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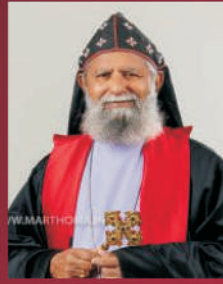
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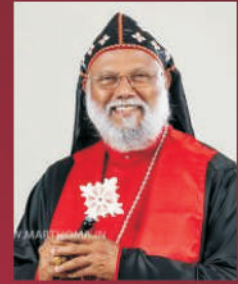
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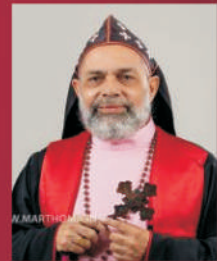
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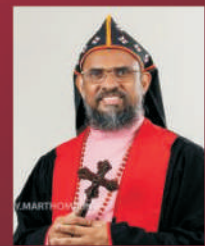
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Dear Members of the General Body,

The **Annual General Body Meeting** of the Ascension Mar Thoma Church, Philadelphia, will be held on **Sunday, March 16th, 2025**, in the **Sanctuary** following the Holy Communion service. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Presentation of the Annual Report for 2024
2. Presentation of the audited statements of accounts for the year 2024
3. Approval of over-budgeted amounts for the year 2024
4. Questions and answers concerning the Annual Report and Accounts for 2024
5. Approval of the Annual Report and Accounts for the year 2024
6. Presentation and approval of the Budget for the year 2025
7. Parking lot loan pay-off
8. Election of the representative for the Jerusalem prayer group
9. Any other matters with the prior permission of the President

All members of the General Body are requested to attend.

Yours Sincerely,

Jijomon Joseph

Parish Secretary (2024)

Note:

Questions regarding the content of the annual reports and accounts are welcome and will be addressed during the General Body Meeting. Each member may ask a maximum of 3 questions. All questions must include the name, address, date, and signature of the General Body member.

Please submit all questions to the Secretary, **Mr. Jijomon Joseph**, by **mail** on or before **5:00 PM on Friday, March 14th, 2025**.

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Annual Report 2024

വരുവിൻ നാം വണങ്ങി നമസ്കരിക്ക, നമ്മെ നിർമ്മിച്ച യഹോവയുടെ മുമ്പിൽ മുട്ടുകുത്തുക (സങ്കീ. 95:6)

കാലം അതിവേഗം മുന്നോട്ട് പോകുകയാണ്. ആ വേഗത്തിനൊപ്പം എത്തുവാൻ ആധുനിക മനുഷ്യൻ ശീലിച്ച് തുടങ്ങിയിരിക്കുന്നു. ആ യാത്രയുടെ ഭാഗമാണ് ഇന്ന് ഞാനും നിങ്ങളുമൊക്കെ. വഴികളും യാത്രികരും എല്ലാം ഏറെ വ്യത്യസ്തരാണ്. ദൈവ മുൻപാകെ എല്ലാവരും തുല്യരാണെന്ന ചിന്തയോടെ, കാലത്തിന്റെ ഈ യാത്രയിൽ വഴികാട്ടിയായി ക്രിസ്തു മുന്നിലുണ്ട് എന്ന തിരിച്ചറിവോടെ അവനൊപ്പം യാത്ര തുടരാം.

ക്രിസ്തു നമുക്കായ് പകർന്നു നൽകിയ സുവിശേഷത്തിന് അനുസൃതമായ ജീവിക്കുകയും പ്രവർത്തിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുക എന്നതാണ് ഓരോ മാർത്തോമ്മാക്കാരന്റെയും ധർമ്മം. ദൈവിക വിശ്വാസത്തിൽ ആഴമായി ഉറച്ചുനിൽപ്പാൻ ആരാധന നമ്മെ സഹായിക്കുന്നു. സമൂഹത്തിന്റെയും സഭയുടെയും ഉന്നമനത്തിനും കെട്ടുറപ്പിനും ഉതകുന്ന വിധത്തിൽ പ്രവർത്തിപ്പാൻ നമ്മുടെ കൂട്ടായ്മകൾക്ക് സാധിക്കണം. ഇടവകയുടെ വളർച്ചയ്ക്കൊപ്പം നമ്മുടെ ചുറ്റുപാടുകളെക്കൂടി ചേർത്തുനിർത്താൻ സാധിക്കുന്നതിൽ നമുക്ക് അഭിമാനിക്കാം.

തുടർന്നുള്ള വർഷങ്ങളിലും ദൈവിക പരിപാലനം അനുഭവിപ്പാനും ദൈവത്തിന്റെ കൂട്ടുവേലക്കാരായ് പ്രവർത്തിക്കാനും ഇടവകയായി സർവ്വശക്തൻ നമ്മെ സഹായിക്കട്ടെ എന്ന പ്രാർത്ഥനയോടെ Philadelphia Ascension Mar Thoma ഇടവകയുടെ 2024ലെ പ്രവർത്തന റിപ്പോർട്ട് ഇടവക സമക്ഷം സമർപ്പിച്ചു കൊള്ളുന്നു.

I. OUR PARISH

I. Ascension Mar Thoma Church: A Journey of Faith and Grace

Ascension Mar Thoma Church was officially established on February 1st, 1998, at 9551 Bustleton Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19115. What began as a small congregation of 97 families has, by God's abundant grace, grown into a vibrant community of 231 families.

In the year 2000, we were blessed with the acquisition of our own place of worship at 10197 Northeast Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19116, where services began on November 23rd, 2000. Motivated by the passion and dedication of our members, we embarked on the journey to build a new church. The foundation stone was laid on April 10th, 2005, and the dedication ceremony took place on March 11th, 2006, officiated by Rt. Rev. Dr. Zacharias Mar Theophilus, Suffragan Metropolitan, and Rt. Rev. Euyakim Mar Coorilos, Diocesan Bishop at the time.

In 2011, we were blessed with the opportunity to purchase a parsonage for our Vicar at 3892 Byron Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006. Our growth continued with the construction of a new parking lot in 2018, followed by the renovation of office space adjacent to the Parish Hall in 2019. This newly renovated space now serves as a hub for Sunday School activities and other parish events, accommodating approximately 150 people.

Our church's growth and development have been greatly supported by the leadership of our Vicars: Rev. Oommen Philip, Rev. Dr. V. S. Varghese, Rev. Dr. P.T. Jacob, Rev. Alexander Thomas, Rev. A.C. Kurien, Rev. M.C. Skaria, Rev. K.E. Geevarghese, Rev. Antony T. Varughese, Rev. Binu C. Samuel, Rev. Jinson K. Mathew, Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko, and our current Vicar, Rev. Joji M. George.

We have also been blessed with the spiritual guidance of several dedicated youth chaplains, including Rev. Kurien George, Rev. Issac P. Johnson, Rev. Mathew Skariah, Rev. Roy Thomas, Rev. Dr. Philip Varghese, Rev. Dr. Joe Joseph Kuruvila, Rev. Dennis Abraham, Rev. Prince Varghese Madathileth, and Rev. Thomas K. Mathew. Currently, Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil serves as our Youth Chaplain.

As we reflect on our journey, we are reminded of the miraculous ways in which God has led us over the past 27 years. Just as He guided the Israelites through the desert, He has led us with His unfailing mercy and grace. I offer my heartfelt gratitude and praise to Almighty God for His abundant blessings.

II. Vicars

Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko served as the Vicar for the first four months of this year, and we are deeply grateful for his leadership and dedication. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to **Rev. Bibi Achen, Teena Kochamma, Nivedh, and Nevin** for their unwavering support.

Currently, **Rev. Joji M. George** is serving as our Vicar, and we continue to be blessed by his spiritual guidance. We also warmly welcome **Neena Kochamma, Jonah, and Joash**, who have already made a special place for themselves in the hearts of the Ascension community over the past eight months. May God's grace continue to guide both our Vicars and their families, strengthening them as they lead us in our shared spiritual journey.

III. Youth Chaplain

Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil is greatly appreciated for his unwavering leadership among our youth as their Youth Chaplain. He continues to serve with dedication, not only to our parish but to the five parishes in Philadelphia. We also wish to recognize the invaluable support of

Achen's family- **Ginu Kochamma, Jayden, and Jewel**. Their presence and active involvement have been a true blessing to our community, and we remain deeply grateful for their ongoing commitment to our church family.

IV. Priest from our Parish

Rev. Jeswin Simon John, member of our church, currently serves as the Vicar of St. John's Mar Thoma Church in Michigan, Vicar of Winsor Mar Thoma Church Canada and Minneapolis Mar Thoma church. We take great pride in his ministry and the significant roles he holds. We pray that the ministry of **Jeswin Achen and Aiswarya Kochamma** will be a blessing not only to the congregations they serve but also to the entire Mar Thoma Church.

V. Membership

Through the dreams and prayers of our faithful parents, we have come a long way from our humble beginnings with 97 families in 1998. Today, Ascension Mar Thoma Church Philadelphia registers 231 families, with a total membership of 974. This growth is a true testament to God's grace upon our church.

VI. Executive Committee 2024

Our Executive Committee consists of 25 members. The dedication of the Executive Committee took place on Sunday, March 3rd, 2024, during the Holy Communion Service. Over the past year, we held 10 meetings to discuss and implement various decisions for the growth and future of Ascension Marthoma Church.

Executive Committee Members - 2024

1. **President/Vicar:** Rev. Joji M George
2. **Youth Chaplain:** Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil
3. **Vice President:** Mr. John Mathew
4. **Secretary:** Mr. Jijomon Joseph
5. **Treasurer:** Mr. Philip Biju Daniel
6. **Accountant:** Mr. Saju Kurian
7. **Lay Leader (M):** Mr. M.A. Mathew
8. **Lay Leader (E):** Mr. Alwin Cherian
9. **Sabha Prathinidhi Mandalam Member:** Mr. Binu C. Thomas
10. **Diocesan Assembly Member:** Mr. Anu Skariah
11. **Diocesan Assembly Member:** Mr. C.G. George

Prayer Group Representatives (Alphabetical Order)

12. **Bethlehem:** Mr. Varghese Varghese
13. **Jerusalem:** Mr. Rojish Sam Samuel
14. **Nazareth:** Mr. V. L. Georgekutty
15. **Salem:** Mr. K. G. Mathai
16. **Sharon:** Mr. Johnson Varghese
17. **Zion:** Mr. Rajeev George

Members Representing Organizations (Alphabetical Order)

18. **Choir:** Mr. Eype John
19. **Edavaka Mission:** Mr. George P. Mathai
20. **Senior Fellowship:** Mrs. Marykutty Thomas
21. **Sevika Sangham:** Mrs. Sally Mathew
22. **Sunday School:** Mrs. Shinzy Mathew
23. **Youth Fellowship:** Master Noah John
24. **Young Families Fellowship:** Mr. Reji Thomas
25. **Yuvajana Sakhyam:** Mrs. Lenu Mathew

VII. Ecumenical Fellowship

The General Body elected five members to represent Ascension Marthoma Church in the Ecumenical Fellowship of Indian Churches in Philadelphia (EFICP) this year:

1. Mr. Daniel P. Thomas
2. Mr. Saju Varghese
3. Mr. Rojish Samuel
4. Mr. K. Varghese
5. Mrs. Soja George

These members actively participated in and contributed to the programs of EFICP.

VIII. Members Holding Positions in Other Organizations

1. **Mr. John Mathew:** Advisory Board Member, Atlanta
2. **Mr. K. Varghese:** Senior Fellowship-Diocesan Council Member and Edavaka mission Southeast center B Vice president
3. **Mr. Rojish Samuel:** Vice President of Southeast Region Yuvajana Sakhyam and Auditor of North America Diocese Yuvajana Sakhyam
4. **Mr. Anu Skaria:** Secretary, Southeast Region RAC

IX. Episcopal Visit and First Holy Communion

Our Diocesan Bishop, Rt. Rev. Dr. Abraham Mar Paulose Episcopa, visited our church on April 7th, 2024. During his visit, we were blessed to conduct the First Holy Communion for 34 of our children. Our Diocesan Secretary, Rev. George Abraham, was also present on this special occasion. It was a great blessing for our church.

First Holy Communicants 2024

We joyfully celebrate the First Holy Communion of the following children during the report year:

- **Alison Abraham** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Linu Abraham
- **Angel Anoop** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Anoop Mathew
- **Aaron Thomas** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Mathew Thomas
- **Arya George** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. George Mathew
- **Briana Thomas** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Byju Thomas
- **Brandon Skariah** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Willson Skariah
- **Gianna Thomas** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Benson Thomas
- **Isaiah Madackel** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Oommen Madackel
- **Jayden Thomas** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Benson Thomas
- **Jason Varghese** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Jibby Varghese
- **Jasmine Philip** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Santhosh Philip
- **Kaitlyn Thomas** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Aji Thomas
- **Kayden Varghese** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Saji Varghese
- **Katelyn Varghese** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Saji Varghese
- **Kayla Mathew** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Niroop Mathew
- **Kezia John** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. John George

- **Megan Cherian** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Binoy Cherian
- **Mirah Varghese** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Vinson Varghese
- **Millie George** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Lijo George
- **Mithun John** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. John Varkey
- **Naythen Oommen** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Shine Oommen
- **Nishan Oommen** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Shine Oommen
- **Nathan George** – Son of Mrs. Susan Varghese
- **Nolan George** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Joji George
- **Ryan Thomas** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Thomas Chandy
- **Rohit Thomas** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. George Thomas
- **Sahil Thomas** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. George Thomas
- **Shalyn Abraham** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Subin Abraham
- **Tessa Tomson** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Tomson Abraham
- **Tijo Tibu** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Tibu Jose
- **Tomson Tomson** – Son of Mrs. and Mr. Tomson Abraham
- **Marissa Philip** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Toby Philip
- **Helena Wilson** – Daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Wilson John

We pray for their continued spiritual growth and blessings as they take this significant step in their faith journey.

X. Send-Off Meetings of Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and Family

On April 21st, following the Sunday service, the church hosted a heartfelt send-off for our beloved Rev. Bibi Achen, Teena Kochamma, Nivedh, and Nevin. The meeting was presided over by Vice President Mr. John Mathew, and various organizations and church officials extended their felicitations. Rev. Bibi Achen and his family were deeply appreciated for their three years of fruitful service to the church and community. After the send-off, the family traveled to India on April 24, marking the end of this chapter of their dedicated service. The congregation expressed their gratitude for Achen and his family's contributions, and their presence will be greatly missed.

XI. Welcome Meeting for Rev. Joji M. George and Family

A welcome meeting for our new Vicar, Rev. Joji M. George, and his family – Neena Kochamma, Jonah, and Joash was held on Sunday, May 5th, following the Holy Communion

service. The meeting was presided over by Vice President Mr. John Mathew. Mr. Reji Thomas opened the meeting with prayer, and Secretary Mr. Jijomon Joseph extended a warm welcome to Rev. Joji M. George and his family. Additionally, Diocesan Assembly Member Mr. C.G. George offered words of felicitation. It was a joyful occasion, as the congregation warmly embraced Rev. Joji M. George and his family into our church community.

XII. Information Technology

Ascension Mar Thoma Church has developed its own mobile application and website, which play a crucial role in enhancing communication within the parish. The website is regularly updated and serves as a key tool in the church's communication process. Quarterly newsletters and weekly announcements are consistently posted to keep members informed.

The website also features a dedicated members' area, **Epromis**, where members can easily access and view their contributions. Additionally, church activities and events are shared through our social media pages, ensuring the community remains engaged and up to date.

Our mobile application is regularly updated to reflect any new changes or important information, ensuring that our members have easy access to the latest updates. Mr. Benny Philip has played a pivotal role in overseeing the website-related activities, contributing significantly to the development and maintenance of these platforms.

XIII. Audio/Video Display Team

Mr. Benny Philip and his team, including Jenna Samuel, Hanna Joseph, Noah John, Justin Mathew, Sajo Joy and Wilson John have worked tirelessly to ensure the seamless operation of the audio, video, and display systems. Their dedication has significantly enhanced the worship experience for all members, making each service both engaging and impactful.

XIV. Live Streaming

The church also has its own YouTube channel, which provides live streaming of our services. This feature allows parish members who are unable to attend the Holy Communion service in person to participate virtually, ensuring they remain connected to the worship experience and the church community.

XV. Stand By Me

The Ascension Marthoma Church and the Sunday School were honored to conduct two special Holy Communion services and Vacation Bible School (VBS) classes for differently abled children and their families last year. This initiative was made possible through the participation of **Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko, Rev. Joji M. George, Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil, Rev. Dr. Jameson K., and Rev. Biju P. Simon.**

The services provided essential support and inclusiveness, offering families an opportunity to experience spiritual growth in a nurturing environment. The program was a truly meaningful and impactful experience, fostering a deep sense of belonging for all those involved. This initiative

was a remarkable effort to reach out to and support the differently abled community, emphasizing the church's unwavering commitment to service, compassion, and spiritual inclusion.

XVI. Church Newsletter

Our parish publishes a quarterly newsletter to provide updated information and highlights of church activities. The newsletter is available in printed copies for the congregation and will also be uploaded to our church's application site for easy access.

XVII. Meetings Hosted by Our Church

1. **Southeast Regional Sunday School Talent Fest 2024:** The Southeast Regional Talent Fest 2024 was hosted by the Ascension Mar Thoma Church Sunday School on November 9th, 2024. We had participants and families from 12 of the Churches in our region.
2. **Sabha Dinam – December 21st, 2024:** As the Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church observes December 21st each year as Sabha Dinam, this year we had the privilege of hosting the Southeast RAC's combined Sabha Dinam Holy Communion service on Saturday, December 21st, at 9:30 AM at our church. Approximately 50 members from various churches in our region participated in this blessed service.

XVIII. Guest Clergy

1. **Rev. George Abraham**
Diocesan Secretary
Celebrated the Holy Communion on February 11th, Parish Day.
2. **Rev. Jaxon P.S.**
Vicar of Bethel MTC
Celebrated the Holy Communion Service on March 3rd, Diocesan Sunday Pulpit Change.
3. **Rev. Dr. Jameson K.**
Celebrated the Holy Communion Service on March 28th, Maundy Thursday, September 15th, Convention Valedictory Sunday and December 25th, Christmas Day.
4. **Very Rev. K.Y. Jacob**
Celebrated the Holy Communion Service on April 28th, 2024.
5. **Rev. Dr. M. M. Abraham**
Celebrated the Holy Communion Service on August 25th, 2024.
6. **Rev. Abraham Sudeep Oommen**
Celebrated the Holy Communion Service on November 3rd, Family Sunday.
7. **Rev. Biju P. Simon**
Vicar of Philadelphia MTC
Celebrated the Worship Service on November 27th, 2024, Thanksgiving Day.

8. **Rev. Santhosh John**

Vicar of Bethel MTC

Chief Guest at the Christmas Carol Service on December 14th, 2024.

XIX. Ascension Mar Thoma Church General Body Meetings

The Ascension Mar Thoma Church held three important General Body meetings during the report year to discuss various matters concerning the church's future.

1. **Annual General Body Meeting**

Date: February 25, 2024

Agenda: Presentation of the annual report and accounts for the year 2023, as well as the budget for the year 2024.

2. **General Body Meeting**

Date: Sunday, September 29, 2024

Agenda: Discussion of church matters and ongoing projects.

3. **General Body Meeting**

Date: Sunday, November 17, 2024 (After the Holy Communion Service)

Agenda: Election of office bearers for the year 2025.

Elected Office Bearers - 2025

1. **President/Vicar:** Rev. Joji M George

2. **Youth Chaplain:** Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil

3. **Vice President:** Mr. John Mathew

4. **Secretary:** Mr. Jijomon Joseph

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6. **Accountant:** Mr. Saju Kurian

7. **Lay Leader (M):** Mr. P.A. Mathews

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12. **Bethlehem:** Mr. Varghese Varghese

13. **Jerusalem:** TBD

14. **Nazareth:** Mr. Mathew Philip

15. **Salem:** Mr. K. G. Mathai

16. **Sharon:** Mr. Johnson Simon

17. **Zion:** Mr. Rajeev George

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18. **Choir:** Mr. Sumesh John

19. **Edavaka Mission:** Mr. George P. Mathai

20. **Senior Fellowship:** Mrs. Marykutty Thomas

21. **Sevika Sangham:** Mrs. Sally Mathew

22. **Sunday School:** Mrs. Shinzy Mathew

23. **Youth Fellowship:** Ms. Ashley Joseph

24. **Young Family Fellowship:** Mr. Bobby Cherian

25. **Yuvajana Sakhyam:** Mrs. Biji Varghese

Auditors:

1. Mr. Abraham Thomas

2. Mrs. Roby Sam

XX. Worship Service

During the year 2024, we had 56 Holy Communion Services and one Divine Service. An average of 350 people attended the services, and about 190 people participated in the Holy Communion Services each Sunday. Special Holy Communion services were held on Maundy Thursday, Easter Sunday, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, and Organization Sundays.

XXI. Prayer Groups

Ascension Marthoma Church is blessed with six vibrant area prayer groups: Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Salem, Sharon, and Zion. These prayer groups meet every month on their designated weekends, and through their consistent fellowship and spiritual engagement, they contribute immensely to the life of our parish.

Along with the other organizations, these prayer groups and their activities form the backbone and strength of our church community. I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation to all the prayer group representatives for their unwavering dedication and hard work. Your efforts in nurturing the spiritual well-being of our congregation are deeply valued.

XXII. Organizations

Our church's great strength lies in its active organizations and their meaningful activities. We are blessed with eight actively functioning organizations that serve as the core units of our church. These include Sunday School, Senior Fellowship, Youth Fellowship, Young Family

Fellowship, Choir, Edavaka Mission, Sevika Sangham, and Yuvajana Sakhyam. Additionally, the Young Women's Fellowship functions as part of Sevika Sangham.

XXIII. Friday Fasting Prayer

The fasting prayer meetings are a major strength of our church. Our members gather regularly every Friday from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM at the church for fasting prayer.

XXIV. Special Thanks to Guest Speakers and Laity Members

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the following guests and laity members who shared the Word of God during worship services or special occasions this year:

- **Mr. Eype John** – Choir (06/05/2024)
- **Mr. Sally Mathew** - Sevika Sangham (09/01/2024)
- **Adv. Dr. Prakash P. Thomas** - Convention (09/13/2024 & 09/14/2024)
- **Mr. K. G. Mathai** - Senior Fellowship (09/29/2024)
- **Mr. Samuel Koshy** (Christos MTC) - Edavaka Mission Day (10/06/2024)
- **Mrs. Anju Jithin** - Yuvajana Sakhyam (10/20/2024)
- **Mr. Reji Thomas** - Young Family Fellowship (10/27/2024)
- **Miss. Jenna Samuel** – Youth Fellowship (11/01/2024)
- **Miss. Angeline Varghese** - Sunday School (11/10/2024)

We appreciate their contributions to our worship and fellowship

II. PARISH ACTIVITIES

I. Parish Day

We celebrated our 26th Parish Day on February 11th, 2024. We were privileged and honored to have our Diocesan Secretary, **Rev. George Abraham**, as our Chief Guest. The meeting was presided over by **Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko**, with **Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil** being felicitated during the event. Special thanks to Trustees **Mr. Philip Biju Daniel** and **Mr. Anaj Mathew**, who served as the conveners, and to all those who helped prepare the delicious fellowship meal.

II. Diocesan Sunday/Pulpit Change

On March 3rd, 2024, we observed Diocesan Sunday. We were blessed to have **Rev. Jaxon P.S.**, Vicar of Bethel Mar Thoma Church, as part of the Diocesan Pulpit Change. During this time, our vicar, **Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko**, was deputed to Epiphany Mar Thoma Church, New York.

III. Lent and Passion Week.

Our Sandhyanamaskaaram services began on Wednesday, March 6th, at 6:30 PM. The Passion Week services were held from March 24th to 30th. During this time, **Rev. Dr. Jameson K.** visited the church and celebrated the Holy Communion Service on Maundy Thursday, March 28th. On Good Friday, the service was led by **Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko** and **Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil**. The church provided a traditional lunch after the service. Special thanks to **Mr. Shyju Thomas**, the office bearers, executive committee members, prayer group representatives, and all those who helped prepare the traditional lunch.

IV. Church Picnic

Our Annual Church Picnic took place on June 17th, 2024, at Tamanend Park, and it was a day filled with joy and fellowship. Mr. Binu C. Thomas served as the convener for this memorable event. We were delighted to see nearly 600 participants come together for a day of fun and community. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Mr. Binu C. Thomas for his leadership, as well as to everyone who participated and contributed to making this event such a success.

V. Harvest Festival (Sale and Auction)

Our Annual Sale & Auction (Harvest Festival) took place at the Parish Hall and on the WhatsApp platform on Sunday, August 18th, and September 8th. Mr. M.A. Mathew served as the convener for this event. We were thrilled to see the active participation of majority of our church members, and together, we raised a remarkable amount of \$37645. I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to **Mr. M.A. Mathew** for his leadership and to all the church members who contributed to making this year's Harvest Festival such a success.

VI. Parish Convention

Our Annual Gospel Convention was held on September 13th, 14th, and 15th, 2024, based on the theme "Be a Follower of the Word." We were blessed to have Adv. Dr. Prakash P. Thomas (KCC General Secretary) and Rev. Dr. Jameson K as our speakers. It was a truly blessed event for our church to celebrate our faith and enrich our spirit together.

VII. Family Talent Night

The Ascension Family Talent Night was held on Saturday, September 28th, and it was a wonderful celebration of the diverse talents within our church community. The Youth Fellowship, Yuvajana Sakhyam, and Young Family Fellowship took the lead in organizing the event, which featured nearly 18 programs showcasing the incredible talents of our church members from various age groups. Special thanks to **Mrs. Lenu Sam**, who served as the convener, and **Mrs. Sunitha Wilson**, the co-convener, for their dedication and hard work in making this event such a great success. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to everyone who participated and contributed to this memorable evening.

VIII. Family Sunday

Ascension Family Sunday was observed on Sunday, November 3rd, 2024. **Rev. Abraham Sudeep Oommen**, (Ph.D. student at Drew University) NJ, celebrated the Holy Communion service and shared the Word of God with the congregation. Following the service, a fellowship lunch was held. Special thanks to **Mr. Rojish Samuel** for serving as the convenor for the event.

IX. Thanksgiving Day

This year's Thanksgiving Holy Communion service was held on Thursday, November 28th, 2024. Our Youth Chaplain, **Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil** celebrated the Holy Communion service and our Vicar, **Rev. Joji M. George**, shared the Word of God. On November 27th Wednesday a Thanksgiving Praise & Worship service and a dinner was conducted by Young Family Fellowship, Yuvajanasakhyam and Youth Fellowship. **Rev. Biju P. Simon**, Vicar Philadelphia MTC delivered the message.

X. Christmas Carol Service

The Christmas Carol Service, titled "Sing and Rejoice Gloria," was held on Saturday, December 14th, 2024. **Rev. Santhosh John**, Vicar of Bethel MTC, graced the event as the Chief Guest. Following the service, our Sunday school children presented a beautiful Christmas play, *King of Kings*. A special note of appreciation goes to the Ascension Choir and Sunday school for their dedication and outstanding efforts in organizing and conducting the Carol service.

XI. Christmas Door-to-Door carol

This year's Christmas Door-to-Door Caroling was held on Saturday, December 8th, Sunday, December 9th, and Sunday, December 15th. We were blessed to have forty members of our church who warmly opened their doors to welcome the carolers. Mr. Anu Skaria served as the convener for this joyful outreach event, and we are truly grateful for his exceptional coordination. We deeply appreciate all those involved in making this celebration of Christmas spirit so special and meaningful.

XII. Watch Night and New Year Service

The Watch Night Service and New Year Service were held on Tuesday, December 31st. **Rev. Joji M. George** served as the chief celebrant for these meaningful services as we ushered in the new year.

XIII. Baptism

John 3:5 "Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.'"

During this report year, our church had the privilege of baptizing 11 children, who have now become cherished members of our parish. As a congregation, we continue to pray for these children and their families, asking for spiritual growth and guidance in their faith journeys.

Below is the list of baptized children in our church in 2024:

1. Johanna Anju Kondoor

Daughter of Jithin Jacob Koshy & Anju Jithin Kondoor

Account No: 0304 (Nazareth Prayer)

2. Ziana Athena George

Daughter of Robin C. George & Ansu S. Eason

Account No: 0145 (Bethlehem Prayer)

3. Ishaan Mathew

Son of Justin Mathew & Jimika Mehta

Account No: 0115 (Salem Prayer)

4. Nehemin Wilson Thoppil

Son of Ajoy Wilson & Gibi Ajoy Thoppil

Account No: 0309 (Nazareth Prayer)

5. Rhesa Maria Praveen

Daughter of Praveen Raj & Teena Praveen

Account No: 0215 (Bethlehem Prayer)

6. Janna Mathew

Daughter of Jibin M. Mathew & Anu P. Varghese

Account No: 0305 (Nazareth Prayer)

7. Avery Abraham

Daughter of Shawn Abraham & Jency Abraham

Account No: 0306 (Zion Prayer)

8. Zara Mary Varghese

Daughter of Shawn G. Varghese & Asha Varghese

Account No: 0114 (Jerusalem Prayer)

9. Nathaniel Jeevan

Son of Jeevan Babu & Sirly Jeevan

Account No: 0238 (Jerusalem Prayer)

10. Evelyn Mariam Skariah

Daughter of Manu Skariah & Juby Manu

Account No: 0337 (Zion Prayer)

11. Lenox Molly Jean Flynn

Granddaughter of Samuel P. Perumal

Account No: 0083 (Nazareth Prayer)

XIV. In Memoriam

During the report year, we mourned the loss of several beloved members of our congregation, including three of our founding members:

1. **Mr. Mathew K. Mathai** – Founding member, who served as Vice President, Lay Leader, and representative of the Salem Prayer Group.
2. **Mr. Philip Kunnel Philip** – Founding member, who served as Lay Leader and representative of the Jerusalem Prayer Group.
3. **Mrs. Rachelamma John** – Founding member, who served as Secretary of Sevika Sangham, active member of Jerusalem Prayer Group.
4. **Mr. Soji Skariah**- Active member of Zion Prayer Group.
5. **Mrs. Chinnamma Mathew**- Active member of Salem Prayer Group.
6. **Mrs. Leelamma Joykutty**- Active member of Zion Prayer Group.

Ascension Marthoma Church is forever grateful for their unwavering dedication, service, and contributions to our church community. We will always cherish their memories and the impact they made in our lives.

May God Almighty grant comfort, strength, and peace to their families during this time of loss.

XV. New Members and Membership

As a church, it is our great joy and privilege to welcome new members to our Ascension family. During this report year, five new families have joined our parish, and we are thrilled to have them as part of our congregation. We pray that they feel at home and experience spiritual growth as we walk together in faith.

1. Mr. Mona Mohan George & Family

Jerusalem Prayer Account No: 0334

2. Mr. Abey Alexander

Bethlehem Prayer Account No: 0336

3. Mr. K.V. George & Family

Zion Prayer Account No: 0335

4. Mr. Manu Skariah & Family

Zion Prayer Account No: 337

5. Mr. Santhosh K. Philip & Family

Bethlehem Prayer Account No: 0338

XVI. Light to Life Program

Ascension Mar Thoma Church continued to participate in the Light to Life Program, a social development endeavor of the Mar Thoma Mission Board by the Diocese of North America. The program aims at the social transformation and development of communities through the education of children and to ensure kids and poor communities get access to essentials and enable them to lead a life of dignity. The cost for supporting one child is \$20.00 per month (\$240.00 per year). During the report year our members sponsor over 80 children. In addition, our members donated to the light to life endowment fund that is specifically designed to sustain the mission activities for many years. The church extends its deepest gratitude to all members who are participating in this mission. **Mr. Ebby Varughese** and **Mr. Anu Skariah** served as promoters of the project.

III. OTHER ACTIVITIES

I. Mission activities

Ascension Marthoma Church and its members have been consistently providing support for the mission activities.

1. **Light to Life endowment fund (Pass Through):** \$10,000
2. **Good Samaritan Fund:** \$1,191
3. **Pratheeksha Bhavan:** \$1,000

II. Roofing Project

In the reported year, we successfully installed a new roof on the entire church building, excluding the sanctuary. **Mr. Anaj Mathew** served as the convener of the roofing sub-committee, working closely with the office-bearers. The committee held several meetings and took the necessary steps to ensure the project progressed smoothly.

Roofing commenced on **September 20th, 2024**, and was completed, with the final inspection report received on **November 26th, 2024**. The new roof comes with a **15-year warranty** from **Duro Last Company**. The contractor, **Zion Church Builders**, carried out the work with professionalism and within the agreed timeline. Special appreciation is extended to Convener **Mr. Anaj Mathew** and **Zion Church Builders** for their dedicated efforts.

To fund this project, the church utilized an earmarked balance of **\$197,158.38** from previous years and secured a loan of **\$504,930** from **ESSA Bank**. This endeavor would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our congregation, who stepped up during times of financial challenge. We are especially grateful to those who provided **interest-free loans, personal donations**, and the **many organizations** whose generous contributions made this project a success.

Donations from Church Organizations

- Bethlehem Prayer Group: \$500
- Choir: \$500
- Edavaka Mission: \$4000
- Nazareth Prayer Group: \$1000
- Senior Fellowship: \$1000
- Sevika Sangham: \$4000
- Youth Fellowship: \$1000
- Young Families Fellowship: \$1000
- Yuvajana Sakhyam: \$13000
- Zion Prayer Group: \$500

Individual donated for roofing project.

Mr. Baby Thomas

Dr. Pradeep Cherian

Mr. Georgekutty Varghese

Mr. Jimmy Jacob

Mr. Jobbin K Varughese

Mr. Oommen Thomas

Mr. Sam Kurian

Mr. Sunny Cherian

Mrs. Sosamma Varughese

III. Parking Lot Case Settlement

Former trustee **Mr. Subin Abraham** worked with our legal team at Kaminsky Law on the parking lot court case. A settlement conference took place on May 28th, 2024, in accordance with the committee's approval. Office bearers participated in final negotiations with JF Huebner & Son Company, the contractor responsible for the parking lot, before the case proceeded to trial. A settlement agreement was reached, with a final amount of \$20,000. As per the settlement, the case and all related proceedings were completed.

IV. Indoor game room

We have created a vibrant and welcoming indoor game room at our church, designed to provide a fun and engaging space for our youth, adults, and seniors. Equipped with a pool table, ping pong table, carrom board, chess, and a variety of other board games, the room serves as a hub for fellowship, friendly competition, and relaxation. Whether it's a casual game of chess to challenge the mind, an exciting round of ping pong for some energetic fun, or a carrom match bringing people together, this space encourages meaningful connections across generations. Our goal is to foster a sense of community, offering an environment where everyone can unwind, build friendships, and strengthen their bond with the church family.

A special word of appreciation goes to **Mr. Binu C. Thomas**, who took the initiative to voluntarily lead this project. His dedication and hard work have been invaluable in bringing this vision to life, and we are deeply grateful for his efforts.

Income: \$ 5,200.00

Expense: \$4,578.89

V. Achievements

This past year, we achieved several significant milestones:

1. Our projector system has been upgraded.
2. Completed the roofing project.
3. Upgraded all fire extinguishers.
4. Initiated the fire panel system upgrade.
5. Performed various maintenance tasks on church properties.
6. Indoor game room.
7. Parsonage maintenance.
8. Parish directory update.
9. Parking Lot Case Settlement

VI. Tenants

Superpack USA and **Laassya Dance Academy** continue to be valued tenants of our church, contributing significantly to the vitality of our community. The availability of our halls for event rentals has proven to be a substantial source of income, which greatly supports the ongoing work of our church.

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the trustees, **Mr. Philip Biju Daniel** and **Mr. Saju Kurien**, for their steadfast commitment and tireless efforts in maintaining and managing both our tenants and the entire church property. Their dedication plays a crucial role in the continued success and smooth operation of our facilities.

VI. FINANCE

Total Income: \$1,295,500.86

Total Expenditure: \$867,409.42

Income Over Expenditure: \$170,866.83

Acknowledgement:

ഇടവകയുടെ ചരിത്രത്തിൽ അനവധി ദൈവിക നന്മകളെ അനുഭവിക്കുവാൻ ദൈവം ഇടവരുത്തിയ വർഷം ആയിരുന്നു 2024 എന്നത് നന്ദിയോടെ ഓർക്കുന്നു. വേദനിപ്പിക്കുന്ന അനുഭവങ്ങൾക്ക് ഒപ്പം സന്തോഷത്തിന്റെ അനവധി മുഹൂർത്തങ്ങൾക്കും ഇടവകയായി നാം സാക്ഷ്യം വഹിച്ചു. ദൈവകൃപയുടെ പുതിയ വർഷത്തിലേക്ക് നമുക്കും വളരുന്ന ലോകത്തിൽ തെളിമയുള്ള മനസ്സുമായി ഒത്തൊരുമയോടെ നടക്കാൻ സ്വർഗത്തിലെ ദൈവം കരുണ കാട്ടട്ടെ.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere gratitude to our Diocesan Bishop, **Rt. Rev. Dr. Abraham Mar Paulose**, former **Vicar Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko**, our current **Vicar Rev. Joji M. George**, **Youth Chaplain Rev. Jeff Jack Philip**, **Teena Kochamma** and **Neena Kochamma** for their unwavering guidance and support.

I also wish to express my heartfelt appreciation to the trustees, **Mr. Philip Biju Daniel** and **Mr. Saju Kurien**, office bearers, the Executive Committee of 2024, various organizational committees, auditors, sound system and multimedia operators, and all the members of the church. Your love, dedication, and tireless efforts have been instrumental in the success and smooth execution of the numerous programs, events, and services organized by the parish.

As we step into a new year, may we continue to uphold the values of faith, love, and service, knowing that with God's grace, we can overcome any challenges and accomplish great things together.

May God continue to bless Ascension Mar Thoma Church and its members.

For and on behalf of the Executive Committee,

Jijomon Joseph

Secretary, **Ascension Mar Thoma Church**

Phone: 215-906-9181

February 16th, 2025

Annual Report Summary of Ascension MTC Organizations- 2024

I. Sunday School

The Sunday School 2024 report year was from January 1st, 2024 – December 31st, 2024. Sunday school was held in person after church service from the time frame of 11:45AM to 1:15PM. After attending the Sunday worship service, students and teachers joined the first 15 minutes of Sunday School for singing sessions led by Simi Thomas (Main Parish Hall), and Ansa George (Annex Hall). The students then proceeded to their classes. Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil our Youth Chaplain joined us on the 2nd Sunday of each month often lead singing sessions during combined singing sessions and by visiting with each of classes. The 2024 Ascension Mar Thoma Church Sunday School executive committee consisted of President: Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko from January to April, Rev. Joji M. George from May to December, Superintendent: Shinzy Mathew, Secretary: Susan George, Treasurer: Soja George, Regional Rep: Prince Jacob, Singing Coordinators: Simi Thomas and Ansa George, Stand by Me Representative: Asha Philip (joined in May), and Committee members: Leah Mathew, Siji Skariah, Noah John. The auditors were Bessie Mathews and Lenu Mathew. Our Sunday school consists of about 180 students and close to 60 teachers including the substitute teachers and 20 classes serving students from grades PreK3 to 12th grade.

Book Distribution: Books and curriculum were given to all Sunday School students and teachers for the 2024-2025 school year. Students were charged a fee of \$15.00 which was paid either through Venmo (AMTC Sunday School) the Sunday School account, cash or check.

Committee & General Body Meetings: During the report year, we held 8 committee meetings & 2 General Body Meetings.

Lesson Readings & Prayers: Sunday School provided volunteers each 4th Sunday of the month for the 1st and 2nd lessons readings and for the prayer after the sermon.

Lenten Devotionals Booklets: Sunday School released a Lenten Devotional booklet and videos on March 3rd, 2024, for the 25 days of Lent. We were blessed to receive devotions from Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko , Teena Kochamma, Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil, our Sunday school teachers and students, including several first communicants. All wrote various devotions and created videos that were sent virtually to church members. This year's theme was "Trust the Process: Surrender and Glorify". In February we conducted a Lenten Cover page design contest for two aged groups 3rd through 5th grades and 5th through 6th grades, as there were no participants from the higher grades. The winners were Evelyn Varghese and Diya John. Leah Mathew was the coordinator. Bessie Matthews coordinated and compiled the devotions for booklet and for the video devotions which were posted in our church's Facebook page and WhatsApp groups of various organizations.

Special Needs Ministry: Stand by Me Project/Ministry was initiated as a Sunday School project to provide a platform for families with children that are differently abled. April 14th, 2024, we held our very first Holy Communion service for our differently abled children and their families. The chief celebrant was Bibi Achen. He was joined by Rev Biju. P. Simon, Rev. Jeff Jack Phillips Cheravallil, and Rev. Dr. Jameson K. We had over 60 members attend the service, including 7 families with differently-abled kids. We also had the opportunity to celebrate Shane Shaji with his family as he received his first communion. Additional Holy Communion services were held on Saturday, July 6th at 10AM and Saturday, September 28th at 10AM officiated by Rev. Joji M. George. Asha Philip & Cinu Philip, founder and trustee of Autism Residential community in Vellore – helped us start this initiative and worked with our Senior students to help start and plan Sunday School classes for our differently abled students. VBS classes were conducted for the Stand By Me students on July 11th and 12th. Students were also able to participate in last day celebrations for VBS on July 13th. In September, weekly classes were initiated for 4 students and taught by Asha Philip with the help of several volunteers.

First Communicants: April 7th, we had a total of 34 children participate in their first Holy Communion officiated by Rt. Rev. Dr. Abraham Mar Paulose Episcopa. Students participated in 4 class sessions provided by Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravillil. Classes were held in person at Church. Students that were unable to participate in person, were able to participate by Zoom. Final rehearsal session was conducted on Friday, April 5th with Bibi Achen.

Mission Sunday: In March, Soja George and Dhanya Kurien organized our March Mission month collections, including the *Everywhere Project* initiative. On Saturday, March 30th, students and volunteers were able to make 1500 peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, 580 hardboiled eggs, decorate 100 bookmarks, create 58 blessings bags, collect lots of clothing, and other food items along with 21 cases of water to distribute within our local community for those in need through the *Everywhere Project* organization located in Philadelphia. We had 100 volunteers at this event. Also, during March mission month, we were also able to donate \$1000 to Snehatheeram an HIV/AIDS mission in Thiruvananthapuram, India from the Lenten Devotional donations and Sunday School offertory collections throughout the month. Thank you to all on behalf of the Sunday School committee.

Bibi Achen & family sendoff: A sendoff program was held during a combined Sunday School singing session on April 14th, 2024 for Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko, Teena Kochamma, Nivedh and Nevin for their dedication to our Sunday School over the last three years. As a token of appreciation Soja George presented Achen with \$500 from Sunday School.

Mother's Day Program - Thank you to the woman who ran, so I could walk: Mother's Day was celebrated on Sunday, May 12th after worship service. Roshni Samuel, Reena Jaison and Abheena Jacob coordinated the Mother's Day program along with the slide show.

Diocesan Exam: 30 students from 5th – 10th grades registered and participated in the Diocesan exam on May 12th. Teachers prepped the students with questions based on the curriculum and parents were provided guidelines on exam requirements. Out of 30 students, 6 of those students received an A Grade, 8 students received B Grade and 5 students received C Grade. The students were presented with certificates for their achievement on World Sunday School Day, November 10th.

Bake Sale: The Bake sale (Pothichor sale) was held on Sunday, May 19th and was coordinated by Soja George and Nadia Madackel. With the assistance from the Sunday School Committee and the participation of students and teachers/parents, we were able to make our one and only Bake sale a complete success. We raised \$7985.38. \$700 of the proceeds was donated support a VBS project that is part of a children's ministry of Mar Thoma Missions in Andhra Pradesh.

Sunday School Exams: Sunday school class tests were conducted during the academic year. Midterm exams (13 chapters and 2 lessons from Church history) were held on January 14th and final exams (12 chapters and 3 lessons from Church history) were held on April 28th for grades 5-10 and May 5th for Nursery to 4th grades.

Sunday Day School Competitions: *Sunday School internal competitions* were held on June 2nd for singing (English solo, Malayalam solo, Group choir), Bible reading, storytelling and elocution. Sumesh John and Jimmy Jacob coordinated the internal competitions. Judges were all from other local churches. *Drawing/Coloring competition* was held on Sunday, May 19th, after service, internal judges were used. Close to 75 students participated in the event from PreK to 12th grade. Ansa George coordinated the competition. *Memory Verse competitions* were held on May 28th for Nursery through 4th grade and on May 5th for grades 5-12. Betty Mathew and Josely John coordinated the competitions. Memory verse competitions for Nursery through 4th grade took place within each class and the respective teachers graded and submitting scores. For grades 5-12, the memory verse competition took place in the Annex Hall and completed submissions were given to respective teachers for grading. *Bible Quiz* competition was held on September 7th in the morning in the Parish Hall. Susan George administered the Bible Quiz. Aji Thomas coordinated the Bible Quiz preparations and also worked with the top 5 students in preparation for the Regional Talent Fest Bible quiz in November. Several people assisted in creating questions from the Gospel of John including Simi Thomas, Neena Kochamma, Shinzy Mathew, Susan George and Prince Jacob.

Church Picnic: Sunday School coordinated the games and prize distribution sessions under the guidance of Mr. Prince Jacob.

Junior/Senior Conference: The 2024 Junior Senior Conference was held from July 4th-7th at Bryn Athyn College. The theme was "Chosen for..." from 1 Peter 2:9. Nine of our Sunday school students were able to participate. Manoj Mathew chaperoned the boys during the conference.

VBS 2024: The annual VBS session was from July 10th -13th. Sessions were held in the evenings on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and Saturday from 9AM-3PM. The theme was Camp Firelight (A summer camp adventure with God) – “Whenever I’m afraid, I put my trust in You.” Ps. 56:3. We had close to 80 volunteers and 160 students registered. We are grateful for our Achens we had in attendance, Joji Achen, Jeff Achen & Jameson Achen. Thank you Joji Achen & Neena Kochamma for your support and for being with us each day. And for our special mission project we were also able to donate 20 twin sheet sets and 20 pillows crafted during VBS to OHAAT (One House At A Time) a local organization that provides beds to families in need.

Sunday School Anniversary: Sunday School Anniversary was held on August 25th after worship service. Susan George gave a brief review of all Sunday School activities from throughout the 2023-2024 academic year. Trophies, medals, and certificates were distributed for class distinctions, June 2nd internal competitions, Memory Verse Competitions and the coloring and drawing competitions. Rev. Joji M. George and Rev. Dr. M. M Abraham presented the prizes to the students. Students that won 1st place in Singing, Storytelling, and Elocution represented our church for Southeast Regional Talent. The session concluded with a vote of thanks from Shinzy Mathew.

Student and Teacher Dedication: Prior to starting the new Sunday School year in the fall, we had our New School Year Student Dedication service on August 11th and August 25th. The Teachers’ Dedication for all teachers was held on August 25th. Special offertories were collected both Sundays.

Teachers’ Retreat/ Appreciation Day: Teachers’ Retreat and Appreciation Luncheon took place on August 31st from 9:00AM - 1:00PM. Rev. Christopher P. Daniel, Vicar of Jerusalem Mar Thoma Church Connecticut along with Neethi Kochamma were our presenters. Rev. Christopher P. Daniel and Neethi Kochamma did a wonderful job explaining and sharing the importance of “Staying the Course.” Session started with the Kauma, opening prayer and welcome. There were around 20 teachers that participated. As a token of appreciation all teachers were given signed copies of the 365 Day Devotional by Max Lucado God is With You Every Day.

Trunk of Promises: Sunday School conducted the 4th Annual Trunks of Promises event on Saturday, October 12th. This year we had 16 trunks that were decorated based on Biblical themes. This year all trunks also had games and activities to participate in while children visited each trunk. Children, teachers and families from pre-nursery to 12th grade participated. Prince Jacob and Nadia Madackel coordinated the event along with additional games for the younger and older kids. Dhanya Jacob and Siji Skariah organized a food sale fundraiser for the upcoming Sunday School programs.

Southeast Regional Talent Fest 2024: The Southeast Regional Talent Fest 2024 was hosted by the Ascension Mar Thoma Church Sunday School on November 9th. We had participants and

families from 12 of the Churches in our region. The registration fee was \$15.00 for all participants and families (except for AMTC Sunday School participants and volunteers). Breakfast and lunch were provided for all the participants and guests. We had 21 students participate in the regional talent fest in the various competitions including: Singing (Solo: English and Malayalam, Group: English and Malayalam); Storytelling for Grades 1 – 4, Elocution for grades 5-10, and Bible quiz. By God's grace we received 2nd Place in the Bible Quiz and for individual performances we received 11 gold medals, 15 silver medals and 3 bronze medals. Our group choir also sang beautifully. Viney Baby was the convenor and coordinator of the Regional Talent fest. She organized all aspects of the event wonderfully with the support of several volunteers.

World Sunday School Day: World Sunday School Day was celebrated on November 10th, 2024. Students and teachers assisted in the various parts of the service. Roshini Thomas (Teacher representative), Gianna Thomas, and Austin Mathew assisted with the special opening order of worship. First lesson was read by Adarsh John and the second lesson reading was by Annalena Mathew. The message was given by Angeline Varghese. And the prayer after the message was given by Angela Jenson. A procession was held for all teachers, students and included our Achens in front. Everyone was asked to wear white on this day and a special offertory was also collected. \$1553.00 was collected on this day and \$500 was sent to the Diocese. We thank all those who assisted us with the service.

Thanksgiving Basket Collection: Sunday School had a Thanksgiving Food Drive from October 29th through November 24th. Students and teachers from Pre-school to 12th grade were asked to bring in non-perishable items. Asha Philip coordinated this event and Susan George delivered the donations to the organization Caring for Friends.

Operation Christmas Child Drive: We had another successful year for Operation Christmas Child which was coordinated by Regina Thomas, Roby Sam and Nadia Madackel. With the help of students, teachers and parents we were able to pack 200 shoe boxes on November 17th. Families made contributions to the Drive through Venmo, personal purchases and through the Amazon Wish List. The boxes were delivered to the drop off center on November 18th by Benny Philip.

Ecumenical Christmas Program: The Ecumenical Christmas Program 2024 took place on December 7th. Students from Ascension Sunday School represented the Ascension Mar Thoma Church and performed a beautiful dance program coordinated by Abheena Jacob.

Christmas Carol Service: This year the Sunday School performed a Christmas play titled "King of Kings" on December 14th as part of the Carol Service. The play was executed exceptionally under the direction of Prince Jacob and Ansa George. Abheena Jacob and Hannah George coordinated the dances in the play. Our Sunday School Children's choir ages 5–12-year-olds performed during the Carol Service on December 14th under the supervision of Sumesh John.

Account Summary: During the report year, we had an income of \$ 38,160.76 and an expense of \$31,712.93. The total income over expenditure is \$6,447.83. We would like to thank our treasurer Soja George for all her hard work and dedication and auditors, Bessie Mathews and Roshini Samuel, for their support throughout the year.

In conclusion I would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment of all our Sunday School teachers that led and supported all Sunday School activities this past year. Thank you to our substitute teachers for covering the classes during the absence of the class teacher. Thank you also to the executive committee and other parish organizations for encouraging Sunday School activities and programs which allowed us to serve fervently and meaningfully, bringing glory to God. Special thanks to our Trustees Saju Kurian and Philip Daniel for their continued support. A special thanks to Shinzy Mathew, our Sunday School Superintendent, for the facilitation and smooth function of Sunday School this past year. On behalf of our Sunday School, I would also like to thank our vicar Rev. Joji M. George, Neena Kochamma and Youth Chaplain Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravalli and Ginu Kochamma for their prayers & guidance in all our endeavors. A big thank you to all the 2024 Sunday School committee members, Shinzy Mathew, Soja George, Simi Thomas, Siji Skariah, Ansa George, Noah John, Prince Jacob, Asha Philip and Leah Mathew for all their hard work and dedication.

Susan George
Sunday School Secretary

II. Youth Fellowship

The Youth Fellowship meets every other Friday as well as some other Fridays' from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. The meetings include prayer, singing, bible reading, discussion, message, and announcements. We had a total of 11 youth meetings , 6 executive committee meetings and 3 general body meetings. Our Youth Fellowship meetings were led by Rev. Joji M. George, Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil and various youth members.

During 2024, we observed Youth Fellowship day, Father's Day, helped the Sunday School with Vacation Bible School and Operation Christmas Child. We donated \$500 to an education fund in Kerala and \$750 to Eagles Autism Foundation. We also donated \$1000 towards the new projector system for our church sound room and \$1000 towards the roofing project. We hosted our 4th annual 3 on 3 basketball tournament where 60 of our members participated. 2 of our youths attended the Diocesan Leadership conference and 9 attended the Jr/Sr Conference in the Southeast region. 25 of our members went to the Spring Regional Youth Conference at PMTC and 23 went to the Fall Regional Youth Conference at Christos MTC. We hosted an Indian clothing drive and donated the collection to Helping Hands for Relief and Development in MD which was dispersed throughout Southeast Asia. We raised \$4,838 with our poster board raffle annual fundraiser. We volunteered at Cradles to Crayons in February and Whosoever Gospel Mission in March. We held a vicar

sendoff meeting for Bibi achen and family in April and a vicar welcome meeting for Joji achen and family in May. We hosted Social hour during the month of July and treated the church to donuts and a photo booth on one Sunday in July. We held a free Ice Cream stand in August with donations accepted. We jointly hosted the annual thanksgiving dinner with Young Family Fellowship and Yuvajana Sakhyam. On Youth Sunday, our members took the lead in various parts of service and Ms. Jenna Samuel gave the sermon. We hosted the Center B Youth Fellowship meeting on 11/1/24.

We thank God for the ministry of Rev. Joji M. George , Neena kochamma , Jonah and Joash. We are very excited about the work we can do through Youth Fellowship in 2025. We thank God for the ministry of Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko, Teena kochamma, Nivedh and Nevin. We also thank God for the ministry of Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil, Ginu Kochamma, Jayden and Jewel. We uphold all 3 achens and families in our prayers.

This year, Mr. Noah John served as secretary and Ms. Siyona Abraham was treasurer. We would like to thank all youth committee members and especially our auditors, Ms. Hannah Wilson and Ms. Elisa Mathew for helping us this year. We also thank Joji achen, Bibi achen and Jeff achen and their respective families for their dedicated leadership.

Income: \$17,602.03

Expense: \$13,727.72

Income over Expense : \$3,874.31

Thank you,
Noah John
Youth Fellowship Secretary

III. Yuvajana Sakhyam

1 Timothy 4:12 “Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.”

Ascension Mar Thoma Yuvajana sakhyam is the youth wing of the Ascension Marthoma Church. The mission of Yuvajana Sakhyam is to worship, study, witness and serve. The aim is to equip the youth to accept Jesus Christ as Lord, God and Savior. The Yuvajana Sakhyam of Ascension Mar Thoma Church is an active organization with members in the age group of 13 to 45, with a current member of 191. And so, let us praise the Lord Almighty for his grace and love as I present the 2024 annual report with gratitude. This is not just a record of our achievement but a narrative of our journey through adversity, guided by the unwavering light of our faith. As we turn the pages of this report, let us remember that all things are possible with God. Our journey

through 2024 has been a testament to this truth. Our unity, faith, and relentless spirit of compassion have sustained us and propelled us to new heights of service and love.

We had total of 5 committee meetings and two General body meetings to discuss and plan YS events under the leadership and guidance of our President Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and Rev. Joji M George. Around 6 prayer meetings were arranged in 2024 under the spiritual leadership of Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and Rev. Joji M George. We were also blessed to have Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil, Rev. Dr. K. Jameson, and Rev. Niju Thomas and they lead some meetings. These gatherings strengthen our bond with God and each other.

A vibrant Easter egg hunt was organized by Moby Abraham and Siji Shanto on March 31st for the kids. It brought immense joy. Special thanks to Joah Mathew (our easter bunny), Jitin Varghese for Photography, Shanto Mathew, Siby George, Remy Siby, Joby Samuel and Anish for their selfless support.

A special farewell was arranged in April for our dear Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko Achen and family. Several members shared fond memories, and YS gifted them with a token of appreciation for Achens service and support over the years.

One day conference was conducted on June 8th at the parish hall. The topic was Mold - Fashioning Faithful Future. The sessions were held by Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil and Rev. Joji M George. It included praise-worship, group activities, discussion and spiritual games.

The YS bake sale was conducted on April 14th and September 1st, coordinated by Sam Abraham and Biji Sabin. It was a grand success with participation from many members.

On June 23rd blood drive was conducted and 38 members registered and 30 donors successfully donated out of which 17 were first time donors.

Siby George brought Kerala culture alive by planning vibrant programs for our Kerala fest held on September 15th. Totals of 250 members joined the Onam Sadhya. Biji Sabin did a great job to bring the Kerala culture alive by planning activities after the Onam Sadhya.

Yuvajana Sakhyam celebrated senior citizen day on September 29th and honored all the members over the age of 60 with a token of appreciation. There were 13 senior citizens who were honored by Ponnada. Special recognition was provided to all the members over 85 ages as well.

Sam Abraham meticulously planned and designed T shirt to raise fund for the roofing project for our church. We were able to sell 253 T shirts with the support of entire church members.

We celebrated our Yuvajana Sakhyam, Sunday service in October where Siby George, Jincy Jijo, Sam Abraham assisted Achen in Worship. Anju Joy assisted with sermon and choir played active roles demonstrating our Yuvajana Sakhyam's dedication in glorifying God.

We won the overall 2nd place at the Southeast Regional Kalamela hosted at Philadelphia Mar Thoma church on September 7th. Anju Joy, Lenu sam were the coordinators; and thankful to Viney Jobin and Eype John for their leadership for Bible quiz and Group song.

With the grace of God Almighty Ascension YS members were able to give the church 13,000 dollars out of which 3000 dollars were the profit from T shirt sale.

The total income for 2024 was \$ 27,213.61 with a total expense of \$23,283.04 and the total left-over balance is \$3,926.57.

During the report year Mrs. Shilpa Jerry served as Vice President, Mrs. Lenu Sam served as Secretary, and Mr. Tejas Kishor served as Treasurer. We would like to thank all Yuvajana Sakhyam committee members and our auditors for helping us this year. Special thanks to Rev. Joji M George, Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil and their respective families for their dedicated leadership.

Thank you,
Lenu Mathew
Yuvajana Sakhyam Secretary.

IV. Young Family Fellowship

"As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord." **Joshua 24:15**

By God's grace, the past year has been fruitful and blessed for our Young Family Fellowship, which comprises 38 registered families. We were guided and led by vicars Rev Joji M. George, Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko, and youth chaplain Rev Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil. We would also like to thank God for blessing us with a memorable year and pray for many more to come. The following were the office bearers for the year 2024.

2024 YFF Office Holders:

President — Rev Joji M. George, Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko

Vice-President — Mr. Jimmy Jacob

Secretary —Mr. Reji Thomas

Treasurer —Mrs. Betty Mathew

Committee members:

1. Mrs. Simi Thomas

2. Mr. Jenson Baby

3. Mr. Joji George

Auditor – Mr. Mathew Thomas

Regional Representative- Mr. Binu Thomas

Account Summary:

During the year, the Young Family Fellowship had a starting income of \$2,465.92 and an ending balance of \$1,638.73.

Committee Meetings:

The Young Family Fellowship committee met together six times via online group chat to discuss various agendas and topics.

Monthly Meetings:

Meetings are generally conducted on the second Sunday of every month. We had eight monthly meetings, which consisted of gatherings in church and at YFF member homes. We wanted to thank Jeff Achen, Bibi Achen, and Joji Achen for their leadership and members for their hospitality in opening their homes for these meetings. We hope for YFF to continue this momentum and greater in 2025.

Activities:

Send Off:

Bibi Achen's send-off was held on Sunday, April 14th during our monthly prayer meeting. Multiple YFF members felicitated Bibi Achen, and a token of appreciation was presented to him for his years of service to YFF.

Bake Sale:

Our bake sale was held on May 5th. I am very thankful for all those who led, packed, donated, purchased, and prayerfully participated in the bake sale. I wanted to spotlight the coordinators: Ciby Varughese, Simi Thomas, and Nina Jacob. This fundraising event was a huge success.

Mother's Day:

This meeting theme was to elevate YFF moms who contribute significantly to the family unit, hosted at church on May 12th. After the meeting and cake-cutting session, a Mother's Day gift was distributed to all mothers.

Feed My Starving Children:

This is a Christian non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food to people in developing nations. Thirty-seven YFF members signed up to volunteer on May 18th, 8:30 a.m.- 10:30 a.m., at Delaware Valley University, 700 Butler Ave, Doylestown, PA 18901. Donuts and coffee were purchased and distributed to all those who volunteered their time.

One Day Retreat:

On October 26th, YFF hosted 113 attendees to a serious discussion about social media led by Dr. Anil Chacko, an Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Applied Psychology at New York University & Dr. Gabriella John, a Pediatric Psychology Fellow at Montefiore Medical Center's Pediatric Behavioral Health Integration Program. Separate sessions were created for young adults and adults to explore whether social media is hurting or helping us and, more importantly, our kids. Kids under 12 who were too young to engage in the retreat discussions participated in handicraft activities. For this event, \$1,450 was received as endorsements from Keystone Volvo Doylestown, Boro Insurance Shoppe Inc., and Faulkner Toyota.

YFF Sunday:

YFF Sunday was held on October 27th. The following folks participated in the worship service:

- Bobby Cherian and Praisie Varghese read the lessons.
- Prince Jacob and Joji George assisted Achen with the service.
- Reji Thomas delivered the sermon.
- Regina Thomas provided the closing prayer.
- Simi Thomas, Mathew Thomas, & family read the special liturgy

Scholarship:

Young Family Fellowship was again able to sponsor a \$300 scholarship award. This was our third year, and this year's recipient was Isabella Thomas, who displayed academic excellence and active membership at Ascension.

Thanksgiving Dinner:

This collaborative effort, made on Wednesday, November 27th, with Yuvajana Sakhyam & Youth Fellowship, resulted in another blissful get-together that was open to the entire church. We were blessed to host 219 attendees, consisting of 146 adults (16 years and older) and 76 children. By God's grace, we had a fantastic Thanksgiving get-together. We can proudly say that everyone, from our distinguished seniors to our youngest Sunday School students, participated. We want to thank everyone who came out and trusted us to execute this event. We had a fantastic turnout, and we hope the momentum continues to grow with each passing year.

Social Hour:

The Young Family Fellowship was in charge of Social Hour during the month of November. We would like to thank each and every member who took the time to prepare coffee for the month of November.

Family Night:

YFF contributed a raffle basket as an event fundraiser.

Charity:

YFF gifted Ascension a \$1000 check in June 2024 for new projectors for the sanctuary and an additional \$1000 check in November 2024 for a roofing project.

Conclusion :

The Young Family Fellowship Executive Committee would like to thank Rev. Joji M. George, Rev Bibi Mathew Chacko, Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil, the Parish, and the Young Family Fellowship for all their support and prayers throughout the year. Most of all, we would like to thank God for His love and the grace that He blesses us with year after year. I would also like to thank all the committee members for their hard work and dedication throughout the past year.

Although our work in 2024 has ended, we look forward to planning and executing plans for 2025 with the following representatives and God at the helm.

2025 YFF Office Holders:

President- Rev. Joji M.George

Vice President- Joji M. George

Secretary- Mr. Bobby Cherian

Treasurer- Mrs. Betty Mathew

Auditor- Mr. Mathew Thomas

Committee Members :

1-Mrs. Annie Cherian

2- Mrs. Ciby Varughese

3- Mr. Prince Jacob

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

V. Sevika Sangham

“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Colossians 3:17)

We, the members of AMTC Sevika Sangham, take this opportunity to thank our Lord Jesus Christ for guiding us steadily during the year 2024. With utmost gratitude I am pleased to submit the Annual Report for the year 2024. During this year, we were able to hold 41 prayer meetings/ Bible studies, almost every Wednesday at our Parish Hall as well as a few times at the residences of members upon their request.

Until the month of April, we were led by Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko, and from May onwards, Rev. Joji M. George, the new Vicar of AMTC, took charge of Sevika Sangham. On behalf of Sevika

Sangham members, I extend my sincere thanks to Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and Dr. Teena Elizabeth Bibi, Rev. Joji M. George and Dr. Neena Anna Kurien for all their valuable guidance and leadership.

The young women's fellowship meets once per month on Sundays under the leadership of Teena Kochamma and Neena Kochamma, respectively. We observed Sevika Sangham weekly as per the Sabha Calendar and celebrated Sunday, September 1st, as Sevika Sangham Day. Sevika Sangham members took part in various worship services on this special day. Mrs. Sally Mathew, Sevika Sangham Secretary, delivered the word of God.

Our members participated in all the Center and Regional meetings and took part in the Talent Fest held on 10/19/24 at St. Peter's Mar Thoma Church, New Jersey. Our Sevika Sangham won First place in the Bible Quiz and second place in Malayalam Bible Reading. The Center B Bible Quiz competition was held on 11/2/24 at Bethel Church, and our Sevika Sangham received second place. On behalf of Sevika Sangham, I extend special thanks and congratulations to all participants.

World Day of Prayer was observed on 03/02/24 at St. Jude Syro Malankara Catholic Church. Teena Kochamma spoke from the word of God, and Sevika Sangham members actively participated in this meeting. During the year, the 21st Diocesan Suvisesha Sevika Sangham conference was held from October 3rd to 6th in Atlanta Carmel Mar Thoma Center. A few Sevika Sangham members participated in this meeting.

Our main source of income is from "Bake sale". During the report year, we conducted a bake sale on July 14th after the service. Sevika Sangham members and their families wholeheartedly participated in this event, and it was a great success. We thank all who worked hard to prepare food and those who ordered. We are supporting a nursing student, whose 2nd year fees of \$1,655 (₹140,000) were given in the report year. We helped a liver transplant patient with \$1,204 (₹100,000). We helped Manipur students in Tiruvalla Nicholson School with \$300. We contributed \$4,000 towards our Church roofing project.

Total Income : \$14,683.51

Total Expense : \$10,628.00

Balance : \$4,055.51

During the report year, Mrs. Sosamma Philip served as the Vice President, Mrs. Sally Mathew as the Secretary, Mrs. Omana George as the Joint Secretary, and Mrs. Omana Varghese as the Treasurer. The committee members were Mrs. Ammini Abraham, Mrs. Beena Tibu, Mrs. Mariakutty Mathews, and Mrs. Marykutty Thomas. Mrs. Aleyamma Kurien and Mrs. Kunjamma Abraham served as regional representatives. I take this time to thank every Sevika Sangham member, committee member, auditor, as well as our church members for their ongoing support and heartfelt cooperation throughout the year. Special thanks to Bibi Achen and family, as well as Joji Achen and family, for their continued prayers.

May God bless us all.

In Christ's service,
Sally Mathew
Secretary

VI. Choir

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!" – Psalm 150:6

Music is an essential part of worship, serving as a powerful voice to connect with God and express our adoration, gratitude, and faith. Our Church Choir consists of 72 registered members. We serve in both Malayalam and English worship services and any other events under the guidance of Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and Rev. Joji M. George, and the leadership of Mr. Eype John. Practices were held before the worship service and as needed for other events.

During 2024, the choir actively participated in all Sunday worship services, parish conventions, passion week services, parish day, watch night service, and viewing/funeral services. Sunday, June 2nd, was celebrated as Choir Sunday this year, and many choir members were able to help with the service. A wonderful message was given by Mr. Eype John. On April 20th we held a small sendoff meeting after choir practice for Teena Kochamma and Nivedh, as they embark on a new chapter in their ministry. As per DSMC guidelines, a choir audition was conducted for any new members who wanted to join on September 1st. We were able to have 18 new members officially join the Ascension Mar Thoma Church Choir. Our Choir held an extremely successful bake sale on August 25th this year, raising \$3,204.40. We express our gratitude to all those who helped make this day a success and to all the parish members for their support. We were able to sell our English Songbooks this year on February 11th and received tremendous support from our members. This year our choir donated \$500.00 for the new projectors and \$500.00 for the roofing project to the church. The choir also gave a charity amount of \$500.00 to a BDS student in India. The 2024 Christmas Carol service, Sing and Rejoice, Gloria!, was a beautiful and spiritually uplifting service led by the choir, featuring a variety of carols and heartfelt scripture readings that celebrated the joy and wonder of Christ's birth.

As we conclude this year, we would like to express our gratitude to Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and Rev. Joji M. George for the support and guidance they have given our choir this year. Our hearts are full of joy and gratitude for the unwavering dedication, tireless effort, and exceptional leadership shown by Mr. Eype John. He has been a dedicated and inspiring guide, bringing out the best in each member through their musical expertise and passion for worship. We were blessed to have him as the choir leader for 2024. We also extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. Shinzy Mathew (Assistant Choir Leader Eng.), Mrs. Dhanya Kurien (Assistant Choir Leader Mal.), and Mr. Joji Samuel (Treasurer) for the year 2024. Special thanks to Mr. Joshua Joseph, Mr. Allan George, and Mr. Daniel Thomas who helped with the keyboard, guitar, and drums respectively. The choir extends its heartfelt gratitude to the auditor, Mr. George Jacob, and all the

committee members who provided invaluable support throughout the year in numerous ways, as well as to all those who generously assisted the choir on various occasions and events. We are also deeply grateful to every choir member for their hard work, dedication, and passion for serving in this ministry. As we reflect on the blessings and achievements of 2024, we are filled with gratitude for God's faithful guidance, the dedication of our choir members, and the support of our church community, and we look forward to continuing to glorify His name through music in the year ahead.

Choir Accounts for the Year 2024

Annual Income: \$10,497.59

Annual Expense: \$4,880.39

Balance: \$5,617.20

Ansa George
Choir Secretary

VII. Edavaka Mission

People across the world faced varied challenges such as climate disasters, pandemics especially in Kerala- Wayanadu Mundakkai and Chooralmala which lost many lives and everything they owned. We pray for the people who are still suffering from such big loss all around the world. We are thankful to God Almighty for his mercy that endures forever. Ascension Edavaka mission Members are truly thankful for His blessing during the report year.

Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko was the Vicar/ President during the first four months till April 2024. Rev. Joji M George took charge as the Vicar / President from May 2024. The Edavaka Mission Members arranged a Farewell meeting for Bibi Achen, Dr. Teena Kochamma, children Nived and Nevin at the residence of Mr. George P. Mathai. The Edavaka mission members rendered a warm welcome to Joji Achen, Dr. Neena Kochamma, Jonah and Joash. We extend our gratitude & appreciation and are thankful to Achens and family for their guidance, spiritual leadership and the ministry that we received.

This year we conducted eight prayer meetings at different houses and one in the church parish hall. Many of our members participated in singing songs, Bible reading, responsive Psalms reading and intercessory prayers. An average of thirty to forty members regularly attends the meeting. Rev. Reji Yohannan Vicar of Christos Marthoma Church and youth chaplain, Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil attended prayer meetings as guests and gave the messages. I take a moment to thank Mr. K. Varghese and family, Mr. George P. Mathai & family, Mr. P. A. Mathew & family, Mr. Thomas Abraham & Family, Mr. Sunny Cherian & Family, Mr. K Johnson & Family, Mr. Mathew Alex & Family, for hosting prayer meeting and Mr. Daniel Philipose, Mr. Kurian K

Thomas & Family for sponsoring refreshment in prayer meeting in parish hall. In the report year we had two General Body and four committee meetings to transact and make decisions.

During the report year Rev. Joji M George served as the President, Mr. Kurien K Philip as Vice president, Mr. George P. Mathai as Secretary and Mr. P.A Mathews as Treasurer. The committee members were Mrs. Sosamma Varghese (Bethlehem), Mrs. Rachel Mathew (Salem), Mrs. Omana George (Nazareth), Mr. N.L Varghese (Zion), Mr. Thomas Abraham (Sharon), Mr. K. Varghese & Mrs. Sally Mathew - Regional Representatives. Mrs. Susan Johnson and Mrs. Aleyamma Mathew served as the auditors. I thank each one for their valuable and prayerful Service.

In the report year southeast regional one day conferences were conducted twice, on 23rd March at Christos Mar Thoma Church and on 17th August at Greater Washington Marthoma Church. Our Achen, his family and approximately thirty members attended the meeting. Southeast center 'B' one day conferences were conducted twice on 24th February at St. Thomas Church Delaware and 16th November at Philadelphia Mar Thoma church. Our members participated in singing a special song connected with the centenary celebration of Marthoma voluntary evangelistic association, and a great number of members participated in both meetings. MTVEA Southeast Region online prayer meeting was held on every third Monday of the month. Bible study on liturgy and worship was conducted by southeast region center 'B' through Zoom on fourth Thursday of every month. The study was led by Rev. Dr. Jameson K. Our members actively participated in all the meetings.

October 6th Sunday was celebrated as mission Sunday. The Special worship order for Mission Sunday was used. Our parish mission members actively participated in various parts of worship service. Our member Mr. K. Varghese was deputed to Philadelphia MTC and Mr. Samuel Koshy from Christos MTC was deputed to our church and delivered the word of God. Special thanks to everyone who participated. Achen and office bearers visited many sick members in homes, nursing homes and hospitals during the mission week.

A Bake Sale was conducted on 2nd June 2024 after the Sunday Service. Our parish mission members worked very hard under the leadership of the office bearers to make the bake sale a grand success. Mr. P. A. Mathews, Treasurer, served as the convener. Few of our members donated money and things to meet the expenses. Special Thanks to Mr. Baby George and the entire team members who prepare the delicious food for the bake sale.

The Parish mission is supporting the Surandai mission field for 5 years period as humanitarian mission work under the guidance of Marthoma Voluntary Evangelistic Association located in Tirunelveli district, Tamil Nadu. The amount of Two lakh Rupees (\$ 2352) is given this year. We also gave financial support for the activities of MTVEA Thiruvalla, by contributing Rs. 42750 (\$500). Higher Education Assistance was given to a nursing student from Cheekanal, Pathanamthitta by giving Rs.125000 (\$ 1488). Edavaka Mission supported the Ascension church roofing project by contributing Four Thousand Dollars. We also gave financial support for the construction of a house for a family in Karakkal, Kerala by giving Rs. 100000 (\$ 1170). I take a

moment to thank everyone who generously contributed towards the above-mentioned charity project and donations.

Accounts:

Total Income :- \$14,280.89

Total Expense :- \$ 11912.03

Balance :- \$2368.86

We thank our Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr Abraham Mar Paulos Episcopa, Diocesan Secretary, Regional and Centre office bearers for their prayerful support and guidance during the report year. Let me take a moment to thank Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and family for their guidance and prayerful service. Special thanks to our vicar Rev. Joji M. George and family for the prayerful participation, advice, guidance and spiritual ministry. Also, we thank our youth chaplain Rev. Jeff Jack Philips Cheravallil and family for their support and spiritual guidance. I take this opportunity to extend my sincere gratitude and thanks to all parish mission office bearers committee members auditors and all parish members for their remarkable service and contributions.

May God Bless us all with his grace, faith, hope and Love.

Yours in Christ's Service,
George P. Mathai
Secretary

VIII. Senior Citizens Fellowship

“Gray hair is a crown of splendor; it is attained in the way of righteousness.”
Proverbs 16:31.

The Senior Citizens Fellowship is a vital part of our church, bringing together members aged 60 and above to meet regularly on the first Monday of every month for Bible reading, prayer, singing, and fellowship. Through these gatherings, we support and uplift one another in the Lord.

Highlights of 2024:

1. Prayer meetings: We held 11 prayer meetings throughout the year.
2. Special events: In April we hosted a farewell meeting for our vicar Rev. Bibi Mathew Chacko and family. We welcomed Rev. Joji M George and his family on May 6th.
3. Senior fellowship Day:
On Sept. 29th, 2024, members participated in various parts of the church service.
4. Donations:
 - a. We contributed \$10,000 towards the church roofing project.
 - b. \$250 for the Senior fellowship conference in New York where we sponsored a half-page Souvenir advertisement.
5. Onam celebration: We celebrated Onam and received \$176 in donations and offertory.

6. Outing: We visited the Sight and Sound Theater for an enriching spiritual experience.

7. Financial summary:

- a. Total income – \$19,036.81
- b. Total Expense - \$14 438.75
- c. Closing Balance - \$4598. 96.

8. Leadership Team for 2024:

- a. President - Rev. Joji. M. George
- b. Vice President - Mr. M.K. Philip.
- c. Secretary – Mrs. Marykutty Thomas
- d. Treasurer - Mr. George P. Mathai
- e. Auditors:
 - i. Mr. Kurien Thomas
 - ii. Mr. P. M. Ninan.
- f. Committee Members:
 - i. Mr. Sunny Cherian
 - ii. Mr. Thomas Mathai
 - iii. Mrs. Ammini Abraham

We express our sincere thanks to Rev. Joji. M. George for his leadership and to all members, office bearers, committee members and auditors for their support throughout the year. May the Lord continue to bless our fellowship as we grow in faith and service.

In Christ's service,
Marykutty Thomas,
Secretary

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Philadelphia, PA 19116

Re: 2024 Audit Report

We have audited the accounts provided by the trustees for the year 2024, which consist of the statements of income and expenses, earmarked accounts, and bank summary. We have completed our audit and confirm that the amounts have been accurately recorded.

As auditors, we are pleased to report that the church's financial records were exceptionally well kept throughout the year. Every transaction was documented with clarity, and the overall organization of the accounts reflects a high standard of financial management. The accounting team's diligent efforts in maintaining accurate and transparent accounts is commendable. Additionally, their proactive foresight in anticipating what was best for the church further showed their commitment to taking care of the church's money. We appreciate their forward thinking approach and attention to detail which have made our review both straight forward and positive.

Yours sincerely,

Lijo George



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Expense Over Budgeted Amounts for the Year 2024

Descriptions	Budget	Expense	Diff
Rental Insurance	\$4,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$ (26,000.00)
fellowship hall maintenance	\$10,000.00	\$30,790.70	\$ (20,790.70)
Rental Maintenance	\$6,000.00	\$24,063.41	\$ (18,063.41)
Church Insurance	\$8,000.00	\$25,770.73	\$ (17,770.73)
Fellowship Hall cleaning	\$5,000.00	\$18,385.98	\$ (13,385.98)
Light to Life - Endowment	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$ (10,000.00)
Rental Fire & Safety	\$1,500.00	\$10,468.47	\$ (8,968.47)
Church fire & safety	\$1,500.00	\$9,281.98	\$ (7,781.98)
Roofing Primary Interest	\$0.00	\$6,482.34	\$ (6,482.34)
Vicar Sendoff (Church fellowship meal)	\$0.00	\$4,250.00	\$ (4,250.00)
Parsonage Maintenance	\$12,000.00	\$15,936.43	\$ (3,936.43)
Church projector system	\$12,000.00	\$15,479.86	\$ (3,479.86)
Fellowship Hall Electrcitiy	\$4,000.00	\$6,441.78	\$ (2,441.78)
Fellowship Hall water	\$2,000.00	\$4,319.41	\$ (2,319.41)
Visa Processing Fee	\$1,200.00	\$3,121.53	\$ (1,921.53)
Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$2,313.26	\$ (1,813.26)
Printing Parish Directory	\$0.00	\$1,245.04	\$ (1,245.04)
Rental Mortgage tax	\$16,000.00	\$17,052.36	\$ (1,052.36)
Rental Trash Removal	\$1,000.00	\$1,900.00	\$ (900.00)
Salary share remittance to Diocese	\$22,764.00	\$23,600.00	\$ (836.00)
Vicar automobile insurance	\$2,000.00	\$2,590.65	\$ (590.65)
Family Sunday	\$3,500.00	\$4,081.51	\$ (581.51)
Parsonage Misc./supplies	\$1,000.00	\$1,579.92	\$ (579.92)
First Communicants gift (Bible)	\$500.00	\$874.56	\$ (374.56)
Communion elements & candles	\$700.00	\$1,065.59	\$ (365.59)
Parish Picnic	\$4,000.00	\$4,327.90	\$ (327.90)
Fellowship coffee for sundays	\$2,000.00	\$2,327.52	\$ (327.52)
Rental Electricity	\$12,000.00	\$12,324.87	\$ (324.87)
Ascension Family Night	\$1,500.00	\$1,781.61	\$ (281.61)
Church Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$2,166.20	\$ (166.20)
Total	\$136,664.00	\$294,023.61	\$ (157,359.61)



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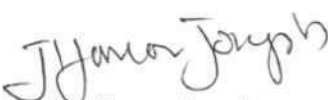
Balance Sheet for the Year 2024


ASSETS	Amount	Amount
Cash in Hand	\$200.00	\$200.00
Cash in Bank	\$375,810.80	\$375,810.80
Nissan Rogue AWD 2018	\$20,000.00	
- Less Depreciation	\$4,000.00	\$16,000.00
Church Land & Property	\$6,000,000.00	\$6,000,000.00
Parsonage Property	\$625,000.00	\$625,000.00
Sound System	\$47,300.00	
Furniture & Equipments (Church)	\$190,000.00	
Furniture & Equipments (Parsonage)	\$25,000.00	
Total	\$262,300.00	
Less Depreciation 50%		\$131,150.00
Total Assets		\$7,148,160.80
LIABILITIES		
Seciurty Deposit from Tenants	\$7,350.00	
Earmarked Amount	\$286,520.22	
ESSA Primary Loan	\$627,414.71	
Parking Lot Loan	\$95,602.22	
SBA loan	\$127,000.00	
Roofing Project - Loan	\$504,930.00	
Total Liabilities		\$1,648,817.15


Net Worth **\$5,499,343.65**


Grand Total **\$7,148,160.80**

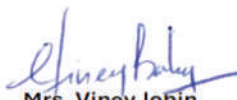

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Bank Summary - 2024


No.	Bank Name	Opening	In The Bank	Outstanding	Closing
1	Operating Account *****9582	\$31,393.28	\$43,219.40		
	Outstanding Receipt			\$25,952.29	
	Outstanding Payments			\$55,541.49	\$13,630.20
2	ESSA Savings- Mortgage *****5956 (Closed)	\$1,348.66			\$0.00
3	Parking Lot Account *****2632 (closed)	\$3,554.00			\$0.00
4	Chase Account ****0617	\$3,873.66	\$69,296.20		
	Outstanding Receipt			\$3,560.00	
	Outstanding Payments			-\$39,995.61	\$32,560.59
5	S.B.A. Business Checking Plus- *****9574	\$15,770.67	\$17,843.95		\$17,843.95
6	ESSA Bank & Trust MM *****2340	\$0.00	\$620,289.51		
	Outstanding Receipt			\$39,695.61	
	Outstanding Payments			-\$373,464.90	
					\$286,520.22
7	Earmarked Account *****4661	\$265,193.99	\$25,055.84		\$25,055.84
	Outstanding Receipt				
	Outstanding Payments				
8	Cash in hand	\$200.00			\$200.00
	Total (Closing Balance)	\$321,334.26	\$775,704.90		\$375,810.80

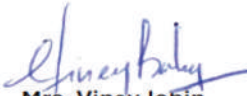

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HARVEST FESTIVAL ITEM DONORS - 2024

Thanks to our church members listed below for donating items for Harvest Festival 2024.
Your donations helped us to raise funds through Sale and Auction .
We thanks all the members who participated in our Sale and Auction 2024

Ac#	Member Name	Ac#	Member Name
7	Mrs. Lillykutty Mathew	127	Mr. Baby George
10	Mr. Thankachan M. Abraham	139	Mr. George Varghese
19	Mr. Sunny Cherian	142	Mr. K.V. Thomas
28	Mr. George Jacob	143	Mr. George Mathew
31	Mr. Kurian A. John	145	Mr. C.G. George
33	Mr. Mathew John	148	Mr. Samuel George
39	Mr. Varughese Joseph	152	Mr. George P. Mathai
42	Mr. Mammen Kappiuzhathil	160	Mr. Anaj Mathew V. George
44	Mr. Saju Kurien	165	Mr. Samuel Thankachan
46	Mr. John Mathew	174	Mr. Oommen V. Oommen
47	Mr. Varghese Mathai	177	Mr. Kurien George
48	Mr. C.S. Mathew	180	Mr. John Mathew
52	Mr. M.A. Mathew	189	Mr. Leo Daniel
56	Mr. Thomas Mathew	196	Mr. P.A. Mathews
59	Mr. P.M. Ninan	198	Mr. Rajeev George
63	Mrs. Mary Cherian	203	Mr. C.T. Thomas
65	Mr. Kurian Philip	204	Mrs. Marykutty John
67	Mr. Daniel Philipose	206	Mr. Thomas Abraham
69	Mr. Philipose Thomas	212	Mrs. Annamma Mathew
70	Mrs. Rachel Varghese	219	Mr. Varghese Varghese
72	Mr. Simon P. Abraham	226	Mr. Varghese T.A.
76	Mr. Baby Thomas	228	Mrs. Annamma Thomas
80	Mr. Sam Kurien	235	Mr. Abraham Mathai P.
81	Mr. Mathai Thomas	236	Mr. Boban Zachariah
87	Mr. Georgekutty Varghese	237	Mr. Cherian A. Kurian
90	Mr. Koruth Varghese	244	Mr. Sunil K. Zachariah
91	Mr. K. Varghese	250	Mr. Subin Varghese Abraham
93	Mrs. Sosamma C. Varghese	257	Mr. Jijomon Joseph
101	Mr. Samuel Mathai	262	Mr. Mathew Alex
102	Mr. Thomas P. Mathai	276	Mr. Mathew Parackel Thomas
103	Mr. George P Thomas	278	Mr. Jobbin K. Varughese
104	Mr. Sumodh T. Nellikala	284	Mr. Mathews V. Kuruvilla
108	Rev. Joji M George	290	Mr. P.K. Kurian
109	Mr. Johnson Simon	291	Mr. K.G. Mathai
110	Mr. K. Johnson	296	Mr. Sam K. Abraham
112	Mr. Sathesh Mathew	299	Mr. Biji Varghese P.J.
114	Mr. Abraham Thomas	317	Mr. Jerry Alex
115	Mr. Thomas Mathew	318	Mr. Yohannankutty Pappy
116	Mr. Johnson Varghese	319	Mr. Mathew Philip
326	Mr. Siby Sam George	320	Mr. Oommen Chacko

Arrear List as of December : 2024						
AC_No	Name	MS_Arrear_2024	150_Arrear_24	CBF_Arrear 2024	PL_Arrear_2024	Total
1	Vinil Abraham	\$1,200.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
5	Dr. Kurian Abraham	\$3,400.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,850.00	\$0.00	\$6,300.00
7	Lillykutty Mathew	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
10	Thankachan M. Abraham	\$900.00	\$890.00	\$1,700.00	\$0.00	\$3,490.00
24	Kurian George	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
26	Jonathan George	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
38	George Joseph	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$550.00
51	Mathew Kottapurathu Mathai	\$600.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
53	Aleyamma Mathew	\$700.00	\$650.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,850.00
58	Mrs. Rachelamma Mathews	\$2,150.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,450.00
63	Mary Cherian	\$1,250.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$1,650.00
75	K.G. Mathew Tharakan	\$650.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,056.00	\$250.00	\$3,006.00
80	Mr. Kurien K Thomas	\$900.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
86	Varghese George	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$550.00
104	Sumodh T. Nellikala	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
113	Saji Varghese	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
126	A.V. Thomas	\$0.00	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$240.00
130	Thomas Kovoov	\$50.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$850.00
131	Ammini Abraham	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$550.00
132	Shyam Thomas	\$900.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
133	Tibu Jose	\$900.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,650.00
139	George Varghese	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,650.00
141	Jimmy Jacob	\$265.00	\$600.00	\$2,395.00	\$0.00	\$3,260.00
142	K.V. Thomas	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
143	George Mathew	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
148	Samuel George	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
156	George Jacob	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
159	Mathew M. Peedikayil	\$750.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$1,450.00
161	Liju Abraham	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
162	Mathew K. Varghese	\$3,175.00	\$1,040.00	\$2,700.00	\$500.00	\$7,415.00

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167	Abey Cherian	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00
168	Jibby Varughese	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00
169	N.L. Varghese	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
173	Shaji Daniel	\$0.00	\$1,050.00	\$650.00	\$0.00	\$1,700.00
174	Oommen V. Oommen	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
176	Thomas Abraham	\$950.00	\$300.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$2,650.00
183	P.C. Mathew	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
185	Mr. Varughese Skariah	\$3,700.00	\$900.00	\$1,800.00	\$0.00	\$6,400.00
189	Leo Daniel	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
191	Mr. Georgekutty John	\$1,400.00	\$750.00	\$1,500.00	\$350.00	\$4,000.00
198	Rajeev George	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00
204	Marykutty John	\$2,650.00	\$650.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,300.00
205	A.S. Samuel	\$600.00	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
208	Samuel A. Kurian	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,050.00	\$0.00	\$2,050.00
209	Samuel T. Mathew	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
215	Yohannan Raju	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$550.00
216	K.M. Thomas	\$1,450.00	\$1,050.00	\$4,050.00	\$300.00	\$6,850.00
218	Thomas K. Chandy	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$668.00	\$0.00	\$868.00
220	Mr. Philip Chacko	\$2,200.00	\$1,050.00	\$2,500.00	\$500.00	\$6,250.00
222	Tomson Abraham	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
228	Annamma Thomas	\$3,100.00	\$650.00	\$3,000.00	\$200.00	\$6,950.00
229	Jose Baby	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$1,500.00
233	Mr. Kurian V. Eapen	\$4,325.00	\$1,050.00	\$2,700.00	\$500.00	\$8,575.00
234	Joseph T. Mathew	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,750.00
236	Boban Zachariah	\$900.00	\$850.00	\$2,900.00	\$300.00	\$4,950.00
237	Cherian A. Kurian	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,730.00	\$0.00	\$1,730.00
244	Sunil K. Zachariah	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$1,000.00	\$250.00	\$1,550.00
245	Mr. Johnson George	\$3,550.00	\$900.00	\$3,000.00	\$400.00	\$7,850.00
246	Mr. Kunjappan Joy	\$1,500.00	\$300.00	\$1,680.00	\$0.00	\$3,480.00
247	Mr. Abraham Johnson	\$900.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
253	Mr. John Jacob	\$1,500.00	\$880.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,380.00
254	Rosamma Mathew	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
256	Mr. Thomas M. Sankaramangalam	\$2,700.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,300.00
264	Mr. Scott Haylon	\$4,500.00	\$1,050.00	\$3,000.00	\$500.00	\$9,050.00

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266	Kurian Mathen Thommy	\$600.00	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
269	Wilson Skariah	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$3,000.00	\$100.00	\$3,550.00
273	Justin Thomas	\$2,650.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$3,900.00
280	Thomas Mathew	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
281	Mathew Cherian	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$3,000.00	\$500.00	\$4,400.00
283	Binson Varghese	\$900.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
284	Mathews V. Kuruvilla	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$2,550.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
285	Benson Thomas	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$550.00
286	Mr. Boban Thomas	\$900.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
287	Mr. G. Samuel	\$900.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
288	Mr. Simon George	\$1,500.00	\$1,050.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,550.00
291	K.G. Mathai	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$1,300.00
292	Bins Thomas	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$3,900.00
294	Jenson Baby	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00
297	Bijoy John	\$1,000.00	\$600.00	\$3,000.00	\$350.00	\$4,950.00
299	Biji Varghese P.J.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00
300	Mathew K lype	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,900.00
301	Justin Solomon Abraham	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
307	Joykutty Chacko	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
308	CR Nirmal Kishore	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
309	Ajoy Wilson	\$1,173.00	\$150.00	\$2,225.00	\$0.00	\$3,548.00
310	Varughese P.K.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
311	Mariamamma Abraham	\$1,530.00	\$230.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$4,260.00
316	Mathukutty A.K.	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,750.00
318	Yohannankutty Pappy	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,850.00	\$0.00	\$1,850.00
319	Mathew Philip	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,700.00	\$0.00	\$2,700.00
320	Oommen Chacko	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
321	John Mathew	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,900.00

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324	Prince Jacob	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
331	Santhosh John Pazhoor	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
332	Roy T.M.	\$600.00	\$150.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,750.00
333	Abraham Mankuthil Mathew	\$900.00	\$150.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,050.00
334	Mona Mohan George	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
335	K.V. George	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,175.00	\$0.00	\$2,175.00
336	Abey Alexander	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
337	Manu Skariah	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
338	Santhosh K. Philip	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
	Total	\$73,543.00	\$30,980.00	\$140,479.00	\$7,700.00	\$252,702.00



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Receipts and Payments for the Period 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024

Receipts				Payments			
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
Section 1 - Church Facility							
1	Church projector system		5,075.00	1	Church Water & Storm Water Charge	15,000.00	10,422.78
2	Church & Fellowship Hall Cleaning Service		3,250.00	2	Church Gas	8,000.00	6,547.64
3	Security System	25,000.00		3	Church Electricity	8,000.00	5,966.58
				4	Church Telephone/Tree/Internet	2,000.00	1,823.67
				5	Church fire & safety	1,500.00	9,281.98
				6	Church Maintenance	15,000.00	11,383.46
				7	church heating & AC maintenance	4,000.00	1,670.00
				8	church sound system	2,000.00	1,160.63
				9	Church projector system	12,000.00	15,479.86
				10	Church website/Mobile Application	500.00	
				11	Church software	3,500.00	3,249.18
				12	Church & Fellowship Hall Cleaning service	11,000.00	10,259.74
				13	Church Lawn & Snow Removal	7,000.00	
				14	Church Insurance	8,000.00	25,770.73
				15	Security System	25,000.00	
				16	Live Streaming	500.00	334.69
				17	Store Room	250.00	
	Sub-Total Section 1	25,000.00	8,325.00		Sub-Total Section 1	123,250.00	103,350.94
Section 2 - Church Equipment							
				1	Musical Instruments	1,000.00	
				2	Video/Audio	1,000.00	



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Receipts				Payments			
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
				3	Furniture	1,500.00	
				4	Church Office Equipment's	2,000.00	807.89
	Sub-Total Section 2	0.00	0.00		Sub-Total Section 2	5,500.00	807.89
Section 3 - Communion Elements							
				1	Communion elements & candles	700.00	1,065.59
	Sub-Total Section 3	0.00	0.00		Sub-Total Section 3	700.00	1,065.59
Section 4 - Fellowship Hall							
1	Fellowship Hall usage by members	3,000.00	8,900.00	1	Fellowship Hall cleaning	5,000.00	18,385.98
2	Fellowship Hall usage by non-members	35,000.00	55,792.00	2	Fellowship hall furniture	5,000.00	
3	Fellowship Hall cleaning@	5,000.00	13,600.00	3	fellowship hall maintenance	10,000.00	30,790.70
4	Fellowship hall sound system	2,000.00	50.00	4	fellowship hall heating and AC maintenance	4,000.00	3,950.00
				5	fellowship hall sound system	2,000.00	1,357.72
				6	Kitchen	3,000.00	
				7	restrooms	2,000.00	
				8	Fellowship Hall water	2,000.00	4,319.41
				9	Fellowship Hall Gas	2,500.00	1,569.82
				10	Fellowship Hall Trash Removal	3,600.00	3,175.00
				11	Fellowship Hall Electricity	4,000.00	6,441.78
	Sub-Total Section 4	45,000.00	78,342.00		Sub-Total Section 4	43,100.00	69,990.41
Section 5 - Rental Income Fees							
1	Rent	92,000.00	92,050.00	1	Rental Use & Occupancy Tax	10,000.00	
2	Rental Use & Occupancy Tax	10,000.00		2	Rental Water	600.00	



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Receipts				Payments			
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
3	Rental Water	600.00	600.00	3	Rental Electricity	12,000.00	12,324.87
				4	Rental Gas	7,000.00	3,503.93
				5	Rental Roof repair	3,000.00	490.00
				6	Rental Fire & Safety	1,500.00	10,468.47
				7	Rental Maintenance	6,000.00	24,063.41
				8	Rental Insurance	4,000.00	30,000.00
				9	Rental Mortgage interest	15,000.00	
				10	Rental Mortgage tax	16,000.00	17,052.36
				11	Rental Lawn & Snow Removal	2,500.00	
				12	Rental Professional Service Fee	1,000.00	
				13	Rental Trash Removal	1,000.00	1,900.00
Sub-Total Section 5		102,600.00	92,650.00	Sub-Total Section 5		79,600.00	99,803.04
Section 6 - Vicar's Expense							
				1	Vicar Salary remittance	34,506.00	34,506.00
				2	Vicar health insurance	16,000.00	13,298.14
				3	Vicar Medical	5,000.00	3,880.21
				4	Vicar Life Insurance	700.00	
				5	Vicar Guest Allowance	1,200.00	1,200.00
				6	Vicar Travel & Registration - Family conf & other	3,000.00	807.78
				7	Vicar Travel & Registration - Diocesan Assembly	1,000.00	704.00
				8	Vicar Cell Phone Service	2,000.00	1,841.48
Sub-Total Section 6		0.00	0.00	Sub-Total Section 6		63,406.00	56,237.61



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Receipts				Payments				
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	
Section 7 - Parsonage Expenses								
				1	Parsonage Electricity/Gas (Peco)	4,000.00	2,039.58	
				2	Parsonage Water	1,300.00	1,190.38	
				3	Parsonage Sewer	800.00	520.93	
				4	Parsonage Telephone/Internet/Cable	2,000.00	602.22	
				5	Parsonage Lawn & Landscape	2,000.00	580.32	
				6	Parsonage Snow Removal	1,000.00		
				7	Parsonage Heating & AC Maintenance	1,000.00		
				8	Parsonage Maintenance	12,000.00	15,936.43	
				9	Parsonage Insurance	2,500.00		
				10	Parsonage furniture	2,500.00		
				11	Parsonage Misc./supplies	1,000.00	1,579.92	
				12	Home Warranty	850.00		
	Sub-Total Section 7	0.00	0.00	Sub-Total Section 7				22,449.78
Section 8 - Automobile Vicar								
				1	Vicar Automobile Gas/Toll	4,500.00	2,606.77	
				2	Vicar automobile maintenance	2,500.00	2,279.29	
				3	Vicar automobile insurance	2,000.00	2,590.65	
	Sub-Total Section 8	0.00	0.00	Sub-Total Section 8				7,476.71
Section 9 - Youth Chaplain								
				1	Salary share remittance to Diocese	22,764.00	23,600.00	
	Sub-Total Section 9	0.00	0.00	Sub-Total Section 9				23,600.00



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SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
Section 10 - Remittance to Diocese							
1	Suvisesha Nidhi		60.00	1	Nithyachelavu	3,192.00	3,192.00
2	\$150 contribution	34,200.00	27,800.00	2	Diocesan Fund	6,840.00	6,840.00
				3	Episcopal Travel	1,368.00	1,368.00
				4	Salary Adjustment Fund	250.00	250.00
				5	Diocesan Sunday Collection & offertory	4,560.00	4,560.00
				6	Balawadi ©	1,000.00	1,000.00
				7	Suvisesha Nidhi	2,736.00	2,736.00
				8	Theological Students Practical Training	200.00	200.00
				9	Pension Fund	429.00	429.00
				10	Provident Fund	286.00	286.00
				11	Visa Processing Fee	1,200.00	3,121.53
				12	RAC (Regional Activity Center)	500.00	500.00
				13	Higher Education Scholarship Fund	2,280.00	2,280.00
				14	Premium Visa processing fee	1,500.00	1,500.00
	Sub-Total Section 10	34,200.00	27,860.00		Sub-Total Section 10	26,341.00	28,262.53
Section 11 - Remittance to Sabha office							
1	Recessa	1,200.00	1,914.00	1	Recessa ©	1,200.00	1,914.00
2	Maramon Convention offertory	500.00	25.00	2	Maramon Convention offertory ©	500.00	25.00
3	Self Denial - Suvisesha prasangha sanghom	5,000.00	6,489.50	3	Self Denial - Suvisesha prasangha sanghom	1,500.00	1,500.00
4	Good Friday - Destitute home	5,000.00	4,850.50	4	Good Friday - Destitute home	1,000.00	1,000.00
5	Palm Sunday - Seminary	4,500.00	4,415.50	5	Palm Sunday - Seminary	1,000.00	1,000.00



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Receipts				Payments			
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
	Sub-Total Section 11	16,200.00	17,694.50	6	Other 13 designated offertories	1,200.00	1,200.00
					Sub-Total Section 11	6,400.00	6,639.00
Section 12 - General Income							
1	Personal Loan		70,000.00	1	Special Donation		
2	Monthly Subscription	200,000.00	204,571.00	2	Refund		925.00
3	Sunday Offertory	30,000.00	34,458.45				
4	Birthday Thanksgiving	30,000.00	31,614.00				
5	Wedding Anniversary thanksgiving	12,000.00	11,522.00				
6	Maundy Thursday offertory	400.00	505.00				
7	40th Friday offertory	250.00					
8	Good Friday offertory	800.00	515.00				
9	Thanksgiving Day offertory	175.00	135.00				
10	Christmas Carol offertory	350.00	1,165.00				
11	Christmas day offertory	600.00	1,039.00				
12	Watchnight service offertory	350.00	905.00				
13	Baptismal Donation	2,000.00	2,325.00				
14	Baptismal Offertory	2,000.00	3,117.00				
15	Marriage offertory	1,000.00					
16	Marriage Donation	3,000.00					
17	Special Donation	4,000.00	10,618.00				
18	Bank Interest	50.00	4,744.52				
19	Arrears (MS)	5,000.00	6,608.00				



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Receipts				Payments			
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
20	Arrears (150c)	4,000.00	4,100.00				
21	Refund	100.00	12,707.79				
22	Sunday Special Offertory	250.00	95.00				
	Sub-Total Section 12	296,325.00	400,744.76		Sub-Total Section 12	0.00	925.00
Section 13 - Charitable donations							
1	Good Samaritan Fund	5,000.00	2,342.00	1	Good Samaritan Fund ©	5,000.00	2,191.00
2	Light to Life	5,000.00	4,455.00	2	Light to Life	5,000.00	4,455.00
3	Parish day charity	5,000.00	10,321.50	3	Parish Day Charity	2,000.00	1,000.00
4	Light to Life - Endowment		3,951.00	4	Light to Life - Endowment		10,000.00
5	Pass Through - mission & Evangelism	2,500.00		5	Pass through - Mission & Evangelism	2,500.00	
	Sub-Total Section 13	17,500.00	21,069.50		Sub-Total Section 13	14,500.00	17,646.00
Section 14 - Church Programs							
1	Parish Day		400.00	1	Parish Day	3,000.00	1,773.25
2	Good Friday	1,000.00		2	Good Friday	2,000.00	353.76
3	Easter	500.00		3	Easter	500.00	
4	Harvest Festival	40,000.00	37,645.00	4	Parish Picnic	4,000.00	4,327.90
5	Parish Convention	500.00		5	Harvest Festival	3,000.00	2,704.47
6	Family Sunday	26,000.00	24,565.00	6	Parish Convention	1,200.00	1,080.85
7	Christmas door to door carol	15,000.00	13,926.00	7	Family Sunday	3,500.00	4,081.51
8	Christmas carol service	1,500.00		8	Christmas Door to Door Carol	1,500.00	18.92
9	Christmas day	400.00		9	Christmas Carol Service	1,500.00	1,112.15
10	Watchnight	400.00		10	Christmas day	400.00	
11	Fund Raiser		2,725.00	11	Watchnight	400.00	



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SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
12	Fall Festival	6,000.00		12	Fund Raiser	3,000.00	
13	Ascension Family Night	6,000.00	852.00	13	Fall festival	1,500.00	
14	Auction	5,000.00	365.00	14	Ascension Family Night	1,500.00	1,781.61
				15	Auction	2,000.00	8.64
	Sub-Total Section 14	102,300.00	80,478.00		Sub-Total Section 14	29,000.00	17,243.06
Section 15 - General Expenses							
1	Church Supplies		2,311.00	1	Episcopal Visit (Kaimuth)	3,000.00	1,000.00
2	Miscellaneous		.10	2	Guest Ministers	2,000.00	1,550.00
3	Bank Charges		15.00	3	First Communicants gift (Bible)	500.00	874.56
4	Personal Loan	50,000.00		4	Marriage gifts (Bible/study books)	250.00	
				5	Church Supplies	2,000.00	2,166.20
				6	Printing & Postage	3,000.00	2,542.02
				7	Printing newsletter	500.00	
				8	Printing Annual Report	1,600.00	1,463.56
				9	Fellowship coffee for Sundays	2,000.00	2,327.52
				10	Family conference souvenir & others souvenir	1,000.00	
				11	Grant Sunday school	4,000.00	1,000.00
				12	Clergy diocesan conferences	1,000.00	100.00
				13	Ecumenical fellowship meetings	500.00	360.00
				14	Contribution to Ecumenical Fellowship (EFICP)	450.00	450.00
				15	External Audit	500.00	



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Receipts				Payments			
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
				16	Felicitation/Condolence	2,000.00	1,085.00
				17	funeral service food and coffee	2,500.00	75.20
				18	Professional Service Fee	4,500.00	2,267.00
				19	Miscellaneous	500.00	2,313.26
				20	Travel & Registration - Diocese Assembly members	500.00	
				21	Bank Charges	200.00	624.12
				22	Church Office Supplies	2,000.00	1,287.85
				23	EFICP - Game Day	500.00	
				24	Printing Parish Directory		1,245.04
	Sub-Total Section 15		50,000.00		Sub-Total Section 15	35,000.00	22,731.33
Section 16 - Church Capital Projects							
1	Church Building Fund	30,000.00	17,207.00	1	Parking Lot Project	35,000.00	20,088.70
2	Parking Lot project	4,000.00	1,800.00	2	Recreation Center	100,000.00	4,578.89
3	Recreation Center	100,000.00	5,200.00	3	New roofing warehouse	450,000.00	150,665.18
4	New roofing warehouse	250,000.00	40,700.00	4	Fence	15,000.00	
5	Roofing Principal		504,930.00	5	Roofing Primary Interest		6,482.34
	Sub-Total Section 16	384,000.00	569,837.00		Sub-Total Section 16	600,000.00	181,815.11
Section 17 - Fixed Allocations/Earmarks							
1	Vicar salary for sendoff	2,875.00		1	vicar salary for sendoff	2,875.00	
2	Vicar sendoff fund	3,000.00		2	Vicar Sendoff Fund	3,000.00	
3	Youth chaplain sendoff fund	500.00		3	Youth Chaplain Sendoff fund	500.00	
4	Vicar Automobile fund	3,000.00		4	Vicar Automobile fund	3,000.00	



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Receipts				Payments			
SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual	SI #	Description	Budget 2024	Actual
5	HVAC	10,000.00		5	HVAC	10,000.00	
Sub-Total Section 17		19,375.00	0.00	Sub-Total Section 17		19,375.00	0.00
Section 18 - Vicar & Youth Chaplain sendoff/ New Vicar Welcome							
1	Vicar sendoff & travelling expense		50.00	1	Vicar Salary share for sendoff	7,290.50	7,290.50
2	New Vicar travelling expenses		75.00	2	Vicar sendoff and traveling expense	16,000.00	14,958.10
				3	Vicar Sendoff (Church fellowship meal)		4,250.00
				4	New vicar traveling expense	10,000.00	4,488.75
				5	Dinner on new vicars arrival day	500.00	170.00
Sub-Total Section 18		0.00	125.00	Sub-Total Section 18		33,790.50	31,157.35
Section 19 - Mortgage/Tax - Church & Parsonage							
				1	Church Mortgage Primary Principal	86,000.00	93,536.86
				2	Church Mortgage Primary Interest	30,000.00	33,907.24
				3	Parking Lot Loan Principal	26,000.00	25,100.08
				4	Parking Lot Loan Interest	8,000.00	7,873.41
				5	Parsonage Tax	9,500.00	7,948.48
				6	S.B.A - Principal & Interest	7,692.00	7,692.00
Sub-Total Section 19		0.00	0.00	Sub-Total Section 19		167,192.00	176,058.07
Total Receipt		1,092,500.00	1,295,500.86	Total Payment		1,309,868.50	867,409.42
Opening Balance			321,484.26	Closing Balance			749,575.70
Grand Total			1,616,985.12	Grand Total			1,616,985.12





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Cash/Bank Closing Balance as on 12/31/2024			
Bank A/c	Bank Name	Opening	Closing
13100200002	Operating Account *****9582	31,543.28	13,630.20
13100200003	ESSA Savings- Mortgage *****5956	1,348.66	0.00
13100200004	Parking Lot Account *****2632	3,554.00	0.00
13100200011	Chase Account *****0617	3,873.66	72,556.20
13100200012	S.B.A. Business Checking Plus- *****9574	15,770.67	17,843.95
13100200013	ESSA Bank & Trust MM *****2340	0.00	620,289.51
13100300001	Earmarked Account *****4661	265,193.99	25,055.84
13100400003	Cash in hand	200.00	200.00
Total		321,484.26	749,575.70


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AMTC Bank Accounts		
1	Operating Account *****9582	\$13,630.20
2	ESSA Savings- Mortgage *****5956 (Closed)	\$0.00
3	Parking Lot Account *****2632 (Closed)	\$0.00
4	Chase Account *****0617	\$32,560.59
5	S.B.A. Business Checking Plus- *****9574	\$17,843.95
6	ESSA Bank & Trust MM *****2340	\$286,520.22
7	Earmarked Account *****4661	\$25,055.84
8	Cash in hand	\$200.00
Total Opening Balance		\$375,810.80

Budgeted Income - 2025			Budgeted Expense-2025		
SI #	Description		SI #	Description	
Section 1 - Church Facility					
1	Church & Fellowship Hall Cleaning Service	\$3,000.00	1	Church Water & Storm Water Charge	\$15,000.00
2	Security System	\$25,000.00	2	Church Gas	\$8,000.00
			3	Church Electricity	\$8,000.00
			4	Church Telephone/Tree/Internet	\$2,000.00
			5	Church fire & safety	\$15,000.00
			6	Church Maintenance	\$10,000.00
			7	church heating & AC maintenance	\$4,000.00
			8	church sound system	\$2,000.00
			9	Church website/Mobile Application	\$500.00
			10	Church software	\$3,500.00
			11	Church & Fellowship Hall Cleaning service	\$11,000.00
			12	Church Lawn & Snow Removal	\$7,000.00
			13	Church Insurance	\$25,000.00
			14	Security System	\$25,000.00
			15	Live Streaming	\$500.00
			16	Store Room	\$250.00
		\$28,000.00			\$136,750.00
Section 2 - Church Equipment					
			1	Musical Instruments	\$1,000.00
			2	Video/Audio	\$1,000.00
			3	Furniture	\$1,500.00
			4	Church Office Equipment's	\$2,000.00
		\$0.00			\$5,500.00
Section 3 - Communion Elements					
			1	Communion elements & candles	\$1,000.00
		\$0.00			\$1,000.00

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Section 4 - Fellowship Hall					
1	Fellowship Hall usage by members	\$8,000.00	1	Fellowship Hall cleaning	\$18,000.00
2	Fellowship Hall usage by non-members	\$55,000.00	2	Fellowship hall furniture	\$5,000.00
3	Fellowship Hall cleaning©	\$10,000.00	3	fellowship hall maintenance	\$20,000.00
4	Fellowship hall sound system	\$2,000.00	4	fellowship hall heating and AC maintenance	\$5,000.00
			5	fellowship hall sound system	\$2,000.00
			6	Kitchen	\$3,000.00
			7	restrooms	\$2,000.00
			8	Fellowship Hall water	\$5,000.00
			9	Fellowship Hall Gas	\$2,000.00
			10	Fellowship Hall Trash Removal	\$3,600.00
			11	Fellowship Hall Electricity	\$6,500.00
		\$75,000.00			\$72,100.00
	Section 5 - Rental Income Fees				
1	Rent	\$120,000.00	1	Rental Use & Occupancy Tax	\$10,000.00
2	Rental Use & Occupancy Tax	\$10,000.00	2	Rental Water	\$600.00
3	Rental Water	\$600.00	3	Rental Electricity	\$12,500.00
			4	Rental Gas	\$5,000.00
			5	Rental Roof repair	\$3,000.00
			6	Rental Fire & Safety	\$15,000.00
			7	Rental Maintenance	\$10,000.00
			8	Rental Insurance	\$30,000.00
			9	Rental Mortgage interest	\$15,000.00
			10	Rental Mortgage tax	\$17,500.00
			11	Rental Lawn & Snow Removal	\$2,500.00
			12	Rental Professional Service Fee	\$1,000.00
			13	Rental Trash Removal	\$2,000.00
		\$130,600.00			\$124,100.00
	Section 6 - Vicar's Expense				
			1	Vicar Salary remittance	\$34,506.00
			2	Vicar health insurance	\$16,000.00
			3	Vicar Medical	\$5,000.00
			4	Vicar Life Insurance	\$700.00
			5	Vicar Guest Allowance	\$1,200.00
			6	Vicar Travel & Registration - Family conf & oth	\$3,000.00
			7	Vicar Travel & Registration - Diocesan Assembl	\$1,000.00
			8	Vicar Cell Phone Service	\$2,000.00
		\$0.00			\$63,406.00
	Section 7 - Parsonage Expenses				
			1	Parsonage Electricity/Gas (Peco)	\$3,000.00
			2	Parsonage Water	\$1,300.00

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			3	Parsonage Sewer	\$800.00
			4	Parsonage Telephone/Internet/Cable	\$2,000.00
			5	Parsonage Lawn &Landscape	\$2,000.00
			6	Parsonage Snow Removal	\$1,000.00
			7	Parsonage Heating & AC Maintenance	\$1,000.00
			8	Parsonage Maintenance	\$5,000.00
			9	Parsonage Insurance	\$2,500.00
			10	Parsonage furniture	\$2,500.00
			11	Parsonage Misc./supplies	\$1,500.00
			12	Home Warranty	\$850.00
			13	Parsonage Fencing	\$15,000.00
		\$0.00			\$38,450.00
Section 8 - Automobile Vicar					
			1	Vicar Automobile Gas/Toll	\$4,500.00
			2	Vicar automobile maintenance	\$2,500.00
			3	Vicar automobile insurance	\$4,000.00
		\$0.00			\$11,000.00
Section 9 - Youth Chaplain					
			1	Salary share remittance to Diocese	\$23,600.00
		\$0.00			\$23,600.00
Section 10 - Remittance to Diocese					
1	Suvisesha Nidhi		1	Nithyachelavu	\$3,234.00
2	\$150 contribution	\$34,200.00	2	Diocesan Fund	\$6,930.00
			3	Episcopal Travel	\$1,386.00
			4	Salary Adjustment Fund	\$250.00
			5	Diocesan Sunday Collection & offertory	\$4,620.00
			6	Balawadi ©	\$1,000.00
			7	Suvisesha Nidhi	\$2,772.00
			8	Theological Students Practical Training	\$200.00
			9	Pension Fund	\$429.00
			10	Provident Fund	\$286.00
			11	Visa Processing Fee	\$1,200.00
			12	RAC (Regional Activity Center)	\$500.00
			13	Higher Education Scholarship Fund	\$2,310.00
			14	Premium Visa processing fee	\$0.00
		\$34,200.00			\$25,117.00
Section 11 - Remittance to Sabha office					
1	Recessa	\$2,000.00	1	Recessa ©	\$2,000.00
2	Maramon Convention offertory	\$500.00	2	Maramon Convention offertory ©	\$100.00
3	Self Denial - Suvishesha prasangha sangho	\$7,000.00	3	Self Denial - Suvishesha prasangha sanghom	\$1,500.00
4	Good Friday - Destitute home	\$5,000.00	4	Good Friday - Destitute home	\$1,000.00
5	Palm Sunday - Seminary	\$4,500.00	5	Palm Sunday - Seminary	\$1,000.00

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			6	Other 13 designated offertories	\$1,200.00
		\$19,000.00			\$6,800.00
Section 12 - General Income					
1	Monthly Subscription	\$220,000.00	1	Special Donation	\$100.00
2	Sunday Offertory	\$35,000.00	2	Refund	\$100.00
3	Birthday Thanksgiving	\$32,000.00	3		
4	Wedding Anniversary thanksgiving	\$12,000.00	4		
5	Maundy Thursday offertory	\$500.00	5		
6	Good Friday offertory	\$800.00	6		
7	Thanksgiving day offertory	\$175.00	7		
8	Christmas Carol offertory	\$1,200.00	8		
9	Christmas day offertory	\$1,200.00	9		
10	watchnight service offertory	\$1,000.00	10		
11	Baptismal Donation	\$2,500.00	11		
12	Baptismal Offertory	\$3,500.00	12		
13	Marriage offertory	\$1,000.00	13		
14	Marriage Donation	\$3,000.00	14		
15	Special Donation	\$5,000.00	15		
16	Bank Interest	\$5,000.00	16		
17	Arrears (MS)	\$10,000.00	17		
18	Arrears (150c)	\$5,000.00	18		
19	Refund	\$500.00	19		
20	Sunday Special Offertory	\$250.00	20		
		\$339,625.00			\$200.00
Section 13 - Charitable donations					
1	Good Samaritan Fund	\$5,000.00	1	Good Samaritan Fund ©	\$5,000.00
2	Light to Life	\$5,000.00	2	Light to Life	\$5,000.00
3	Parish day charity	\$10,000.00	3	Parish Day Charity	\$2,000.00
4	Pass Through - mission & Evangelism	\$2,500.00	4	Pass through - Mission & Evangelism	\$2,500.00
		\$22,500.00			\$14,500.00
Section 14 - Church Programs					
1	Parish Day	\$100.00	1	Parish Day	\$4,000.00
2	Good Friday	\$1,000.00	2	Good Friday	\$2,000.00
3	Easter	\$500.00	3	Easter	\$500.00
4	Harvest Festival	\$40,000.00	4	Parish Picnic	\$5,000.00
5	Parish Convention	\$500.00	5	Harvest Festival	\$3,000.00
6	Family Sunday	\$26,000.00	6	Parish Convention	\$1,200.00
7	Christmas door to door carol	\$15,000.00	7	Family Sunday	\$4,000.00
8	Christmas carol service	\$1,500.00	8	Christmas Door to Door Carol	\$1,500.00
9	Christmas day	\$400.00	9	Christmas Carol Service	\$1,500.00
10	Watchnight	\$400.00	10	Christmas day	\$400.00
11	Fund Raiser	\$0.00	11	Watchnight	\$400.00

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12	Fall Festival	\$6,000.00	12	Fund Raiser	\$100.00
13	Ascension Family Night	\$6,000.00	13	Fall festival	\$1,500.00
14	Auction	\$5,000.00	14	Ascension Family Night	\$2,000.00
			15	Auction	\$2,000.00
		\$102,400.00			\$29,100.00
Section 15 - General Expenses					
1	Church Supplies	\$2,000.00	1	Episcopal Visit (Kaimuth)	\$3,000.00
2	Miscellaneous	\$100.00	2	Guest Ministers	\$2,500.00
3	Bank Charges	\$100.00	3	First Communicants gift (Bible)	\$500.00
4	Personal Loan	\$10,000.00	4	Marriage gifts (Bible/study books)	\$250.00
			5	Church Supplies	\$2,000.00
			6	Printing & Postage	\$3,000.00
			7	Printing newsletter	\$500.00
			8	Printing Annual Report	\$1,600.00
			9	Fellowship coffee for Sundays	\$2,500.00
			10	Family conference souvenir & others souvenir	\$1,000.00
			11	Grant Sunday school	\$4,000.00
			12	Clergy diocesan conferences	\$1,000.00
			13	Ecumenical fellowship meetings	\$500.00
			14	Contribution to Ecumenical Fellowship (EFICP)	\$450.00
			15	External Audit	\$500.00
			16	Felicitatation/Condolence	\$2,000.00
			17	funeral service food and coffee	\$2,500.00
			18	Professional Service Fee	\$1,000.00
			19	Miscellaneous	\$2,000.00
			20	Travel & Registration - Diocese Assembly mer	\$500.00
			21	Bank Charges	\$200.00
			22	Church Office Supplies	\$2,000.00
			23	EFICP - Game Day	\$500.00
			24	Printing Parish Directory	\$100.00
			25	Funeral Cleaning - Church Members	\$4,000.00
		\$12,200.00			\$38,100.00
Section 16 - Church Capital Projects					
1	Church Building Fund	\$30,000.00	1	Parking Lot Project	\$5,000.00
2	Parking Lot project	\$4,000.00	2	Recreation Center	\$30,000.00
3	Recreation Center	\$100,000.00	3	Fence	\$15,000.00
4	Church Awning + Name Board	\$30,000.00	4	Church Awning + Name Board	\$30,000.00
		\$164,000.00			\$80,000.00
Section 17 - Fixed Allocations/Earmarks					
1	Vicar salary for sendoff	\$2,875.00	1	Vicar salary for sendoff	\$2,875.00
2	Vicar sendoff fund	\$3,000.00	2	Vicar Sendoff Fund	\$3,000.00
3	Youth chaplain sendoff fund	\$500.00	3	Youth Chaplain Sendoff fund	\$500.00

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4	Vicar Automobile fund	\$3,000.00	4	Vicar Automobile fund	\$3,000.00
5	HVAC	\$10,000.00	5	HVAC	\$10,000.00
		\$19,375.00			\$19,375.00
Section 18 - Vicar & Youth Chaplain sendoff/ New Vicar Welcome					
1	Vicar sendoff & travelling expense	\$100.00	1	Vicar Salary share for sendoff	\$7,290.50
2	New Vicar travelling expenses	\$100.00	2	Vicar sendoff and traveling expense	\$15,000.00
			3	New vicar traveling expense	\$10,000.00
			4	Dinner on new vicars arrival day	\$500.00
			5	Vicar sendoff Fellowship - Lunch	\$4,000.00
		\$200.00			\$36,790.50
Section 19 - Mortgage/Tax - Church & Parsonage					
			1	Church Mortgage Primary Principal	\$86,000.00
			2	Church Mortgage Primary Interest	\$30,000.00
			3	Parking Lot Loan Principal	\$26,000.00
			4	Parking Lot Loan Interest	\$8,000.00
			5	Parsonage Tax	\$9,500.00
			6	S.B.A - Principal & Interest	\$7,692.00
			7	Roofing Loan - Interest	\$30,500.00
			8	Roofing Loan - Principal	\$10,000.00
			9	Parking Lot Loan Payoff	\$95,602.00
		\$0.00			\$303,294.00

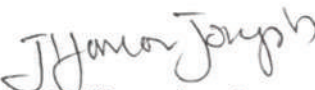
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Total Budget Expense


\$1,029,182.50

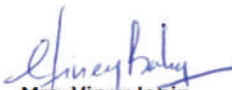

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Earmark Account Summary - 2024

Account Ending in: xxx2340	Starting Balance	Less Expense	Balance	2024 Deposits	New Balance
Send Off Youth Chaplain	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
Vicar Salary For Sendoff	\$ 7,290.50			\$ 2,875.50	\$ 2,875.50
Car Fund	\$ 16,000.00		\$ 16,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 19,000.00
Welcome/Send Off Vicar	\$ 11,160.11			\$ 3,000.00	
Bibi Achen Airfare		\$ (3,387.00)			
Bibi Achen Shipping		\$ (2,075.00)			
Joji Achen Airfare		\$ (3,296.00)			
Joji Achen Visa Expense		\$ (1,921.00)	\$ 481.11	\$ 481.11	\$ 3,481.11
Tenant's Security Deposits	\$ 7,350.00		\$ 7,350.00		\$ 7,350.00
Recreation Center	\$ 610.00		\$ 610.00		\$ 610.00
HVAC	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Roof replacement	\$ 197,158.38				
Parking Lot Settlement		\$ (20,000.00)			
Appraisal and Title Search		\$ (4,150.00)			
Church Insurance		\$ (50,971.73)			
Management Fee - Zion Bldrs		\$ (15,000.00)			
Material - Roofing		\$ (91,800.00)	\$ 15,237.10		
Roof Loan Balance				\$ 96,266.51	
Donations				\$ 40,700.00	
Personal Loan				\$ 70,000.00	\$ 222,203.61
Projector	\$ 5,125.00	\$ 5,125.00			
Total	\$ 265,193.99		\$ 60,178.21	\$ 226,823.12	\$ 286,520.22


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