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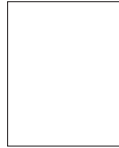
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 1
Christ and the Marginalized

9:00 AM: Sunday School
9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study
10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)

1st Lesson:
Exo 3: 7-18
2nd Lesson:
Jam 5: 1-11
Epistle:
Acts 16: 16-24
Gospel:
Luke 5: 12-16

Pulpit Change

Area: Carrollton-East

March 8
Jesus who forgives Sins

9:00 AM: Sunday School
9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study
10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (English)

1st Lesson:
Isa 1: 1-20
2nd Lesson:
Heb 10: 1-15
Epistle:
1 John 1: 1-10
Gospel:
Mark 2 1-12

Area: Carrollton-North

March 15
Gospel Breaks Barriers

9:00 AM: Sunday School
9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study
10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)

1st Lesson:
Isa: 45: 1-8
2nd Lesson:
Acts 16: 6-15
Epistle:
Gal 2: 11-21
Gospel:
Mat 15: 21-28

Area: Carrollton-West

March 22
Christ's Victory over Evil Powers

9:00 AM: Sunday School
9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study
10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (English)

1st Lesson:
Isa 59: 12-21
2nd Lesson:
Rom 8: 31-39
Epistle:
Eph 6: 10-20
Gospel:
St.Luke.13:10-17

Area: Coppell

March 29
New Vision of Christ's Servant hood.

9:00 AM: Sunday School
9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study
10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)

1st Lesson:
Isa 42: 1-9
2nd Lesson:
Acts 12: 1-11
Epistle:
1 Cor. 6: 1-11
Gospel:
Luke 10: 42-52

Area: Dallas-Mesquite

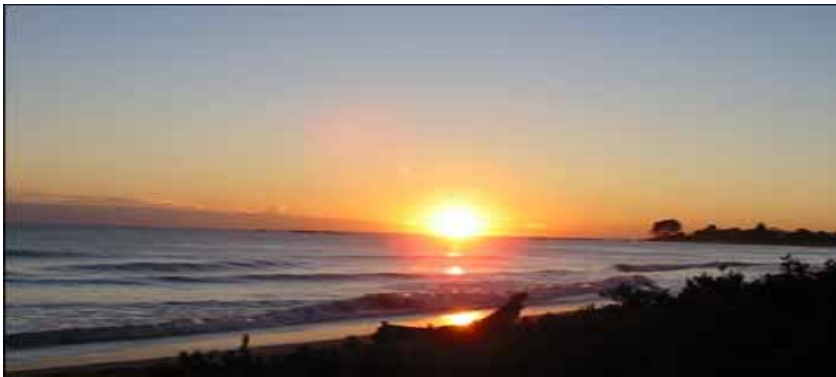
PRAYER MEETING SCHEDULE

<u>Area</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Residence of</u>	<u>Time</u>
Carrollton East	3-07	Paul Varghese	7:00
	3-14	George P.S.	7:00
	3-21	Roy Varghese	7.00
	3-28	Stanly George	7.00
Carrollton North	3-08 (Sun)	House Visit	6:30
	3-15 (Sun)	T.K. Kurian	6.30
	3-22 (Sun)	Sosamma Mathew(Ammini)	6.30
	3-28	Samuel Yohannan(Sam)	6.30
Carrollton West	3-07	TBD	6.30
	3-14	Regimon .K. Ninan	6:30
	3-21	TBD	6:30
	3-28	Babu Varghese	6.30
Coppell	3-07	Varghese Abraham	7.00
	3-14	TBD	6:30
	3-21	Thomas Chacko	7.00
	3-29 (Sun)	Varghese T. John	6:30
Dallas/ Mesquite	3-07	Geroge. P. Varughese	7:00
	3-14	Mathew. K. Mathew	7:00
	3-22 (Sun)	Varughese. K. Varughese	6:30
	3-28	TBD	7:00
Garland	3-07	Regi. L. Thomas	7:00
	3-14	T.P. Mathew	7:00
	3-21	House Visit	7:00
	3-28	Babu Karimpinamannil	7:00
Irving	3-07	TBD	6:30
	3-14	Jose Abraham	6:30
	3-21	TBD	6:30
	3-28	George V. Skariah	6:30
Plano	3-07	Thomas.K. Mathews	6:30
	3-14	Family Picnic	
	3-21	John Mathew	6:30
	3-28	Sojan Easow	6:30

2009 Annual Youth Retreat

The Youth Fellowship will be hosting the 2009 Annual Youth Retreat at Lakeview Methodist Conference Center in Palestine, Texas from July 17th-19th. Parents, please encourage your kids to come! Once again, we are thankful for all your prayers and support.

2009 Family Retreat



Date: October 9-11, 2009

Location: Timberline Baptist Camp and Conference Center, Lindale, TX 75771

Please pray and plan to attend this year's retreat for a Spiritual and Peaceful Experience along with Recreation and Fun!

Contact: Thomas Thaimuriyil

MESSAGE FROM THE VICAR

Dearly beloved in Christ,

Now we are observing the great lent. Through our meditation and prayer we are experiencing the presence of God. When I go through the different Pauline soteriological metaphors, I am so attracted to one of the metaphors of Paul on salvation. It is participation *in Christ*. In Christ experience means salvation experience. This phrase occurs 83 times in Pauline letters.

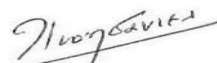


It says about the saving action of God in and through Christ. It changes the focus of interest from doctrine to experience. Theologians defined this concept in different ways; Deissmann says that "it is the most intimate possible fellowship of a Christian with the living spiritual Christ. It is a religious tendency that discovers the way to God through inner experience without the mediation of reasoning." Bousset defines this in a similar way "it is the intense feeling of personal belonging and of spiritual relationship with the exalted Lord."

Along with *in Christ*, Paul also uses the related phrases such as *with Christ*, *into Christ* and *through Christ*, through which Paul viewed different aspects of Christian identity and daily life. It says about the redemptive act which has happened in Christ or depends on what Christ is yet to do. It says about our past, present and future. In Christ Jesus we received justification and redemption (Rom 3:23), eternal life (Rom 6:23), freedom (Rom 8:39), the grace of God (Rom 15:22), the blessing (Gal 5:6). Paul's perception of his whole life as a Christian, its source, its identity, and its responsibilities could be summed up in these phrases.

The sense of being bound with Christ focused on two soteriological moments of particular significance. One was the event of Christ's death and resurrection. Participation in Christ always included participation in his death and resurrection. Paul has no thought of conversion to Christ independent of the cross. The other was the beginning of that event's impact on individual lives. The condition of *in Christ* was brought about by being brought *into Christ* and sustained by being *with Christ*. The language therefore helps underscore the sense of a definite beginning to an ongoing relation. "So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ ..." (2 Cor 5:17-20).

May God almighty help us to be the new creation in Christ,
Yours in his Service



Rev. Vinoy Daniel

MARCH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Date	Names	Prayer Group
1	Mr. Sam and Mrs. Lilly Alex	Coppell
2	Mr. Varughese and Mrs. Susan Daniel	Carrollton East
	Mr. Mathew Thomas and Mrs. Mariamma Mathew	Carrollton East
3	Mr. Alexander and Mrs. Asha Varghese	Coppell
5	Mr. George and Mrs. Mary Oomen	Other Area
15	Mr. Shibu and Mrs. Anitha Zachariah	Plano
	Mr. James Abraham and Mrs. Saramma James	Carrollton East
20	Mr. Sajan and Mrs. Sunila John	Irving
21	Mr. Roy and Mrs. Valsa Varghese	Carrollton East
	Mr. Saji and Mrs. Rincey Daniel	Carrollton North

Birth

- ◆ Christo & Suja Mekkattukulam of Plano Prayer group is blessed with a baby boy Nathan Mekkattukulam Christo.
- ◆ Jacob & shiny .M. Idichandy of Garland Prayer group is blessed with a baby girl Kaitlynn Idichandy.
- ◆ Renil & Nina Samuel of Irving Prayer group is blessed with a baby boy Zane koshy Samuel.
- ◆ Biju & Anu Zachariah of Plano Prayer group is blessed with a baby girl Ava Susan Zachariah.

Condolence

- V.M. John, 73 years old, brother-in-law of Mrs. Rachel P. Daniel of Carrollton East Prayer Group, passed away on Jan. 9th, 2009 (Friday) in Koodal, Kerala.
- Mr. K.V. George, 82 years old, Pandicheril Azhakathu House, Father of Mr. Varghese P. George of Irving-Prayer group, passed away on Feb 9th, 2009 in Keezhvaipur, Kerala.

2009 CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

March 1	Sun	Diocesan Sunday
March 7	Sat	World Day Prayer
March 14	Sat	Sunday School & Edavaka Mission retreat at Sehion
March 28	Sat	Teenage Fellowship & Prayer Leaders Meeting
April 5	Sun	Palm Sunday
April 10	Friday	Good Friday
April 12	Sun	Easter Sunday
April 18	Sat	Diocesan Assembly
April 25	Sat	Savika Sangham Zonal Conference
May 9	Sat	New Church Members Meeting
May 10	Sun	Mother's Day
May 24	Sun	DSMC Day
Jun 6	Sat	Sunday School Teachers Retreat
June 14	Sun	Graduation Sunday
June 21	Sun	Father's Day
July 2-5	Thu-Sun	Mar Thoma Family Conference
July 9-11	Thu-Sat	Vacation Bible School (VBS)
July 17-19	Fri-Sun	Youth Retreat
July 26, Aug 2 & 9	Sun	Sunday School Talent Exhibition
Aug 13-15	Thu-Sat	Annual Convention
August 16	Sun	Parish Day
August 23	Sun	KG Student dedication
August 29	Sat	Sunday School Anniversary
August 30	Sun	Sunday School Teachers dedication
September 6	Sun	Sevika Sangham Sunday/Grand Parents Day
September 12	Sat	Church Picnic
September 13	Sun	Youth Fellowship Sunday
September 26	Sat	Senior Citizen's Seminar
September 28	Sun	Senior Citizen's Day
October 3	Sat	Mar Thoma Fest
October 4	Sun	Parish Mission Sunday
October 9-11	Fri-Sun	Church Family Retreat
October 17	Sat	Youth Picnic
October 18	Sun	Yuvajana Sakhyam Sunday
October 25	Sun	Family Sunday
November 1	Sun	World Sunday School Day
November 26	Thu	Thanksgiving Day Service
December 5	Sat	KECF Christmas Carol
December 6	Sun	Mission and Outreach Sunday
December 20	Sun	Sunday School Carol Program
December 23	Wed	Youth Christmas Party
December 24	Thu	Christmas Eve Carol Service & Celebration Pgm.
December 25	Fri	Christmas Day
December 31	Thu	New Year's Eve Watch Night Service

MARCH BIRTHDAYS 2009

Date	Name	Prayer Group
	Sandy Mathews	Dallas / Mesquite
	Christina Susan Mathews	Coppell
	Mary Mathew	Carrollton North
	George Varghese	Irving
	Alice L Thomas	Carrollton North
2	Erene Elizabeth Abraham	Irving
4	Manju George Maliakal	Carrollton North
	Mariamamma Mathew	Irving
	Ligimol Mathew	Carrollton East
	Megan George	Irving
	Ponnamma Samuel	Carrollton East
5	Joyce Abraham	Irving
	Mathai Panachakunnel	Carrollton East
6	Mathew Samuel	Carrollton North
	Hannah Thomas	Garland
	Susamma Chacko	Garland
7	Tobin Abraham	Carrollton East
	Merline Mary Mathew	Coppell
	Mariamamma Rajan	Carrollton East
	Sam Chandy	Irving
8	Josen George	Carrollton West
	Vineeth Daniel	Parsonage
	Ryan Varghese	Carrollton East
9	Stacy E Mathew	Carrollton East
	George P Varghese	Dallas / Mesquite
	M Philipose	Garland
	Sheena Philip	Irving
	Gracy George	Coppell
10	Daniel Abraham	Carrollton North
11	Bini Thomas	Carrollton East
	CM Mathew	Coppell
	Sangeetha George	Carrollton North
	Kurien Mathews	Dallas / Mesquite
	Neethu George	Carrollton East
	Raji Abraham	Carrollton North
12	Prathibha Susan Princely	Carrollton East
	Saramma Verghese	Plano
	GeorgeV Samuel	Carrollton West
	Rajita Mathew	Garland
	Sunil Varghese	Plano
13	Mariamamma Joseph	Carrollton North
	Alvin Abraham Jose	Irving
	George Oommen	Other Area

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14	Jessy Thomas	Irving
	Neethu Cherian	Garland
15	Dr. Jacob George	Other Area
16	Susela Varghese	Carrollton East
	RajanK Mathew	Irving
	Justin George	Dallas / Mesquite
18	Rincy Sunny Mathew	Carrollton North
	Sudha R Mathew	Irving
19	Ben John John	Carrollton North
	Zachary Thomas	Carrollton West
	Krystiann Elizabeth Andrews	Irving
	Jessie Sabu	Carrollton East
	Jeffrey John	Carrollton West
20	Beena Varughese	Coppell
21	K T Andrews	Irving
	DillonK. Mathew	Carrollton North
	Manorama Abraham	Coppell
22	Thomas Chacko	Coppell
	John Mathew	Plano
	Ruth A Andrews	Irving
	Sunila John	Irving
	Jyoti Joseph	Irving
23	Joanne John	Garland
	Johann Thomas Cherian	Coppell
	Saira George	Other Area
	Rishi Mathew	Coppell
	Betson M Mathew	Dallas / Mesquite
	Stanley M Mathew	Coppell
24	Sybil Jacob	Dallas / Mesquite
	Alex Jacob	Carrollton West
	Steven Daniel	Carrollton North
25	Santosh Skariah	Irving
26	Molly George	Other Area
	Susan Mathew	Plano
	Vinod Mathew Abraham	Carrollton North
	Sherlyn Skariah	Irving
27	Mariamamma Abraham	Irving
28	JiniE Mathew	Plano
29	Nevin Easow	Other Area
30	Aisley Susan George	Plano
	Som Cheriyan Thomas	Coppell
	Lizy Jacob	Carrollton North
	Jacob Mathai	Carrollton North
	Merlin S Varughese	Dallas / Mesquite
	Mathew C Varughese	Coppell
31	Blessen Varghese	Carrollton East
	Saji Raju	Carrollton North
	Karen Susan Joby	Carrollton North