

EVENT CALENDAR

Date	Day	Time	Event
09/03	Sun	During Holy Qurbana	Back To School Special Prayer
09/07	Thu	07:00 pm	Combined meeting of Edavaka Mission & Sevika Sanghom @ Church Main Speaker: Mrs. Anne Elizabeth Samuel
09/09	Sat	4:00 pm to 8:00pm	Traditional Kerala Sadhya @ Church
09/13	Wed	08:30 pm	Western Regional MTVEA Tele Prayer (HOST: LAMTC) Conference No. (712) 432-1500 Access Code No. 638599#
09/20	Wed	07:00pm	Edavaka Mission Meeting @ Church
09/23	Sat	09.00am — 03:00pm	Church Picnic @ Yorba Linda Park
09/27	Wed	08:30 pm	Western Regional MTVEA Tele Bible Study Conference No. (712) 432-1500 Access Code No. 638599#
09/30	Sat	08.30am — 09:00pm	Family Retreat @ Biola University

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From the Vicar's Desk ...



Dear Brothers and Sisters

Warmest greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

After the long vacations, the schools have reopened and our children are back to their classes. We send our children to school with lots of dreams. I pray and wish all our children success in this new academic year. A special prayer for our children is scheduled on Sunday, September 3rd. I urge all our parents to send their children for this prayer.

Education is not only for imparting some knowledge, but also for bringing a person out into the world as a good citizen. It is to impart good qualities in human beings. Learning is not the collection of some information. But also a great treasure of love and care of the family and the society. As we tell our children about the situation that our parents suffered even to have basic education, It helps them to think how God has guided them all through out their life. This gives a new vision to the children that life is worth living, when held firmly with the Lord. Here comes the need of Sunday School.

Our Sunday School will be on Sunday, Sept 3rd. Parents should take extra care and effort to send their children regularly to Sunday School classes. It is sad that we are not giving importance for the Sunday School. We need to give equal importance to the Sunday School as we give to their secular school/college and extra curricular activities. The Bible says that, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline." (Prov:1:7) Our children should be encouraged to search for the true wisdom, that is found in following the footsteps of the Lord. That is the true purpose of education.

We are planning to have a picnic on Saturday, Sept 23 at Yorba Linda Park. Picnic is the time to interact and share more closely.

Our Church Family Retreat this year is conducted together with St Andrews MTC. The theme of the retreat is 'Family - God's Idea'. Vicar of the Horeb Mar Thoma Church, Rev. Binu P Thomas will be the guest speaker. All our members are invited to participate in the conference.

Malayalies all over the world are celebrating the festival of ONAM in the month of September. It is a great memory of love and prosperity and equality. This is the time to recall ourselves about the rich cultural heritage we have as Malayalies. We are planning to conduct a Traditional Kerala Sadhya on Saturday, Sept 9th under the coordination of Young Family Fellowship. I request all our members to take part in this joyous moment.

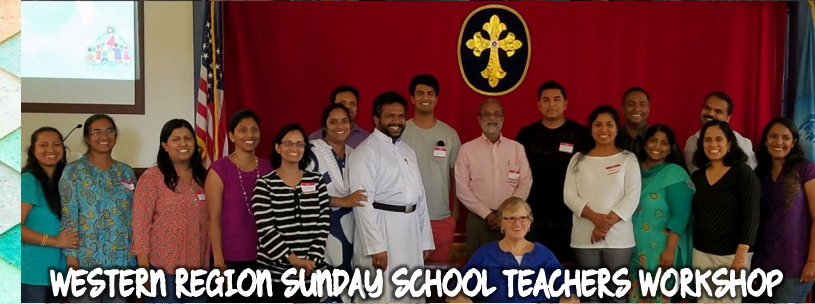
I pray that all these programs and events be a source to bring all the parish members in one chain and become more closer to each other in love and faith. We have to work together to maintain the unity and love among us.

Yours In Christ
Liju Achen

Please Register your name for the Family Retreat on or before Sunday, Sept 10. Registration form and flyer are attached.



WorkShop Lead By Dr. Brenda Weikel



WESTERN REGION SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS WORKSHOP



PARISH CONVENTION

October 19, 20, 21 & 22 (Thursday– Sunday).

Speaker:

Dr. George Varghese (Thiruvalla)

COMBINED MEETING OF EDAVAKA MISSION & SEVIKA SANGHOM



Mrs. Anne Elizabeth Samuel (d/o Dr. George Samuel) is currently the Director of Olive Theological Institute, a missionary training centre with its campus in Tiruvalla. After completing Masters in Computer Application from TKM College of Engineering in Kerala, she proceeded towards working in the software industry. However, she received a call for Christian ministry in 2002 after the passing away of Johny, her elder brother who battled Cystic Fibrosis for almost 33 years.

All the members of the church are invited for the encouraging talk by Mrs Anne.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9/2	Vidya Ann. John	9/18	K. I. Philip
9/2	Dr. Christin S. Thomas	9/18	Sara Ann Johnkutty
9/3	C. A. Philipose	9/18	Varghese Philip
9/4	Susan K. Lukose	9/20	Dr. Bex George Thomas
9/5	Anil Issac	9/22	Jaden Mathew
9/5	Krupa Varghese	9/23	Reuben Rajan Mathew
9/5	Susan K. George	9/24	Mariamamma J. Mathew
9/5	Jocelyn Mathew	9/25	Ezra Thomas Alex
9/7	Kayla Smitha Isaac	9/25	Sunil S. Isaac
9/8	Subu P. Babu	9/25	Susamma Varughese
9/9	Maya Ellie Burnaford	9/26	George Varghese
9/10	Sara Alexander	9/27	Joanna Rachel Varghese
9/11	Christina Johney	9/27	Reuben Mathews
9/12	Preethi Deepu Mathew	9/28	Sarah S. Mathew
9/17	Varughese George	9/30	Mercy Abraham

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

09/05	Babu P. Mathew & Rachel Mathew
09/07	Dr. Bex George & Dr. Jaya Thomas
09/10	George P. Mathew & Preetha Sara George
09/13	Skaria Issac & Leelamma Isaac
09/14	San Frisco George & Sabitha George
09/16	Anil Issac & Subha Koshy
09/18	Koshy V. Thomas & Susan Thomas
09/18	Prince John Daniel & Susan Prince Daniel
09/27	Pramod Joseph Varghese & Jincy Samuel
09/28	Rejive M. George & Bindhu George

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SEPTEMBER—2017

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NEWSLETTER OF THE MAR THOMA CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES

WORSHIP SCHEDULE & LECTIONARY

SEP	Time	Service	Lessons	Epistle/ Gospel	Theme
3	09:15am	Sunday School	Prov. 8:1-12 Acts.8 :26-38	Col 1:24-29 Mk 11:15-18	Education Sunday
	10:00am	Praise & Prayer			
	10:30am	Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)			
10	09:15am	Sunday School	Num 27:1-11 Acts 16:11-15	Rom16 :1-16 Jn 4:23-30	Sevika Sanghom Day
	10:00am	Praise & Prayer			
	10:30am	Holy Qurbana (English)			
17	09:15am	Sunday School	Isa 40:21-31 Eph 6:1-9	1Tim 5:1-10 Lk 2:25-38	Senior Citizens Sunday
	10:00am	Praise & Prayer			
	10.30am	Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)			
24	09:15am	Sunday School	Dan 1:1-21 Acts 10:9-16	1Pet 2:1-10 Matt 5:13-16	Christian Witness among other Faiths.
	10:00am	Praise & Prayer			
	10:30am	Holy Qurbana (English)			

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