Dearly beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

The month of May came with the refreshing experience of spring season. Church was meditating on the post-resurrection appearance and the soothing experience of the Disciples. The newness of life and the promise of the eternal presence of Christ gives new vigor and confidence.

We had the Diocesan Clergy Conference and the Diocesan Assembly at Carmel Mar Thomas Center, Atlanta. It was a wonderful experience to all who attended. Carmel was seen as a place of sacrifice and renewed life with the power of God, for the prophet and people of God. God has given us an opportunity to renew our vision and participate in the mission of the Christ. May God continue to guide the faith community to carry on its mission.

We are also happy that the New York State Senate had recognized the presence of the Mar Thoma Church and passed a resolution. It was a gratifying moment to receive that honor for our church. I wish to appreciate Senator Kevin Thomas who was instrumental in passing the resolution.

Let us join our hearts and hands to continue the great task that we have been entrusted for the Glory of God.

Prayerful Regards,

Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos
Diocesan Bishop

The Mar Thoma Church honored by the State of New York Senate

The Mar Thoma Church was honored by the State of New York Senate by passing on the Legislative Resolution on its commemoration of the 183rd Anniversary of Reformation. The Citation was awarded to Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa on May 22, 2019 at the Senate Hall in Albany. The Senate Session for the day started with the Opening Address and prayer by Thirumeni, followed by the presentation and passing of Resolution in the Senate. A special word of appreciation to Senator Kevin Thomas for initiating this citation for the Mar Thoma Church. Thirumeni appreciated the contribution rendered by Senator Kevin Thomas for the Society, State and Country.

Acknowledging the contributions rendered to the Society and country by the Keralite’s, the Senate also declared May as ‘Heritage month’ for Malayalee in the State of New York.

Congratulations to Rev. Baiju Markose who graduated from the Chicago Lutheran School of Theology securing his Phd in Religion

EPISCOPAL VISIT - JUNE 2019
June 16 Sehion MTC, Dallas
June 23 Staten Island MTC, New York
June 30 Epiphany MTC, New York

UPCOMING EVENTS
June 27 -30: South East Junior Senior Conference
July 11 – 14: North East Junior Senior Conference
July 25 – 28: Diocesan Youth Fellowship Conference
August 1 - 4: Diocesan MTVEA Conference
August 1 – 10: India Mission Trip
August 17 – 18: 1st Diocesan Basketball Tournament
September 25 -28: Diocesan Senior Fellowship Conference
October 4 – 6: Diocesan Yuvaljana Sakhym Conference
October 10 -13: Diocesan National Sevika Sangham Conference
INDIA MISSION TRIP - 2019

The Diocese of North America and Europe of the Mar Thoma Church has decided to organize the India Mission trip to mission fields in Chennai – Bangalore Diocese from August 01, 2019 to August 10, 2019 (excluding travel). The mission fields to visit are Devanahalli Mission and Hoskote Mission near Bangalore in Karnataka, India. Registration form and the guidelines for the mission trip are available. Youths who are interested in participating are requested to give your names to Diocesan Council Member and India Mission Sub Committee Conveners Mr. Binu Korah for Canada Region.
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Dr. Joe Mathew George for US Region.
+1 224-381-2174 joemathewgeorge@yahoo.com

The last date of registration will be June 15th, 2019 and the total number of participants will be ten on first come basis.

Episcopal Visit – Edinburgh Mar Thoma Congregation, Scotland
His Lordship, Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa, visited Edinburgh Mar Thoma Congregation, Scotland from Saturday 6th April till Monday 8th April 2019. During the service 6 Boys and 8 Girls from Edinburgh Mar Thoma Congregation and Aberdeen Prayer Fellowship had their first Holy Communion. – Vicar: Rev. Jacob K. A

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DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY MEETING

The Diocesan Assembly Meeting of the Diocese of North America and Europe was held on May 17th & 18th, 2019 at The Carmel Mar Thoma Center, Atlanta.

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All aches, members and parishes are requested to prayerfully support and contribute your best for the Carmel Mar Thoma Center, Atlanta.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CLERGY CONFERENCE

The Diocesan Annual Clergy Conference of the Diocese of North America and Europe was held on May 16th & 17th, 2019 at The Carmel Mar Thoma Center, Atlanta. 61 Aches from all over the diocese participated in the clergy conference.