



# IMMANUEL MAR THOMA CHURCH, NERUL

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For GOD so loved the world that he gave  
HIS one and ONLY SON, that whoever believes in  
him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

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# Immanuel Mar Thoma Church Nerul

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Sunday at 9.00 AM

- |   |   |                                     |
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| 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays | - | Holy Communion Service in Malayalam |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday                                      | - | Holy Communion Service in English   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday                                      | - | Divine Service in Malayalam         |

During the Holy Communion Services, there will be '**Thanks Giving Service**' for those who celebrated their Birthdays & Wedding Anniversary.

**Special dedication and Thanksgiving prayer will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month.**

### ORGANISATIONS

### TIME

- |                                |   |   |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Sunday School                  | - | On all Sundays at 7.30 AM at IMTC                           |
| Women's Fellowship meeting     | - | Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after the worship service      |
| Young couple's fellowship      | - | Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the worship service      |
| Edavaka Mission                | - | Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 7.00 PM                     |
| Yuvajana Sakhyam               | - | Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the worship service      |
| Sunday School Teachers Meeting | - | Every 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after the worship service      |
| Sevika Sanghom                 | - | Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday at 5.00 PM |
| Senior Citizen Fellowship      | - | Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday at 6.00 PM                     |
| Choir Practice                 | - | Every Saturday at 6.30 PM at IMTC                           |
| Fasting Prayer                 | - | Every Friday at 10.00 am at IMTC                            |
| Intercessory Prayer            | - | Every Wednesday at 8.00 pm at IMTC                          |

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## FROM OUR PARSONAGE



Dearly Beloved in Christ,

We are entering in to the third quarter of this program year with a busy schedule of parish activities, such as: Navjeevan Visit, Parish picnic, Family week program, Family Sunday, VBS, World Sunday School day, Christmas Carol Service, Carol Rounds, Annual Parish convention, Watch night and New year service and many more... I request all of you to

participate in all the programs and for your cooperation for the betterment of our parish life.

This month consists of 4 Sundays and as per the Sabha calendar the themes of the Sundays are: Priesthood of all Believers - Voluntary Evangelist's Day, Care for the People with Special Skills, Youth: God's Expectations - Youth Sunday and Family: place for Faith Formation- Christian Family Dedication Sunday.

The first Sunday of this month is going to be celebrated as Voluntary Evangelist's day.

Mission: The Central Purpose of the Church.

Mar Thoma Voluntary Evangelists' Association was founded in 1924, and is one of the primary organizations of the Mar Thoma Church. Jesus said, "When the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power, and you will be witnesses for me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth". (Acts. 1: 8). "You will be my Witnesses" – This is the motto of Mar Thoma Voluntary Evangelists' Association.

The association has a seven-point program.

1. Intercession, 2. Bible Study, 3. Sharing of experience, 4. House Visit, 5. Serving the sick and the needy, 6. Conduct of prayer meetings, 7. Gospel work among people of other faiths and ideologies. All these programs are designed to encourage the lay participation in mission works and leadership.

This year in our parish, under the leadership of Edavaka Mission, we are arranging a weeklong house visits at different prayer groups. I really appreciate the office bearers of the Edavaka mission and all those who participate in the mission activities through your prayer, time and resources.

As Emil Brunner said, "The church exists by mission as fire exists by burning". Mission is the central purpose of the church. In other words, church is called out as a community to participate in God's own mission.

Mission is really God's Mission: The aim of mission is the redemption of the world. Church should be God's partners in that Mission by proclaiming the Kingdom of God in both word and deed. We are here to follow Jesus' examples of preaching, teaching, sharing and healing.

#### Definition of Mission

The term 'mission' comes from the Latin word 'missio', which was first used on the Trinity in reference to the sending of the Son by the Father and the Spirit into the world. This reflects the missionary nature of God. It was only from the sixteenth century that the word 'mission' was used to describe the activity of human outreach by the church and the sending of Christians across the world to spread the faith.

David J. Bosch in his book "Transforming mission: Paradigm shift in Mission Theology" describes 13 new paradigms of mission such as:

1. Mission as Church with others 2. Mission as Missio Dei (3) Mission as mediating salvation (4) Mission as quest for Justice (5) Mission as evangelism (6) Mission as contextualization (7) Mission as enculturation (8) Mission as Liberation (9) Mission as common witness (10) Mission as the ministry to the whole people (11) Mission as witness to the people of other faith. (12) Mission as Theology (13) Mission as action in hope.

He defines Mission as quite simply, the participation of Christians in the liberating mission of Jesus, wagering on a future that verifiable experience seems to belie. It is the good news of God's love, incarnated in the witness of a community, for the sake of the world. Our mission does not have a life of its own: only in the hands of the sending God can it truly be called mission. A true missionary initiative comes from God alone.

Mission is "the redeeming action of the triune God toward people and the creation, the goal is to restore human relations with God in Christ and to bring every aspect of life under the lordship of Christ". The mission of God in the world is to bring His creation to unity and fullness in Christ. There is a kind of misapprehension about mission that is, mission as evangelism. Evangelism is one of the ministries of the church. Evangelism is not the same as mission. As Moltmann puts it – evangelism is mission, but mission is not merely evangelism.

#### Mission as Witness:

In Mathew chapter 25 we read; When son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne....say to those at his

right hand, “come, O blessed of my father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me. Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of least my brethren, you did it to me.

When we think about mission these three aspects are important:

God as missional

“As the father sent me, so I send You. (John 20: 21) and as we read in john 3: 16”

Foe God so loved the world that he gave his only son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life”. The Father God send His only begotten son to this world to redeem us from sin and to provide salvation to the whole world.

Church as missional

If we consider the metaphors used in New Testament to explain the meaning of church, it is clear that church is missional. For example, in the metaphor “the Church as the Body of Christ”, the central purpose of the church should be mission of God, because the body represents the life and presence. For this reason, the church as missional and mission is the principal responsibility of the church.

Everyday lives as missional

When God and church are viewed as missional, ordinary life obviously becomes missional. This is because every situation is, in fact, a missionary situation. This view advocates that every believer function as a priest in their respective stations in life. The ordinary shared life of the Christian community has to be in itself missional. It is important to remember the words of our Former great Metropolitan Abraham Mar Thoma, he said that “every Marthomite is an evangelist”. Every believer should embody the life of the church in their neighbourhoods, workplaces, and all living spaces.

We are a called-out community to participate in the Mission of God. May God help us to participate and fulfil the Mission of God in this world.

In Christ's Service

**Salomon Achen Kalarikkal**

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

1. **Sunday school Visit to Navjeevan:** Our Sunday school children and Teachers along with our Achen visited Navjeevan village, conducted the Sunday worship and planted flower saplings on Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> July.
2. **Students Orientation Class:** Was held on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> July and 15<sup>th</sup> September from 11.00am to 1.30 pm. Dr. Sally Enos conducted the session. Our children who are preparing for the board exam along with their parents attended the meeting.
3. **Youth Camp:** ALAM (Army Leading a Mission) was held from July 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> at Satyagiri Dominican Centre for training and retreat, Igatpuri. Rev. Tom John, Vicar, Mar Thoma Parish, Vikhroli was the leader. Our Achen and family also lead sessions in the program. Thirty- two youths attended the program
4. **Navi Mumbai Centre Sevika Sanghom one day Conference:** Was held at Christos Mar Thoma Church, Mulund on 27<sup>th</sup> July. Auction sale was also held on that day. 15 members attended the meeting.
5. **Sunday School Mid-Term Exam:** Was held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July after the worship.
6. **Sunday School Retreat:** Was held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August at MTC, Vikhroli. Four teachers attended the meeting.
7. **Diocesan Sunday:** Was observed on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> August. Rev. Daniel Mathew, Vicar, Panvel MTC, celebrated the Holy Communion. A total of Rs. 184000 was collected towards Diocesan Development fund.
8. **Mission Field Visit:** A Team of seven Edavaka Mission members along with our Achen visited our mission fields at Chandrapur from 29<sup>th</sup> August to 31<sup>st</sup> August. (report Attached)
9. **Harvest Festival Auction sale:** was conducted on Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> sept. and 8<sup>th</sup> sept. as per the following schedule.

No	Area Prayer Group	Date	Auction Amount
1	Nerul A, Nerul B & Nerul C	1 <sup>st</sup> September 2019	Rs.56000
2	Nerul D, Seawoods, Ulwe & Beyond Nerul	8 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Rs.59000

10. **Sevika Sanghom Day :** Was celebrated on 8<sup>th</sup> September. Special Vatteppam was served after the worship.
11. **Flood Relief Fund:** Rs 1 Lakh donated to Maharashtra chief minister's fund and 1 lakh to Kunnamkulam Malabar diocese for the relief of the flood affected victims.

12. **Senior Citizen Day:** Was celebrated on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019.

13. **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Combined Worship and Fellowship Service:** Was held on 29<sup>th</sup> September at Vashi MTC. Our Members attended the worship.

➤ **Baptism:**

- Esther Robin, D/o Mr. Robin Varghese & Mrs. Merlin Robin of Seawoods Area was baptized on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and become a member of the Immanuel Mar Thoma Church.

We welcome Esther to the Immanuel Family.

➤ **Obituary:**

- Mrs. Aleyamma Varghese, 90 Years, M/o Mr. P.V. Abraham of Ulwe Area and Mr. Varghese Varghese & Thomas Varghese of Seawoods area was taken to heavenly abode on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> July. The funeral service was held at Sehion MTC, Mallappally.
- Mrs. Rachel George, 84 years, M/o Mrs Seline Abbey (Nerul B) was taken to Heavenly abode on 29<sup>th</sup> August. The funeral Service was held at the Sewri Christian Cemetery .
- Mr. Geevarghese Mathew, 85 years, Father of Mrs Honey Thomas of Nerul A Area prayer group was taken to heavenly abode on 19<sup>th</sup> Aug. The Funeral service was held on 21<sup>st</sup> August at Orthodox Church, Kadampanad.

Our heartfelt condolence to the bereaved families.

## FORTH COMING EVENTS

1. **Chain Prayer:** Will be held on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> December from 6.00pm to Saturday 6.00am.
2. **Fasting Prayer:** Every Friday at 10.00 am at IMTC
3. **Intercessory Prayer:** Every Wednesday at 8.00 pm at IMTC.
4. **Edavaka Mission Sangha Varam:** From 29<sup>th</sup> September to 6<sup>th</sup> October. Edavaka mission members will visit our houses during this week.
5. **Edavaka Mission Sangha Dinam:** Will be celebrated on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October.
6. **Navjeevan day :** Visit will be arranged on 2nd October for the silver jubilee celebrations. Bus will be arranged for the visit.
7. **Parish Picnic:** Will be arranged on 8<sup>th</sup> October. Participating Members will bear the cost of the resort charges.

**8. Vacation Bible School 2019:** will be held from Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October to 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

- Date : Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November
- Venue : IMTC, Nerul
- Leaders : MTSS, Mumbai Diocese
- Theme : “God’s Masterpiece” (Ephesians 2:10)
- Registration : Rs.600/-
- Inauguration : Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 8.30 am
- Final Day : Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November after the worship service.

**VBS Refreshment sponsorship details as follows.**

No	Date	Area
1	26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Nerul A
2	28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Nerul B
3	29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Nerul C
4	30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Sevika Sanghom
5	31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Nerul D
6	01 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Seawoods
7	02 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Ulwe & Beyond Nerul
8	03 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Edavaka Mission

**9. Family Week:** From 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October. Fellowship meeting will be arranged as per the following schedule at IMTC.

No	Date	Time	Program
1	24 <sup>th</sup> October	7.30pm	Family fellowship Meeting
2	25 <sup>th</sup> October	7.30pm	Family fellowship Meeting
3	26 <sup>th</sup> October	7.30pm	Family fellowship Meeting
4	27 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am	Holy Communion, Family Dedication Family Quiz Competition Fellowship Lunch

Visit a family within the church will be arranged for members. Family Quiz will be conducted on family Sunday based on the Book of Nehemiah.

**10. Navjeevan Fund Raising Program:** “Thaikudam Bridge”, a Musical entertainment program for Navjeevan fund raising will be held on 9th Nov. at 10.am at Shanmuganatha hall, Mumbai.



11. **One Day Income Cover Collection:** Will be held on Sunday the 10th November.
12. **Parish Tour** to Andamans will be held from 11<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> November.
13. **Sunday School Annual Exam :** Will be held on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> November at 2.00pm at IMTC.
14. **Our missionary Achen:** Rev. Christy V. Varghese will be visiting our parish on Sunday 17th November.
15. **Holy Communion Worship Service in Marthoma Order** Will be conducted at CSI – CNI church at Sanpada on 24<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 7.00am.
16. **Sunday School Birudu Exam & Teachers Exam:** Will be held at 2pm on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at IMTC.
17. **Theodosius Thirumeni's 30<sup>th</sup> year of consecration as a Bishop of Mar Thoma Church:** Visit To MTC, Kirkee, Pune Will be arranged on 7th December to attend the function. Bus will be arranged for 50 people on first come first serve basis.
18. **Christmas:**
  - Church carol service will be held on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00 pm.
  - Door to door singing will be arranged from 17- 23<sup>rd</sup> December
  - Holy communion service will be held at 6.00 am on 25<sup>th</sup> December.
19. **Episcopal Visit:** Our Former Diocesan Episcopa Rt Rev. Dr. Abraham Mar Paulose Thirumeni will be visiting our parish on Sunday, 22nd December.
20. **Annual Convention:**

No	Date	Time	Program	Speaker
1	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am	Holy Communion service	Rev. P. K. Zachariah, (Chaplain, Kumbanadu Fellowship Mission Hospital.)
		5.00pm	Youth Meeting	
		6.00pm	Sevika Sanghom Meeting	
		7.30 pm	Convention Meeting	
2	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> December	7.30 pm	Convention Meeting	
3	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> December	8.30 pm	Holy Communion service.	
			Convention final meeting. Watch Night Service.	

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### October

Date	Title	Assisting	Lessons	Epistle -Gospel	Altar Boys
6 <sup>th</sup> October 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam Voluntary Evangelist's Day	Edavaka Mission	Isa. 6:1-11 1 Pet. 2:1-10	1 Thess. 5:12-22 St. John. 17:9-20	Elwin Thomas
13 <sup>th</sup> October 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam	Seawoods	2 Sam. 9:1-13 Acts. 9:32-35	2 Cor. 12:1-10 St. Mark. 3:16	Ben John
20 <sup>th</sup> October 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in English Youth Sunday	Yuvajana Sakhyam	Dan. 1:1-15 Acts. 6:1-7	Titus. 2:1-14 St. Mark. 10:17-22	Jayden Solomon
27 <sup>th</sup> October 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam Family Dedication Sunday	Ulwe	1 Sam. 1:19-28 Ephe. 3:14-21	Ephe. 6:1-9 St. Luke. 2:41-52	Shobin Thomas

## November

Date	Title	Assisting	Lessons	Epistle-Gospel	Altar Boys
03 <sup>rd</sup> November 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in English World Sunday School day	Sunday School	Judges. 13:1-14 Hebrews. 11:17-27	1 John. 3:1-10 St. Luke. 18:15-17	Jayden Solomon
10 <sup>th</sup> November 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam	Nerul A	Ezek. 37:15-23 1 Cor. 12:12-27	Ephe. 4:1-13 St. John. 17:21-26	Elwin Thomas
17 <sup>th</sup> November 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam	Nerul B	1 Chro. 24:1-19 Rev. 8:1-5	Heb. 5:1-10 St. Luke. 1:5-23	Jose Mathew
24 <sup>th</sup> November 9.00 am	Divine service. Holy Communion Service in Malayalam at CNI Church, Sanpada.	Nerul C	Exo. 3:1-15 Acts. 9:1-15	Heb. 2:5-10 St. Luke. 1:26-38	Jerin Mathew

## December

<b>Date</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Assisting</b>	<b>Lessons</b>	<b>Epistle-Gospel</b>	<b>Altar Boys</b>
01 <sup>st</sup> December 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam	Nerul D	Isa. 40:1-8 Jam. 1:19-25	1 Thess. 1:1-10 St. Luke. 1:39-45	Jitin Varghese
08 <sup>th</sup> December 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam	Seawoods	1 King. 19:1-21 Rev. 10:1-11	Gal. 1:11-17 St. Luke. 1:57-66	Jayden Solomon
15 <sup>th</sup> December 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in English	Ulwe	Isa. 7:10-17 1 Pet. 3:8-16	Titus. 2:11-15 St. Mat. 1:18-23	Jose Mathew
22 <sup>nd</sup> December 9.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam	Nerul A	Isa. 11:1-10 1 John. 4:7-21	Rom. 1:8-17 St. John. 1:1-14	Shobin Thomas
25 <sup>th</sup> December 6.00 am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam - Christmas	Nerul B	Isa. 9:1-7 Heb. 1:1-14	2 Timo. 2:8-13 St. Luke. 2:1-20	Melwin Moncy
29 <sup>th</sup> December 9.00am	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam	Nerul C	Zech. 14:1-5 Acts. 1:6-11	1 Thess. 4:13-18 St. Mat. 24:32-44	Ben John
31 <sup>st</sup> December 8.30pm	Holy Communion Service in Malayalam. Watch Night Service	Nerul D	Deut. 8:1-20 Heb. 12:1-13	1Pet. 5:6-11 St. John. 7:37-42	Shobin Thomas

## **AREA WISE PRAYER MEETING**

### **NERUL A 3rd Friday 8.00 pm**

- 18<sup>th</sup> October Mr. Binu John, NL 4/43/6, Sector 11  
15<sup>th</sup> November Mr. Thomas Varghese (M), NL 6/2/10, Sector 3  
20<sup>th</sup> December Mr. T.A. Raju, NL6/10/11, Sector 9

### **NERUL B 2nd Saturday 8.00pm**

- 12<sup>th</sup> October Mr. P.C. Mathew, D2/104, Lenyadri CHS, Sector 19A  
9<sup>th</sup> November Mr. Ebby Philip, A2/304, Madhavi CHS, Sector 19A  
14<sup>th</sup> December Mr. T.T. Jacob, A 604 /Navdurga CHS, Sector 19A

### **NERUL C 4th Saturday 8.00 pm**

- 26<sup>th</sup> October Family week program  
23<sup>rd</sup> November Mr. M.T. Alexander, A /303, Olive Estate, Sector 27  
28<sup>th</sup> December Annual Convention

### **NERUL D 1st Saturday 8.00 pm**

- 5<sup>th</sup> October Mr. Mathew Joseph, NL 6/5/6, Bridge View Apt. Sector 2  
2<sup>nd</sup> November Mr. Sam Mathew, C/309, Meridian Apt, Sector 6  
7<sup>th</sup> December Mr. Jaison Jacob, NL 6/7/3, Bridge View Apt, Sector 2

### **Ulwe Area 3rd Sunday 7.00pm**

- 20<sup>th</sup> October Mr. Shabu P. John, 101/ Ugam Palace, Plot No.36, Sector 17  
17<sup>th</sup> November Mr. Aji Varghese, 501/ Sharda Galaxy, Plot No. 21/8, Sector 8  
15<sup>th</sup> December Christmas

### **SEAWOODS 2nd Friday 8.00 pm**

- 11<sup>th</sup> October Mr. N.T. Varghese, D/213, Maruti Paradise, Plot No. 92-95, Sector 15, CBD  
8<sup>th</sup> November Mr. Mancy Joseph, 303/Sai Sadan, Plot No.43, Sector 44 A.  
13<sup>th</sup> December Mr. Jiju Samuel, 201/ Crystal, Plot No.98, Sector 20, Behind D-Mart, CBD.

**Sunday School Teachers Meeting will be held on every  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Worship at the church**

**Yuvajana Sakhyam Cottage Prayer:**

**3rd Sunday after the Worship**

20 <sup>th</sup> October	IMTC, Nerul (Sponsored by Akash Ninan)
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Ms. Joyce Joy, E1/40/A-9, Sector 10
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Carol service

**Sevika Sangham Prayer Meetings**

**Every 2nd & 4th Saturday at 5.00PM**

12 <sup>th</sup> October	Mrs. Shiba Thomas, A/404, Corel Crest, Sector 23.
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Family week program
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Mrs. Rosamma Binu, NL 4- 43/6, Sector 11
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Mrs. Sheju Mathew , 201/ Vashishthi, KR Vihar, Sector 40
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Mrs. Mini Moncy, 303/ Shree Sadan, Plot No. 43, Sector 44A
28 <sup>th</sup> December	Mrs. Leelamma Thomas, A2/ 6/3, Alak Nanda CHS, Sector 19A.

**EDAVAKA MISSION PRAYER MEETING**

**2nd Sunday 7.00 pm**

13 <sup>th</sup> October	Mr. V.T. Thomas, A2/ 6/3, Alak Nanda CHS, Sector 19A.
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Mr. Mathew Thomas, C/ 612, Corel Crest, sector 23.
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Mr. Joy Varghese, E1/40/A-9, Sector 10

**SENIOR CITIZENS FELLOWSHIP**

**1st Sunday at 6.00 PM**

6 <sup>th</sup> October	Mr. Varghese K. John, A4/04, Shiv Parvathi CHS, Sector 21.
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Mrs. Saramma Mathew, B-201/ Laxmi Tower, Sector 42.
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Mr. John A Philip, C6 – 304/ Nilgiri Garden, Sector 24.

### Visitors

We were privileged to have the following visitors during the quarter. We thank God for their valuable presence & guidance.

Rev. Thomas Mathew.

Rev. Mathews George

Rev. Jinu Eapen Kurian

Rev. Daniel Mathew

### **NAGPUR (CHANDRAPUR) MISSION FIELD VISIT**

We ventured on our Mission Field journey to Nagpur - a city known as Orange City, but it is also a Green City, having number of trees similar to number of people in Nagpur !!

Nagpur is surrounded by Tigers i.e. 7 National Parks, Tiger Reserves. Nagpur has highest literacy rate in India among cities having more than 2 million population.

We were 8 members including our Achen, Rev. Dr. Salomon K to go to Nagpur/ Chandrapur Mission field.

On Friday 29th August 2019 we boarded the Duronto Train from Mumbai CST at 8.15 pm and reached Nagpur Railway station next day morning at 8.30 am. We travelled all through in an 18-Seater Mini AC Bus arranged by Mr. Pradeep David, our Mission Co-Ordinator.

We had our breakfast at Nagpur MTC Parsonage. After the prayer by Rev. T. Johnson, the Vicar, we left at 10.30 am to Chandrapur mission field.

The drive was smooth as the roads were excellent and the weather was good. We experienced the excitement in the mission field visit. Passed through Borkhedi toll naka 11.12, Jam Nanduri 2nd toll naka 11.55, Warora Toll naka 12.28 , Tadali 12.58 pm.

We had a stopover at The ND Hotel, Chandrapur 1.45 pm and accompanied by Rev. Christy Varghese, our missionary Achen and had our Lunch before continuing our journey.

We reached the Kothari Mission field where we are sponsoring an Evangelist. Evangelist Mr. Suresh Dhurve and his Wife Nutan are blessed with two children

Priya and Prince. They are doing a wonderful job in spreading the love of Christ in that tiny village with about 120 families of 1000 people.

Balharshah Diocese of Catholic Church is also doing a good work in the education field in their Diocese in that area.

We gathered in the Hut of Mr. Ganesh Bhima Alam and had an introduction and had prayer meeting that was attended by his brother Bantu Namdev Alaam who is a Police Patil of the Kanargaon. Rev. Dr. Salomon K and Rev. Christy Varghese spoke at the meeting. Mr. Ganesh had given his testimony how he was healed from his medical ailment by attending the prayers and it was really an inspiration to all present. The gathering was attended by apx. 20 believers from the village. As we could not reach in the scheduled time at 2.30 p.m, few people had to left for their work.

Though Nagpur has highest growth of number of millionaires in India, life in village is very tough especially for poor people live in that area. We are privileged to do our best though in a small way to the people who are really in need.

Mr. C.T. Thomas distributed chocolates and study materials like packets of pencil eraser etc. to the children. Dresses donated by our members for the children that were carried by us were handed over to Mr. Suresh Dhurve at his house for distribution.

Mr. P K Mathew and Mr. P V John contributed Rs.5000 each. Along with another Rs.15000 from church the total amount was given to the Evangelist for medical and educational purpose of believers.

At 10.30 pm we reached the parsonage at Nagpur and had dinner and reached Rly. Stn. at 11.30 pm. The return journey commenced at 0.20 hrs.

We are thankful to God for His providence and express our sincere gratitude to all those who have helped us to accomplish the Mission field visit and especially our thanks goes to the Driver Mr. Ganesh for caring us and reaching us safely at our destinations.

**M.T. Alexander**

(Secretary, Edavaka Mission)



## Birthday Anniversary

The following members are celebrating their birthdays in this quarter. Let God's grace and mercy be upon them throughout the year.

<b>BEYOND NERUL</b>	
Oct-06	Mr. Mathew V T
Oct-08	Mrs. Shiny Mathew
Oct-15	Mr. Mathew George
Oct-18	Kum Ashby Ann Mathew
Nov-19	Mrs. Mariakutty Varghese
Nov-26	Kum Alysa Ann Jacob
Dec-04	Mrs. Princy Mathew
<b>NERUL A</b>	
Oct-05	Mr. Sony A Thomas
Oct-14	Mr. Thomas Varghese(M)
Oct-22	Mrs. Saramma John
Oct-25	Mrs. Annamma Mathews
Oct-27	Mr. Anil Thomas
Nov-14	Mrs. Kunjunamma Mathai
Nov-18	Mr. Varghese K John
Dec-17	Mrs. Mercy Varghese
Dec-25	Mst. Abin Mathew Wilson
<b>NERUL B</b>	
Oct-11	Mrs. Anju Susan Paul
Oct-13	Mr. John Philip

Oct-15	Mrs. Shibi John
Oct-18	Mst. Aaron Rohit Mathew
Oct-19	Mr. Jacob T T
Oct-24	Mrs. Elizabeth Idiculla
Oct-25	Mr. Roy K Kurian
Oct-25	Mrs. Lilly Thomas
Oct-26	Mrs. Elsamma Prasad
Oct-28	Mrs. Betty Jacob
Oct-31	Mr. Abraham T Philip
Nov-01	Mrs. Sicy Raichel Varghese
Nov-03	Mrs. Susan Thomas
Nov-07	Mrs. Joyce Princly Mathew
Nov-16	Mrs. Rini Alexander
Nov-16	Kum Hannah Liz Thomas
Nov-21	Mst. Mathew Paul Parackal
Nov-27	Mrs. Mini Thomas
Nov-27	Mrs. Alina Siju Abraham
Nov-28	Mrs. Lizzamma Jacob
Nov-28	Mr. Thampi Varghese
Dec-02	Ms. Melissa Thomas
Dec-03	Mst. Jerry Manoj Mathew

Dec-04	Mr. Mathew P C
Dec-06	Mrs. Elizabeth Mathew
Dec-07	Mrs. Anju Rohit Mathew
Dec-09	Mrs. Alice Mathew
Dec-16	Kum Ruchita Mariam Kurian
Dec-18	Kum Christine Daniel
Dec-20	Mr. Jithin Sashi
Dec-24	Mr. Saji M Jacob
Dec-29	Mrs. Jiji Thomas
<b>NERUL C</b>	
Oct-03	Kum Evelyn Bilji Philip
Oct-05	Mr. Shibu Mathew
Oct-10	Kum Jini Rachel Koshy
Oct-13	Mst. Jerrin Valliathu Oommen
Oct-19	Mrs. Beena Mohan
Oct-19	Mr. Aleric Alexander
Oct-19	Dr. Abraham Varghese
Oct-31	Mrs. Elson Bilji
Nov-03	Mr. C. John Mathew
Nov-06	Kum Namita Susan Simon
Nov-11	Mrs. Kanchan Aji Thomas
Nov-15	Mr. Alexander M T
Nov-16	Mr. Varghese Mathew K
Nov-23	Mrs. Roby Mathew

Nov-23	Mrs. Ammini Varghese
Nov-25	Kum Shreya Shibu Mathew
Nov-29	Mst. Juan Mathew T
Nov-29	Mrs. Elamma Philip
Dec-08	Mr. John A Philip
Dec-12	Mr. Mohan Thomas
Dec-19	Mr. Oommen Mathew
Dec-19	Mr. George Abraham
Dec-19	Mrs. Jaya Thomas
Dec-19	Dr. Nevin Abraham
Dec-19	Mrs. Shiba Thomas
Dec-22	Mrs. Jibi Philip
<b>NERUL D</b>	
Oct-10	Mrs. Bini S John
Oct-11	Mr. Shevin Bobin Varughese
Oct-26	Mrs. Linu Jose Mathew
Nov-01	Kum Kristina Sam Mathew
Nov-08	Mrs. Ammini Thomas
Nov-11	Mr. Varghese Cherian
Nov-13	Mrs. Laly Jacob
Nov-18	Mr. Nishant Joseph George
Nov-19	Mr. Sam Mathew
Nov-20	Mr. Jacob Joseph E
Nov-20	Mst. Shawn Abey

Dec-03	Kum Janice Jacob
Dec-06	Mr. Moncy Cherian
Dec-07	Mst. Joyal Joy
Dec-09	Ms. Lisha Jacob
Dec-17	Mst. Ezra Jose Erapuzha
Dec-18	Kum Linta Jacob
Dec-22	Kum Angelina Shaji George
Dec-23	Mr. Rajan Thomas
Dec-26	Dr. Daisy Joseph
<b>SEAWOODS</b>	
Oct-01	Mrs. Aleyama Varghese
Oct-04	Mst. Nixon Joy
Oct-10	Mrs. Saramma Mathew
Oct-18	Mrs. Annamma Zachariah
Oct-18	Mr. Tennis J Mathew
Oct-21	Mst. Melvin Biju
Oct-23	Mr. Koshy Varghese
Oct-24	Ms. Binu Joy
Nov-01	Mst. Joel Mathew
Nov-15	Mr. Varghese N T
Nov-17	Mrs. Smita Biju Thomas
Nov-18	Mst. Jerin Jiju
Nov-19	Mr. Ebby David

Nov-22	Mr. Alex John Roy
Nov-23	Kum Saira Mary Emil
Nov-29	Mrs. Shyla Biju Mathew
Nov-30	Mrs. Annamma Roy
Dec-02	Mrs. Sai Sara Koshy
Dec-07	Dr. Philip Mathew
Dec-12	Kum Meghana Screen Mathew
Dec-12	Kum Sanjana Annie Mathew
Dec-15	Mrs. Mary David
Dec-20	Kum Kavya Biju Thomas
Dec-20	Kum Elizabeth K. Sanson
Dec-23	Mr. Biju K Mathew
<b>ULWE</b>	
Oct-02	Mst. Joshua Philips Regi
Oct-15	Mst. Ansh P Shabu
Nov-14	Mr. John C. Mathew
Nov-15	Mst. Albin Aji Varghese
Nov-21	Mr. Jinson Abraham Plachira
Nov-23	Kum Alona Aji Varghese
Dec-04	Mrs. Susamma John
Dec-14	Mst. Ayush P Shabu
Dec-17	Mr. Renoy Philip

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The following couples are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in this quarter. Let them be guided and blessed by LORD in the days to come.

<b>BEYOND NERUL</b>	
Nov-10	Mr. Mathew V T & Mrs. Shiny Mathew
<b>NERUL A</b>	
Nov-07	Mr. John C Mathew (joby) & Mrs. Sneha John
Nov-22	Mr. Thomas Varghese (M) & Mrs. Mercy Varghese
Dec-08	Mr. Wilson Mathew & Mrs. Lovely Wilson
<b>NERUL B</b>	
Oct-20	Mr. Abbey Philip & Mrs. Seline A Philip
Oct-21	Mr. Varghese P V & Mrs. Sheeja Varghese
Oct-22	Mr. Paul Mathew Parackel & Mrs. Anju Susan Paul
Nov-06	Mr. Siju P Abraham & Mrs. Alina Siju Abraham
Nov-06	Mr. Thampi Varghese & Mrs. Sicy Raichel Varghese
Nov-08	Mr. Saji M Jacob & Mrs. Betty Jacob
Dec-28	Mr. Thomas Philip & Mrs. Mini Thomas

<b>NERUL C</b>	
Oct-10	Mr. George Kurian Roy & Mrs. Jessy Roy
Oct-29	Mr. Ajoy Santhosh Thomas & Mrs. Anju Ajoy
Nov-07	Mr. Thomas Varghese (Babu) & Mrs. Shiba Thomas
Nov-21	Mr. Simon Job & Mrs. Manju M Simon
Nov-21	Mr. Thomas C T & Mrs. Annie Thomas
Nov-22	Mr. Jacob Varghese & Mrs. Shali Jacob
Nov-27	Mr. Mathew Aji Thomas & Mrs. Kanchan Aji Thomas
Nov-29	Mr. Alexander M T & Mrs. Valsa Alexander
<b>NERUL D</b>	
Oct-15	Rev. Salomon K & Mrs. Beena Pappachen
Nov-07	Mr. T. Geevarghese & Mrs. Aleyamma Geevarghese
Nov-28	Mr. Rajan Thomas & Mrs. Anu Rajan

Dec-05	Mr.Shevin Bobin Varughese & Mrs. Raji Anie Mathew
Dec-30	Mr.Shaji George & Mrs. Binu Shaji
Dec-30	Mr.Joy Varghese & Mrs. Rosamma Joy
<b>SEAWOODS</b>	
Oct-04	Mr.Varghese N T & Mrs. Aleyama Varghese
Oct-09	Mr.Mathew P J & Mrs. Saly Mathew
Nov-05	Mr.Emil Varkey & Mrs. Annie Emil Varkey
Nov-16	Mr.Biju Thomas & Mrs. Smita Biju Thomas

Nov-20	Mr.Jiju T Chacko & Mrs. Shibumol
Nov-20	Mr.Moncy Joseph & Mrs. Mini Moncy
Nov-25	Mr. Alex John Roy & Mrs. Raji Alex
Dec-30	Dr.Philip Mathew & Mrs. Anuja Joseph Cherian
<b>ULWE</b>	
Dec-27	Mr.Shabu P John & Mrs. Minu Shabu
Dec-30	Mr.George Abraham Pla- chira & Mrs. Priya Joseph

“FOR TO US A CHILD IS BORN,  
TO US A SON IS GIVEN; AND  
THE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE  
UPON HIS SHOULDER, AND HIS  
NAME SHALL BE CALLED  
WONDERFUL COUNSELOR,  
MIGHTY GOD, EVERLASTING  
FATHER, PRINCE OF PEACE.”

— ISAIAH 9:6



**"For I know the plans  
I have for you,"**  
declares the Lord,  
"plans to prosper you  
and not to harm you,  
plans to give you  
hope and a future."

-Jeremiah 29:11





**Our Sunday school children visited Navjeevan and planted the flower saplings.**



**Our Mission Field-tour team**



**Our team with the believers of our Mission field**



**Our Evangelist Mr. Suresh Durve and Family.**





**Immanuel Mar Thoma Church**

**Nerul**

**The Vicar & the Executive committee wishes**

*A merry Christmas  
&  
Happy New year 2020*