

Detroit Mar Thoma Church

24518 Lahser Rd, Southfield, MI 48033

Feb 7th, 2010 Announcements

Our thanks to **Rev. Shaji K. Thomas, Achens and Lay leaders** for today's service and to **Rev. Shaji K. Thomas** for today's message.

Diocese/Sabha:

Circular No. 74:

Sunday Feb 7th is set apart as Mission Sunday this year in order to remember this glorious ministry rendered through the church today, to pray for all those who are in it and to raise funds to support this venture financially.

Our church continue to serve in this ministry through:

1. St. Thomas Hospital Kattanam
2. Fellowship Hospital Kumbanad
3. Marthoma Mission Hospital Chungathara
4. Nursing and Para medical courses are running well

Special prayers are to be offered during Sunday 7th of Feb, upholding the services of the Medical Mission and special offertory is to be collected. We expect Rs 12 lakhs by way of offertory this year. It is hoped to have the sincere cooperation of all in this venture.

Dated 7th January 2010 from Poolatheen, Tiruvalla

Dr. Joseph Mar Thoma Metropolitan

DC/73/10, Dated Feb 3rd, 2010:

With regards to the earthquake that struck Haiti on Jan 12th, the diocesan council met on Jan 31st, 2010 and decided to disburse the amount collected for Haiti Relief Fund through Church World Service (CWS). CWS, associated with National Council of Churches for Christ USA, both of which the Mar Thoma Church is a member, is an organization that is actively working to provide medical assistance, survival kits, and conduct other relief operations for the victims of the earthquake in Haiti. Details of their effort in Haiti are available on their website www.churchworldservice.org. All parishes and congregations are again reminded to remit their collection without any further delay to the Diocesan office

Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theodosius

Diocesan Episcopa

Hati Collection:

We collected \$3185.00 for the Haiti Relief fund. This included the donations and one Sunday's offertory. This amount has been send to the Diocese for further mission and development work at Haiti.

Next Sunday Feb 14th, 2010:

Sunday School at 9:00AM

Adult Bible Study at 9:30AM

Holy Qurbana Service in English at 10:15AM

Weekly Prayers:

Intercessory Prayer: Feb 9th, 2010 Tuesday @ 5:30 PM at Church

Fasting Prayer: Feb 12th, 2010 Friday @ 10 AM at Church

Prayer Group 1

Prayer group 1 will be meeting Feb 7th Sunday 5:30PM at the residence of:

Mr. & Mrs. Georgey Mathews

37281 Bristol, Livonia, MI 48154

Tel: 734 -432- 1922

All prayer group members are kindly requested to attend the meeting.

Prayer Group 4

Prayer group 4 will be meeting Feb 14th Sunday 5:00PM at the residence of:

Mr. & Mrs. Varguhese Abraham

748 Burlington, Canton, MI 48188

Tel: 734 -397-1893

All prayer group members are kindly requested to attend the meeting.

Youth Group:

Youth Prayer – 12th Feb - Friday 7:00PM in Church

Youth Meeting – 13th Feb - Saturday 1:30PM in Church – Study will be on Genesis 3

Youth Announcements regarding rides to the meeting:

"Dear parents our Youth Group has been growing at an amazing rate these past 3 years and we are so blessed in seeing an interest in our younger youths to be a part of our youth group. But because of our increasing numbers providing rides for all our youths has been difficult on our leaders. We are asking for your help in this matter. If there are any parents interested in providing rides to our youth group events especially on Saturdays please let us know. We want to serve and accommodate for as many youths as possible, but without your help this is not practical. Again if there are any parents willing to provide rides for our youths specifically from Sterling Heights, Shelby Township, and Troy we would greatly appreciate it. Those who are interested please let either Tiffy Mathews or Jaisen Paul know as soon as possible. Thank you"

LEAD:

Next class for LEAD will be held on Feb 13th, 2010 from 9:30AM to 3:30PM @ church; the topic for study will be Church History

Sevika Sangham:

Sevika Sangham general body will be held on Feb 14th, 2010 after the worship service. The agenda for the meeting will be:

1. Presenting the 2009 annual report and 2009 accounts and
2. Any other matter with the permission on the chair

All Sevika Sangham members are requested to be present.

Yuvajana Sakhyam:

Yuvajana Sakhyam will be conducting its varshika meeting for the year 2009-2010 on February 13th Saturday at 5pm in our Church. All members are requested to attend the meeting.

A committee meeting will be held on 7th February Sunday after the Church Service. All committee are requested to attend for the meeting.

Lent Prayer:

Our great Lent will be start on Feb 14th this year also we are trying to organize prayer in our members home for the last 25 days of the lent from March 6th to March 27th. All those members that are interested host the prayer at their residence kindly sign up by contacting our Achen or the secretary at the earliest. If we would get 3 families from each prayer group to sign-up we can easily cover up for these 25 days.

Choir Committee:

There will be an emergency choir committee immediately after the worship service. All committee members are requested to be present.

Maramon Convention 2010 song CD will be available next Sunday. Choir will be arranging a special stall to distribute the CD

Choir Secretary

World day of Prayer:

There will be the children's choir practice, starting February 7, 2010 after the worship service. All children under the age of 13 that are interested for the same are requested to give your names to Mrs. Ejie Mathews. This is in preparation for the World Day on prayer on March 6th, 2010

2009 Tax Receipts

2009 tax receipts are ready to be picked up. This Sunday will be last day we will have it at Church, the rest will be mailed within the next 2 weeks to the addresses we have on file for them.

Showers of Blessing:

Aju & Ansu Mathew was blessed with a baby boy Abel John Mathew was born on Feb 1st, 2010 at 8:10 AM, weighing 8lbs.3oz. and height 21in. Both the parents and baby are doing well.

Refreshments:

Our thanks to our members and the refreshment committee for today's refreshment – **Parripu Vada**

Member Transfer:

Mr. Daniel Abraham and family wife Sinu children Sneha and Abel are relocating to Dallas, TX; they have been with us for the past 3 years. We do acknowledge & appreciate their support to our church.

Welcome Visitors and Guest