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"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10

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### XXVII Diocesan Leadership Conference – Greetings

Dear friends,

Happy New Year! May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Over the past 26 years, the Diocesan Leadership Conference has served as an opportunity to bring together the youth of this diocese and provide them with the knowledge to grow and flourish as future leaders of the Mar Thoma Church. This year we are blessed to have the same opportunity. By the grace of God, we are able to convene once again as the youth of our diocese for the 27th Annual Diocesan Leadership Conference. It brings me great joy to be a part of this year's conference, hosted by the Epiphany Mar Thoma Church Youth Fellowship, New York.

The theme for this year's conference is SENT – Sent to see, Sent to seek, Sent to speak. Our theme verse is taken from Exodus 3:10 which reads, "So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." I pray this conference serves as an invitation as well as a reminder that we are called to be SENT. May what we learn through this conference enable us to be SENT to create a lasting impact within our respective parishes and communities.

Let us continue to uphold the Epiphany MTC Vicar, Youth Fellowship, Conference Conveners, Leaders, and Delegates in our prayers. May this conference be a blessing for many. All the best wishes.

In His Service, Riya Varughese DYF Joint-Secretary