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Blessings to our dearly beloved Cor-Episcopoi, Rambans, Priests, Deacons, Diocesan Council members, Malankara Association and Diocesan Assembly Members, Parish Managing Committee members, and all the faithful of the Diocese of South-West America!

Dearly Beloved,

Amidst the struggles of modern-day life for all categories of people, the Diocese of Southwest America's Department of Counseling aims to provide support, education, professional resources, and prayer in the midst of sociological and psychological stress. We delight in the tireless efforts of all the office bearers who worked actively to help and sustain our beloved faithful of the diocese and also offered to support parish priests with resources to assist in the care of their parishioners. We are pleased to appoint the following office bearers to the Department of Counseling.

- 1. Fr. Samuel Varghese Director (St. Thomas Valiyapally, Los Angeles)
- 2. Shawny Mathew Secretary (St. Gregorious, Elmhurst)
- 3. Emily Hatcher (St. Gregorious Mission, Spokane)
- 4. Justina Thomas (St. Thomas Valiyapally, Los Angeles)
- 5. Varsha Varghese (St. Thomas Detroit)

We wish them all success and acknowledge their dedication to serving the Holy Church and its faithful. We would also like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the outgoing office bearers Rev. Fr. Teji Abraham, the director, and Ms. Sangeetha Thomas the Secretary of the Department of Counseling for their coordination and help to all our faithful during their tenure and pray that God bestows his immense blessings in all their future endeavors. We pray for them and all their families.

We seek the prayers of our clergy and faithful for the progress of the Department of Counseling and the support of all the newly inducted office bearers to advance the mission.

May the love of God the Father, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship and communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

Urshlem Aramana, Beasley April 04, 2024

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