

MARTH MARIAM SAMAJAM
Annual Report 2007
Mrs. Mariamma Joseph, Secretary

Praise be to God!!

The year 2007 passed in the grace of our Lord. Many of our dear and near ones passed on and many had gone through difficult times. But we saw the kindness of God in our lives. We praise God for His continued guidance.

Regular Sunday Meetings: Regular meetings were held on alternate Sundays soon after Holy Qurbana. Songs, prayer, Bible reading, report of previous meeting, Bible study and sometimes a business session were our main routine activities. Most of the meetings were led by our Vicar Rev. Fr. M. K. Kuriakose. A good number of our people regularly attended the meetings.

Special Bible Study: We had a special Bible study on Acts of the Apostles with a view to preparing for the quiz competition for the Annual Marth Mariam Samajam meeting. We fared well in the Quiz.

Diocesan Committee Meeting: The MMS Diocesan Committee was held in New York at the Aramana in which some of our members participated.

World Day of Prayer: Under the auspices of the Ecumenical Fellowship of Indian Churches in Philadelphia “the World Day of Prayer” was observed. The meeting was held at our church hall in which many of our members attended.

Parents Couples Conference: This meeting was held at St. George’s Orthodox Church, Staten Island, New York in which our members attended.

Annual Conference: The MMS Annual Conference was held at St. Mary’s Orthodox Church, Jackson Heights, New York in which 14 members including our Vicar participated.

MMS Chitty: This year we successfully organized the Chitty through which we generated \$3200.00. Mrs. Annamma Geevarghese, Jessy Zachariah and Shirley Chacko did a great job in managing the Chitty.

Bake/Snack Sales: On June 10th we had a bake sale and on July 28th we had a snack sale through which we raised \$1395.00

Harvest Festival: Our members worked very hard to make our Harvest Festival a grand success. Many donated materials such as sari, jewelry, churidar etc. delicious lunch was sold to raise \$1746.00. Our members brought food cooked in their homes for this sale.

Friday Prayer: Some of our members visited homes conducting prayers for those in sickness or difficult times.

MMS Center Fund: We collected \$350.00 towards the MMS Center Fund and sent the money to its president Mar Theophilus in India.

Entertainment Program: Our members performed a skit namely, “Many were called by selected were few” the story of the Ten Virgins.

Statement of Accounts

Total Income	\$8541.00
Expense	\$1,265.11
Balance	\$7275.89

I express my sincere gratitude to all members of the MMS especially to the Treasurer Mrs. Omana Varghese, Assistant Secretary Mrs. Annamma Geevarghese and Assistant Treasurer Mrs. Saramma Raju for their hard work and cooperation. In addition I thank all Managing Committee and Board of Trustee members, MGOCSM, and Youth League members who cooperated in our activities. I would also like to express our affection and gratitude to our Vicar Rev. Fr. M. K. Kuriakose for his guidance and study classes. I hope and pray that God will continue to guide us in the coming years. May God bless us!