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Blessings to our dearly beloved Cor-Episcopoi, Ramban, Vicars, Priests of the locality, Deacons, Parish Managing Committee Members, and all the faithful, especially the members of the MGOCSM!

Dearly Beloved,

The MGOCSM is one of the most dynamic spiritual organizations of our Church, and it plays a crucial role in nurturing our youth in the values and teachings of Christ. The MGOCSM Council of 2023-2025, led by Rev. Fr. Abi Chacko (Director), Dn. Toby John (General Secretary), Mr. Stanley Joseph (Jt. Secretary), and Ms. Shanika Jacob (Treasurer) have been working with local clergy to coordinate Area and Diocesan Ministry Projects effectively, and we sincerely thank them all for their dedication and commitment to services to the Church over the past two years. We pray that God continues to bless them. We hereby appoint the following individuals as Representatives in the Diocesan MGOCSM Council from 2026 through 2028:

Director: Rev. Dn. Toby John

General Secretary: Rev. Dn. Solomon Jacob

Joint Secretary: Mr. Justin George

Treasurer: Mrs. Cheryl Thomas

Regional Vice President

Atlanta, Tennessee, Charlotte: Rev. Fr. George Daniel

California & Arizona: Rev. Fr. Samuel Varghese

Chicago, Missouri, Minnesota: Rev. Fr. Abi Chacko

Dallas, Oklahoma, Denver: Rev. Fr. Mat Alexander

Detroit, Ohio, Pittsburgh: Rev. Fr. Shawn Thomas

Florida: Rev. Fr. Argey George

Houston, San Antonio, & Austin: Rev. Fr. Christopher Mathew

Northwest: Rev. Fr. George Ninan

Council Members

Atlanta, Tennessee, Charlotte: Ms. Shreya Thomas

California & Arizona: Mr. Reuben Sam

Chicago, Missouri, Minnesota: Mr. Sherwin Thomas

Dallas, Oklahoma, Denver: Mr. Nathan Zachariah

Detroit, Ohio, Pittsburgh: Mr. Gregory Thomas

Florida: Ms. Divya John

Houston, San Antonio, Austin: Ms. Angel John

Northwest: Ms. Irene Philip



Missions Advisors Rev. Fr. George Hatcher, Mr. Stanley Joseph

Along with the new leadership, the MGOCSM Unit Registration is essential to the proper functioning of the Diocesan MGOCSM. Each parish must complete its annual registration by April 5, 2026. Please follow the instructions provided in the electronic unit registration form, which will be distributed to council members for sharing with the parishes in their respective areas. Only parishes that complete the registration process will be recognized as official units of the DS-WA MGOCSM. Registration is completed by submitting the electronic unit registration form to dswamgocsm@gmail.com and the \$100.00 registration fee by one of the following methods:

By mail: Diocese of South-West America Attn: MGOCSM General Treasurer 3101 Hopkins Rd. Beasley, TX 77417

Via Zelle: dswa.spiritual.zelle@gmail.com Message: Spiritual Organization – Name – Identification (if any) – Church name and location – Purpose

The Church bears the responsibility of nurturing and guiding our youth. We strongly encourage each parish vicar to ensure that their MGOCSM unit is properly registered with the Diocese. This registration strengthens our unity as the Body of Christ and supports the organization of events, retreats, and educational programs that nurture the spiritual growth of our youth. Additionally, completion of the unit registration ensures delegate representation for all registered parishes at the annual leadership conferences. By cultivating an environment rooted in faith, service, and fellowship, we lovingly guide them in their Orthodox Christian formation. May the intercession of St. Gregorios of Parumala continue to inspire and strengthen the MGOCSM.

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 forever and ever.

Urshlem Aramana, Beasley
February 06, 2026

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