



De'thri Foundation



Fr. Dr. V C Samuel Memorial International Seminar 2024

Theme: An Indigenous Autonomous Indian Orthodox Church

PROGRAM SCHEDULE AND SPEAKER BACKGROUND



16 & 17 Nov, 2024



Zoom Webinar



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Inauguration

Schedule



9:00 AM - Prayer, Welcome speech and Lamp Lighting

His Grace Geevarghese Mar Theopilos Metropolitan,
Diocese of Ahmedabad, Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

9:15 AM - Inauguration and Blessings

His Holiness Baselios Marthoma Mathews III,
Catholicos of the East & Malankara Metropolitan

9:30 AM - Presidential Address

His Grace Geevarghese Mar Coorilos Metropolitan,
Diocese of Bombay, Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

9:45 AM - Key Note Address

His Eminence Bishop Kirill,
Metropolitan and Rector of the Moscow Theological Academy
Russian Orthodox Church (Mosco Patriarchate)

10:00 AM - Key Note Address

Rev. Fr. Dr. Michel Najim,
President of Antiochian House of Studies (USA)
Greek Orthodox Church (Antiochian Patriarchate)

10:15 AM - Key Note Address

His Grace Zachariah Mar Nicholovos Metropolitan,
Northeast American Diocese, Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

10:30 AM - Introduction to Fr. Dr. V.C. Samuel

Mr. E. J. Varghese, Founder,
Fr. V. C. Samuel Ecumenical Study Forum, Kerala

History*



Talk

HISTORICAL MACHINATIONS
DURING THE CHALCEDONIAN
COUNCIL ERA

Day 01

16 NOVEMBER

11AM - 1PM IST

ZOOM WEBINAR

SESSION 01:

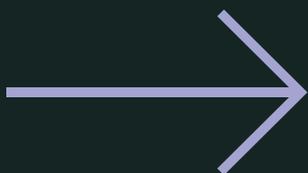
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INTRUCTION : 5MIN

CONCLUSION: 5MIN



HIS GRACE DR. YUHANON MAR DIASCOROS



SPEAKERS



**REV. FR. DR. K. L.
MATHEW VAIDYAN**

Paper + QA

35 + 10 min



**SUJITH VARGHESE
GEORGE**

35 + 10 min



**ALBIN JOY
AND
JEFFRY THOMAS**

15 + 5 min

Indian



Talk

TOWARDS REGAINING AN
INDIGENOUS AUTONOMOUS
INDIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

Day 01

16 NOVEMBER

2PM - 4PM IST

ZOOM WEBINAR

SESSION 02:

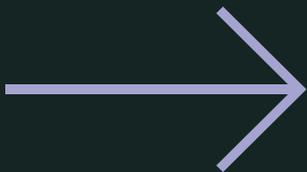
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CONCLUSION: 5MIN



HIS GRACE ABRAHAM MAR STEPHANOS



SPEAKERS



**REV. FR. DR. TIMOTHY
THOMAS**

Paper + QA

35 + 10 min



THOMAS VARGHESE

35 + 10 min



**SUJITH SAM
ABRAHAM**

15 + 5 min



Oneness

Talk

ORIENTAL ORTHODOX
CHRISTOLOGY, DIALOGUE
AND ECUMENICAL UNITY

Day 02

17 NOVEMBER
2PM - 5:15 PM IST
ZOOM WEBINAR

SESSION 03:

MODERATOR:

INTRODUCTION : 7MIN
CONCLUSION: 7MIN

SPEAKERS



REV. FR. ASHWIN FERNANDES



**HIS EMINENCE
BISHOP KIRILL**

35 + 10 min

Paper + QA



**REV. FR. DR. K. L.
MATHEW VAIDYAN**

35 + 10 min



MICHEL IBRAHIM

35 + 10 min



**SHERIN SUJITH
VARGHESE**

35 + 10 min



Openness

Talk

WIDER ECUMENISM

Day 02

17 NOVEMBER
5:30 PM - 8:15 PM IST
ZOOM WEBINAR

SESSION 04:

MODERATOR:

INTRODUCTION : 7MIN
CONCLUSION: 7MIN

SPEAKERS



REV. FR. DR. K. M. GEORGE



HIS EMINENCE
BISHOP KIRILL

35 + 10 min

Paper + QA



JOSEKUTTY
ABRAHAM

35 + 10 min



ANJALI DANDEKAR

20 + 7 min



JOE ALVARES

25 + 7 min

SPEAKER BACKGROUND



HIS HOLINESS BASELIOS MARTHOMA MATHEWS III

Catholicos of the East & Malankara Metropolitan

His Holiness Baselios Marthoma Mathews III was enthroned as the Catholicos of the East & Malankara Metropolitan (the Supreme Head of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church of India) on Friday, 15th October 2021. Bachelors in Chemistry, Bachelor of Divinity, MTh in Leningrad, Russia and PhD from Oriental Institute, Rome.



HIS GRACE GEEVARGHESE MAR COORILLOS METROPOLITAN

Diocese of Bombay, Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church (MOSC)

His grace was elected to the Episcopal rank in 1989 and was subsequently ordained in 1991. Soon, he was appointed as the Assistant Metropolitan, Mumbai Diocese. Masters in Arts, Bachelor of Divinity, PGD in Pastoral Theology and Mission, UK.



HIS EMINENCE BISHOP KIRILL

Metropolitan and Rector of the Moscow Theological Academy, Russian Orthodox Church (Moscow Patriarchate)

His Eminence was consecrated as Bishop on 21st September 2022. PhD in Technical Sciences, PhD from Saint Petersburg Theological Academy and PhD from Saint Cyril and Methodius Institute for Postgraduate studies, Russia.



REV. FR. DR. MICHEL NAJIM

President of Antiochian House of Studies (USA)

Professor of Patristics & Church History at Antiochian House of Studies (AHOS), Professor of Christian Ethics at PTS, Dean Emeritus of the School of Theology in Balamand. Masters of Divinity at Balamand, Lebanon, Masters in Theology, Greece and Doctoral Degree in Theology, Greece

SPEAKER BACKGROUND



HIS GRACE ZACHARIAH MAR NICHOLOVOS METROPOLITAN

Northeast American Diocese , MOSC.

Metropolitan Mar Nicholovos was appointed as the Assistant Metropolitan of the Northeast American Diocese in 2002, in 2011, as the Metropolitan. President Emeritus of the Department of Ecumenical Relations, Working Committee & Executive Committee Member to the WCC. Member of the Board of Trustees of Saint Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary. Bachelor of Arts, Bachelors in Divinity, Masters in Theology.



HIS GRACE DR. YUHANON MAR DIASCOROS METROPOLITAN

Diocese of Kottayam, MOSC.

His grace was ordained as Bishop on 2009. Professor Emeritus of the Holy Trinity Theological College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopian Orthodox Church. Professor and Dean Emeritus of Studies of Orthodox Theological Seminary (OTS), Kottayam. Member of the Joint International Dialogue between Roman Catholic Church and Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church. Bachelor of Science, Bachelors in Divinity, Masters in Theology and PhD from Pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome.



HIS GRACE ABRAHAM MAR STEPHANOS METROPOLITAN

Diocese of UK, Europe and Africa. MOSC.

His grace was ordained as Bishop on 2022. Secretary Emeritus to the Council of Oriental Orthodox Churches, the Roman Catholic and Oriental Orthodox Forum and the Anglican-Oriental Orthodox Regional Forum, UK. Executive Committee Member of The Anglican- Eastern Churches Association, UK. Lecturer Emeritus at the OTS, Kottayam. Bachelor in Science, Bachelor of Divinity, Masters in Theology, Master of Arts, London.



H.G. DR. GEEVARGHESE MAR THEOPHILOS METROPOLITAN

Diocese of Ahmedabad, Asst. Metropolitan Diocese of Bombay, MOSC

His grace was ordained as Bishop on 2022. Bachelor in Arts (History), Master of Arts (Syriac), Bachelor of Divinity, Masters in Arts (Christian Theology), USA, PhD in Liturgical Theology, Bangalore.

SPEAKER BACKGROUND



REV. FR. DR. K. L. MATHEW VAIDYAN

Member of the Working Committee, MOSC

Serving as the Principal of St. Paul's Mission Training Center and St. Basil Bible School and Orientation Center, Kerala. Professor Emeritus OTS, Member of Orthodox - Lutheran Dialogue Committee. Member of Mission Board and Church Publication Committee. Author of more than 40 books and a great Orator. Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Divinity, PGD in Theology, Leningrad, Russia, Master of Theology and Doctor of Divinity, USA.



REV. FR. DR. K. M. GEORGE

Principal Emeritus of the Orthodox Theological Seminary in Kottayam

Professor Emeritus at the Bossey Ecumenical Institute in Geneva, Moderator, WCC Programme Committee 1998-2006. Director of Dr Paulos Mar Gregorios Chair, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. Executive Secretary Emeritus of the National Council of Churches, New Delhi. Founder-director of the Sopana Orthodox Academy, Kottayam. Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Divinity, Masters of Theology, Belgium and Phd, Paris. Also studied painting from the 'Ecole de beaux arts' fine arts school, Paris.



REV. FR. ASHWIN Z FERNANDES

Secretary, Inter-Church Relation Department, MOSC.

Official Iconographer, MOSC. Works as part of the Inter-Church department for close to two decades. Masters in Philosophy, Masters in Clinical Psychology, Post-graduate in Counselling Psychology, Iconography - Orthodox Academy of Crete, Greece, Cretan School of Iconography-Heraklion, Greece.



MR. MICHAEL IBRAHIM

Director of Learning & Teaching, Lecturer in Patristics, St. Cyril's Coptic Orthodox Theological College

Michael Ibrahim was born in Cairo, and emigrated to Australia in 1982. He has represented the Coptic Orthodox Church at the NSW Ecumenical council. Bachelor of Science (Hons), Bachelor of Engineering (Hons), MA (Theology) at SAGOTC, Sydney and currently studying towards a PhD at Macquarie University in Patristics (Chalcedonian and non-Chalcedonian Christologies).

SPEAKER BACKGROUND



REV. FR. DR. TIMOTHY TENNY

Assistant Adjunct Professor, St. John's University, New York and Guest Lecturer at the Saint Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary, USA

Serving as the Director of Sunday School of the Northeast American Diocese, MOSC and Vicar of St. Gregorios Orthodox Church, Raleigh, NC. Bachelor of Arts (English Literature, India), Master of Arts (Religion, Columbia University, USA), Master of Philosophy (Eastern Christian Studies, University of Oxford, UK), Master of Theology (St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, USA) and PhD - Theology and Religion (Fordham University, USA).



MR. THOMAS VARGHESE

CEO, Kochi Biennale Foundation and Visiting Faculty, St. Thomas Orthodox Theological Seminary, Nagpur, India.

Worked with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia-Pacific, overseeing projects in Vietnam, Cambodia, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Pakistan. Bachelors in History from St. Stephen's College, Delhi, Master's in Urban Management and Development from the Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, Rotterdam, Netherlands, Masters from Harvard University's Divinity School, USA. During his time at Harvard, he was a Resident at the Center for the Study of World Religions.



MR. JOSEKUTTY ABRAHAM

Syriac Scholar and Teacher, Hendo Academy.

Worked on Syriac translation and research in Indian Church history with Dr. Thomas Koonmakkal (2012 - 2019), Teacher of Patrology at Zion Lay Theological Institute, Kerala. Masters in Commerce, P.G. Diploma in Theology, Masters in Arts (Syriac).



MR. E. VARGHESE JOSHUA

Founder, Fr. V. C. Samuel Ecumenical Study Forum, Konni, Kerala

Has been conducting Programs, Researches, Publications, Seminars and Talks on the life and works of Fr. Dr. V. C. Samuel (VCS) from 1998 onwards. He has authored several books and articles on VCS. He is the nephew of VCS, and had the blessed opportunity to be associated with VCS all his life, especially when posted in Bangalore for nearly three decades, with Indian Telephones Industries. Bachelor of Arts (Malayalam), Bachelor of Commerce.

SPEAKER BACKGROUND



MR. JOE ALVARES

Historian, Musician and Cultural Music Ambassador (Empanelled with ICCR, Ext Affairs Ministry), Govt. of India.

Arts Graduate. Enrolled as PhD student with Heras Institute / Mumbai University. Authored two Coffee Table Books. One on Bhopal and the other on Thane, pursuing research for 25 years as a Doctoral student. Approved by Director General of monuments and Director General Archeological Survey of India, Delhi for research and scripting of History of UNESCO World heritage sites at Sanchi / Bhimbetka. / Bhojpur. His voice / and scripts are installed on those sights (by Govt of India) now as audio guides. Performed at most major jazz fests of the world like Havana, Mexico, Colombia, Montreal, Singapore and Jakarta. Producer of giant music fest in Indian state of Madya Pradesh called "Hriday Drishyam ", in partnership with Govt of Madya Pradesh.



MRS. SHERIN SUJITH VARGHESE

Director and COO, De'thri Foundation

Working as the Head of Eastern Theological Research at De'thri. Worked as a Teacher, Content writer, Blogger and Choir lead. Collaborated actively towards projects for MOSC in Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Sri Lanka. Member of the Editorial Board for the English publications of Servants of the Cross. Bachelor of Commerce, Master of Computer Applications (Osmania University), Master of Divinity, AHOS, Greek Orthodox Antiochian Patriarchate.



MR. SUJITH VARGHESE GEORGE

Director and CEO, De'thri Foundation and Dra'h'ma Consultancy Services

Working as Consultant for Cement and Mining Industry at Dra'h'ma. Head of Church History Research and Sustainable Development initiatives focusing on remote Tribal areas at De'thri. Worked as Global Business Head for After Market Business with MAAG Gears/ FLSmidth Pvt. Ltd. (1999 - 2023). Post Doctorate Research guide at Bonn University, Germany for Indian Subcontinent Church History. Founder member in Ethnic Community Engagements in Indian Subcontinent, South East Asia and South America in collaboration with MOSC Inter Church Department. Bachelor of Engineering (Anna University), Master of Business Applications (London), Master of Divinity, AHOS, Greek Orthodox Antiochian Patriarchate.



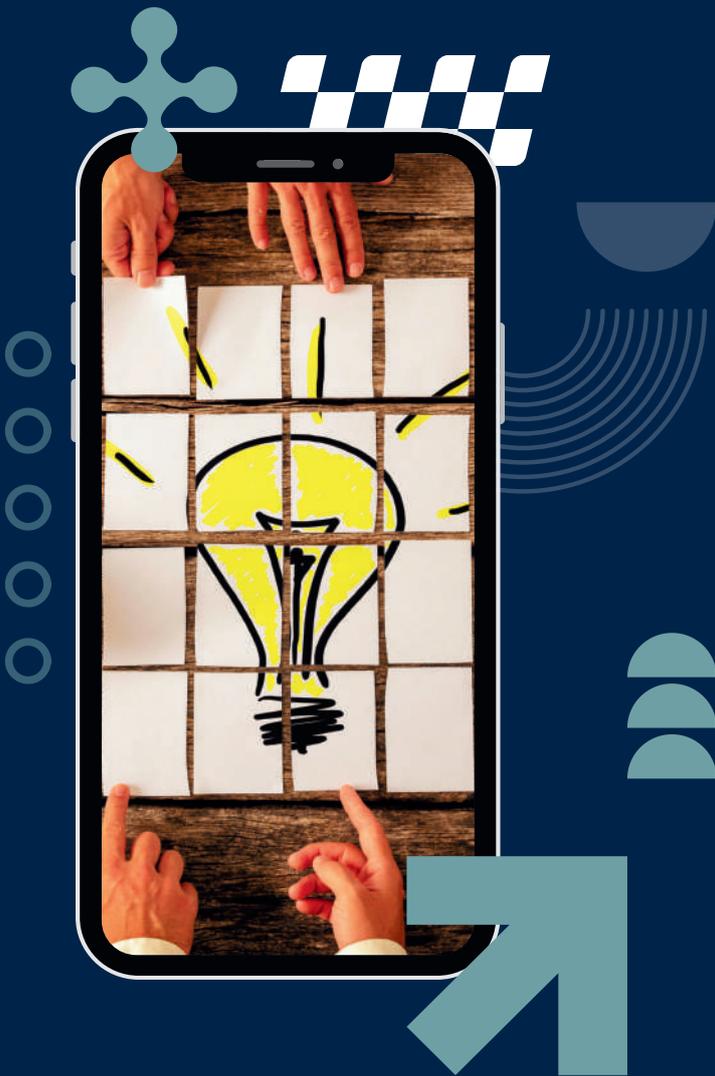
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At DE'THRI Foundation, we value your feedback and inquiries. We are committed to fostering innovation and eagerly look forward to collaborating for mutual success.

DE'THRI Foundation is dedicated to pioneering innovative sustainable solutions that deliver impactful results. Our strategic approach and commitment to excellence ensure that we consistently meet and exceed your expectations.

We believe in the power of collaboration and seek like-minded partners who share our vision and values. By nurturing strong partnerships, we can achieve greater success and drive community advancement together.

Our tailored strategies and data-driven insights are designed to help businesses navigate the evolving rural Indian landscape, enhance partner brand visibility, and achieve their goals.



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We deeply appreciate your assistance. Your support means a lot to us, and we eagerly anticipate future collaborations.