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Blessings to our beloved Vicars, Assistant Vicars, Priests of the locality, Cor-Episcopoi, Rambans, Deacons, Parish Managing Committee Members, and our faithful of the Diocese of South West America!

## Dearly Beloved,

The 2025 Diocesan Family & Youth conference will be held in Atlanta from Wednesday, July 16, 2025, through Saturday, July 19, 2025, at the Hyatt Regency, 265 Peach Tree Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30303. We applaud the efforts of the Atlanta area parishes and the Diocesan Council in finalizing the venue and dates for the conference and at this moment appoint the following office bearers for the planning and working towards a successful conference.

President	Metropolitan Dr. Thomas Mar Ivanios
<b>Conference Director</b>	Rev. Fr. George Daniel (Vicar, St Thomas OSC, Atlanta)
Conference Co-Directors	Rev. Fr. Dr. Mathew Koshy, (Vicar, St. Mary's OSC, Atlanta) Rev. Fr. Sanjeev Mary Offer (Vicar, St Gregorious OSC, Atlanta) Rev. Fr. George Sajeev Mathews (Diocesan Secretary)
Conference- Convener	Mr. Prasad John (Council Member)
Conference - Treasurer	Mr. Santhosh Varkey (St. Thomas OSC, Atlanta)
Conference - Secretary	Mr. Binu Alex (St. Mary's OSC, Atlanta)
Conference- Joint Secretary	Mr. Thomas Eapen (St. Gregorious, Atlanta)

In addition to these appointees, there will be several sub-committees and task groups working on target issues like Hospitality, Registration, Transportation, Finance, Worship, entertainment, etc. The subcommittees will include diocesan level Secretaries of various spiritual organizations and regional representatives from different parishes in the diocese. As each office and committee is integral to the function and success of the conference, the aboveappointed office bearers will be ex-officio members of all the subcommittees.



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We and the conference office bearers will continue to work on the theme, curriculum, and session leaders for the conference and will keep you all posted promptly.

The 2025 Family & Youth conference will include designated sessions for the annual meeting of all the spiritual organizations and hence we hereby ask you all, not to plan for any Area/Regional/Diocesan level conferences of any spiritual organization in 2025. Hence, all participants need to be registered attendees of the conference. This is to ensure that we come together as a diocesan family in the spirit of fellowship and good stewardship and make a good faith effort for maximum attendance at the conference.

More details on the sub-committees and fundraising, registration, etc. will be communicated to you in due time. We seek all of your wholehearted support and participation towards the success of our 2025 Diocesan Family & Youth Conference.

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

Urshlem Aramana, Beasley November 08, 2024

Metropolitan Dr. Thomas Mar Ivanios