

## Wedding Anniversaries in December 2009

Date	Name
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Biji Jacob Cherian
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Soman John T
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. K.M. Mathew
12 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Samuel V. Mathai
16 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Yohannan Abraham
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Selin Nelson
18 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Jiboy Chadapilla
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Santhosh Mathew Mrs. & Mr. Emil G. Varghese
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Aji John Mathew
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Joseph Abraham
26 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Eugene Oommen Koshy Mrs. & Mr. Jacob Peter
27 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Kurien T. Mathew Mrs. & Mr. Sunil S. Varghese
28 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Sam T. Kuruvilla
30 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. & Mr. Korah G. Mathew Mrs. & Mr. Philip M. Philip

## Announcements

### Sunday School Christmas Programme

On 25th December 2009 (Friday) at 6.00PM  
at the Parish Hall

### House to House carols from 1st Dec.

This year the Youth Movement will be leading the house to house carols and the proceeds of the cover collection will be utilized for their various charity projects such as:

**Snehardra** : Financial Help for Medical treatment

**Akshara** : Financial help for Education

**Kanivu** : Emergency financial help to the needy in Kuwait.

### Congratulations

Hearty Congratulations to Mr. K.P. Koshy  
our Executive Committee member  
who has been appointed as the  
Executive Administrator of NECK.

## Announcements

### Senior Members Forum

On 4th Friday 2009 at 8.45AM at Diwaniyah.  
We encourage all the senior members to participate  
and give suggestions for the future plans of this forum

### New Members

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas K. Varghese, Puthupally, Kayamkulam  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Abraham C., Punnaveli  
Mrs. Sajini Cherian, Mooledam, Kottayam  
Mr. Solan T. Cherian, Kottayam

Hearty welcome to each of the new members who have  
joined our congregation recently.

### New Arrival

Baby boy to Mrs. & Mr. Jibu Jacob Verghese on  
5<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

Congratulations to the new proud parents and praise God  
for his blessing.

### Wedding

Hearty congratulations to the newly weds who are  
united in Christian married life:

Mr. Roshan T. Mathew with Lida  
on 31st October 2009

Mr. Anish Jacob George with Tittu  
on 19th November 2009

May the Lord bless them and their families richly  
in every possible way.

### Condolence

We deeply mourn the demise of Mr. Mr. John P.  
Zachariah, Calicut (on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009), who  
was a member of our congregation

May his soul rest in peace. Please uphold the  
bereaved family members in your prayers.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Date	Time		Venue	Theme
5 Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Week in Advent	7.15 pm	Holy Communion	Church & PH.	Word of God: The Light of the world
11 Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Week in Advent	8.45 am	Holy Communion	Diwaniya	Word of God: Hope for the world
12 Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Advent	7.15 pm	Holy Communion	Church & PH.	Deliverance from the bondage of Sin
19 Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Week in Advent	7.15 pm	Holy Communion	Church & PH.	Maranatha - Come Lord Jesus
25 Fri	8.00 pm	Holy Communion	Church & PH.	<b>CHRISTMAS</b> Celebrating the Grace and Truth
26 Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Week after Christmas	7.15 pm	Holy Communion (English)	Church & PH.	Warmth and Love in the Family
31 Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> Week after Christmas	10.30 pm	Holy Communion	Hall of Faith	YEAR ENDING WORSHIP The Lord is our Helper and Redeemer
1 Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Week after Christmas	6.30 pm	Covenant Service	Church & PH	NEW YEAR WORSHIP Lord To Whom shall we go?

## Lectionary

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	Gospel
5 Sat	Genesis 1:1- 2:4	Ps. 119:105-112	Hebrews 4:10-13	John 8:12-20
11 Fri	Deut. 18:9-22	Ps. 119:9-16	1 Peter 1:10-15	John 1:29-34
12 Sat	Isaiah 40:1-11	Ps. 51	Rev. 2:12-17	Mark 1:1-18
19 Sat	Jeremiah 23:1- 8	Ps. 96	Rev. 22:6-21	John 14:8-14
25 Fri	Micah 5:2- 4	Ps. 19	1 Tim. 1:14-20	John 1:1-14
26 Sat	Gen. 27:1-29	Ps. 127	1 John 2:7-17	Luke 15:11- 32
31 Thu	Isaiah 55:6-13	Ps. 121	2 Corin. 13:5-13	John 12:35-36
1 Fri	Genesis 17:1- 8	Ps. 20	2 Thess. 1:3-12	John 6:66-69



# St. Peter's C.S.I. Congregation Kuwait

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## Presbyter's Message



Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Luke:1:1-25 - Christmas - A season of Mystery.**

Do you remember the Christmas of old, when as a child everything seemed so exciting and mysterious, the carols, the food, the visit of the Santa Claus? But Christmas is more mysterious than these. The greatest mystery of all is the birth of Jesus Christ.

1.The Mystery of Timing: **Luke 1:1-7**

Luke begins by showing us how God prepared the world stage to receive the savior.

a.The Roman world stretched from shore to shore. The peace of Romans prevailed. Taxes were levied to feed 60 million slaves. Morally, the world was bankrupt.

b.The Jewish world was ruled by Herod, an Odometer. He was Jewish in religion, heathen in practice and monster in character.

c.The Greek culture and language had refined the worlds culture. Roman, Jewish, and Greek worlds were locked in spiritual darkness. This is the mystery of Timing. God does all things beautiful in His time(Gal.4:4)

2.The Mystery of Barrenness: **Luke 1: 8-25**

God used the barrenness of Elizabeth. In spite of all great qualities and his service as a priest to God, Zachariah's response is one of unbelief. Hence, the priest who was to come out and pronounce a blessing, came out dumb.

The ministry of John the Baptist is described in 15-17. As the fore-runner to the messiah, John came calling people to repentance and back to God. The world was ripe for redemption and God was going to send the Saviour. No one could stop that. This is how God works throughout history.

We should be alert for the Lord's presence where we least expect to see him. Jesus may invite Himself to any Christmas party. After all, it is His birthday.

"The star shines forth in its glory bright  
To lighten the gloom of earth's darkest night;  
And Calvary's Christ will still impart  
His comfort and love to the needy heart". - Richey

**Wish you all a fruitful Christmas.**

May God bless you.

Rev. Jacob T. Abraham  
Vicar



## Regular Programme

<b>Fasting Prayer:</b>	Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday - 08:45 am at Diwaniya, NECK.
<b>Ladies' Fellowship:</b>	Friday, December 18 <sup>th</sup> - 08:45 am at Diwaniya, NECK.
<b>Youth Fellowship:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday - 03:30 pm
<b>Choir Practice:</b>	Every Wednesday 07:30 pm, at UIS, Abbasiya
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Every Friday 05:30 pm
<b>Ladies &amp; Gents Meeting :</b>	Every Friday 05:30 pm at the Activity Hall # 3, NECK.
<b>Cottage Prayer:</b>	Every Thursday 07:30 pm

## Cottage Prayer

Date	Shalom Prayer Group	Bethel Prayer Group
COTTAGE PRAYER WILL RESUME IN JANUARY 2010		

## Announcements

God willing, our **Carol Service** for this year will be conducted on **18th December 2009** (Friday) at 7.00PM at the Church and Parish Hall. Our choir, under the leadership of Mr. Thomas Koshy will be presenting Anthems & new carol songs. Kindly uphold them in your prayers

### St. Paul's C.S.I. Congregation, Ahmadi

**Harvest Festival 2009** - will be held at Canadian School, Fahaheel on **4th Dec'09** (Friday). The thanksgiving Worship Service is scheduled at 8.00 am followed by Harvest Festival celebration. **Carol Service** - This year's carol service is being conducted on **10th December 2009** at 8.00PM at the St. Paul's Church, Ahmadi.

## Birthdays in December 2009

Date	Name	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mr. Babu Mathew	
	Mr. Abraham Eapen	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs. Suma M. Kuruvilla	W/o Mr. Monaji M. Kuruvilla
	Mrs. Jeena Merrin G	W/o Mr. Jacob Samuel
	Saneej Mathews	S/o Mr. K.M Mathew
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Anurag James Jacob	S/o Mr. Santhosh Jacob
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mr. Anish Jacob George	
	Mrs. Mariam George P.	W/o Mr. George Podippara
	Ron Ninan Jacob	S/o Mr. W.N. Jacob
	Mrs. Lovely Zachariah	W/o Mr. Zachariah Mathew
	Royce Ninan Philip	S/o Mr. Philip M. Ninan
	Mr. V.C. Kurien	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Giby A. Varghese	D/o Mr. Varghese Koshy
	Sara Varghese	D/o Mr. Mammen Varghese
	Mr. K.I. Thomas	
9 <sup>th</sup>	Mr. Suresh Thomas	
	Mrs. Priya Thomas	W/o Mr. Bijosh Thomas
	Mrs. Sheeba Saji T.	W/o Mr. Saji Thomas K.
10 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Cecily Koshy	W/o Mr. K.P. Koshy
11 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Vinsu Jerin	W/o Mr. Jerin J. Varghese
	Mr. Moby K. Mathew	
	Olive Abraham	S/o Mr. Chanady Abraham
12 <sup>th</sup>	Anil Kuruvilla Varghese	S/o Mr. George P. Varghese
	Mr. Cejo Johnson	
	Jibin Issac Varghese	S/o Mr. Issac Varghese
	Mrs. Merry K. Mathew	W/o Mr. Korah G. Mathew
	Mrs. Lincy Cejo	W/o Mr. Cejo Johnson
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Annamma Thomas	W/o Mr. K.E. Thomas
	Rubina R. Chandy	D/o Mr. Reji Chandy Koshy
	Mrs. Vimi Mathew	W/o Mr. Moby K. Mathew
	Mr. Samson Jackmol	

*Let us give thanks to the God and  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!*

*Because of his great mercy he gave us new life  
by raising Jesus Christ from death. This fills  
us with a living hope.*

*1 Peter 1:3*

Date	Name	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Annie Mathew	W/o Mr. K.M. Mathew
	Jinu Jacob	D/o Mrs. Saramma Jacob
15 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Annamma Thomas	W/o Mr. Thomas Philip
	Mr. A.A. George	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Susan Edward	W/o Mr. A. Edward
	Neville Nagesh	S/o Mr. T.N. Nagesh
19 <sup>th</sup>	Kevin Varghese	S/o Mr. Varghese John
	Mr. Abraham Timi Thomas.	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Priya Jacob	W/o Mr. Jacob Mathew
21 <sup>st</sup>	Joel Kurien Vinod	S/o Mr. Vinod Kurien
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bincy Koruthu	D/o Mr. Koruthu Varghese
	Shreya Lizy Thomas	D/o Mr. Thomas Stephen
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Theo John Mathew	S/o Mr. Mathew P. John
	Mrs. Annie Anil Mathew	W/o Mr. Anil Mathew
24 <sup>th</sup>	Nita M. Abraham	D/o Mr. Abraham Mathew
	Eden Koshy	D/o Mr. Eugene O. Koshy
25 <sup>th</sup>	Mr. George Mathew	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs. Betsy Annie Jacob	W/o Mr. Jacob Kurien
	Mr. Ajit Mathews	
	Mr. Samuel Mathew	
	Mr. Jacob Mathew	
27 <sup>th</sup>	Mr. Mathew George	
28 <sup>th</sup>	Alina Mathew	D/o Mr. Mathew Thomas
29 <sup>th</sup>	Anju Sam	D/o Mr. Sam T. Kuruvilla
	Mr. Justin T. Varghese	
	Naethan Jacob Thomas	S/o Mr. Abraham Timi T.
31 <sup>st</sup>	Mr. C.V. Eipe	
	Mekha Johnson	D/o Mr. Johnson Varghese
	Mrs. Alice Prakash	W/o Mr. Prakash Thomas

*You are a child of God,  
His treasured possession.  
He created you in His own image.  
He chose the day for you to be born.  
He has a plan and a purpose for your life.*

### Transport Arrangements

*Divine Service (Saturdays) from Abbasiya :*

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