



MAR THOMA LIFE TIMES

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MAR THOMA CHURCH OF DALLAS, FB

MAY 2009
Year of Salvation



The Mar Thoma Church of Dallas
Farmers Branch

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

May 3 Responds to the Basic needs Area: Carrollton — N.	9:00 AM: Sunday School 10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)	1st Lesson: Exo. 16: 1-20 2nd Lesson: Acts 4:32-37 Epistle: 2 Cor 8:1-10 Gospel: St.Luke 10:25-37
May 10 Relevant Mission Of the church Area: Carrollton — W.	9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study 10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (English)	1st Lesson: 1 Chro 16:1-15 2nd Lesson: Acts 11:19-30 Epistle: Eph 4:11-16 Gospel: St.Mat. 5:13-20
May 17 Lord Who is with us In Crisis Area: Coppell	9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study 10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)	1st Lesson: Josh 1:1-10 2nd Lesson: 2 Cor. 4:7-18 Epistle: 1 Thes 1:1-12 Gospel: St.Mat 28:16-20
May 24 Sing unto the Lord Area: Dallas/Mesq.	9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study 10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (English)	1st Lesson: Isa 6:1-8 2nd Lesson: Col 3:12-17 Epistle: Eph. 5:15-21 Gospel: St.Luke 2:34-39
May 31 Pentecost: Holy Spirit who Renews everything Area: Garland	9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:15 AM: Adult Bible Study 10:15 AM: Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)	1st Lesson: Isa 61:1-11 2nd Lesson: Acts 2:1-13 Epistle: 1 Cor. 12:1-12 Gospel: St.John 16:5-14

WELCOME TO
THE MAR. THOMA CHURCH OF DALLAS
FARMERS BRANCH



OUR NEWEST FAMILY

REV. MINOY KURUVILLA
MERIN KOCHAMMA
MONETA
& MORIS

Family Retreat 2009

“Come to Relax and Enjoy Fellowship”



Date: October 9-11, 2009

Location:

Timberline Baptist Camp and Conference Center

**Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Archery, Canoeing, Campfire Talent Show
Entertainment Programs, Praise & Worship,**

Contact: Thomas Thaimuriyil – Convener
Philip Thomas – Joint Convener

Youth Fellowship Events in May

Date	Event	Time
May 10th	Bake Sale	After Service
May 16th	4 on 4 Basketball Tournament	10:00 AM
May 23rd	Community Service Event	10:00 AM
May 30th	Cultural Awareness	10:00 AM

Ignite Bible Studies are every Friday at 7 PM – 9 PM.

V B S 2009



BIRTHS

Sajan and Sunila of Irving Prayer group is blessed with a baby girl Jessy.

BAPTISM

Aydan Joseph George, Son of Aiju George and Betty George was baptized on April 25th, 2009.

CONDOLENCES

Mr. M. M. George, 92 years old, grand father of George Varghese of Irving prayer group passed away on April 12th, 2009 in Erumely, Kerala.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

	Name	Prayer Group
1	Blessen G Varghese	Coppell
	Reggie Andrews	Irving
	Ashley Philip	Irving
	Titu M Varghese	Irving
2	Tricia Mathew	Coppell
	Molly Andrews	Coppell
	Jeena Mary John	Irving
	Reshma Abraham	Carrollton North
3	Rosamma Philip	Coppell
	Nevin M Eapen	Irving
	Mariamamma Daniel	Carrollton North
	Suma George	Irving
4	Skariah T Philip	Irving
	Joe Skariah	Dallas / Mesquite
	Alyssa Ann George	Garland
	Eliza A Thomas	Irving
	Shereen Ann Mathew	Plano
	Annamma George	Irving
5	Jasmine Joseph	Coppell
	Aleyamma Thomas	Carrollton East
	Varghese M Oommen	Carrollton East
	Steffi Mathew	Plano
	Saramma Jacob	Coppell
	Rachel Mathew	Carrollton West
	Leelamma Panachakunnel	Carrollton East
6	Jecku Jacob	Coppell
	P K Kuruvilla	Irving
7	Sajan K Mathew	Dallas / Mesquite
	Alice George	Irving
	Saramma George	Carrollton East
	George Mathew	Carrollton East
	Cherian Mathew	Carrollton East
8	Mary K Philip	Irving
	Moly J Varughese	Irving
	Chris P Abraham	Carrollton North
9	Mathew K Mathew	Dallas / Mesquite
10	Jessy Alexander	Coppell
	George A. Thomas	Irving
	Samuel V Thomas	Carrollton East
	Reena Babu	Garland
	George Mathew	Coppell
	Dr. Tony Tharian Issac	Garland
11	Kelsey Susan Cherian	Coppell
	Sammon George	Carrollton North
12	Jose Cherian	Irving
	Sunil M Varghese	Garland
	Alexander Joseph	Coppell
	Somi P. Varughese	Irving
	Jaeon Abraham	Garland

MAY BIRTHDAYS

13	Alex Chandy	Irving
	Dr. Cherian V Samuel	Carrollton West
	Simi Ann Varughese	Irving
	Meenu John	Irving
	Samma Kurien	Carrollton West
	Sherly Varghese	Coppell
	Anoop Philip	Carrollton West
14	Saji M Daniel	Carrollton North
15	Paul Varghese	Carrollton East
	Omana Kurian	Carrollton North
	Jessy S Mathew	Carrollton West
	Philip Thomas	Coppell
	Jasmin Andrews	Coppell
	Sosamma George	Dallas / Mesquite
	Mariamamma Varghese	Irving
16	Isaac Parampottil	Coppell
	Joy Varghese	Irving
	Olivia Treasa Ben	Carrollton East
	Hannah Sunil	Carrollton West
17	Vincent A Varughese	Garland
	Roy Varghese	Garland
18	Annamma Dharma	Coppell
	George Varghese	Irving
	Aniamma Thomas	Carrollton East
	Aleyamma Andrews	Irving
	Ponnamma Kurian	Garland
19	Suma S Abraham	Carrollton North
19	Jacob Varghese	Irving
	Sally Joseph Karamvellil	Irving
	Sosamma Eapen	Carrollton East
	Thomas V Thomas	Carrollton North
20	Binu Jacob	Other Area
	John T Mathew	Irving
	Mathew Chacko	Coppell
	Joshua Idicula Koshy	Irving
	Celene Cherian	Coppell
	Jacob Varughese	Dallas / Mesquite
	Lissy Yohannan	Carrollton North
	Jose Thankachan	Carrollton North
	Manju Vinod	Carrollton North
	Sally C. John	Coppell
	Praseetha N Joseph	Carrollton North
	Ben Mundackal	Carrollton East
	George Varghese	Coppell

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21	John P Varghese	Carrollton East
	Betty George	Garland
	Thara Mathews	Plano
22	Susan Abraham	Carrollton North
	K K Raju	Garland
	Elizabeth John	Coppell
	Ancy M Philip	Carrollton North
	Sanjay J Cherian	Coppell
	Jiji Andrews	Irving
	Biju K Jacob	Dallas / Mesuite
23	Georgekutty C Varanathu	Carrollton East
	Nithin Thomas Thaimuriyil	Irving
	P S Cherian	Carrollton North
	Molly Cherian	Garland
24	Gigy A George	Irving
	Bindu Annie Cherian	Coppell
	Thomas Mathew	Coppell
	Rosamma Thomas	Carrollton East
	Jason John	Garland
	Robin Kurian	Garland
	Varughese Mathew	Plano
	Samuel Yohannan	Carrollton North
	Rebecca A Chacko	Plano
25	Jessy C George	Carrollton East
	Alice P Mathew	Carrollton North
	Meera George	Other Area
	Saly Thomas	Plano
	Santhamma Varghese	Coppell
	Aleyamma Thomas	Carrollton West
	Amy Thomas	Carrollton North
	Manoj Abraham	Carrollton North
	Chinnamma George	Carrollton East
	Hannah Joseph	Coppell
	Thomas Abraham	Carrollton North
	Soma Abraham	Coppell
	Varughese Daniel	Carrollton East
	Shirly Jose	Irving
	Mathew P Mammen	Coppell
Soumini John	Carrollton North	
Anil P John	Irving	

MAY BIRTHDAYS

26	Annie Alex	Carrollton East
	Bino Thomas Mathew	Irving
	Beena George	Carrollton West
	Dr. Sindhu Anna Abraham	Plano
27	Charly George	Carrollton East
	Susan Mathew	Coppell
	Noah Rajiv Daniel	Irving
	Mary Varghese	Coppell
	Lisy Thomas	Carrollton West
	Joji George	Irving
	Ashley Koshy	Coppell
28	Easaw G Maliakal	Carrollton North
	Biju Varghese	Coppell
	Annie Abraham	Garland
	Anju B George	Carrollton East
	George Mathew Thompil	Irving
	John K Varghese	Carrollton North
29	Suja G Kurian	Plano
	Sunny Mathew Nirakathy	Carrollton North
	Vijaya Raju	Garland
	Gisha George	Carrollton North
	Melvin Philip	Carrollton North
30	George E Maliakal	Carrollton North
	Lisa Mathew	Garland
	Jose Abraham	Irving
	Joshua George	Dallas / Mesquite
	Sosamma Mathew	Carrollton North
	Dency Troy	Irving
	Biji Joby	Carrollton North
	Sosamma George	Dallas / Mesquite
	Sabu V Mathew	Carrollton West
	Mini Thampy	Irving
	Mathew T Abraham	Coppell
	Regimon K Ninan	Carrollton West
	Stanly George	Carrollton East
	Varghese P Mathew	Carrollton North
31	Bijili George	Carrollton East
	John R Abraham	Garland
	Abraham P Varughese	Dallas / Mesquite
	John C Mathew	Carrollton East
	Raichel Sunny	Carrollton North
	Sajanu Kurien	Coppell
	Jacob Thomas	Coppell
	James T Abraham	Carrollton North
	Varghese A Thomas	Irving
	Subi M Philip	Dallas / Mesquite
	Julie Thomas	Carrollton East
Roshan Skariah	Irving	
Suja Jacob	Plano	
Bincy Philip	Carrollton West	

MAY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Day	Names	Prayer Group
1	Suraj & Annamma John	Carrollton East
	Rev. Vinoy Daniel & Neena Vinoy	Parsonage
3	George Skariah & Saramma George	Carrollton East
4	Santhosh George & Dr. Daisy Santhosh	Dallas / Mesquite
	Yuhanon & Lisy Panachakunnel	Carrollton North
	George & Valsamma Joseph	Garland
6	Jose Abraham & Shirly Jose	Irving
7	Sunny & Noel Kovoor	Plano
14	Dennis & Suja Kurian	Plano
15	Jacob Thomas & Valsala Jacob	Coppell
	Charly & Jessy George	Carrollton East
17	Mathew & Diana Jacob	Irving
	Mattackal John & Suma George	Irving
18	Thomas & Gigy George	Irving
19	Stanley Mathew and Kavitha George	Coppell
20	V S & Saramma John	Irving
21	George & Jessy Mathew	Carrollton East
22	Stanly & Salina George	Carrollton East
24	Abraham Mathew & Saramma Abraham	Dallas / Mesquite
25	Philip & Molly Thomas	Carrollton West
	Renji & Nina Alexander	Dallas / Mesquite
28	George & Shaleena Varghese	Irving
	Ajith & Annamma George	Irving
29	Lal & Mary Varghese	Coppell
	V T & Annie Abraham	Garland
31	Shaji & Dr. Shirley Mathew	Carrollton East

2009 Auditors

Congratulations as General Body elected Mr. Alex Philip and Mr. Raju George for the positions of 2009 auditors.

2009 Mar Thoma Fest Convener

Congratulations as Executive Committee selected Mr. Sam Alex for the position of 2009 Mar Thoma Fest Convener.

MESSAGE FROM JAISEN ACHEN

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

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and the Lord after speaking to them was taken up into Heaven to the Father.. to which one of the disciples in a nervous outburst shouted words not uttered again until Buzz LightYear. **Mk 16:19, Lk 24:50**

How meaningful do you find the presence of someone to be? Have you ever really felt the presence of God with you? If so, how does it feel? What is the basic purpose of the Church and how does it relate to the Ascension of Christ?

As we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ may we be encouraged to seek Him in the experiences of this life.

The awesome presence of the Resurrected Christ on the mountain in Galilee preceding the Ascension proclaims His majesty and victory over sin and the vices of evil. The Ascension remains a promise, as well, in that no matter the weight of the cross or the sufferings of this world, there lies a greater glory in the eternal presence of God.

Furthermore, Jesus says, "...And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (St. Matt. 28:20). These powerful words of Jesus Christ to his disciples as he ascended into heaven remind us of His limitless presence. In fact, it is a paradox of faith wherein the Ascension suggests a dynamic of presence and absence. So, the physical body or physical world is no obstacle for Christ who continues to live and move among His people.

Additionally, the experience of the Ascension is significant in that it was also a commission to His disciples and therein, the Church. Jesus says, "Go out into all the world...." and "be my witnesses". Thus, we are called out to be empowered by His presence to serve all humanity in the love of God through His example. As a Church, this is our purpose and call.

Jesus Christ through the Resurrection and Ascension assures us in our personal struggles, as well as, in His greater purpose of mission for our lives that He will always be with us. His presence is not stagnant but, empowering for our every specific need.

May God Almighty strengthen us all to discern the limitless and awesome presence of Jesus Christ in our lives that renews and rebuilds for the sake of His mission!

Your brother in Christ, **Jaisen Achen 214-604-6678, revjathomas@yahoo.com**

Grant for visiting our Mission projects in Kerala.

We are providing 1000 Dollars per person as a grant to promote the active participation of our Youth to travel and visit our Mission projects in India such as Mar Thoma ITC for the deaf in Kasaragod, and also HIV- AIDS Mission project in Manjalummood. This grant of 1000 dollars per person will be given to two youths between 18 to 35 years of age or a married couple. Boarding and lodging will also be provided.

Native American Mission.

Diocese of North America has been involved in the mission to the native American Indian Community. And the youths from our church had been involved in the Choctaw Camp in Oklahoma for the past few years. This year the camp will be held from June 1st to 5th. We need volunteers who are 18 and above with talents in teaching, music, arts & crafts, sports and cooking. This is a great opportunity to serve the Lord and sharing the word and also to get to know the Native Americans and their culture.

For more details on these Mission announcements, please contact Mission Coordinator Mr. Abraham Mathew.

MESSAGE FROM P.V. THOMAS ACHEN

Dear respected members of the Farmers Branch Parish,

It is my wish and mission to tell you that I am at your disposal for any service. Kindly inform me about any hospitalization, illness, surgery, demise of any dear and near ones. In such cases, don't hesitate to tell me, so that I may be able to visit you, pray with you and join in the fellowship.

Yours Brother in Christ,

P. V .Thomas Achen

PRAYER MEETING SCHEDULE

<u>Area</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Residence of</u>	<u>Time</u>
Carrollton East	5-02	TBD	7:00
	5-09	TBD	7:00
	5-16	TBD	7:00
	5-23	TBD	7:00
Carrollton North	5-02	Picnic	6:30
	5-10 (Sun)	T.D. Georgekutty	6:30
	5-24	TBD	6:30
	5-31 (Sun)	Abraham Alumkal	6:30
Carrollton West	5-02	Regimon Ninan	6:30
	5-17(Sun)	Sunil K Zachariah	6:30
	5-23	TBD	6:30
	5-30	Philip Thomas	6:30
Coppell	5-03	TBD	7:00
	5-09	M J Andrews	7:00
	5-17	TBD	7:00
	5-25	TBD	6:30
Dallas/ Mesquite	5-02	Mathew Kurian	7:00
	5-09	John Itticheria	7:00
	5-17	TBD	7:00
	5-24	TBD	7:00
Garland	5-02	Ammini Varughese	7:00
	5-16	Philipose M	7:00
	5-23	Chacko N Mani	7:00
	5-30	John Renji Abraham	7:00
Irving	5-02	TBD	6:30
	5-09	O.C Thomas	6:30
	5-16	Thomas Aringada George	6:30
	5-23	Bino Mathew	6:30
Plano	5-02	Varughese Mathew	6:30
	5-10	TBD	6:30
	5-23	Thomas. K Mathews	6:30
	5-31	TBD	6:30

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Items to be included in the lifetimes should be submitted to the Secretary by the 3rd Sunday of each month. If information is incorrectly printed, please contact the Vicar and Secretary to make the corrections. Please feel free to contact the Vicar or Secretary with any questions or comments. Your feedback is appreciated.

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