Thirukkurugai Piran Pillan was born as the second son of Periya Thirumalai Nambi. He was born in Shadamarshana Gothram. Tirumalainambi, entrusted the boy's education to the care of Sri Ramanuja. Pillan studied Vedanta, Divya prabhandam and other Sastras under Sri Ramanuja. He was performing Sidhantha pravachanam in Srirangam. He has authored Bhagavath vishayam 6000 padi. Sri Ramanuja ordered that this Grantham should be treated as a Kalakshepa Grantham. Bhagavath Sri Ramanuja appointed 74 Simhasanathipatis for the Nadadur Azhvan, Kidambi Acchan, and Mudaliandan as Sri Bhashya Simhasanathipatis and gave them the charge for the propagation of Sri Bhashyam. Of these four, Bhagavad Ramanuja selected Thirukkurugai Piran Pillan as Ubbaya Simhasanathipati and gave him the charge of propagation of Sri Bhashyam and Bhagavad Vishayam. His disciple was Sri vishnuchithar also known as Engal AzhvAn.

Birth date: Kali 4134 (1161 A.D) in the year of Srimuka Aippasi masam Poorvashaada Nakshathram.