

NEWS & NOTES

Fellowship	Venue
<b>Intercessory Prayer</b>	Every Tuesday 7.30 pm at Parsonage
<b>Ladies' Fellowship</b>	Friday 9.00 am on 11th August at Parsonage
<b>Youth Fellowship</b>	Every 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fridays 9.30 am at UIS, Abbasiya.
<b>Choir Practice</b>	Every Wednesday 7.30pm at UIS, Abbasiya
<b>Cottage Prayer</b>	<b>Every Thursdays at 7.30 pm Venue as listed</b>

<b>Bethel</b> 3-Aug-06	Mr. Jacob Oommen	4349382 / 6020480
10-Aug-06	Mr. Mohan Koshy Cherian	4314843 / 6016138
17-Aug-06	Mr. John V. Mathai	4337109 / 9864105
24-Aug-06	Mr. Joseph Bose	4310576 / 6590773
31-Aug-06	Mr. Jiboy Chandapillai	4314274 / 6186418

<b>Shalom</b> 3-Aug-06	Mr. Koshy Varghese P	2522648/ 9014644
10-Aug-06	Mr. Abraham K. Thomas	5628985/ 6531706
17-Aug-06	Mr. Mammen Philipose	5629243/ 6272839
24-Aug-06		
31-Aug-06		

**Summer program:** Will be held from 14<sup>th</sup> July to 25<sup>th</sup> Aug 2006 from 5 to 6.30 pm at Parish Hall, NECK. This being an informal get together to know each other and a time of enjoyment and enlightenment, all members is invited to attend the summer program.

**Youth program:** Sneha Sangam on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2006 at 5.30 pm at church & parish

**New Member:** Mr. Santhosh Jacob and family. Hearty welcome to the new member.

**New arrival:**

- Baby boy to Mr. & Mrs. Mohan Koshy Cherian
  - Baby girl to Mr. & Mrs. Thomas John (Biju)
- We praise God for the new addition.

**Obituary:**

The following of our beloved went to the Lord

- Mrs. Rosamma Mathew (Ayroor), m/o Mrs. K.M. Mathew on 26.6.06.
- Mrs. Aleayamma Mathew (Kottayam), m/o Mrs. Beena Philipose on 14.7.06.
- Mr. Shaji George (Kuwait), brother of Mr. Cyriac George on 14.7.06.
- Mrs. Aleaymma Chacko (Kumbanad), m/o Mr. George Podipara Chacko on 16.7.06.
- Mr. Mohan Kenath (Wayanad), father of Mrs. Ribu Kurian on 22.7.06.

*Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family.*

CALENDAR FOR August 2006

5 <sup>th</sup> of Aug 7.15 pm Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup> Week after Pentecost Holy Communion service in Malayalam Wedding Anniversary & Birthday prayers <b>Transfiguration of Christ</b> Exod. 24: 12 – 18      2 Pet. 1: 16 - 19 Ps. 110      Luke. 9: 28 - 36
12 <sup>th</sup> of August 7.15 pm Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup> Week after Pentecost <b>Youth day</b> Holy Communion Service in Malayalam Wedding Anniversary and Birthday prayers <b>Youth in search of meaningful life</b> Ecc.11: 9 – 12: 8      Ps. 119: 9 -16 1 Thess. 4: 6 -16      Mtt. 6: 24 - 34
19 <sup>th</sup> of August 7.15 pm Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup> Week after Pentecost Holy Communion Service in Malayalam Wedding Anniversary and Birthday Prayers <b>Gospel and Religious Pluralism</b> Isa. 45: 1 – 8      Ps. 67 Acts 17: 16 -31      Matt. 15: 21 – 28
24 <sup>th</sup> of August 8.45 am Friday Venue:Diwaniya	Holy Communion in Malayalam Wedding Anniversary and Birthday Prayers <b>Happiness</b> Isa. 35: 1 – 10      Ps. 100 Gal. 5: 16 – 25      John 15: 1 – 11
26 <sup>th</sup> of August 7.15 pm Saturday	15 <sup>th</sup> week after Pentecost <b>Praise and Worship</b> Birthday Prayers <b>Peace and reconciliation</b> Mich 4: 1 – 8      Ps. 85 2 Cor. 5: 11 – 21      Matt. 10: 34 – 42

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Parish Messenger August 2006

**Presbyter's Letter**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Traditionally, Christian Church celebrates August 6<sup>th</sup> as the day of Transfiguration of Christ. It is a unique and glorious event in the life of Jesus and is the central messianic periscope.

The Bible (Luke. 9:28-36) states that Jesus went to the mountain to pray. The Bible does not specify which mountain was the site of the transfiguration, but it is traditionally believed to be Mt. Tabor. He took the inner circle of disciples Peter, James and John with Him. During the time of His transfiguration Jesus appeared in His eternally glorified state. Moses and Elijah also appeared in glory and talked with Jesus. The sum and substance of the heavenly conversation that took place between Moses, Elijah and the Jesus was concerning the purpose of our Lord's coming to earth which was to die for our sins.

Peter was so overwhelmed with the awesomeness of the moment that he wanted to continue there. For them it was the peak spiritual experience, an ultimate in the spiritual journey. That is the reason; he suggested putting up 3 tents wishing to remain in that experience. Jesus realizing their innocence and their ignorance about the consequence of the spiritual experience directs them to get down the mountain to begin the messianic work.

When they came down from the mountain top, a large crowd was waiting. A boy with evil spirit was also there to be healed. Jesus rebuked the evil spirit and healed the boy. Jesus Christ rightly used his transfiguration experience to transform people and also enabled his disciples to do the same.

So often in life we long to stay in our "mountain top" experiences but we must remind ourselves that often our ministry is in the valleys of life. It is often said that the most crucial part of worship is what happens after the benediction. Transfiguration experience should always remind us that down the valley there are people waiting for our healing presence, healing touch and the healing word.

With love and prayers,

20th July 2006

Rev. Jiji Joseph  
Vicar

## BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST 2006

2nd	Mr. John Mathew (Olessa)	
3rd	Mrs. Sheeba Samson Jacmol	w/o Mr. Samson Jacmol
4th	Mr. J. Baker Fenn	
5th	Mrs. Valsamma John	w/o Mr. Rajukutty John
	Mr. P.J. Joseph	
6th	Mrs. Maisie Varghese	w/o Mr. Mammen Varghese
	Mrs. Rachel Joseph	w/o Mr. Joseph George
7th	Annu Abraham	d/o Mr. Abraham Joseph
8th	Mr. Mathew K.M.	
	Biby Anna Varghese	d/o Mr. Varghese Koshy
9th	Samuel John Mathew	s/o Mr. Thomas Mathew
	Mrs. Annie Mathew	
10th	Nicole Nagesh	d/o Mr. T. N.Nagesh
11th	Mr. Jacob George	
	Reena Jiboy	W/o nJiboy Candapilla
	Pretty Elsa Rajeev	D/o Rajeev Koshy Kovoov
	Mr. Koshy T. Ninan	
12th	Henry Johnson	S/o Sabu Johnson
	Mr. Eugene Oommen Koshy	
13th	Mr. Biji T. Mathew	
14th	Mr. Rony C. George	
	Joel John	S/o Alex John Alexander
15th	Princy Thomas	d/o Mr. K.C. Thomas
16th	Mr. George P. Varghese	
	Mr. Mammen Philipose	
17th	Mr. David Cherian	
18th	Mrs. Mary Luke	w/o Mr. Jacob Luke
	Mr. Mathew Thomas (Nidish)	
	Mr. Kuruvuilla Cherian	
	Mr. Chandy Abraham	

	Steve Thomas John	s/o Mr. Sunil John Thomas
19th	Jacob Abraham	s/o Mr. Abraham Joseph
20th	Allen Joseph Varkey	s/o Mr. Joseph Varkey T
	Shilya Jacob	d/o Mr. Jacob Kurian
21st	Mr. John V. Mathai	
22nd	Dr. (Mrs) Bessy A Varkey	W/o Dr George Varkey
23rd	Mrs. Shyla Selin Nelson	W/o. Mr. Selin Nelson
	Merin Grace George	d/o Mr. George Koshy
24th	Anush John Thomas	s/o Mr. Thomas John
	Mrs. Rany Ajai	w/o Mr. Ajai P. Oommen
25th	Rahael Susan Mammen	d/o Mr. Mammen Varkey
26th	Betty Koruth	d/o Mr. Koruth Varghese
27th	Mrs. Anitha Rachel Varghese	w/o Mr. Renny Johnson
28th	Jeffrey Sam Jacob	s/o Mr. Jacob Samuel
29th	Mr. P. A. Jacob	
	Mr. Jacob Kurian	
30th	Maya Marian Joseph	d/o Mr. Joseph Mathew

## WEDDING ANIVERSARIES IN AUGUST 2006

2nd	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bose H.H.
5th	Mr. & Mrs. Sunil John Thomas
8th	Mrs. Achamma Mathew
10th	Mr. & Mrs. Renny Johnson Jacob
11th	Mr. & Mrs. Philip K.M
	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas T. Thomas
	Mr. & Mrs. Jerin Jesu Vargese
19th	Mr. & Mrs. Mathew P.C.
21st	Mr. & Mrs. Jim Cherian Jacob
22nd	Mr. & Mrs. Navin Rajan
23rd	Mr. & Mrs. Mani E.T.
25th	Mr. & Mrs. Sugu Kuruvilla
26th	Mr. & Mrs. Nagesh T.N.
27th	Mr. & Mrs. Monaji M. Kuruvilla
30th	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Philip

**KECF BIBLE QUIZ** will be held on 12<sup>th</sup> of October

- **Junior** Ezekiel, St. Mathew, Acts
- **Senior** Isaiah, St Mark, I Cor.

### **KECF LOGO COMPETITION**

Members are requested to submit a LOGO for Kuwait Episcopal Churches Fellowship (KECF) and win a fabulous prize.

The logo should cover the following:

- Unity, Kuwait Landmark, Church, Bible, Cross, K.E.C.F

Deadline **20th of August 2006**, Hand it over to the Vicar or any Office Bearers of the Church.

### **KUWAIT EPISCOPAL CHURCHES FELLOWSHIP (KECF)**

KECF Youth meeting will be conducted at the Parsonage of Rev. Fr. Mathews at Abbasiya from 8.00-9.00 pm on every last Tuesday of the month.

### **Group Leaders for 2006-07**

Mr. Thomas Koshy	- Choir Leader
Mr. John M.M	- Associate Choir Leader
Mr. Chandy Abraham	- Head Master
Mrs. Sally Roy	- Assoc. Head Mistress
Mr. Johnson Mathew	- Youth Leader
Mr. Mathew Philip	- Associate Youth Leader
Mrs. Anna Santhi V.	-Ladies Group Leader
Mrs. Valsa Varghese	- Assoc. Ladies Gr. Leader
Mr. Thomas Mathew	-L & Gents group Leader

#### **Note:**

Please inform the Church Committee of births or deaths of our members /or their families for prayer and inclusion in the news letter.

### **THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH**

"The sprit of prayer can't be bought nor taught but caught"