

Christ Church Galle Face was the head quarters of the CMS where Rev. George Pettitt served as its first financial secretary from 1850. The listed below clergy were CMS mission's native clergy served in Ceylon between 1839 and 1941.

TAMIL CLERGY

1. Hensman, Rev. John. d. 1863. p. 1865. Educated at Cotta Institution. Teacher, Nellore, 1837. Catechist, Chundicully, 1840. Copay, 1848. Pastor, Copay. Died September 5, 1884.
2. Champion, Rev. George. Born October 1. 1824. d. 1865. p. 1870. Educated at Batticotta Seminary. (1) Catechist, (2) Pastor, Nellore, and Chundicully. Retired 1902. Died 1910. Celebrated Jubilee of his C.M.S. Service in 1894.
3. Hoole, Rev. Elijah. d. 1865. p. 1870. Pundit, 1850 Catechist, Chundicully, 1852. Pastor. Died at sea July, 1881, on his way home from Bishop s Assembly at Colombo.
4. Handy, Rev. Trueman Parker. d. 1865. p. 1870. Educated at Batticotta Seminary. School Inspector, 1850. Pundit, 1851. Catechist, 1856. Pastor at Nellore. Died May 17, 1885.
5. Peter, Rev. Pakkyanathan. d. 1872. p. 1874. Teacher, 1856. T. C. M. Catechist, 1862. Assistant Missionary, Pelmadulla, 1892. Died June 15, 1895.
6. Peter, Rev. John S. d. 1872. p. 1874. Retired 1877. T.C.M. Pastor, Kandy. Died 1906.
7. Gabb, Rev. John. d. 1876. p. 1883. Retired 1883. (1) 1876-81, Mauritius. (2) 1881-83, Ceylon. (3) 1883-94, Madras.
8. Gnanamuttu, Rev. Arulanantham. d. 1881. p. 1885. Retired 1897. Died 1906. Schoolmaster, Catechist, Pastor T.C.M. , Dickoya, Kandy.
9. Samuel, Rev. Samuel. d. 1878. p. 1881. Educated at Palamcotta Training institution. Son of Rev. A. Samuel of Tinnevelly. 1878-84, Tinnevelly. 1884-95, Colombo. Died May 6, 1895, in Colombo.
10. Niles, Rev. John. d. 1885. p. 1889. Copay. Died March 23, 1892.
11. Backus, Rev. John. d. 1885. p. 1889. (1) School master, (2) Catechist, ^3) Pastor, Palai, Nellore. Celebrated his fiftieth year of C.M.S. service in 1913. Mrs. Backus died December 17, 1916.
12. Handy, Rev. Charles Chelliah. d. 1891. p. 1896. B. A., Calcutta University. T.C.K. Head Master of St. John s College, Jaffna. Died 1908.
13. Virasinha, Rev. Arulumbalam Russell. d. 1892. p. 1900. T.C.K. Stationed T.C.M. Died 1914.
14. Daniel, Rev. George. d. 1893. Catechist, 1858. Copay. Seventy-five years of age on retirement in 1912.
15. Williams, Rev. Charles Tissaverasingam d, 1893. p. 1896. T.C.K. Pastor, Kokkuvil, Anuradhapura, Kandy, Kopay.
16. Morse, Rev. Samuel. d. 1893. p. 1896. Nellore. Died 1909.
17. Matthias Rev. Arulpragasam. d. 1893. p. 1898. Vavuniya. Copay. Retired after forty years of service in 1915.
18. Sathianathen, Rev. Aseervathem. d. 1899. p. 1902. T.C.M. Nanu-Oya, Dickoya. Retired 1914. Died 1916.
19. Daniel, Rev. John Vethamanikam d. 1900. p. 1902. Head Master of Borella Boys Boarding School, Incumbent of Tamil Congregation, Christ Church, Colombo.
20. Saththianadhan, Rev. Tillainather David. d. 1903. p. 1906. T.C.M. Badulla.

21. Arulananthan, Rev. Gnanamuttu Manuel. d. 1906. p. 1908. Incumbent, Emmanuel Church, Colombo.
22. Pakkiariathan, Rev. Asirvatham. d. 1906. p. 1908. T.C.M. Lindula.
23. Doss, Rev. James G. d. 1907. p. 1910. T.C.M. Dickoya.
24. Somasundaram, Rev. Sangarappillai Samuel. d. 1909. p. 1911. B.A., Calcutta. Master in St. John's College, Jaffna. Chundicully.
25. Nathaniel, Rev. Gunaratnam N. d. 1909. p. 1913. Jaffna. 1917 Matale.
26. Welcome, Rev. Jesson Daniel. d. 1910. p. 1914. Anuradhapura.
27. Daniel, Rev. Samuel Chelvanayakam. d. 1910. p. 1914. Pallai.
28. Paukiam, Rev. Paul Abraham. d. 1912. p. 1914. Rakwana T.C.M. Died 1918.
29. Yorke, Rev. John Vedamanickam. d. 1914. p. 1917. Avisawela T.C.M.
30. Thomas, Rev. S. M. d. 1915. p. 1917. Wellawatte T.C.M.
31. Ratnathicum, Rev. J. S. d. 1915. Jaffna.
32. Refuge, Rev. M. d. 1915, Matale. 1917, Vavuniva.

SINHALESE CLERGY.

1. Jayasinghe, Rev. Cornelius. d. 1839. p. 1843. Educated at Cotta Institution. First Catechist and Interpreter. Stationed at Talangama and Slave Island. In 1867, Trinity Church, Kandy. Editor of the Sinhalese CM. Record. D. Colombo on November 18, 1876. Mr. Jayasinghe's name stands fourth in the C.M.S. List of Native Clergy and Mr. A. Gunasekara's fifth.
2. Gunasekara, Rev. Abraham. d. 1839. p. 1843 by Bishop Spencer. Educated at Cotta Institution. Worked in Baddegama and died there on June 27, 1862, aged 60. The son of Bastian Gunasekara, who was born in 1773 and died in 1853. The father of Rev. H. Gunasekara, who died in 1916, Paul Gunasekara, a catechist and schoolmaster for fifty years, who died on January 3, 1917, aged 74 years, and Mrs. B. Karunaratna, a Biblewoman for many years. A grand-daughter married Rev. T. G. Perera, and another married Rev. A. B. Karunaratne.
3. Senanayake, Rev. Cornelius. d. 1846. p. 1851. Educated at Cotta Institution. Transferred to Colonial Establishment in 1852 and died in 1886. Wrote a Sinhalese Church Hymnal. 4. De Livera, Rev. James Andris. d. 1861. p. 1867. Educated at Cotta Institution. Stationed at Kandy and Nugegoda. Died December 23, 1868. At his examination for Deacon's orders by Bishop Chapman, he was offered his choice between the Greek Testament and the Sinhalese Bible and he unhesitatingly chose the former.
5. Gunasekara, Rev. Henry. d. 1867. p. 1871. Educated at Baddegama Seminary and Cotta Institution. (1) Pupil Teacher, (2) Catechist, (3) Pastor. Stationed at Nugegoda, Colombo, and Trinity Church, Kandy. Retired in 1909. Died May 24, 1916, at Lunawa. Mr. Gunasekara was married in 1870, and his widow died on November 1, 1916. A son of Rev. A. Gunasekara.
6. de Silva, Rev. Hendrick. d. 1868. p. 1885. Educated at Cotta Institution, (1) Schoolmaster, (2) Catechist, (3) Pastor at Cotta, Nugegoda and Talangama. Died at Negombo on March 12, 1891. 7. Jayasinha, Rev. Daniel. d. 1868. Educated at Cotta Institution. (1) Schoolmaster, (2) Catechist, (3) Pastor at Katukelle, Nugegoda and Cotta. Died at Cotta on January 1, 1887.
8. Wirasinha, Rev. Bartholomew Peris. d. 1869. Educated at Cotta English School. (1) Schoolmaster at Cotta, (2) Catechist for sixteen years, (3) Pastor at Kegalle. Retired in 1894 and died in 1900.

9. Kannanger, Rev. Hendrick. d. 1869. (1) School master, (2) Catechist, (3) Pastor at Talangama, Cotta, Bentota. Retired 1885, and died on July 13, 1894. Father of Mrs. Wirakoon, Head Mistress of Baddegama Girls Boarding School .
10. Perera, Rev. Garagoda Arachchige Bastian. d. 1881. p. 1886. Retired 1916. The son of Garagoda Arachchige Don Abraham Perera and Thudugalage Dona Christina. Born at Talangama on December 19, 1836. Stationed at Balapitiya, Baddegama, Cotta and Colombo. Celebrated golden wedding and fifty-fourth anniversary of service with C.M.S. in 1914. Mrs. Perera died the following year. A daughter married Mr. H. C. Jayasinghe of T.C.K.
11. Amarasekara, Rev. Abraham Suriarachchi. d. 1881. p. 1884. Stationed at Kegalle, Dodanduwa and Kandy. Retired in 1885 and became (1) Curate of Holy Emmanuel, Moratuwa, (2) Incumbent of Matale. Founder of Matale Mission to the Duriyas.
12. Kalpage, Rev. Johannes Perera. d. 1881. p. 1887. Kurunegala, Kegalle, Baddegama, Dodanduwa, Bentota. Died 1903 from the effects of a crushed finger, and buried in Kanatte cemetery. Father of Rev. J. A. Kalpage of Tangalle.
13. Amarasekara, Rev. Gregory Suriarachchi. d. 1887. p. 1889. Educated at Baddegama and T.C.K. (1) School master, (2) Pastor, Cotta, Nugegoda and Trinity Church, Kandy. Celebrated twenty-fifth anniversary of ordination to Priesthood in 1914. A brother of Rev. A. S. Amarasekara.
14. Botejue, Rev. Welatantrige Lewis. d. 1889. Educated at Cotta Institution. (1) Catechist, (2) Pastor at Mampe and died there on May 13, 1895. Father of Rev. W. E. Botejue.
15. Seneviratne, Rev. Henry William. d. 1889. Gampola. Retired 1902. Died in 1917, aged 80.
16. Colombage, Rev. James. d. 1894. p. 1898. Educated at T.C.K. Baddegama and Kegalle. Retired and joined the staff of St. Paul s, Kandy.
17. Daundesekara, Rev. Frederic William. d. 1894. p. 1910. Educated at Kurunegala and T.C.K. Colombo and Kegalle. Retired.
18. Botejue, Rev. Welatantrige Edwin. d. 1896. p. 1901. Educated at T.C.K. Mampe. Ret. 1902. Incumbent of Ratnapura.
19. Perera, Rev. Theodore G. d. 1896. p. 1898. Educated at Cotta English School. Talangama. m. a grand daughter of Rev. A. Gunasekara. Ret. in 1902.
20. Perera, Rev. D. Joseph. d. 1896. p. 1904. Colombo. Died in 1912. 21. Gunatilaka, Rev. Robert Teuton Eugene Abeyawickrama. d. 1903. p. 1905. Baddegama, Dodanduwa, Cotta, Mampe.
22. Welikala, Rev. Don Louis. d. 1903. p. 1905. Talangama and Colombo, m. a sister of Rev. J. Colombage.
23. Wikramanayake, Rev. John Henry. d. 1903. p. 1905. Mampe, Nugegoda.
24. Wijesinghe, Rev. Charles. d. 1903. Gampola, Kurunegala, Liyanwela. Ret. 1916.
25. Seneviratne, Rev. James Gregory Newsome. d.1909. p. 1913. Gampola.
26. Wickramasinghe, Rev. Benjamin Perera. -d. 1909. p. 1914. Mampe. Cotta.
27. Ramanayake, Rev. John Perera. d. 1913. p. 1917. (1) Schoolmaster, (2) Catechist, (3) Pastor, Homagama and Dodanduwa.
28. Jayasundra, Rev. D. S. d. 1915. Talampitiya.
29. de Silva, Rev. W. Bernard. d. 1915. Educated at T.C.K. (1) Catechist, (2) Pastor. Baddegama.
30. Weerasinghe, Rev. C. B. Educated T.C.K. Master at T.C.K. d. 1918. Kurunegala.