

**In the blessed name of the Tri-une God, Self-existent,  
Beginningless and Endless, Perfect in Being, (Glory be to Him)**

**Moran Mar Baselios Marthoma Paulose II Catholicos of the East and  
Malankara Metropolitan enthroned on the Apostolic Throne of St. Thomas**



**No. MOSC/CMM/208/2017**

Blessings to our beloved Vicars of the parishes, Priests of the locality, *Cor-episcopoi*, Deacons, *Kaisthanees* and faithful of all parishes in the Diocese of South-West America!

Our dearly beloved in the Lord,

As per the written request of Metropolitan H. G. Alexios Mar Eusebios, Metropolitan of the Diocese of South-West America, dated 4<sup>th</sup> August 2017, we have relieved His Grace from all his administrative and pastoral responsibilities as the Metropolitan of the Diocese of South-West America with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2017. As per clause 95 of the constitution of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church, we have assumed the administrative and pastoral responsibilities of the diocese with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.

From the very inception of the Diocese, His Grace Mar Eusebius has toiled in the building up of it. We keep on record of all the great contributions of His Grace to the Diocese of South-West America, while praying that he will have all the good blessings from God Almighty. Under the auspicious leadership of His Grace, the Diocese has grown considerably. You have always shown greater commitment to the life and faith of the Church and please ensure that the same good fervor is continued in the future too.

May the Grace and Blessings of God Almighty abide with you forever! And may the prayers of the Mother of our God the Holy Virgin Mary, St. Thomas the Apostle of India, our Holy Fathers Yeldo Mar Baselios, Mar Gregorios, Mar Dionysius and all the Holy Saints be a stronghold for us. Amen.

Our Father who art in Heaven.....

**Baselios Marthoma Paulose II**

From Catholicate Aramana  
Devalokam, Kottayam, Kerala, India  
On August 5, 2017