

Sehion Mar Thoma Church Dallas

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From the Vicar's Desk

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new."
Revelation 21:5

This new year is a fresh start for some, but for most it's another week just like the last one. It's easy to get caught up in the monotonous and mundane cycle of life. The Teacher, from Ecclesiastes, warns us about the repetitive cycle that our lives follow. Refer to Ecclesiastes 1:3-10 and see if this is a description of your life. We wake up, eat, go to school or work, eat, come home, study or work some more, eat, sleep, lather, rinse, repeat. The world is stuck in a rut and we have succumb to it.

How are we as Christians any different? Our schedule may be similar to everyone else, but do we realize the unique way God continues to transform our future? God promised the Israelites who went through exile that he would be doing a new thing. "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." – Isaiah 43:19. He started a new thing in the 5th century BC and in Revelation 21:5 he's still at it. Christian hope is founded, in part, on this idea that God has the power to break us out of the vain, repetitious cycle and infuse our lives with newness. What is this newness? It's forgiveness of sins, being set free from the hold of destructive and unfruitful living, and having opportunities to make positive new experiences. It's an upgrade in the character and quality of our beings. We are being conformed into the image of Christ. This is a life-long process of constant newness. This year, let us be the proof of Revelation 21:5's truthfulness. Let us strive to be Christ-like in our character. Allow God to do a new thing in your life. Attend church more regularly, pray more often, forgive sooner, give bigger, read the Bible more thoughtfully, spend more quality time with family, work more diligently, rest more biblically (even God took a break), fellowship more deeply, love more patiently, rejoice more passionately, think more empathetically, live more sacrificially, act more humbly.... You get the point. May God bless you in this new year so you would experience newness that only he can bring.

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Sehion Family is growing!

- Ryan Jacob born on December 27, 2021
– Congratulations to proud parents
Joby Jacob & Rini Cherian and sweet
sister Sera!



January Birthdays

1/1	Linnny Mary Jacob	Sunnyvale	1/3	Susamma Thomas	Allen	1/4	Shooja E Varghese	Allen
1/5	Sheeja Jeffry	Sunnyvale	1/6	Ann Mathew	Garland	1/6	Radley Lukose	Allen
1/7	Anil Joshua	Allen	1/7	Dr. Elizabeth Manoj Muthalaly	Allen	1/9	Annie R Varghese	Murphy
1/10	Megan Ann Sony	Allen	1/11	Alexander Mathai	Allen	1/11	Mary Yohannan	Garland
1/12	George Zakariah	Allen	1/12	Finley T Philip	Allen	1/13	Remya Susan	Sunnyvale
1/14	Prabha Alex	Sunnyvale	1/14	Andrew Thomas	Allen	1/14	Elizabeth Susan Mathew	Allen
1/15	Jiya Susan Varghese	Allen	1/15	Pushpa Varughese	Sunnyvale	1/17	Mathew Alexander	Allen
1/18	C.T.Thomas	Garland	1/18	Paul A Varnan	Garland	1/18	Anu Mathew	Allen
1/19	Rachel Mary Varnan	Garland	1/19	Joju Joy	Murphy	1/19	Melvin K Manoj	Murphy
1/20	Rajani Rajan Varghese	Allen	1/20	John Philip Kizhakeparampil	Sunnyvale	1/20	Jiffy Ann K Philip	Murphy
1/20	Aaron Mathews	Allen	1/22	Aaron Alexander Soney	Murphy	1/23	Jeannette Jamie Alexander	Sunnyvale
1/23	Joseph Silas	Garland	1/24	Susan Winslo Idicula	Garland	1/25	Pennamma Idiculla	Sunnyvale
1/25	Samuel Thadathil	Sunnyvale	1/25	Danita Elizabeth Mathew	Garland	1/25	Leah Ann Skaria	Murphy
1/26	Reshmi Abraham	Allen	1/27	Daniel Thadathil	Sunnyvale	1/27	Tina Jojoy John	Murphy
1/27	Jaden Siby Mathew	Allen	1/27	Susan Thomas	Allen	1/27	Zach Sunil Zachariah	Allen
1/28	Biju P. George	Garland	1/28	Sana Sara Thomas	Allen	1/28	Jerry Varghese Kizhakkemuri	Allen
1/28	Joanna Ann Tishy	Murphy	1/29	Shiney J. Thomas	Allen	1/29	Ryan C. Alexander	Allen
1/30	Achamma Abraham	Garland						

January Anniversaries

1/3	Abraham Sam Merin Varghese	Murphy	1/3	Thomas K. Philip Jessy K Philip	Allen	1/4	Jerine Daniel Smithu Susan George	Garland
1/5	Cherian Abraham Remya I Abraham	Allen	1/5	Christian Varughese Mary Varughese	Allen	1/5	Thampi Varghese Aleyamma Varghese	Garland
1/5	Varghese George Sony V George	Allen	1/6	Philip K. John Sally Philip	Sunnyvale	1/6	Shibu M Varghese Lini Shibu Mathai	Allen
1/7	Reni Ninan Susy S Ninan	Allen	1/8	John Philip Kizhakeparampil Meekha Thomas	Sunnyvale	1/13	P. C. Mathew Aleyamma Mathew	Garland
1/13	Thomas Varghese Shirty Thomas	Murphy	1/14	Mathew Jacob Grace Jacob	Sunnyvale	1/15	Biju Idicula Elizabeth Idicula	Sunnyvale
1/15	K. M. Varughese Pushpa Varughese	Sunnyvale	1/16	Thomas Abraham Susamma Thomas	Allen	1/20	Thomas David Pushpa Thomas	Allen
1/21	Jince Varughese Hilta Jince	Murphy	1/21	Nithin Thomas Koshy Mertlin M Abraham	Allen	1/21	P. V. Yohannan Mary Yohannan	Garland
1/21	Shyju V George Vinesha George	Allen	1/29	C.T.Thomas Rachel Thomas	Garland	1/30	George David Leni David	Allen
1/30	George John Elizabeth George	Sunnyvale						

Area Prayer Meetings

Saturday, Jan 8 at 7:00 pm	Garland	Zoom meeting
Saturday, Jan 15 at 7:00 pm	Sunnyvale	Zoom meeting
Saturday, Jan 22 at 7:00 pm	Murphy	Zoom meeting
Saturday, Jan 29 at 7:00 pm	Allen	Zoom meeting

Edavaka Mission

January 2022 calendar

Wednesday, Jan 5 at 7:00 pm	Weekly Bible Study/ Prayer	Zoom meeting
Wednesday, Jan 12 at 7:00 pm	Weekly Bible Study/ Prayer	Zoom meeting
Wednesday, Jan 19 at 7:00 pm	Weekly Bible Study/ Prayer	Zoom meeting
Wednesday, Jan 26 at 7:00 pm	Weekly Bible Study/ Prayer	Zoom meeting

Sevika Sangham

January 2022 calendar

Saturday, Jan 1	Happy New Year – no weekly prayer
Tuesday, Jan 4 at 7:00 pm	Southwest Region Sevika Sangham prayer
Saturday, Jan 8 at 9:30 am	Bible study – 'Women of the Bible' led by Rev. Larry P Varghese
Saturday, Jan 15 at 9:30 am	Weekly Sevika Sangham prayer
Saturday, Jan 22 at 9:30 am	Weekly Sevika Sangham prayer
Saturday, Jan 29 at 9:30 am	Weekly Sevika Sangham prayer



Dates to Remember:

January 2 – No Sunday School- Christmas Break

January 9 – First Day of Sunday school- In-person

- 9:00 am-9:20 am – Praise and Worship
- 9:25 am-10:10 am – Sunday School Class
- Masks are mandatory

A Special Thank You

Christmas Program 2021: We would like to take this opportunity to thank our SS Christmas Coordinators, Dr. Tigi Manaloor and Ms. Jessica Abraham. The play and the song really captured the true meaning of Christmas. We appreciate all your hard work and dedication. Special thanks to the cast: Joshua Joy, Rosine George, Aleena Mathai, Ethan Varghese, Aiden Varghese, Micah Thomas, Sarah Joy, Eva Manaloor, Ida Johnson, Bianca Varughese, Annette Mathai, Reuben George, Jeremiah George, Jaden Mathew, Jonathan Manaloor, Angel Manoj, Olivia Royce, Melvin Manoj, Ethan Abraham, Teena Thomas, Serena Manaloor, Manuel Manoj, Evan Royce, Mark Varughese, Bennett Mathew, Carter Varughese, Zoey Mathew, Leah Skaria, Chloe Varghese, Esther Thomas, Eli Varghese, Isaiah George, Angela Soney, Micah Varghese, Alessandra Varughese, & Anika Abraham. Thank you to all our volunteers and parents who helped to make the play a success.

Praise & Worship: We want to thank our Praise & Worship leaders for the month of December: Ariel & Kate John, Ethan Abraham, & Abigail Thomas.

Congratulations:

We want to take this opportunity to recognize the new 2022 Sunday School Leadership team.

Mr. Bobby Mathew – Superintendent

Mrs. Anne Varghese – Secretary

Mr. Tibu Mathew – Treasurer

We know that God has special things in store for Sehion Sunday School this upcoming year. We want to thank Larry Varghese Achen and our Sunday School teachers for their encouragement, patience, and support during this past year. We look forward to an exciting 2022 year.



With thankful hearts we express deep gratitude for your support, love, and encouragement over this past year. We ask that our Sehion family continue to keep Sunday school and all its activities in your prayers.

Wishing You All A Happy & Healthy New Year.



With Prayers,

Susan Abraham, Susy Ninan, Tibu Mathew, Lini Mathai & Dr. Sony Mathew (2021 SS Officers)
(susan.abraham03@gmail.com or sninan@verizon.net.)



Youth Fellowship



Despite the challenges brought by this pandemic, God has continued to bless and provide for our youth fellowship. Thanks to Larry Achen and Roshin Kochamma, our youth has been able to meet for weekly bible studies. We have covered a plethora of topics, all based on questions spurred by our own youth members. We have also completed a number of community service activities, including packing care packages for our Sehion STARS, donating to Minnie's Food Pantry, and packing care packages for a local homeless shelter. In this new year, we hope to continue these initiatives and grow as a spiritual community. 2022 has lots in store for our youth, and we can't wait to see what that entails! Our 2022 Youth Registration is beginning this month. Don't forget to register! Please contact one of our YF officers for more information, at sehionmtcyf@gmail.com

Previous Month

- 12/6 – Weekly Bible Study
- 12/13 – Weekly Bible Study
- 12/20 – Weekly Bible Study
- 12/21 – YF Christmas Party
- 12/25 – Christmas
- 12/27 – Weekly Bible Study

Lamentations 3:22-24

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Upcoming Events

- 1/3 – Weekly Bible Study
- 1/10 – Weekly Bible Study
- 1/17 – Weekly Bible Study
- 1/24 – Weekly Bible Study
- 1/31 – Weekly Bible Study
- Other events TBD

January Birthdays

- 1/6 – Radley Lukose
- 1/11 – Alex Mathai
- 1/18 – Paul Varnan
- 1/19 – Rachel Varnan
- 1/19 – Melvin Manoj
- 1/20 – Jiffy Phillip
- 1/20 – Aaron Mathews
- 1/22 – Aaron Soney

Our 2021 Sehion YF Christmas picture



Prayer Requests

- We pray that you continue to guide us in the new year
- We pray for comfort for those affected by Covid-19
- We pray that you continue to guide our youth members in their spiritual journey



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With prayers,
2021 Youth Fellowship Officers (sehionmtcyf@gmail.com)

Lectionary

Sunday, January 2, 2022 Holy Communion Service led by Rev. Larry P Varghese	English Order 10:15 am
Theme: We are called to Evangelize (Outside Kerala Mission) 1 st Lesson: Exodus 3:1-17 2 nd Lesson: Acts 16:6-10	Epistle: Acts 26:19-23 Gospel: Luke 10:1-11
Sunday, January 9, 2022 Holy Communion Service led by Rev. Larry P Varghese	Malayalam Order 10:15 am
Theme: Temperance Sunday: "Overcoming the Addictions" 1 st Lesson: Joshua 7:16-26 2 nd Lesson: Ephesians 5:8-21	Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 Gospel: Matthew 18:6-11
Sunday, January 16, 2022 Holy Communion Service led by Rev. Larry P Varghese	English Order 10:15 am
Theme: Victory through Fasting and Prayer 1 st Lesson: 1 Kings 18:21-39 2 nd Lesson: Acts 12:1-12	Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-20 Gospel: Matthew 17:14-21
Sunday, January 23, 2022 Holy Communion Service led by Rev. Larry P Varghese	Malayalam Order 10:15 am
Theme: Church: Incorporated to be One Body (Ecumenical Sunday) 1 st Lesson: 1 Samuel 7:1-5 2 nd Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:12-20	Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-7 Gospel: John 15:1-12
Sunday, January 30, 2022 Holy Communion Service led by Rev. Larry P Varghese	English Order 10:15 am
Theme: TBA 1 st Lesson: TBA 2 nd Lesson: TBA	Epistle: TBA Gospel: TBA

*We spend January 1st walking through our lives, room by room, drawing up a list of work to be done, cracks to be patched.
Maybe this year, to balance the list, we ought to walk through the rooms of our lives ... not looking for flaws but for
potential. - Ellen Goodman*