

MTCA News Letter January 2021

My most dearly beloved parish members,

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

Praising God for this new month. This is the last message I will be writing for the MTCA Newsletter. At the outset, I want to thank you for all the guidance, support, encouragement, love, and care rendered to me and my family during the last two and half years.

We reached Atlanta on May 04, 2018 and from the beginning, God has provided us with new experiences and visions to do His ministry in this beautiful land. I started my ministry in Atlanta with three simple approaches, 'Pray' continuously for all, 'Proclaim' the Good News wherever possible and 'Prepare' the faithful members for the second coming of Jesus Christ. To rate a ministry is a futile exercise so I am not attempting to do that but I would like to thank God for His steadfast love and faith in me to entrust such a blessed community to me. And also, to thank you for understanding my abilities and inabilities and accepting me as I am.

Saying goodbye is always a hard thing to do. It's hard to believe how fast the last few years have gone by. The age old adage "man proposes & God disposes" was proven yet again when I thought that my journey at MTCA had reached its end, only to learn that God wanted me to play a small role during this pandemic which allowed me to interact with each of you in a different format - one that I couldn't have imagined in my wildest dreams! Praise God for what HE has accomplished in each of us through His Spirit.

Thank you for sharing your love, warmth, homes, and most importantly your hearts with us. Your words of perpetual encouragement were inspiring all along.

Although we are excited about the future, we will miss you all very dearly. We wish you the very best and pray that God continues to sustain you and your family and bless you in all that you do.



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As I bid farewell, I want to encourage you with the words of St. Paul. In St. Paul's first letter to Thessalonians, he instructs (5:15-23) "See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seeks to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Nini, Diya, Ameya join me in extending our gratitude for all the love and support given in these past two and half years. We have nothing to give back but praying to Almighty God to bless you all so that you all can bless others.

May our Almighty God always abide with you, strengthen you and make you witnesses for His glory.

Please stay in touch and let's continue to uphold each other in prayer. God be with you till we meet again.

In His service,

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Worship Calender		
Schedule	Service	
Jan 3 rd 10am	Divine Service (Online -Malayalam)	
Jan 10 th 10am	Holy Qurbana (English)	
Jan 17 th 10am	Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)	
Jan 24 th 10am	Praise & Worship and Holy Qurbana (English)	
Jan 31 st 10am	Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)	

Lectionary January 2021			
Dates	Lessons	Epistle	Gospel
January 3rd	Isa 61:1-11 Acts 17:22-31	Acts 27:18-26	Matt 9:35-38
January 10th	Prov 23:19-35 Rom 6:12-23	Gal 5:16-24	Luke 15:11-24
January 17th	Ezek 37:15-28 1Cor 1:10-17	Eph 4:11-16	Matt 16:13-19
January 24th	Num 11:23-30 John 3:1-11	Eph 4:1-7	John 17:18-26
January 31st	Neh 2:11-18 1Pet 2:13-17	Rom 13:1-7	Luke 3:7-14

Birth Days – "Wish You All Happy BirthDay"

NAME	DOB	NAME	DOB
Mrs. Rajani C Binu	JAN-1	Mr.Ajit Mathew	JAN-14
Ms.Denna Alex	JAN-2	Mr.Shajan Mampalayil	JAN-15
Miss.Catherene E George	JAN-2	Mr.Sherin Varghese John	JAN-15
Ms.Bethany Samuel	JAN-3	Mr.Sonu Cherian	JAN-15
Mr.Simon George	JAN-3	Mrs.Kunjamma Jacob	JAN-16
Mrs.Anu Charly	JAN-4	Ms.Sarah A. George	JAN-16
Mr.Thomas Chacko	JAN-4	Mr.Jacob J. KunjuKunju	JAN-17
Mr. Jeffrey Philip	JAN-4	Mrs.Sosamma Philip	JAN-17
Mrs.Sosamma Cherian	JAN-4	Ms.Anoushka A. Alexander	JAN-17
Mrs.Tani Chacko	JAN-5	Mrs.Nissy S. Mathew	JAN-18
Mr.Roy Varghese	JAN-5	Mr.Rubin Thomas	JAN-18
MsJeslyn Ann Mathew	JAN-5	Mrs.Tanie Thampachan	JAN-19
Mr.Simon I. John	JAN-6	Mrs.Bissy George	JAN-20
Mr.Bilin K. Joseph	JAN-6	Mr.Ben Thomas	JAN-21
Mr.Michael N. Esso	JAN-6	Mr.Michael Iby	JAN-21
Mast.Rithul John	JAN-6	Dr.Rajesh Mathew	JAN-22
Mr.Shane S. Thomas	JAN-6	Mrs.Kiran Thomas	JAN-22

Name	DOB	Name	DOB
Mrs.Jannet Jeny Koshy	JAN-6	Mr.George Joseph Jr.	JAN-23
Mr.John Y. Pampapathi	JAN-7	Mr.Binnu Samuel	JAN-24
Mr.Jerry Wilson	JAN-7	Dr.Sunil Alexander	JAN-24
Miss.Jewel Anne George	JAN-7	Mrs.Reena Mary George	JAN-26
Ms.Maddelyn S. George	JAN-8	Mr.Thampi P. Daniel	JAN-27
Mast.Aaron Binu Varghese	JAN-8	Mr.James George	JAN-28
Mrs.Sebi Thomas	JAN-9	Mast.Steffin Sagin Mamman	JAN-28
Mr. Jogy John Mathew	JAN-9	Ms.Liz S. Mathew	JAN-28
Mr. Nethania E Binu	JAN-9	Mrs.Reena Abraham	JAN-28
Mrs.Saramma Sam	JAN-10	Mast Elijah Thomas	JAN-29
Mrs.Anie Jose	JAN-11	Dr. Serene Jacob	JAN-31
Ms.Abigail Sarah Jacob	JAN-12	Mr.Thomas Abraham (Liji)	JAN-31

Wedding Anniversaries - "Wish You All Happy Anniversary"

Name	Date
Dr. Jesse Jacob & Mrs. Natasha Jacob	JAN-1
Mr. Issac Koshy Panicker & Mrs. Clara Rosily Vinson	JAN-1
Mr. Thomas P. Kurian & Mrs. Beena Kurian	JAN-2
Mr. Mathew Varghese & Mrs. Sangeetha Mathew	JAN-10
Mr. Varughese Abraham Mathai & Mrs. Mariamma Varughese	JAN-11
Mr. Johnson K. George & Mrs. Manna Johnson	JAN-12
Mr. John Y. Pampapathi & Mrs. Sheba M John	JAN-14
Mr. Jeny Koshy & Mrs. Shiji Koshy	JAN-14
Mr. Issac George & Mrs. Daisy Issac	JAN-15
Mr. M.C. Eapen & Mrs. Marykutty Eapen	JAN-15
Mr. Jose P. John & Mrs. Anie Jose	JAN-16
Mr. Mathews P. Kurian & Mrs. Letha M. Kurian	JAN-17
Mr. Sabu Abraham & Mrs. Leena Abraham	JAN-19
Mr. Thomas George Jr & Mrs. Bissy George	JAN-20
Mr. Binu C Abraham & Mrs. Rajani C Binu	JAN-22

Name	Date
Mr. Samuel P. John & Mrs. Marykutty John	JAN-24
Mr. Bensy Samuel & Mrs. Neena Samuel	JAN-26
Mr. Philip Alexander & Mrs. Anisha Philip	JAN-26
Mr. Abraham Puloor Varughese & Mrs. Reena Abraham	JAN-30

Meeting Schedules:

Organization	January 2021 Schedule
Sunday School	Every Sunday 8:30am January 3 rd 8:30am (General Session)
Sunday School Teacher's Meeting	January 3 rd 2pm
Edavaka Mission	Every Friday 7:30pm
Sevika Sangam	January 9 th 10am
Yuvajana Sakhyam	January 9 th 3pm
Young Family Fellowship	January 23 rd 3pm
Youth	January 23 rd 3pm
Special Thanksgiving Prayer	January 2 nd 10am
Fasting Prayer	January 23 rd 10am
Prayer Groups	January 2021 Schedule
Alpharetta - Marietta	January 3 rd 7pm
Cumming - Suwanee	January 10 th 7pm
Grayson - Loganville	January 9 th 6pm
Lawrenceville	January 2 nd 6pm
Snellville - Lilburn	January 23 rd 6pm
Tucker - Northlake	January 16 th 6pm

January Events:

Parish Day – January 10th after service

Drive-thru lunch and bid farewell to Rev. Aju Abraham – January 10^{th} 12pm – 3pm (signup requested thru email / WhatsApp for all who are not part of in-person service) .

Special Notes ...

Good Bye Rev Aju Abraham !!!

Aju Achen will be relieved from Vicar's responsibilities of Marthoma Church Atlanta as of December 31st 2020 and assume the charge of diocesan Secretary from January 1st 2021. The Whole Parish remember the services of Aju Achen with deep gratitude. He will be remembered as the First Vicar of MTCA, instrumental in acquiring Carmel Center and forming new parish called "Marthoma Church Atlanta" (won the award for best parish in Diocese of North America during his tenure). Parish as a whole, wish Aju Achen, Nini Kochamma, Diya and Ameya everything best in their lives.

Welcome Rev Manoj Idiculla !!!

The Rev Manoj Idiculla who served as Diocesan Secretary is given the interim responsibilities of the Vicar. Parish Welcome Rev Manoj Idiculla and Wish him Everything Best during his period. We consider it as a great privilege to work under Rev. Manoj Idiculla towards the glory of The Lord. Manoj Achen sends his New Year Greetings to All Parishioners.

Rev Skariah Varughese Achen will be giving Pastoral care during the interim period starting from January 1st 2021. As a shepherd from MTCA family, Skariah Achen will continue to spiritually strengthen all of his brothers and sisters in Christ.

Thank You...

We express our sincere gratitude to 2020 Executive Committee and Office Bearers for their hardworking and tireless efforts to carryout various Church activities without any gaps or misses in spite of challenges caused by ongoing pandemic.

"Have a Blessed Month Ahead for All Members of MTCA Family"