

**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. 202A/2018

Blessings to our beloved Vicars of the churches, Priests of the locality, *Kaisthanees* and faithful of all the Parishes!

Dearly beloved,

Subsequent to the unexpected monsoon devastation, deluge and natural calamities, many people lost their lives, and many were isolated in their respective areas without food and proper accommodation. It is really agonizing to see houses, business institutions and worship places of many including those of our faithful are ruined and huge loss incurred to many on account of the flood. When our State faces such an unprecedented crisis, Holy Church shall observe 12th August, 2018(Sunday) as Flood Relief Day and special prayers shall be offered on the day. Food, clothes, medicines and other basic necessities shall be collected under the leadership of the youth Movement of the Church, various Dioceses in Kerala and organizations managed by our Church members and distributed them in Flood Relief camps in accordance with the directives of the civil authorities.

Since the devastation caused by the flood assumed gigantic proportions, we wish our faithful shall cooperate the relief/ rehabilitative work and reach maximum help to those affected by the flood. The zeal with which we helped the victims of the earth quake in Lathoor, rehabilitated the victims of Tsunami, the assistance imported to those affected in Chattisgarh and Chennai floods should be exhibited in here in our State too. It is our Christian duty to help and protect our brethren who go through unspeakable suffering. We lovingly exhort that each parish shall collect maximum amount as per its capacity and send it to the accounts given hereunder which is to be utilized for the relief/ rehabilitative work.

The amounts in Indian Rupees: **A/c No. 57017053190, SBI Devalokam Branch, IFSCode SBIN 0070820, Name of Account Holder: H H Baselios Marthoma Paulose II - Natural Calamity.**

The amounts in Foreign Currencies: **A/c No. 57008125180, SBI, Kottayam Civil Station Branch, IFSC: SBIN0070101, Swift Code: SBININBBT15, Account Holder: H. H. Baselios Marthoma Paulose II.**

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 Mar Gregorios, Yeldo Mar Baselios, 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 10, 2018.