



Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church

Diocese of North America & Europe

The North-East Regional Youth Fellowship

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Dearly beloved in Christ,

I am happy that our Epiphany Mar Thoma Church is hosting this year's Diocesan Leadership Conference. It is important to understand that as youths of our church, the need to be trained in leadership is essential especially to carry out the future of our parishes and the community in which we belong to. That fits in with the theme SENT: Sent to See, Sent to Seek, Sent to Speak. We are a sent community. From the Great Commission Christ told His disciples in a great emphasis GO!. To be sent, we are not called to be idle, but rather, to move. Our lives should guide us to be moved through our faith and move for our faith in the true God we serve.

Let us use this leadership conference, to understand this theme considering all the tracks and Bible Studies, and reflect on two simple questions: "Where we are now?" and "Where have we got to be?" the process of DLC application is not simple, but rather each delegate is vetted before given the change for final registration. That means our presence here at this year's conference is purposefully chosen. We are chosen to "GO!" and live for God, we are sent with the health we are blessed with, and the opportunities given where we are strategically placed by God. We should arise and work to equip ourselves and by that equip the world around us.

I congratulate Epiphany Mar Thoma Church, the members, and all those who toiled behind this effort and are moved through God's grace to make it a reality. May God bless all of us for His glory.

Much love,



Jess M. George Achen

