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Monthly newsletter of Kuwait St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church

Theme : Parish - A Praying Community



St. Thomas Mar Thoma Parish Kuwait is
pleased to present this
Award of Honor & Appreciation
to Covid-19 Frontline Warrior

19th November 21 (Friday)



November 14

For with GOD
nothing
will be impossible.

- Luke 1:37



സമാ വിശേഷ ദിവസങ്ങൾ		
01	തിങ്കൾ	സകല വിശുദ്ധരുടെയും നാൾ (All saints day)
07	ഞായർ	അഖിലലോക സൺഡേ സ്കൂൾ ദിനം ഹുറോസ് ഇത്തോസയുടെ പുതുക്കം
14	ഞായർ	സി. എസ്. ഐസി. എൻ. ഐ മാ ർത്തോമാ സഭകളുടെ ഐക്യ ആഘോഷ ദിനം സെവരിയാവിനോടുള്ള അറിയിപ്പ്
21	ഞായർ	കന്യകാമറിയാമിനോടുള്ള അറിയിപ്പ് (സുബൊറോ)
29	തിങ്കൾ	ഉത്തരൈയ സഭയുടെ സ്ഥാപക ദിനം
30	ചൊവ്വ	മാർ അന്ത്രയോസ് ശ്ലീഹാ നാൾ (St. Andrews Day)



From the Vicar's Desk ...



Beloved in Christ, Greetings!

Our Annual Convention ended with the family dedication service last month. 'Parish-a praying community' is our theme. Mr. Saju Ayroor and Rev. Dr. V. S. Varghese were

the speakers.

Gilead in the Bible was a fertile and prosperous country, famous for perfumes and therapy. One of the important prophets Elijah also hails from the same area. Above all in the book of 'Song of Songs' King Solomon highlights the similarities between Gilead and the Church, the bride of Jesus Christ.

Prophet Jeremiah was wondering why people of Gilead were suffering even though they had all those favourable factors. The reasons were:-

The people of Israel forgot the giver of the blessings and worshipped the blessings. Their country turned into a land of bloodshed. Poor people were killed by the affluent ones. Is n't this the same situation prevailing today too?

Therefore, we need to repent and continue as a praying community. Always read and meditate on the word of God. Seek the will of God. Then only as a church we can motivate and inspire others.

The church as a praying community should be the embodiment of the love of Jesus Christ. God appointed Moses in the midst of his weaknesses. But God made him leader of the Israelites. Whoever tried to harm him protected him. He was brought up in the Pharaoh's palace. The hard hearted man trained the future leader of Israel.

This is our God, who will guide us and walk for us in the midst of all difficulties just as in the case of the wilderness experience of the people of Israel.

It was yet another opportunity for us to dedicate ourselves with our families. But, out of the 365 families, only 137 families dedicated

വികാരി രചനയിൽ നിന്നും

കർത്താവിൽ വാത്സല്യം ഉള്ളവരെ.

വീണ്ടും നിങ്ങൾക്ക് എന്റെ സ്നേഹ വരുന്നു. നമ്മുടെ ഇടവക കൺവൻഷൻ കൂടുംബദിന പ്രതിഷ്ഠാ രൂശ്രഷയോടെ കഴിഞ്ഞ മാസത്തിൽ അവസാനിച്ചു. ഇടവക: ഒരു പ്രാർത്ഥന സമൂഹം എന്നതായിരുന്നു ഈ വർഷത്തെ ഇടവകയുടെ ധ്യാന വിഷയം. ഈ വിഷയത്തെ ആസ്പദമാക്കി ബ്രദർ സജു ആയിരൂർ, ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട Dr. V.S. വർഗ്ഗീസ് അച്ചൻ എന്നിവർ കൺവൻഷൻ പ്രസംഗങ്ങൾക്ക് നേതൃത്വം നൽകി.

ബൈബിളിൽ ഗിലാദാദ് ഫലഭൂയിഷ്ഠമായതും, സുഗന്ധദ്രവ്യങ്ങളും, നിലവാരമുള്ള ചികിത്സകളും നിലവിലിരുന്ന ഒരു പ്രദേശം ആയിരുന്നു. പ്രവാചകരിൽ അഗ്രഗണ്യനായ ഏലിയായു ആ പ്രദേശത്ത് നിന്നും ഉള്ള ആളായിരുന്നു. അതിനേക്കാൾ ഉപരി രാജാവും ഞാനികളിൽ ജ്ഞാനി ആയ ശലോമോൻ കർത്താവിന്റെ ഉണവാട്ടിയായ സഭയും ഗിലാദാദും ആയി താരതമ്യപ്പെടുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ട്.

എന്നാൽ പ്രവാചകനായ യിശ്യാവു ചോദിക്കുകയാണ്, ഫലഭൂയിഷ്ഠമായ ഗിലാദാദിലെ ജനങ്ങൾക്ക് ഇത്ര കഷ്ടത?

പ്രവാചകൻ തന്നെ പറയുന്നു അതിന്റെ കാരണങ്ങൾ. ദാതാവായ ദൈവത്തെ ഉപേക്ഷിച്ച് ദാനത്തെ ദൈവമായി സ്വീകരിച്ചത് ഒന്നാമത്തെ കുറ്റവാണ്. യദാർത്ഥ ജീവ നീറ്റുറ വയെ ഉപേക്ഷിച്ചതിന് ശേഷം പൊട്ട കിണർ കുഴിക്കുന്ന യിസ്റായേൽ ജനത്തെ ആണ് പ്രവാചകൻ ഇവിടെ ഉപമയായി പറയുന്നത്. നമ്മളും അനുഗ്രഹങ്ങൾ തന്ന ദൈവത്തെ നാം മറന്നു. ജീവിത സൗകര്യങ്ങൾ വർദ്ധിച്ചപ്പോൾ ദൈവത്തെ ആരാധിക്കുന്നതിലും മാനം നൽകുന്നതിലും നമുക്ക് എത്ര മാത്രം പ്രാധാന്യം ഉണ്ട്? പ്രവാചകൻ രണ്ടാമത് കാണുന്ന കുറ്റവ് നിരപരാധിയുടെ രക്തം ചിത്തപ്പെടുന്നു എന്നുള്ളതാണ്. സമൂഹത്തിൽ മേൽകൊയ്മ ഉള്ളവർ സാധാരണക്കാരെയും പാവങ്ങളെയും നിഷ്കരുണം കൊന്നു കളയുന്നു. ഇതിൽ ദൈവത്തിന്റേ മനം നോവുന്നു.

അതുകൊണ്ട് ഒരു പ്രാർത്ഥനാ സമൂഹം എന്നുള്ള നിലയിൽ നമ്മിൽ ഒരു സത്യ അനുതാപം ആവശ്യമാണ്. എങ്കിൽ മാത്രമേ ഒരു പ്രാർത്ഥനാ സമൂഹമെന്ന നിലയിൽ തുടരൂന്നു എന്നതിൽ അർത്ഥം ഉള്ളൂ. നമ്മൾ ദൈവ വചനം വായിക്കുകയും ധ്യാനിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുമ്പോൾ ആണ് ദൈവഹിതം നമുക്ക് മനസ്സിലാക്കാൻ സാധിക്കുന്നത്. ദൈവ വചനം ആണ് നമ്മെ പ്രചോദിപ്പിക്കുകയും, പ്രേരിപ്പിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നത്.

ഇടവക ഒരു പ്രാർത്ഥനാ സമൂഹം എന്ന പേരിൽ സമൂഹം അറിയപ്പെടണമെങ്കിൽ നമ്മൾ കർത്താവിന്റെ സ്നേഹത്തിന്റേ ജീവവത്സരങ്ങളായി മാറണം. ദൈവം യിസ്റായേൽ മക്കളുടെ നേതാവായി അഭിഷേകം ചെയ്തത് ഒത്തിരി ബലഹീനതകൾ ഉള്ളപ്പോഴാണ്.

ആരൊക്കെ മോശയെ നശിപ്പിക്കാൻ ശ്രമിച്ചുവോ അവർ അദ്ദേഹത്തെ ഒരു നേതാവിന് വേണ്ട പരിശീലനം നൽകി. കഠിന ഹൃദയനായ ഫറവോൻ പോലും മോശയുടെ പരിശീലനത്തിൽ വേണ്ട ശ്രദ്ധ നൽകുകയുണ്ടായി. യിസ്റായേൽ മക്കളെ ദൈവം മരുഭൂമിയിലും വഴി നടത്തിയത് അപ്രകാരം ആയിരുന്നു. പ്രതിസന്ധികളിലും ദൈവം ഒരു കുറവ് ഉള്ളതായ യിസ്റായേൽ മക്കളെ മരുഭൂമിയിൽ കൂടി നടത്തി. നമ്മെ കൂടുംബമായി ഒരിക്കൽ കൂടെ ദൈവ സന്നിധിയിൽ സമർപ്പിക്കുവാൻ ദൈവസഭ കൂടി നമുക്ക് ലഭിച്ചു. പക്ഷേ



themselves in the two Services conducted at the Salmiya Center and the NECK.

We have to think about it. Many of our family members are not attending the church services. It may be the after- effect of Covid-19. We need to make earnest efforts to bring every one back into the church fellowship.

The month of November also is very important for us. The Advent season is starting in November. God is preparing the earth and the anointed people for sending His begotten son to this world. The church is also preparing herself for receiving His son.

Every advent season is a time for preparing ourselves for the birth of Jesus Christ in our lives. That leads to the celebration of Christmas.

May God bless you all.

Yours lovingly

Jiji Achen

365 കുടുംബങ്ങളിൽ 137 കുടുംബങ്ങൾ മാത്രമാണ് ഇതു വരെ സാൽമിയയിലും, NECK യിലും വച്ച് നടത്തപ്പെട്ട ഈ സമർപ്പണ ശുശ്രൂഷകളിൽ പങ്കെടുത്തത്.

ഈ സാഹചര്യത്തിൽ നമ്മുടെ ഇടവകയിലെ അംഗങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചും, അവരുടെ ആരാധനയിലെ പങ്കാളിത്തത്തെ പറ്റിയും ഒരു പുനർവിചിന്തനം നടത്തേണ്ടിയിരിക്കുന്നു. COVID 19 വരുത്തിയ ദയം നിമിത്തം ആയിരിക്കാം ആരാധനയിലെ പങ്കാളിത്തം കുറയുന്നത്. എന്നാൽ ഇപ്പോൾ സാഹചര്യം നമുക്ക് അനുകൂലമായി. അത് കൊണ്ട് നമുക്ക് എല്ലാവരെയും ദേവാലയത്തിലേക്ക് കൊണ്ട് വരത്തക്കവണ്ണം ഒരു തീവ്ര ശ്രമം ആവശ്യമാണ്.

നമ്മുടെ സഭാ കലണ്ടറിൽ നവംബർ മാസത്തിലും വളരെ പ്രാധാന്യം ഉണ്ട്. ആഗമന പെരുന്നാൾ ഈ മാസത്തിലാണ് വരുന്നത്. ദൈവം തന്റെ ഏക ജാതനായ മകനെ നൽകാൻ വേണ്ടി ഈ ഭൂമിയെയും അതിൽ ചില അഭിഷിക്തരെയും ദൈവം ഒരുക്കി. അതുപോലെ ആഗമന കാലയളവിൽ സഭയെയും ദൈവം ഒരുക്കുന്നു.

ഓരോ ആഗമനപെരുന്നാളും കർത്താവിനു ജനം നൽക തക്കവണ്ണം നമ്മുടെ ജീവിതങ്ങളെ നമ്മൾ ഒരുക്കേണ്ടിയിരിക്കുന്നു. അങ്ങനെ ക്രിസ്തുമാസ് ആഘോഷം നമുക്ക് അർത്ഥമുള്ളത് ആകാം. ദൈവം നമ്മെ സഹായിക്കട്ടെ. പ്രാർത്ഥനയോടെ, സ്നേഹത്തോടെ

ജിജി അച്ചൻ

Award 2019-2020

Chennai-Bangalore Diocese consecutively declared Our Edvaka as the " Best Parish " Award for the Financial year 2019-2020 for the excellent and smooth functioning for continuing God's Mission through various activities of Diocese, DDF Contribution, wholehearted participation, leadership, commitment and initiative.



Photo-From left to Right : Mr. Abraham Varghese - Assembly Member, Mr. Biju George Thomas - Trustee Accountant, Mr. Mon Mathews C. John - Parish Secretary, Mr. C. M. Philip - Vice President, Rev. Jiji Mathew - Vicar, Mr. Jose Baby Simon - Lay Ministrant and Mr. Jiji Mathew George - Trustee Finance



Children's Day on 14-Nov



Jawaharlal Nehru was a legend for us kids who never got to see him.

But freedom's children like us know the great man not only as free India's first Prime Minister, but as Chacha Nehru, a humble human being who loved children and believed that children are the true architects of a nation. They are the ones who shape the destiny of a nation.

This is precisely why we celebrate Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's birthday as Children's Day.

As we grew up, we used to look forward to that day as it meant a day's bye to lessons. Instead, we had to bring back history to our classrooms, with some acting out as Nehru, or others speaking eloquently about the architect of modern India.

We are free today because great men like Chacha Nehru struggled to give us our

independence.

Gone are those days when students were taught who or what Jawaharlal Nehru stood for. The history of our freedom struggle too has disappeared from today's collective memory.

Today, as memories fade, students too tend to forget those greats who won for us our freedom.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was a great man who was not only a leader, a statesman of excellence and but also a man who was into music and fine arts.

He immortalized Robert Frost's beautiful words by telling us how much he was moved by the American poet's indescribably lovely poem

**Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening,
especially the last words:**

The woods are lovely, dark and deep

But I have promises to keep,

And miles to go before I sleep,

And miles to go before I sleep.

Yes, he kept all of his promises before he slept.

Chacha Nehru will forever live in our hearts.

Yuvajana Sakhyam service on 15 Oct. 21



Annual Convention

Our Annual convention was held from 19 October 21 (Tuesday) to 21 October 21 (Thursday) at 6.30 pm at St. Thomas Centre as well as Zoom based on the Theme: PARISH: A PRAYING COMMUNITY. Our Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Mathews Mar Makarios Episcopa inaugurated the convention virtually.

Dr. V. S Varghese, Principal of Mar Thoma

Vaidika Seminary Kottayam and Evangelist Mr. Saju Jacob.

Ayroor shared the word of GOD. It was a special blessed occasion for the St. Thomas family under the Leadership and guidance of Vicar Jiji Mathew and Convenor Mr. Abraham Varghese.





Family Day

Our Parish celebrated the "FAMILY DAY "on 22-October-21(Friday) and 26-Oct-21(Tuesday)at St Thomas Centre and Hall of Peace respectively, Jiji Mathew Achen was the celebrant of Holy Communion Service.



Harvest Festival -2022



Raffle coupon release of our Harvest Festival 2022 was held on 22-Oct-2021 (Friday) at St.Thomas Church after the Holy Communion service.Rev Jiji Mathew released the coupon and sold 5 coupons to our members as a symbolic present.

Mr. Shibu Cherian - General Convenor, Mr. Roshan P Jacob, Mr. Santhosh Mathew K - Joint convenors, Mr. Abraham Mathew P - Trustee Finance, Mr. George Varghese -Trustee Accountant and Mr. George K Thomas -Parish Secretary attended the function.

15th Year Logo



Our Fifteenth year LOGO designed by Mr. Rogie Ninan Samuel was released by Rev Jiji Mathew on 22 October 21 (Friday) after the Holy Communion at St Thomas Centre

Directory Convenor - Mr.John Varghese (Reji), Mr. Boban Varghese, Mr. Biju George Thomas - Joint Convenors, Mr. Rogie Ninan Samuel (Designer), Mr. Abraham Mathew P. -Trustee Finance, Mr. George Varghese - Trustee Accountant and George K Thomas (Prakash) Parish Secretary attended the function.



Nilathezhuthu



Our Vicariyachen was the "GURU" of three tiny tots in writing their FIRST alphabet. May the Almighty God.

Bless them with heavenly wisdom throughout their entire life.

1. Kiara Susan Sanju.
2. Geona Ann Regy
3. Joshua Manish Thomas



Congratulations !!!



Our beloved Mandalam Member Mr. Manoj Mathew M (Mem#10 Bethel Prayer Group) has been elected as Sabha Council Member from the Gulf Region. St. Thomas Family wishes him a successful journey in his new venture.

Congratulations !!!



Our beloved member Mr. Siju Chacko Philip, Siju Bhavan, Malakkara P O, Edayarannmulla, Chengannor. (Mem# 512 Gethsemane P G) won the 1st Prize for the photography competition with the theme **"FRAME IT (Athijeevanam)"** which was conducted by Kuwait City Mar Thoma Yuvajana Sakhyam on September 2021

St Thomas Family appreciates his passion towards the photography and wishes him great success in the years to come.



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Organizations - Schedules at St. Thomas Centre

Sunday School	Friday 2.00 to 4. 30 pm
Junior Choir	Thursdays 6.00 to 7.30 pm
Senior Choir	Thursdays 7.30 to 9.30 pm
Yuvajana Sakhyam	1st Friday and 3rd week of Monday cottage prayer
Sevika Sanghom	Saturdays 5.15 pm
Edavaka Mission	Saturdays 7.00 pm

BAPTISM

NAYSA JACOB born on 23 October 2019 at Kuwait and Baptised on 03 October 2021, Daughter of Mr. Jacob George & Mrs. Litty P Easow, Chakkalamannil House, Thumpamon North P.O., Elavumthitta. They are members of JERUSALEM prayer group (Mem#543) Mob #5540 2733

Bid Farewell during October



A farewell meeting was held on 26-Oct-21(Tuesday)for our beloved member Mr.Jijo George John-Membership#525 Gihon Prayer Group after 6 years of fruitful medical services in Kuwait. He is migrating to UK with his family during the first week of November 2021.May the Lord Almighty continue to bless him in the years to come.



Medical Mission - Nov. 2021

Medical mission is the term used for Christian missionary endeavours that involve the administration of medical treatment. This usually involves offering medical services in areas without adequate healthcare access (medical mission trips are among the most popular non-religious programs) outside of building houses and schools in rural villages. Generally, Medical Mission on field activities are very quick - you will have to get the vitals of a patient, diagnose, administer shots, extract a tooth or two, check a patient's vision in the shortest time possible because the rest of the community is waiting in line.

In recent years, short-term medical missions have become a well-established vehicle for extending the reach of health care professionals to the developing world. They appeal to physicians and other medical professionals due to their unique combination of philanthropy and direct approach to patient care.

All of us have a sacred responsibility to fulfil the threefold mission of the Church - first, to teach the gospel to the world; second, to strengthen the membership of the Church wherever they may be; third, to move forward the work of salvation.

Traditionally medical work has been seen as a relatively recent add-on to mission, presupposing that it was not part of the original mandate. In fact, Medical Missions as we know them did only come onto the scene in the 19th century, during the last of the classical eras of mission, but this is to ignore the broader dimension of medical mission that has always been part of the ministry of God's people and the Christian church.

Medical mission does not require a separate and specific theology, because it is already provided in the theology of the mission of the Church. It is a worthwhile exercise to look at the Biblical basis and then the historical development of mission and medical mission, supplementing our perspectives with brief reference to early missionary activity in the Eastern Churches, and the evolution of medical mission in other countries.

Biblical mission

As a basis for mission, the Great Commission alone is insufficient. Jesus did usher in a new age and this was a very significant paradigm shift, but what he came to do and what he commanded his disciples to go out and do in mission was in clear theological continuity with the Old Testament.

'The Bible does not encourage a purely naturalistic conception of sickness.' Beginning from the Creation mandate, God's purposes were always holistic, and this is reflected in Hebrew vocabulary. 'Man' is *nephesh*, a 'living soul', encompassing body, mind, spirit, and will.

Throughout the Old Testament God's desire for mankind was for them to experience *shalom*, a comprehensive state of physical and spiritual peace, welfare, health, and prosperity, translated in the Septuagint by the word 'hygiene', and for which the nearest equivalents in English are 'whole' or 'healthy'. 'The Hebrews laid special stress on physical wholeness', and sympathetic understanding of depression and other psychological stresses are also found, especially in the Wisdom literature. There are examples of miraculous healing, even including some leprosy sufferers. Whether or not their disease was caused by M. Leprosy is probably irrelevant in this context: the important principle is that God was showing his concern for those who were sick, and his power to deliver. Holiness and health were indissolubly linked, so that even if Neuberger was wrong to read a code of social hygiene into the Mosaic Law, it still provided the Israelites with a framework for a healthy lifestyle. God used the Jews as an example and as a sign, for Old Testament the mission was centripetal.

Jesus also indissolubly linked his preaching and healing, including the casting out of demons. He re-established the association between medicine and religion at a new and profound level. He proclaimed this as his ministry in the 'Nazareth Manifesto', and worked it out as he 'went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.' It is probably irrelevant whether



at least some of these illnesses are now medically curable conditions, for it is a false dichotomy to totally separate God's working through supernatural miracles and his working through scientific medicine. Consider the experience of a Nepali Pastor. In the early days, when there were no medical facilities available, he saw many more cases of miraculous healing than he does now, when his ministry often involves him helping people reach their nearest health post or hospital. Similarly, the question of whether Luke was the first medical missionary, or whether he deserted the practice of medicine to become an evangelist, should probably be dismissed as just one unhelpful example of the Evangelical-Liberal divide in mission. Separating aspects of mission, like healing from evangelism - the spiritual from the material - is another false dichotomy based on the dualism of our Greek intellectual heritage. Rather, 'the healing ministry is one of the clearest ways of (demonstrating God's love).' Consider the practice of some Christians who 'say grace' not only before their meals but also before they take their medicines. 'Suffering now should result in as much caring now as the threat of a lost eternity results in evangelism.'

The three Greek words used for 'healing' in the New Testament overlap in meaning, and so do not separate physical and spiritual conditions, medical or miraculous means. The most commonly used is *therapeuo*, which originally meant to serve a superior, subsequently to care for one another, and hence to cure, usually by medical means. Interestingly, it is also used of the service or worship of a god.

While clearly the New Testament did add to mission the good news of eternal salvation accomplished in Christ, and a centrifugal thrust as missionaries were sent out into the community, this redemptive mandate was never at the expense of the original creation one, for the church became the new sign of the kingdom. God's purposes for mankind had become clearer: they had not changed. He was still interested in their total well-being and not just their eternal souls. In consequence, the medical - or perhaps, more accurately - the healing dimension of mission, was there as the Early Church began to develop, and 'as with the ministry of Jesus... the

witness of the early Christians comprised both word and action.' In the book of James Chapter 5, there may be a pattern of the link between medicine and healing in the early church - appropriate medical treatment for that time alongside believing prayer.

Every medical professional is considered a missionary worker simply because he/she executes his/her duties of service along with a prayer for the ailing person/soul. It is only practical to believe that every health professional approach a sick patient with a silent prayer that the patient may be healed – and this is irrespective of any attribute of the patient.

Doctors are considered to be God's instruments of healing and nurses are considered as God's angels tending and caring for the ailing and the sick. Together, they form the crux of the Mission of the Church of today.

In our Parish, over the past fifteen years, there have been many Medical Professionals who have served in the Health Sector caring for many ailing souls. What makes this year different is the fact that mankind was afflicted with one of the deadliest, unknown, silent and invisible killer of a Virus – Covid-19 – one that crept upon many a soul without the slightest of warnings. Mankind has witnessed a devastation on such a major scale that has never before been witnessed in the history of mankind. The scourge of Covid-19 apparently is yet to be eliminated.

However, we at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Kuwait, deemed it fit to express our whole hearted thanks and appreciation to all those brave souls in the Medical field, towards which we are having a special meeting on the 19th of November 2021. On that day, we wish to honour all those Medical Professionals in our Parish. There has been a great concerted effort by the Convenor of this Program, the Vicar, Office bearers, Kaisthan Samithi Members, Mandalam and Assembly Members and certain individuals to prepare for this date and occasion.

May the Almighty bless all the Medical Professionals of our Parish and continue to expand His Kingdom and His Message of Love through each one of them.



BIRTHDAYS

DATE	NAME	MEM. NO	PRAYER GROUP
1	KIARA SUSAN SANJU	00456	GETHSEMANE
1	IVANA SUSAN HABY	02546	MIZPAH
2	ANGELLA MARIA SANJAY	02464	MIZPAH
2	SARHAN THOMAS	04271	EDEN
2	OLIVIA KRISSY JOHN	04633	MIZPAH
2	DIYA MARY SAM	04763	HERMON
2	NIKHIL MATHEW THOMAS	05141	JERUSALEM
3	MERCY MATHEW	00932	OLIVET
3	NISHA PAUL	03812	BETHEL
3	JOHN KURUVILLA	04741	BETHEL
3	SIBINI MERIN VARGHESE	05462	EDEN
4	ALAN MATHEW MATHAI	03243	MAHANAIM
4	NAINIKA ANN ZACHARIAH	05923	CANAAN
5	EMMA ANN EAPEN	02804	JERUSALEM
5	RHEA JOSE WARTIKA	03483	GIHON
5	PHILIP THOMAS K.	05801	EDEN
6	CHELSEA DANIEL SAJU	00863	EDEN
6	ALWYN THOMAS JINU	01234	GETHSEMANE
6	ROSHNA VARGHESE	02213	EPHRAIM
6	KRIPA MONACHEN	02694	ARARAT
6	KRISTEEN MONACHEN	02695	ARARAT
6	NATHAN SAJU THOMAS	03063	EPHRAIM
6	JOYAL SAM MATHEW	03811	BETHEL
7	MANOJ MATHEW M.	00101	BETHEL
7	JOANNE SUSAN VARGHESE	01134	JERUSALEM
7	KEZIAH RACHEL VARGHESE	02693	ARARAT
8	IVANA LIZ THOMAS	03743	BETHEL
8	SHAMA MATHEW	04492	EMMAUS
8	ASHWATHY MATHEW	04804	JERUSALEM
8	MANOJ ROY	05271	OLIVET
8	LICEY MARIAM JOHN	05762	CANAAN
9	JEFFIN MANOJ	00104	BETHEL
9	SAJI VARGHESE SAMUEL	03201	HERMON
9	RONY KOSHY KURUVILLA	04641	GIHON
10	RAJAN DANIEL N.	00331	EDEN
10	MONCY ABRAHAM	04031	EPHRAIM
10	SHIJI P ABRAHAM	04961	CANAAN
11	MATHEW D. KOLLAMALA	01463	OLIVET
11	JULIE BIJU	01782	BETHEL
11	ANCEY ANIYAN	03702	JERUSALEM
11	JOBIN JOSE	05391	MAHANAIM
12	REMYA MARIAM	00503	OLIVET
12	SHEELA PHILIP	00542	HERMON
12	RIYA SARA JOHN	01343	ARARAT
13	SUBIN MATHEW THOMAS	05131	GETHSEMANE
14	FINNEY GEORGE	00421	MAHANAIM
14	AIREEN ANN LALU	03444	ARARAT
14	ANUP THOMAS KOSHY	05081	ARARAT
15	NIKKY ELIZABETH GEORGE	01632	MIZPAH
15	SHINAYD SARAH JOHN	02687	OLIVET

DATE	NAME	MEM. NO	PRAYER GROUP
15	AARON SHIJU GEORGE	02824	JERUSALEM
15	JEBY JACOB	05091	BETHEL
16	RHEA REBECCA PHILIP	00983	JERUSALEM
17	MINI VARUGHESE MATHEW	00482	GETHSEMANE
17	SANJEEV SAMUEL MATHEW	00933	OLIVET
17	NAINU SUSAN ALAN	03674	ARARAT
18	ABEL JIJI MATHEW	00013	CANAAN
18	NITHIN ALEX JOHN	03693	MAHANAIM
18	SARAH ELZA JOE	05526	HERMON
19	JENCY SARA EASOW	00574	GETHSEMANE
19	REEBA GEORGE	01092	MIZPAH
19	SHANTELL ANN SOJI	01524	OLIVET
19	ABRAHAM VARGHESE	02011	MIZPAH
19	JESSY ABRAHAM	05551	GETHSEMANE
20	ALEYKUTTY ABRAHAM	00162	BETHEL
20	SOSAMMA ABRAHAM	01682	MAHANAIM
20	SHIYA MOL TOMS	02372	EDEN
20	THOMAS GEORGE C.	03331	ARARAT
20	ALEYAMMA PHILIP	04072	HERMON
20	RONI THOMAS JOHN	04081	MAHANAIM
21	JINI JOHN	04862	GETHSEMANE
21	JEROME TOM BIJESH	05593	MAHANAIM
22	SUSAN VARGHESE	00692	EMMAUS
22	JOHN MATHEW	01341	ARARAT
22	BINU ABRAHAM	02701	HERMON
22	MIREILLE SAMGEO	04503	EMMAUS
22	JASMIN ELIZABETH MATHEW	05822	EDEN
23	MELVIN MANOJ MATHEW	00103	BETHEL
23	THOMAS PHILIP KOLETH	00491	EMMAUS
23	EMILY LIZA SUNLEY	01774	EPHRAIM
23	RINKY SUSAN JOHN	05392	MAHANAIM
24	LISSY DANIEL	00232	EDEN
24	ABRAHAM T.M.	01681	MAHANAIM
24	ADAM KOSHY ALAN	03675	ARARAT
25	SUBIN KOVOOR JOHN	05611	OLIVET
26	IRIS ANN JERRIN	02615	ARARAT
26	JIBU CHACKO VARGHESE	04051	EPHRAIM
26	AMBILY K MANI	04441	CANAAN
27	THOMAS MATHEW	00993	EMMAUS
28	REXY GIGI	00352	OLIVET
28	CHRISTIN P. THOMAS	02944	OLIVET
28	NINAV RONY KURUVILLA	04643	GIHON
29	JASMINE VINOD	04382	CANAAN
29	HAZEL TEZ PHILIP	05803	EDEN
30	BIJU GEORGE THOMAS	01491	MAHANAIM
30	MELBA MARY ABRAHAM	01504	BETHEL
30	JEFFRIN JOHN	02413	CANAAN

*Thanking God Almighty for His mercy.
May Lord God Bless you abundantly.*

Happy Birthday



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

DATE	NAME	MEM. NO	PRAYER GROUP
1	TONNY VARUGHESE MATHEWS & LINJU KURIAN	00575	MAHANAIM
1	BIJU VARGHESE & SMITHA THOMAS	00239	MIZPAH
3	NAVIN VARGHESE NINAN & MERCY ROY	00472	ARARAT
5	ABRAHAM VARGHESE & SRUTHY ABRAHAM	00531	MAHANAIM
7	JOHN MATHEW C. & SNEHA JOHN	00425	HERMON
10	VINCE VARGHESE & NANCY WILSON	00411	GETHSEMANE
10	SUBY MATHEW THOMAS & ELIZABETH MATHEW	00099	EMMAUS
10	JACOB THOMAS & SOUMYA MARY VARGHESE	00439	MAHANAIM
11	ABRAHAM STEPHEN & BIJI ABRAHAM	00072	GETHSEMANE
12	JIMMY CHERIAN VARGHESE & PRIYA VARGHESE	00406	EPHRAIM
13	JIBI JOHN KIDANGIL & NIKKY ELIZABETH GEORGE	00163	MIZPAH
16	JOHN MATHEW THOMAS & SHEELA PHILIP	00054	HERMON
17	VARUGHESE JOHN & SUSAN VARGHESE	00069	EMMAUS
18	VARGHESE OOMMEN & ANNAMMA THOMAS	00139	HERMON
19	AJIT MAMMEN ABRAHAM & SUSAN GEORGE	00132	EMMAUS
20	TINKU ABRAHAM MATHEW & JOSYMOL ZACHARIAH	00398	MAHANAIM
21	GEORGE KURUVILLA & SUSAN GEORGE	00307	OLIVET
25	KOSHY KUNJU DANIEL & SARAMMA KOSHY KUNJU DANIEL	00268	OLIVET
25	ANUP THOMAS KOSHY & LISA ANN ANUP	00508	ARARAT
25	SANTHOSH MATHEW KAITHOTTA & ANU MATHAI	00205	GETHSEMANE
26	JOHN MAMMEN & MANU ANN VARGHESE	00125	OLIVET
27	REJI IDICULLA PHILIP & SHOBA ANNIE MATHEW	00098	JERUSALEM
28	JIJI MATHEW GEORGE & SUSAN JIJI MATHEW	00171	CANAAN
29	KUNJAPPAN ALEXANDER & KEZIA ALEXANDER	00078	MIZPAH
29	BIBU KOSHY JACOB & RENU ABRAHAM KOSHY	00435	MAHANAIM
29	REJO MATHEW ALEXANDER & SIBINI MERIN VARGHESE	00546	EDEN
30	SUNIL TOM MATHEWS & PREETHI VARGHESE	00257	GIHON

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Happy Wedding Anniversary

"Come unto Me, all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest." - Matthew 11:28

CONDOLENCE ON THE SAD DEMISE OF:

- † Mr. Abraham Philip 90 years, Lovedale Villa, Channapetta P.O., Anchal, Kollam. Father of Mr. Thomas P. Abraham, Mrs. Susamma Abraham and Father in law of Mrs. Lizy Thomas and Mr. Raju Varghese. Canaan P G., Family #107& 79 (14 Oct 21)
- † Mr. James Kailathu 79 years, Kailathu House, Chengannoor, Father of Mrs. Bijinu K Binu and Father in law of Mr. Binu Thomas Kureekkattil. Oliver P G, Family #238 (21st Oct 21)
- † Mrs. Marykutty Thomas 75 years, Kakkudiyil Chiramal Parambil, Kaviyoor Kottoor. Mother of Mrs. Chris Merlin Thomas and Mother in law of Mrs. Thomas Varghese K. Bethel P G., Family #374 (22nd Oct 21)

St. Thomas family express our heartfelt condolence to the bereaved family members on the sad demise of their beloved ones. May Lord strengthen and comfort them.

BLESSED are all
who fear the Lord,
who walk in obedience
to Him. You will
eat the fruit of your
labor; blessings
and prosperity
will be yours.

PSALM 128:1-2

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2021

DATE / DAY	TIME	VENUE	THEME	WORSHIP	1 st LESSON	2 nd LESSON	EPISTLE	GOSPEL	ASSISTED BY:
2 Tue	7pm	Hall of Peace	Koodosh Ethio-Sanctification of the Church, Beginning of Liturgical Year	Holy Communion	Jonah 3:1-10	Heb 9:11-23	1Pet 1:13-19	Luke 18:15-17	Cannan
5-Friday	7.30am	St Thomas Centre	Hudos Ethio-Renewal of the Church World Sunday School Day Children: Inheritors of the Kingdom of God	Holy Communion	Gen 21:1-7	2 Tim 3:13-17	Eph 6:1-9	Luke 18:15-17	Sunday School
9 Tue	7pm	Hall of Peace							Eden
12-Friday	7.30am	St Thomas Centre	Annunciation to Zachariah-Festival of Unity of the Communion of Churches in India-CSI-CNI-MTC	Holy Communion	1Chr 24:1-19	Rev 7:9-17	2 Cor 4:7-15	Luke 1:5-23	Afarat
16 Tue	7pm	Hall of Peace							To be Assigned
19-Friday	7.30am	St Thomas Centre	Suboro-Annunciation to Virgin Mary	Holy Communion	1 Sam 2:1-11	Gal 4:1-7	Eph 1:3-10	Luke 1:26-38	Mediad Staff
23 Tue	7pm	Hall of Peace							Olivet
26-Friday	7.30am	St Thomas Centre	Visitation of Virgin Mary to Elizabeth- "Sharing the Good News"	Holy Communion	Gen 18:1-15	1Thess 3:6-13	Rom 10:9-17	Luke 1:39-45	Jerusalem
30 Tue	7pm	Hall of Peace							Bethel

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