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To

The Vicar & Members of the Parishes and Congregations of the Diocese of North America & Europe of the Mar Thoma Church

Dearly beloved in Christ,

This is to inform all the members that the Episcopal synod has accepted the resignation of Rev. Dr. Samuel T. Varghese from June 1, 2009 onwards and has withdrawn all privileges, rights and powers given to him in matters of using the ecclesiastical dress, celebrating sacraments and officiating as priest in the Mar Thoma Church by withdrawing the authorization Kalpana given to him. He will continue to have the primary membership of the church like any other member.

It is with a burdened heart and great concern, that I inform all the members in the Diocese that Rev. Dr. Samuel T. Varghese cannot be invited from now onwards for any formal occasion of the parish or Diocese as an ordained minister of the Mar Thoma Church.

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all.

Yours in Christ's Ministry

Geevarghese Mar Theodosius
Diocesan Bishop