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Under the Holy Apostolic See of Antioch \& All the East

(Reg. No: SG-394/78 \& 700000-01)



## To our Patriarchal Vicar

## H.G. Pathros Mor Osthatheos

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## Election General Body

December 10 Friday after Holy Qurbana.
General Body to elect Managing Committee for the year 2011. All eligible members are requested to attend.








# JACOBITE SYRIAN CHRISTIAN CHURCH <br> （UNDER THE HOLY APOSTOLIC SEE OF ANTIOCH AND ALL THE EAST） 

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## SEMNARON "FAMLYY HEALTHCARE"

On November 18, 2010 the Marthamariam Vanitha Samajam organized a Seminar on FAMILY HEALTHCARE for the benefit of all members of our Church. The keynote presentation on Family Health Care was delivered by Dr. Dennis Sebastian, Asst.Director, Medical Underwriting \& TPA Services, Arab Insurance Group. Rev. Vinod Victor, Co-ordinator, South Asia Ecumenical Partnership Program took class on Christian Family Life. Participants were enlightened by the speakers on how small changes in the right direction can make wonders for the fulfillment of our physical and spiritual needs leading to a more enjoyable and healthy family life. Many thanks to Mrs. Laly Chandi Joshua, Co-ordinator of Marthamariam Vanitha Samajam for organizing such a very useful Seminar.


## Cleaning of Church premises by Social Service League Members.

 Thanks ior their dedication.

## MAIDEN VISI' BY OUR PATRIARCHAL VICAR HIS GRACE PATHROS MOR OSTHATHEOS

Our Patriarchal Vicar His Grace Pathros Mor Osthatheos Metropolitan arrived in Bahrain on 24 November 2010 for maiden visit to our Church and to attend our Mega Event "AGAPE 2010". His Grace was received at the airport by the Vicar, Managing Committee members and other members of the Church.


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Collected clothes from members and sent to the needy in India. Congratulations to members of the Youth Association \& Social Service League for doing a wonderful job. Thanks to all members who provided clothes to this noble endeavour.


Celebrated with Holy Qurbana followed by a special feast. Thanks to all members who supported the Perunnal.



Twin Baby Boys were born to Mr. Jinny K. Johny \& Mrs. Algy Johny, Congratulations!!!.

2010 CHRISTMAS CAROL SONG INAGURATION BY HIS GRACE


## GOD'S CREATION

Oh! How great is God's creation The sun in its glory at the day
The moon and the stars shimmering at the night The nature in its beauty of green The sky painted in its royal blue


## สีDరつ๑さ 2010 (AGAPE 2010) "GOD'S LOVE"




























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6．๑ய๑ூூろ๐（29：35）
7．สেேேேV๐（15：6）
8．๓๓งอ๖ð（19：22）








13．อூஸேฯ（30：14）
14． 175 ஸ๐வண்ஸ๐๐（ $25: 8$ ）


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Biju Telappily Jacob Bisy Eby Blessy Prageesh Elsy Abraham Hepsy binu Jeeba Shaj Jijomon Mathew Joji susan mari Mercy Abraham

Moly Baby
Reji Soloman
Rejina Joseph
Sheela Manoj
Shelby Jacob
Shiny Binu
Sony Roy
Zibi Benny

Ulsha Achenkunju


MORE PHOTOS FROM AGAPE 2010 PROGRAMME



## Are You Bible Literate?

Bible Crossword \#10 (December 2010)


Leela Alexander

## ACROSS

3 Who went to pray in the mount of Olives?
6 Which mountain did Deborah and Barak descend to defeat Sisera?
8 On which mountain did Elijah challenge the priests of Baal?
11 According to Paul, which country is the site of Mount Sinai?
13 Where were Saul and Jonathan killed by Philistines?
14 Where did Moses see the burning bush?
15 From which mountain range did the Cedar wood for Solomon's temple come?

1 From which mountain did Moses see the promised land?
2 Where did Aaron die?
4 Where did Moses receive the commandments?
5 Where did Joshua build an altar?
7 Where was Joshua buried?
9 On which mountain did Solomon build the temple?
10 Where did Jacob and Laban make their covenant?
12 Where did Noah's ark land?

This is the tenth and the final one in the series of Bible crossword puzzles for 2010. All the clues are about Mountains mentioned in the Bible. Solve the crossword. A few references are given. Use them if necessary. Please use King James version of the Bible. Deposit your answers in the box near the door to the church as soon as possible, within 7 days after the release of the newsletter.
As this is the final crossword for this year answers are to submitted soon (within a week) for us to decide the award winners of this year. The Annual Awards will be given to the over all winners on New Year Day. This contest is open to all; Sunday school students and adults. The winners' names will be published in the church newsletter. The annual award is given only to Sunday School students. You may also send the answers to me by email. My email address is ocalexleela@gmail.com

Useful references: 1King 18, Deuteronomy 34, Judges 4, Genesis 8, Exodus 3, 2Chronicles 3, 1Kings 5, 1Samuel 31, Genesis 31, Numbers 20, Joshua 8,
Galatians 4, Luke 22, Exodus 31, 34, Joshua 24
Answers to Bible crossword \#9 Winners of Bible Crossword \# 9 (Nov. 2010)


Abram Biji
Aathira Sabu
Acsah Elezabeth Abraham
Akhil Basil Paulose
Alan Abraham
Alina Ealias
Anju Paulose
Ann B Abraham Ann Jeepa Shaj Ashik James Ashley Shaju
Aswin Kurian Abraham

Chithira Ealias
Chithira Sabu Christin Paul
Christy Mary Thomas
Elaine Ajith
Elna Achu James
Elsa Maria Thomas
Flemy P Eby
George K Laji Jackson Jerom James Johann Agith Joseph Sabu

Kamal Baby Paul
Linu Varghese
Mahal Mani Ulahannan
Manuvel Benny
Mathew Roy
Merin Mary Basil
Merlin Mary Basil
Milan Mani Mathew
Ria Mariam
Ron Joseph
Safio Paul
Samuel Benny

Sara Laji
Sharon Paul
Sherin Susan Isaac
Sneha Elsa Kuruvilla Thomas Sabu Vivek Solomon

Congratulations
Geefa Alexander


## How Much Does a Helping Hand Cost?

## Leela Alexander

"Leela, can you knit a sweater for the dhobi's son who is starting second grade this year?" I could not say no, not when our vice principal, Fr. Keogh, a Jesuit missionary was the person asking me. I was working at the St. Xavier's School, Bokaro Steel City at the time. As a young teacher from
Kerala, I didn't really know how to knit. But Fr. Keogh gave me a few balls of wool anyway and told me he would be happy if I finished it in two weeks time. And so I set about learning how to knit from my colleagues and neighbours and made the sweater for the boy to wear on school reopening day. I can't express the joy it brought me to finally give him the sweater I knit. I used to watch the small boy running around wearing my sweater everywhere and beam with pride. Later, Fr. Keogh told me, 'Leela be ready to spend your time and energy to help others; many people are ready to part with a portion of their money, ill gotten or well gotten to help others; but how many are ready to spend some time for them?'
Years later, while visiting my son in Switzerland, I got a chance to go to the city square in Lausanne where a 'soup kitchen' was in progress. Soup and bread donated from hotels and restaurants in the area were brought in and they had volunteers to serve the food to people in need of food in the evenings. Research students, scientists and retired veterans were there among the volunteers. One of the volunteers told us that they typically worked three hours, once or twice in the evening every week to help. It was heartening to see hungry people queuing for the evening meal in the extreme cold and settling down to relish a warm meal. And once again, I remembered Fr. Keogh's words about how your own time and energy are very often so much harder to part with than money when you are looking for ways to help others.

People donate money to charities, some keep aside a fixed part of what they earn for charitable activities. This is very noble. But what we need to remember is that we can also devote a part of our life, time and energy also for the needy. We can visit a sick person, sit with them, read books or newspapers for them or tidy up their room. If their clothes need to be washed, put them for washing and drying. Find out what they like to eat and the next time you go to visit, cook a home made meal and feed them. It can even be the little things. Comb their hair for them if it needs to be combed, maybe help alter a dress for them. Or just sit with them and talk for a while. The money we give to charities cannot do this. The person will feel wanted and loved when you do this. Your personal touch fills the person you are helping with a warm glow of hope and gratitude.

In Matthew 25: 35-37, 40 Jesus Christ says "For I was hungry and you fed me; I was thirsty you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger and you invited me to your home; naked and you clothed me; sick and in prison you visited me. In as much as you have done unto one of the least of these, my brethren, you have done to me." Notice that the words here are 'fed, clothed. took me in, and visited. Food and clothes were not sent! Fed him with food and water when he was hungry and thirsty; clothed him when he was without clothes; was by his bed side when he was sick. Don't forget this personal involvement that Jesus stressed on as you live your life. Our conveniences and priorities should not stand in the way when you have an opportunity to help someone. We cannot feel like we have done our part just by giving some money to a cause.
Service to others is the rent we pay for our room here on the planet. Of all the earthly music, that which reaches farthest in Heaven is the beating of a loving heart, by the side of a needy fellow being.


