ITEM CODE: SG

Age group: Family

DURATION: 5 minutes.

8.9.1 Family Group Song – Rules

- a. Only Christian devotional songs will be allowed.
- b. Karaoke and instruments are not allowed.
- c. Songs sung in Malayalam will get 2 additional points
- d. Microphones are not allowed
- e. Group members should be from the same family (Grand parents/ parents/ children or grandchildren)

8.9.2 Family Group Song – Judging Criteria

- a. Christian message content
- b. Voice quality
- c. Choice of music, pitch accuracy, rhythm
- d. Balance & blend, degree of difficulty, diction, memorization
- e. Style, phrasing, tempo, dynamics and emotional involvement
- f. Appropriate appearance, poise, posture, general conduct, mannerisms, facial expression