

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES (CONTINUED)

14	Mrs. And Mr. Ajosh Mathew
15	Mrs. And Mr. Ajith Babu
	Mrs. And Mr. Kochumon Josey
	Mrs. And Mr. Itty Mammen
16	Mrs. And Mr. Biji T. Mathew
18	Mrs. And Mr. Shino Philip
19	Mrs. And Mr. K.E. Mathew
20	Mrs. And Mr. Abraham Thomas
21	Mrs. And Mr. Mohan Koshy Cherian
23	Mrs. And Mr. George P. Varghese
24	Mrs. And Mr. Shibu Simon
26	Mrs. And Mr. Bobben Mani
27	Mrs. And Mr. Thomas Mathew
	Mrs. And Mr. Rajeev Koshy
28	Mrs. And Mr. Roy Varghese Paul
	Mrs. And Mr. Arun Davidson
29	Mrs. And Mr. Jacob Kurien(Neelampara)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL DAYS AND EVENTS

January 1st – Covenant Service at Church & Parish Hall at 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes will be on Saturdays from 6.P.M. to 7P.M. at NECK.

KUWAIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP (KECF)

Bible Quiz competition is scheduled to be held on Saturday, 28th January 2012, at NECK church and parish Hall from 9.30A.M. to 12.30.P.M.

Syllabus

1. Bible Portions

Juniors(10-17Years)(English NIV)

I Kings ,St. Mark ,2Corinthians

Seniors(Above 17 years)(Malayalam)

Ezekiel ,St.Luke ,Acts

2. Current Events

3.General Knowledge

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CONDOLENCE

We deeply mourn the demise of Mr. K.P. Thomas, Father-in-law of Mr. Koshy T. Ninan on 13-12-2011.

We express our heartfelt condolence to the family members of the demised. Please uphold the bereaved families in your prayers also.

NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Robin Chacko Thomas and Mrs. Smitha Susan Thomas, Chenganur. Mob. No. 66379642.

Hearty welcome to the new members

HARVEST FESTIVAL 2011

Special thanks to the Harvest Festival committee for making this event a big success, in particular to the General Convener Mr. Ajosh Mathew, for his able leadership.

Thanks to all the joint conveners, treasurers, stall leaders, stall coordinators, events managers, programme participants, decoration leaders, volunteers of different stalls, all organizations, sister churches, well wishers, friends, prayer leaders, and the whole hearted support of the church executive committee.

All Glory to God in Heaven.

Mr. George Koshy
Secretary, Church Executive Committee

NEW ARRIVAL

Baby girl to Mrs. and Mr. Philip M. Philip on 3-12-2011

Baby girl to Mrs. and Mr. Jose Samuel on 27-12-2011

Congratulations to the new proud parents and praise God for His blessings.

SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to House to House Carol team for their enthusiastic effort especially to the Youth Movement.

Hearty thanks to the Church Choir and leaders Mr. Thomas Koshy , Mr. M. M. John for their sincere effort in making the Christmas Carol service a real Blessing.

Big thanks to Sunday school children and their leaders, Mr. Reji Chandy Koshy, Mrs. Sherin Mathew and all other teachers for the wonderful Christmas programme.

Sincere appreciation to all the organizations involved in Christmas Eve Programme on 24th.

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE

Date		Venue & Time	Theme
1 Sun Day of	Mala- yalam	Church & Parish Hall	Lord, to whom shall we go?
7 Sat Epiphany	Mala- yalam	Church & Parish Hall 7:15 PM	Christ is revealed for all
13 Fri First week after Epiphany	Mala- yalam	Diwaniya 8:45 AM	Sharing the good news
14 Sat Second week after Epiphany	Eng- lish	Church & Parish Hall 7:15 PM	Live worthily of your calling
21 Sat Third week after Epiphany	Mala- yalam	Church & Parish Hall 7:15 PM	Ecumenism
27 Fri Fourth week after Epiphany	Mala- yalam	Diwaniya 8:45 AM	Responsible Citizenship
28 Sat Fourth week after Epiphany	Mala- yalam	Church & Parish Hall 7:15 PM	Supremacy of Christ.

LECTIONARY

Date	Lesson I	Psalms	Lesson II	Gospel
1 Sun	Gen. 17:1-8	Ps.20	II Thess. 1:3-12	John 6:66-69
7 Sat	Isaiah. 60:1-5	Ps.72	Acts. 10:30-43	Mathew 2:1-12
13 Fri	Isaiah. 58:6-12	Ps. 34:1-11	Rev. 12:9-21	John 1:35-42
14 Sat	Dan. 1:1-17	Ps.1	I Peter 1:13-21	Luke 17:1-4
21 Sat	II Chron. 30:13-22	Ps.122	I Cor. 1:10-18	John 10:7-18
27 Fri	Amos 5:7-15	Ps.146	Rev. 13:1-10	Mathew 5:1-12
28 Sat	Isaiah 41:1-4	Ps.110	Rev.5:1-14	John 1:29-34



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Newsletter JANUARY 2012



PRESBYTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Beloved in Christ,
 "Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ".

Motto 2012:-

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Colos. 3:1)

Human values are being diminished. Respect to fellow beings, relationship within the family life, maturity in Spirituality are lacking. Science and technology has developed the world a lot but the attitude of humans to their fellow beings and towards God is not developed as much as St. Paul has considered. He not only urges the Colossian Christians but also to us that we should not be deceived by vain philosophies, legalistic rules, and worldly practices.

New set of Values

St. Paul here, was not criticizing the world. The earthly things, "things upon the earth" to be avoided are moral, not physical. Paul in his theological thought tries to give us a new set of life. For him **Giving** above getting, **Serving** above ruling, **Forgiving** above avenging are important. The Christian standard of values will be God's not human's. Since believers have not only died with Christ but have also been raised with Christ (Rom.6:8-10; Col.2:12-13), they should set their hearts on things above. That is, believers' lives should be dominated by the pattern of heaven, bringing heavenly direction to their earthly duties. 'Set' means to 'seek or strive for earnestly'. Fixing their attention decisively toward things above involves centering their lives on the ascended glorified Christ, who is seated at the right hand of God. Here in this passage, two meanings are there in the word 'set' which is **striving** and **concentrating**. But today are we really 'setting' our hearts and minds to Christ.

In Mathew 7:7-12, we can see 'ask, seek, and knock'. But what we are asking for? What we are seeking for? Where we are knocking for? We are running behind Churches, Fellowship groups, prayer cells, Bible classes, and conventions centers. But what about our attitude in sharing, caring, giving, risk taking etc.? By knowing something from the bible and hymns, are we pretending that we are higher level people? Are we considering others inhuman or unworthy to mingle with? Are we only chosen one in this earth having lot of talents? In order to avoid all sorts of false assumptions and wrong insights we should raise our eyes to the lord of Love. The life in this world will be better if it is lived by a power beyond this world, the power of the resurrected, ascended, glorified Christ. That is the reason, Paul, in I Corinthians 13:1-13 states the excellent way of life, the Love. In order to reach the fullness of life we have to receive his grace which is stated in John 1:16 'From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another'.

As a believing community, shall we seek spiritual values (Col.3:14), put off the sins of the old life (Col.3:5-11), and put on the virtues of the new life (Col.3:12-17). This in turn should affect the relationships with one another (Col.3:18-4:1). What are the challenges set before us? Are we avoiding the crying voices, begging hands and bowing figures before us? Shall we set our hearts and minds on things above and receive the blessing to sit with Christ in His throne (Rev.20:4).

I wish you all a blessed and a prosperous New Year.

May God bless you,

Rev. Binju Varughese Kuruvilla (Vicar)



REGULAR PROGRAMMES

Senior Forum	Friday, January 6th -08:45 am at Diwaniya, NECK.
Women's Fellowship	Friday, January 20th -08:45 am at Diwaniya, NECK
Youth Fellowship	1 st & 3 rd Sundays - 07:30 pm at Abbasiya and Salmiya
Choir Practice	Every Sunday at 7.30 p.m at Hall of Hope, NECK.
Ladies and Gents Group	Every Friday 5.30 P.M. at the Activity Hall #3, NECK.
Sunday School	Every Friday 5.30 P.M. church and Parish Hall, NECK.
Cottage Prayer Meeting	Every Thursday 07:30 pm in Abbasiya and Friday 07:45 pm in Salmiya.

COTTAGE PRAYER MEETINGS

Date	Bethel Prayer Group	Date	Shalom Prayer Group
5	Santhosh Mathew John. Mob.99406247	6	Mr. Jim Mathews Joseph Mob.No.66361761
12	Ajosh Mathew Mob.99046751	13	Mr. K.E. Varghese Mob. No. 66576670 Ph.No. 25646697
19	Thomas John Mob.66528568	20	Mr. A.A. George Mob. No. 99576267 Ph.No. 25630016
26	Poomoottil Thomas Varghese Mob.99523715	27	Mr. Cyriac George Mob. No. 99597294 Ph.No. 25733603

BIRTHDAYS (JANUARY 2012)

1	Mrs. Molly Thomas Mr. Edward A. Megha Johnson	W/o Mr. Thomas John D/o Mr. Johnson Varughese
2	Aben Charles Mr. Santhosh Mathew John Mrs. Annamma Koruthu Mr. Jacob Cherian (Moncy) Mrs. Ivy Susan Verghese	S/o Mr. Charly Jacob W/o Mr. Koruthu Varghese
3	Mr. Cyriac George Mr. Thomas K. Varghese Prasanth George Koshy	S/o Mr. Koshy Varghese
4	Bibina Sara Binu Mr. Selin Nelson	D/o Mr. Binu Jacob
5	Lisa Mathew Mr. Jim Mathews Joseph	D/o Mr. K.M. Mathew
6	Ruben Thomas Paul Mrs. Kunjoonjamma Thomas Surya Elizabeth John	S/o Mr. Prince Paul Mathews W/o Mr. Thomas Koshy D/o Mrs. Elizabeth John
7	Bivin Selvamani Ben Jacob Mr. Jenin Varghese K.	S/o Mr. P.I. Jacob S/o Mr. K.E. Varghese
8	Mr. Jacob Peter V. Mr. Nagesh T.N. Mr. Poomoottil Thomas Varghese	
9	Mrs. Asha Sunil Anu Reena Roy	D/o Mrs. Saramma Roy
10	Mrs. Sali Mathew Chrisostem Mrs. Blessy Binu	W/o Mr. Mathew Chrisostem W/o Mr. Binu Jacob
11	Mrs. Shruthy Liz Jacob Irene Johns	W/o Mr. Abraham Jini Jacob D/o Mr. Sabu Johnson
13	Riya Merin Stephen Milan Ajosh	D/o Mr. Stephen Manoj J. S/o Mr. Ajosh Mathew
14	Mrs. Susan Varghese Mr. Joby Jacob Abraham	W/o Mr. Geevarghese John P.
15	Don Charles Ashly Mariam Satheesh	S/o Mr. Charly Jacob D/o Mr. M.P. Satheesh
16	Joyana Ann Mathew Mr. Mathew Chrisostem Charlotte Leela Abraham Mrs. Shynu M. Varghese	D/o Mr. Monaji M. Kuruvilla D/o Mr. Abraham Thomas W/o Mr. John Kurian
17	Mrs. Nisha Aju Mrs. Milini Iype Thomas	W/o Mr. Aju George Mohan W/o Mr. Thomas T. Thomas
18	chantissa Anna Oommen	D/o Mr. Ajay Philip Oommen

19	Mr. Sabu Johnson Mr. Philji Oommen Jacob Mrs. Reema John	W/o Mr. John Chacko
21	Ruben C. Mathew Mrs. Betty Varghese	S/o Mr. Mathew K. Cherian W/o Mr. Rengith Babu
22	Mrs. Manju M. Varghese Bryan Saji Thomas	W/o Mr. Biji Jacob Cherian S/o Mr. Saji Thomas Koshy
23	Mrs. Renu Mammen George Varkey Mammen Mrs. Mariam Abraham Alex Modayil Philip	W/o Mr. Mammen Varkey S/o Mr. Mammen Varkey W/o Mr. Abraham Eapen M. S/o Mr. Philip M. Ninan
24	Mrs. Elizabeth Lee Jacob Melisa Johnson Mr. Varughese Issac Mr. K. Jacob John	W/o Mr. Jacob George D/o Mr. Johnson Varughese
25	Mr. Mohan Koshy Cherian Mr. Joshy Abraham	
26	Mr. George P. Mathew Mr. Mammen Varkey	
27	Lejo Abraham Jacob Mr. George Mathen K.	S/o Mr. P.A. Jacob
28	Mrs. Mariamma M. John Dr. Joseph Abraham	W/o Mr. M.M. John S/o Mrs. Susan Abraham
29	Mrs. Mariamma Mathew Mr. Jim Cherian Jacob Mr. Jacob Oommen	W/o Mr. George P. Mathew
30	Mrs. Leema Thomas Mrs. Susan Thomas	W/o Mr. Thomas K. Varghese W/o Mr. Eric Thomas
31	Anu Sam	Mr. Sam T. Kuruvilla

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2	Mrs. And Mr. Jose Samuel
3	Mrs. And Mr. Varghese Koshy Mrs. And Mr. Prakash Thomas Mrs. And Mr. Philip M. Ninan
4	Mrs. And Mr. Saju Oommen
5	Mrs. And Mr. Robinson Jacob
6	Mrs. And Mr. Philip Thomas
7	Mrs. And Mr. Mammen Varkey Mrs. And Mr. Thomas John K. (Babu) Mrs. And Mr. Sony Thomas
9	Mrs. And Mr. Rejimon Daniel. Mrs. And Mr. Vineeth Mathew John
10	Mrs. And Mr. Rajess Koshy
11	Mrs. And Mr. Varghese John
13	Mrs. And Mr. Daniel Abraham