YOUTH DEVELOPMENT TRAINING PROGRAMME

On 16th August 2011, Monday, the Department of Outreach organized thematic orientation programme for the Youth Welfare Teams of UG second years in Lawrence Sundaram Hall, Loyola College, Chennai. The programme began at 10 a.m. with an inspirational audio - video clip to invoke the presence of the Lord.

Prof. John Kaviarasu, Head - Department of Outreach welcomed the students, staff and officials and the trainer.

Rev. Dr. G. Joseph Antony Samy S.J - Director of Outreach spoke about the Youth Concept and highlighted a fact that it was only 14 per cent of students who pass-outs of higher secondary education are taking up admissions in colleges in India. He asked the students to interact better with the youth, understand them, their situation and ideology. He requested the students to not only look vertically for one’s own development but also take a look horizontally and make the development in the neighborhood community. He made them realize their responsibility and inspired them by saying that the students in this age could make a whole lot of wonders. He also spoke of the Three ‘E’s, Exposure, Experiment and Experience which every student should undergo.

Rev. Fr. Christu Raj, Youth Director and member of the Missionaries of St. Francis De Sales Society was the trainer who started the session with a game to capture the attention of students towards him. He asked the students to focus on the job they are assigned and then go ahead to achieve it. He also put up a presentation to the gathering. He explained the choices that the different sections of youth are offered and how they react to it. The trainer explained about the eight stages of
life by Erick Erickson. He clearly made the students understand the psychological crisis, significant relations and the psychological virtues at each stages of human life.

Prof. Jai Prakash, coordinator - Department of Outreach thanked the participants.