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One day, my brethren, I took a pearl
into my hands; in it I saw symbols
which told of the Kingdom, images and figures
of God's majesty. It became a fountain
from which I drank in the symbols of the Son.

[St. Ephrem, Hymns on Faith LXXXI (1)]

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Monday, 8th September 2014

14.30–17.00

OPENING SESSION

To 'ba-šlom

Rev. Dr M.P. George (Director)
Shruthi & Sumoro Choir, Kottayam

Welcome

His Grace Thomas Mar Koorilos
Metropolitan Archbishop of Tiruvalla & President of SEERI

Presidential Address

His Grace Mar Joseph Perumthottam
Archbishop, Syro-Malabar Archdiocese, Changanacherry

Inauguration

His Grace Joseph Marthoma
Metropolitan, Marthoma Syrian Church

Benedictory Speech

His Grace Thomas Mar Athanasios
Metropolitan, Chengannoor, Orthodox Syrian Church

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Prof. M.R. Unni
Registrar, Mahatma Gandhi University

Felicitation (I)

His Excellency Joseph Mar Barnabas
Adoor Diocese, Marthoma Syrian Church

(II)

Mr K.P. Fabian (former Indian Ambassador to Italy)

Keynote Lecture (I)

Dr Dr Harald Suermann
Director, Institute of Missiology (MWI), Aachen, Germany

Syriac Music

Dr Sajini Marett (Malaysia)
Dr Jayaprakash & Arun Jayaprakash (Medical College,
Kottayam)

Keynote Lecture (II)

Dr Sebastian Brock
Oxford University, UK

Vote of Thanks

His Grace Dr Mar Aprem
Metropolitan, Chaldean Church of the East, Trichur

Blessing

Metropolitans & Bishops

Reception: Mar Thoma Theological Seminary

Tuesday, 9th September 2014

- 06.30 *Qurbana* (in Syriac)
Celebrant: His Grace Dr Mar Aprem
 Metropolitan, Chaldean Church of the East, Trichur
- 08.50–09.00 Prayer Song: M.O.C. students

SESSION I

- Moderator Dr J.J. van Ginkel**
 Dept of Near Eastern Studies, Leiden University, The Netherlands
- 09.00–09.30 Prof. Rifaat Ebied: *The Syriac treatise on the origin and history of the thirty pieces of silver that Judas received from the Jews*
- 09.30–10.00 Sunish George J. Alumkal: *Automation of East Syriac Liturgical Cycle*
- 10.00–10.30 Dr Assad Sauma: *Why was Patriarch Aphrem Barsaum called “Athoraya”?*
- 10.30–11.00 Coffee break

SESSION II (A)

- Moderator Rev. Dr Kuriakose Moolayil Cor episcopa**
 SEERI, Kottayam
- 11.00–11.30 Dr Emidio Vergani: *Death and Resurrection in Ephrem*
- 11.30–12.00 Rev. Fr George Kurisummoottil: *The Virgin Mary in the Syriac iconographic tradition*
- 12.00–12.30 Rev. Dr Thomas Kollampampil CMI: *Jacob of Serugh: Creation and Incarnation—the Divine Extension of the hand a second time*

SESSION II (B)

- Moderator Prof. Behnam Keryo**
 La Peryrière Haute, France
- 11.00–11.30 H.E. Mar Yohannan Yosseph Episcopa: *Trichur Hudra compared to Bedjan Hudra: the Good Friday text*

- 11.30–12.00 Dr M. Kurian Thomas: *The Chengannoor Synod of 1686 and the introduction of West Syrian theology into India*
- 12.00–12.30 Rev. Fr Ephraim Alkhas: *Mar Abdisho of Suwa's 'The Pearl: on the truth of Christianity': A study in philosophical synthesis of Neoplatonic, Aristotelian, and Islamic thought*

SESSION III (A)

Moderator **Professor Emeritus Dr Rifaat Ebied**
FAHA, University of Sydney, Australia

- 14.00–14.30 Dr Erica C.D. Hunter: *The Syriac manuscripts of Turfan: new dimensions and discoveries*
- 14.30–15.00 Rev. Dr Baby Varghese: *Syriac Julian Romance and Early Syriac Liturgical Tradition*
- 15.00–15.30 Rev. Fr Stephen Olickal: *Man as God's image according to Jacob of Sarug*

SESSION III (B)

Moderator **Rev. Dr Thomas Kollamparampil CMI**
Christ's University, Bangalore

- 14.00–14.30 Rev. Dr Steve Cochrane: *'Many monks cross the sea to India and China': An examination of Patriarch Timothy's reference to India in Letter 13*
- 14.30–15.00 Mrs Josamma Philip: *Moses' extended hands as the symbol of the Cross according to Jacob of Sarug*
- 15.00–15.30 Rev. Dr Thomas Mannooramparampil: *The arrangement of the sanctuary in the Syro-Malabar Church*

SESSION IV

Moderator **Prof. Dr Emidio Vergani**
Pontifical Oriental Institute, Rome, Italy

- 16.00–16.30 Prof. Shabo Talay: *The 'Sayfo' of 1915 and its impact on Syriac language and culture*
- 16.30–17.00 Prof. Abdo Badwi: *Writing the history of Syriac art in Kerala*
- 17.00–17.30 Gillian Spalding-Tracey: *The crosses of South India*

18.30 **Visit to St Joseph's Monastery (est. 1831), Mannanam:
Wednesday, 10th September 2014**

06.30 *Qurbono* (in Syriac)
Celebrant: His Grace Mathews Mar Aprem Metropolitan, Syrian
Orthodox Church

08.50–09.00 Prayer Song: Monks & Nuns of Udhanasram

SESSION V (A)

Moderator Prof. Dr Alain Desreumaux
Président, Société des Études Syriaques, France

09.00–09.30 Dr Muriel Debié & Dominique Chatonnet: *Reading the History of Rome in Syriac: its origins in Pseudo-Diocles*

09.30–10.00 Dr Kuriakose Valavanolickal: *The attitude of Aphrahat to the leaders of the Church*

10.00–10.30 Prof. Dr Rainer Voigt: *Syriac Grammatical Literature*

SESSION V (B)

Moderator Prof. Dr Shabo Talay
Freie Universität, Berlin, Germany

09.00–09.30 Stanislau Paulau: *"Between Islam and the Christian West": Paulos Mar Gregorios' Historiography of the Ethiopian Christianity*

09.30–10.00 Rev. Sr Dr Jincy Othottil: *The Friday of Confessors: a study based on Hudra Ms Tcr 27*

10.00–10.30 Prof. Andrea B. Schmidt: *East-Syrian Amulets from the Caucasus (with supplementary remarks on the 'nomina barbara' by Nicolas Atas)*

SESSION VI (A)

Moderator Prof. Dr Rajan Varghese
Former PVC, M.G. University, Prof. U.C. College, Alwaye

11.00–11.30 Dr Françoise Briquel-Chatonnet & Dominique Chatonnet: *Some aspects of kin marriages in Sassanian Empire*

11.30–12.00 Dr Shinichi Muto: *Syro-Turkic Scribes in Central Asia: Did they write and read vertically and horizontally?*

12.00–12.30 Prof. Behnam Keryo: *The Syriac Calligraphy: a sincere chant and an initiatory journey which imposes purity and requires impeccable principles*

SESSION VI (B)

Moderator **Very Rev. Dr Shaji Thomas Manikulam**
Rector, St. Mary's Major Seminary, Trivandrum

11.00–11.30 Timothy B. Sailors: *Syriac Witnesses to Sub-Apostolic Literature*

11.30–12.00 Rev. Fr Shijo Joseph: *Some observations on Narsai's Homily 44: On the renewal of creation*

12.00–12.30 Rev. Dr Stephen Plathottathil OIC: *'Husoye' for different occasions in the Syriac manuscript traditions*

SESSION VII (A)

Moderator **Justice Alexander Thomas**
Kerala High Court, Ernakulam

14.00–14.30 Rev. Fr Buda Lorenzo: *The mystery of marriage in the writings of our Holy Father Ephrem*

14.30–15.00 Prof. Dr Rifaat Ebied & Mor Malatius Malki: *Patriarch Ignatius Ibn Wahib's (d. 1333) treatise on the Six Syriac Letters that have Two Sounds*

15.00–15.30 Rev. Dr Paul B. Kadicheeni CMI: *Nestorian Patriarch Timothy II's work on Priesthood*

SESSION VII (B)

Moderator **Rev. Dr Jacob Kurian**
Principal, Orthodox Theological Seminary, Kottayam

14.00–14.30 Dr Robert Hawley, Carole Richie Hawley & Linda Herveux: *Herbal Knowledge in Mesopotamian and Syriac Sources*

14.30–15.00 Stefan-Catalin Popa: *Old Testament typologies of God's economy (mdabronutho alohoito) in Giwargis' letter to Mina: The question about the sources*

15.00–15.30 Rev. Dr Francis Pittappilly: *A road map to the baptismal Memra of the 'Expositio Officiorum Ecclesiae' by the 9th century anonymous author*

SESSION VIII (A)

Moderator **Rev. Dr Jacob Adai Corepiscopa**
Principal, MSOTS, Udayagiri, Mulanthuruthy

16.00–16.30 Rev. Dr Tedros Abraha: *James of Sarug in Ethiopian liturgical texts*

16.30–17.00 Rev. Dr Augustyn Babiak: *André Szeptyckyj, Métropolitte ukrainien, un modèle toujours d'actualité*

17.00–17.30 Dr Sajini Marett: *Syriac musical programme*

SESSION VIII (B)

Moderator **Prof. Dr Jacques-Noël Pérès**
École des Langues & Civilisations de l'Orient Ancien (ELCOA), Institut Catholique de Paris, France

16.00–16.30 Prof. Dr Werner Arnold: *Modern Aramaic*

16.30–17.00 Rev. Dr Thomas Jacob: *The Legend of Mar Matthai (4th century)*

17.00–17.30 Youssef Dergham: *The cataloguing project of the Syriac manuscripts in Charfet*

18.30–21.00 **Visit to St. Georges' Church (1525), Puthuppally:**
Ramša (in Syriac) led by His Holiness Baselios Marthoma Paulose II,
Catholicos of the East and Malankara Metropolitan

Thursday, 11th September 2014

06.30 *Qurbono* (in Syriac)

Celebrant: **His Grace Dr Thomas Mar Koorilos**
Metropolitan Archbishop of Tiruvalla & President of SEERI

SESSION IX (A)

Moderator **Prof. Dr Rainer Voigt**
Freie Universität, Berlin, Germany

09.00–09.30 Prof. Dr Jürgen Tubach: *Etymology of the personal names in the 'Acts of Thomas'*

09.30–10.00 Prof. DDr Pablo Argarate: *Macarian reception in Syrian Mysticism: The case of Joseph Hazzaya*

10.00–10.30 Dr Gabriel Rabo: *Dionysius Bar Salibi: Zur Datierungsproblematik seiner Bischofsweihe*

SESSION IX (B)

Moderator Prof. Dr Andrea Barbara Schmidt
Université Catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

09.00–09.30 Dr Andreas Ellwardt: *Syriac-Ethiopic influences reloaded: new computer-based perspectives on a repeatedly discussed subject*

09.30–10.00 Rev. Fr Saju K. Mathai: *The theme of the Annunciation in the Shimo*

10.00–10.30 Charles Antoine Naffah: *Histoire de Notre Dame dans la tradition Syriaque*

SESSION X (A)

Moderator Prof. Dr Françoise Briquel-Chatonnet
Directrice de Recherches au CNRS, France

11.00–11.30 Maros Nicak: *Penitential Theology in the liturgical book 'Warda'*

11.30–12.00 Rev. Dr Mateusz Potoczny OSB: *Syriac Theological and Liturgical Studies in Poland—past and present*

12.00–12.30 Sr Dr Nora Q. Macabasag: *The origins of the Syriac-speaking Church in Jacob of Serugh's Memre (Vat. Syr.118)*

SESSION X (B)

Moderator Prof. Erica C.D. Hunter
Dept. for the Study of Religions, SOAS, University of London, UK

11.00–11.30 Rev. Dr Devamitra Neelankavil: *Grades of Priesthood in the East Syrian - Malabar Traditions*

11.30–12.00 Deacon Dibo Habbabé: *Comparing the Syriac and Arabic Chronicles of Barhebraeus: The Question of Intended Audiences*

12.00–12.30 Chrystoph Paar: *Miracles and healings in the Vita of Mar Awgin*

SESSION XI (A)

Moderator Prof. Dr Dr h. c. Martin Tamcke
Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen, Germany

- 14.00–14.30 Rev. Dr Shafiq Abouzayd: *The First Syrian Monastic Daily Office*
- 14.30–15.00 Rev. Dr Jiffy Francis Mekattukulam: *The concept of Rušma in the Acts of Thomas*
- 15.00–15.30 Carmen Fotescu Tauwinkl: *Íhídóyúthó, the Monk and the Woman in Athanasius Abū Ghalīb's 'Book on Monastic Life'*

SESSION XI (B)

Moderator Prof. DDr Pablo Argárate
Institut für Ökumenische Theologie, Karl-Franzens-Universität, Graz, Austria

- 14.00–14.30 Prof. Bruno Poizat: *Neo-Aramaic*
- 14.30–15.00 Br Paul Karamel Koyickal: *Priest as the "Servant of God": A Syriac Liturgical-Patristic Perspective*
- 15.00–15.30 Rev. Fr Narsai Youkhanis: *Architecture and liturgy in the early East Syriac tradition*

SESSION XII

Moderator Prof. Dr Abdo Badwi
School of Sacred Art & Liturgy, Université Saint-Esprit de Kaslik, Lebanon

- 16.00–16.30 Colin S. Clarke: *Syriac Inscriptions Project*
- 16.30–17.00 Rev. Dr Johns Abraham Konat: *Syriac Manuscript collections in Pampakda*
- 17.00–17.30 Rev. Dr John Fenwick: *Brief reflections on some Syriac and 'Garshuni' letters in the CMS Archives*
- 18.30–19.15 ***Ramšo in St Mary's Syrian Orthodox Cathedral, Manarcad***

Friday, 12th September 2014

06.30 **Qurbana** (in Syriac)
Celebrant: His Excellency Mar Joseph Kallarangatt
 Pala Diocese

SESSION XIII (A)

Moderator Dr Jean-Paul Deschler - Protodiakon
 Switzerland

09.00–09.30 Dr Emilie Villey: *New Edition of the 7th Century Syriac 'Treatise on the Astrolabe'*

09.30–10.00 Prof. Dr Martin Tamcke: *The difficult way of founding a school in Gogtapa: A report about Jaure Abraham's fighting for a school in his parish in the 19th and early 20th century*

10.00–10.30 Very Rev. Dr Kuriakose Moolayil Cor episcopa: *Translations of the Peshitta Bible into Malayalam*

SESSION XIII (B)

Moderator Rev. Dr K.M. George
 Former Principal, Orthodox Theological Seminary & Director, Sopana Academy

09.00–09.30 Dr Frédéric Alpi: *Was Severus of Antioch a Syriac Scholar?*

09.30–10.00 Rev. Fr John Kannanthanam: *Homily of Narsai on the 'Great marriage feast'- some reflections*

10.00–10.30 Dr Valentina Duca: *"Changes happen to every person, as it happens to the air": An analysis of the theme of humility in Isaac the Syrian's discourse I, 72.*

SESSION XIV (A)

Moderator Prof. Dr Tedros Abraha
 Collegio Internazionale San Lorenzo da Brindisi, Rome, Italy

11.00–11.30 Dr Garry Moon Yuen Pang: *Daqin Jingjiao Sanwei mengdu zan – A masterpiece of Chinese hymns and Chinese contextualized theology in Tang Dynasty*

11.30–12.00 Mr P.V. Philip: *The judge Japhta's sacrifice of his daughter according to Jacob of Sarug*

12.00–12.30 Dr J.J. van Ginkel: *A Poetic Eulogy from Kharput for Geevarghese Mar Gregorios ("Parumala Thirumeni"): reflections on the relations with and knowledge of the Indian Syriac Church in the Middle East around 1900*

SESSION XIV (B)

Moderator Prof. Dr Juergen Tubach
Martin Luther University, Halle an der Saale, Germany

11.00–11.30 Rev. Dr Thomas Jacob: *Dayro d-Mar Matthai*

11.30–12.00 Rev. Fr Shibu Varghese: *Liturgical Manuscripts of Pampakuda Konat Library: An overview*

12.00–12.30 Dr Sebastian Brock: *To be announced*

SESSION XV (A)

Moderator Prof. Dr Muriel Debié
Institute for the Research and History of Texts, Paris, France

14.00–14.30 Prof. Jacques-Noël Pérès: *Quel apôtre a prêché en Inde: Thomas, Barthélemy ou Jacques? Une enquête dans les Gadla □awāryāt éthiopiens*

14.30–15.00 Dr Jimmy Daccache (with Matthias Wernhard): *Update on the edition of □unayn's Syriac and Arabic compilation on the properties of foodstuffs*

15.00–15.30 Dr Jonathon Stuart Wright: *The Syriac Translation of Joseph and Aseneth*

SESSION XV (B)

Moderator Very Rev. Dr Johns Abraham Konat
SEERI, Priest Trustee of the Orthodox Syrian Church, owner of Konat Library, Pampakuda

14.00–14.30 Rev. Fr Anish K. Joy: *Gender equality through the eyes of St Ephrem*

14.30–15.00 Prof. Dr Daniel Assefa OFM: *The figure of Saint Ephrem in Ethiopian tradition*

15.00–15.30 Dr Charis Vandereyken-Vleugels: *Ephrem the Syrian's 12th Hymn on Faith against the background of Psalm 80*

SESSION XVI

Moderator Dr Sebastian Brock, Oxford University, UK

16.00–16.45 Dr Jean-Paul Deschler, Protodeacon: *Syriac and Ge'ez on Icons*

16.45–17.30 Prof. Alain Desreumaux: *Syriac—a worldwide travelling culture*

18.45 **Visit to Bharananghanam:** Pilgrimage to the St Alphonsa Shrine and meeting with Bishops of Palai

Saturday, 13th September 2014

06.30 *Qurbono* (in Syriac) in the Orthodox Theological Seminary
Celebrant: **Rev. Dr M.P. George**
 Director of Shruthi

SESSION XVII

Moderator **Prof. Dr Assad Sauma**
 Edessa School, Sweden

09.00–09.30 Dr Mary Hansbury: *Theosis in Isaac, based on a recent manuscript*

09.30–10.00 Rev. Dr John Vattanky SJ: *Theology of Ephrem in the first Hymn on the Pearl*

10.00–10.30 Prof. George Menacherry: *Models for Indigenization, Inculturation and Indianisation: Kerala's Eastern Churches – Orthodox, Jacobite and Oriental Catholic*

SESSION XVIII

Moderator **Prof. Dr Dr Harald Suermann**
 Director, Institute of Missiology (MWI), Aachen, Germany

11.00–11.30 His Grace Dr Mar Aprem: *Comparative Study of the First Three Printed Texts of "Qdam u-Batar" of the East Syriac Church*

11.30–12.00 Stefanie Margarete Rudolf: *The cosmologies in the Syriac book of medicines and the diversity of its sources*

12.00–12.30 Rev. Dr M.P. George: *Beth Gazo in the Syrian Orthodox tradition*

14.00–17.00

CONCLUDING SESSION

To 'ba-šlom **Rev. Dr M.P. George** (Director)
Shruthi & Sumoro Choir, Kottayam

Welcome **Very Rev. Dr Kuriakose Moolayil Cor episcopa.**

Presidential Address

His Beatitude Cardinal Baselios Mar Cleemis Catholicos, Syro-Malankara Catholic Church

**Benedictory Speech His Beatitude Baselios Thomas I, Catholicos
Malankara Syrian Orthodox Church**

Felicitation (I) Sri Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan
Honorable Minister for Transport and Forestry,
and MLA of Kottayam

(II) Justice Alexander Thomas
Kerala High Court, Ernakulam

Evaluations (I) Prof. Dr Alain Desreumaux
Président, Société des Études Syriaques, France

Evaluations (II) Participants

Vote of Thanks Rev. Fr Raju Parakkott, SEERI, Kottayam.

Prayer Song Rev. Dr Shafiq Abouzayd
Aram Society, Oxford, UK

To 'ba-šlom la-mdino d-Kottayam

Municipal Chairman, Sri Santhoshkumar & Councilors
FORMAL OPENING OF SEERI'S NEW BLOCK *BETH MAROUN*
by
His Beatitude Cardinal Baselios Mar Cleemis Catholicos
assisted by
Rev. Prof Abdo Badwi (Maronite Order of Lebanon)

Sunday, 14th September 2014

14.00 **EXPERIENCE THE BACKWATERS OF KERALA!** : A boat trip for those who are interested will depart from the jetty in Kottayam.

Monday, 15th September 2014

06.30 *Syro-Maronite Qurbono* (in Syriac)
Celebrant: Rev. Fr Abdo Badwi
 School of Sacred Art & Liturgy, Université Saint-Esprit de Kaslik, Lebanon

EXCURSION

St. Mary's Church Kuravilangadu

Here we see 'The boat of Yonah' and the pre-Diamper bell with its Syriac inscription. There are also some Syriac inscriptions on tombs. This is the only church in Kerala where the three-day fast is solemnly celebrated.

- 1) **Beth Aprem Nazrani Dayra**, Kappumthala near Kuravilangadu.
- 2) **St. Mary's Church, Kaduthuruthy**
 This Syro-Malabar Knanaya church has the biggest granite cross in India. The church courtyard—with the cross in the centre—is the venue for "Purathunamaskaram" – the evening prayer conducted on the second day of the three-day fast. Also of interest are the series of grottos based on the book of Jonah, as well as the ancient granite baptismal font on the southern wall of the church.
- 3) **Pampakuda**
 Our guide to the famous Konatt collection of Syriac manuscripts is Rev. Dr Johns Abraham Konatt, owner of the collection.
- 4) **Mulanthuruthy Mar Thomman Church**
 This church was the venue for several synods. Of interest are the 'pre-Diamper' Syriac inscriptions on the main entrance, as well as the inscriptions on the tomb of Mar Koorilos Yuyakim who was responsible for the West Syriac renaissance in the region.
- 5) **Kandanad Church (Syrian Orthodox)**
 Here we see some Syriac inscriptions on the walls of the parish house and on the facade of the church.
- 6) **Tripunithura Nadamel Palli (Syrian Orthodox Church)**
 There are beautiful Syriac inscriptions on the altar and on the tombs.
- 7) **Kadamattam Church (Syrian Orthodox)**
 Famous for its association with the legend of Kadamattath Kathanar, this church also has some Syriac inscriptions.
- 8) **Pallikkara Church (Syrian Orthodox)**
 There are some Syriac inscriptions in this church, whose sanctuary (*madbaha*) is in the Portuguese classical style.
- 9) **Kothamangalam Cheriyaipalli (Syrian Orthodox Church)**
 This church is famous for its altar and biographical inscriptions in Syriac.

PAPERS ON RESERVE:

- 1) Rev. Dr Thomas Koonammakkal: *East Syrian Malpans and Grammarians of Malankara in the recent past*
- 2) Rev. Dr Jacob Thekeparampil: *Mid-Lent—pelgeh d-sawmo—in the West Syriac Tradition*
- 3) Rev. Fr Raju Parakkott: *St. Paul in the West Syriac liturgical tradition*