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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 Didymus I Catholicos of the East and
Malankara Metropolitan enthroned on the apostolic throne of St. Thomas



Blessings to our beloved Vicars of the Church, Priests of the locality, Trustees of the church, and all the members of all the Parishes!

Dearly beloved,

Praying for your welfare, we inform you that it is of vital importance to equip our beloved people to lead a more meaningful and spiritually undiluted Christian life in the incessantly changing scenario of the world. We are convinced that we need some reorganization on the Diocesan level to facilitate the priestly ministry and service more effective and the efficient so as to give necessary guidance in the spiritual and temporal realms of life of our people. On the basis of this, after detailed study and evaluations, through this Kalpana, we declare the formation of four new dioceses with the due consultation of the Association Managing Committee and on the recommendation of the Holy Episcopal Synod met on 3rd August 2010. The new Dioceses will come to existence from 15th August 2010.

1. Brahmavar
2. Nilackal
3. Adoor-Kadampanad
4. Kottarakara-Punaloor

The list of the parishes included in the new Diocese is appended herewith with our signature and seal.

Dearly beloved, The growth of the Church is the spiritual growth of each one of you. We should implant in our hearts the exhortation of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in St. Mathew 5:48 "Therefore you shall be perfect just as your Father in heaven is perfect." With the formation of four new Dioceses, there is a tremendous increase in the presence and service of the Bishops in the respective regions. This should accelerate the spiritual growth of our beloved people there. Let all these new arrangements be for the growth of the Church and for glorification of the Almighty. We assure these new Dioceses of our humble prayers and blessings.

May the Grace and Blessings of the 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 Mar Gregorios, Mar Dionysius and all the Holy Saints be a stronghold for us. Amen.

Our Father who art in Heaven.....

Baselios Marthoma Didymus I

From Catholicate Aramana
Devalokam, Kottayam, Kerala, India
On August 03, 2010.