



# **TABORE MAR THOMA CHURCH**

**Manchester, U.K.**

**Registered Charity Number: 1127602**

A Parish of the Mar Thoma Syrian Church in the Diocese of UK – Europe - Africa  
Member of the Churches Together in England  
Member of the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

## **ANNUAL REPORT & ANNUAL ACCOUNTS**

**Year Ended 31st March 2025**

### **Registered Office & Rectory:**

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### **Worship held at:**

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Date: 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

## NOTICE

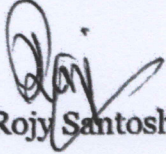
Notice is hereby given for Annual General Body meeting, which is scheduled for 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 immediately after Holy Communion Service at our church. Agendas for the meeting are as under: -

- 01) Presentation of the Annual Report for the financial year 2024-2025.
- 02) Presentation of Audited Annual Accounts for the financial year 2024-2025.
- 03) Presentation of Budget for the Financial year 2025-2026.
- 04) Leeds Prayer Group – Forming a Separate Church/Congregation.
- 05) Registering as Separate Sheffield Sunday School with Sunday School Samajam under Tabore Mar Thoma Church Sunday School.
- 06) Preston Prayer Group Outreach – Forming Separate Sunday School under Tabore Mar Thoma Church Sunday School in 2026 Academic Year.
- 07) Family Conference.
- 08) Revise Timings for Worship and Sunday School.
- 09) Purchase of Marquee Approval.
- 10) AOB with the Permission of the Chair.



All General Body members are requested to attend the meeting.

By order



(Mrs. Rojy Santosh)



Secretary for Tabore Mar Thoma Church

Note: - (a) Any query or clarification in respect of Annual Report, Annual Accounts for the financial year 2024-2025 and budget for the year ending 2025-2026 may please be addressed to our vicar by email ( [vicar@taboremarthomachurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@taboremarthomachurch.org.uk)) on or before 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2026 by 5.p.m.

(b) Each Member can ask up to 3 questions and 2 sub questions of each main question.

# TABORE MAR THOMA CHURCH

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(Charity Registration No. 1127602)

## ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-2025

### INTRODUCTION

“For My thoughts are not your thought, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord, for as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.”

Isaiah 55:8-9

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to all our fellow parishioners of the Tabore Mar Thoma. We have witnessed some of the most extreme events around the world during the reporting year such as political upheaval, war, conflict, climate change and all these disasters devastated normal life of the world. God has been faithful to us in his steadfast love, and we are grateful for his mercy and abundant grace that he has shown each of us during the reporting year.



Along with our Vicar, Rev John P Chacko and Executive Committee, each of our members of this parish worked for the betterment of the church. I present this annual report for the financial year 2024-2025 on behalf of board of trustees of Tabore Mar Thoma Church, Heywood, Manchester OL10 1QU. This report is a snippet of our activities for the financial year 2024-2025.

### MALANKARA MAR THOMA SYRIAN CHURCH OF MALABAR

Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church otherwise called as Mar Thoma Church in a shorter form or Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar, which is a part of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. is one of the ancient Churches in the world. It is traditionally believed that St. Thomas (Mar Thoma in Syriac), the disciple of Jesus Christ came to India in AD 52 and established the Church in the Malabar coast. Kerala is known as Malankara in those times.

Being rooted in the Bible, the Church maintains its Episcopal heritage and value oriented democratic form of administration. The Church believes in Jesus Christ, the God incarnate for the redemption of humankind, and in the Triune God revealed by him, who himself is one among the Trinity. The Church cherishes its oriental heritage and Episcopacy as a gift of God. The Church accepts Holy Bible as the basis for all matters of faith and doctrine, and the Nicene Creed formulated in accordance with the Holy Scripture. The Church is regarded as a 'bridge' church in the Ecumenical world.

The Church is at present blessed by the able leadership of twelve Bishops and is headed by Most Rev. Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan who is the 22nd Malankara Metropolitan to occupy the Holy Apostolic Throne of St. Thomas. The Church is served by 1184 clergy through fourteen dioceses to 1.6 million people (approx.). The headquarters is located at SCS Campus, Thiruvalla, Kerala, India and has over a million adherents spread worldwide.

The Church actively participates in the programs of the World Council of Churches, the Christian Conference of Asia, the National Council of Churches and the Kerala Christian Council. It is in full communion with the Anglican Church, The Church of South India and the Church of North India and has cordial relations with the various denominations of the Christian Church. The Church actively co-operates with the C.S.I. and the C.N.I. through CCI (Communion of Churches in India).

- 01) World Council of Churches (WCC)
- 02) Churches Together in England
- 03) Churches Together in Britain and Ireland
- 04) Christian Conference of Asia (CCA)
- 05) National Council of Churches in India (NCCI)

- o6) The National Missionary Society (NMS)
- o7) Communion of Churches in India (CSI & CNI)
- o8) Roman Catholic Church
- o9) Anglican Church
- 10) Orthodox Church
- 11) Bible Society of India
- 12) Kerala Council of Churches, India

### DIOCESE

Our parish has been part of the Diocese of the UK, Europe, and Africa of the Mar Thoma Church since January 1, 2024. Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph Mar Ivanios Episcopa serves as the Diocesan Bishop. Prior to this, we were under the UK-Europe Zone, and our Bishop was Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa. Our parish wholeheartedly supports the development initiatives, charity activities, and mission needs of the diocese.

### DIOCESE INAGURATION

Our Newly formed the Diocese of the UK, Europe, and Africa of the Mar Thoma Church since January 1, 2024. was formally inaugurated on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024 by our Supreme Head Rt. Rev. Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan along with Suffragan Metropolitans, present and former Diocese Episcopas,



Bishops from Sister Parishes in UK, Member of Parliament UK Gov. at Bethel Convention Centre Birmingham. The inauguration was concluded by Holy communion and Fellowship Meals to all the attendees all over UK and Europe and Africa. Nearly 100 plus members of our parish attended this great event.

### TABORE MAR THOMA CHURCH

Tabore Mar Thoma Church Manchester (UK) is one of the parishes of Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar which has been established in 2007 with the approval of Synod under the Dioceses of North America & Europe. Our Church is under the Diocese of Europe – UK - Africa headed by Rt. Rev PD Dr Joseph Mar Ivanios, Episcopa, whose office is at 11 Priory Gardens, Ashford TW15 1NZ.

Tabore Mar Thoma Church Manchester is a Registered Charity (Registration No.1127602) in England and its registered office & vicarage is at 195 B, Mount Road, Gorton, Manchester M18 7GG. Own church was acquired in December 2018 & the sacrament of the parish was conducted on 19th of October 2019, by LATE LAMENTED HIS GRACE THE MOST REV. DR. JOSEPH MAR THOMA METROPOLITAN

## MISSION & OBJECTIVES -

In alignment with the traditions of the Mar Thoma Syrian Church in Malabar and guided by the visionary leadership of Abraham Mar Thoma, Tabore Mar Thoma Church remains steadfast in its mission. Our primary objective is to provide regular Christian worship services to the members of Mar Thoma churches residing in the diaspora within our region. Additionally, the church is dedicated to offering pastoral care and organizing a variety of activities aimed at nurturing the spiritual life of our members. Furthermore, we are committed to fostering strong ecumenical relations with the local community, embodying the spirit of Christian unity and cooperation. As part of our mission, Tabore Mar Thoma Church actively engages in making voluntary contributions to support churches, evangelism, and charitable endeavours both in the UK and India. Moreover, we strive to inspire and empower individuals within our parish to actively participate in evangelistic efforts, fulfilling the Lord's call to be witnesses to the world.

## OUR VICAR

Rev. John P Chacko is our vicar and president from 1st May 2024 and held the post of president by virtue of his office. He is the only employee of our charity, and his primary responsibilities included the management with the support of Executive Committee Members and pastoral care to the members of the church.

He co-ordinated community activities and outreach programmes to nurture the spiritual wellbeing of the community.

He is living with his family (Mrs. Mariamma Varghese, Sons Mstr. Chacko John Puthenparambil, Mstr. Varghese John Puthenparabil and Mstr. Thomas John Puthenparambil) at our vicarage. He is appointed to our church for three years. We as a church extended our heartfelt thanks to our vicar and family for their spiritual support.

### MEMBERSHIP

People who have their names recorded in the Parish Register of Tabore Mar Thoma church; Manchester are the members of the parish. All members over the age of 18 constitute the general body of the church. During the reporting year 2024-25 our church membership is 239 families.

### AREA PRAYER GROUPS

We have 9 area prayer groups & Around 160-plus families are active members of the parish, Prayer groups play an active role in the Spiritual nourishment of our members. Participation of our prayer groups in supporting every day worship service & Various activities is highly appreciated.



## FINANCE

Our church is wholly dependent on the voluntary contributions of members, friends, and well-wishers. We are greatly indebted for their financial support in the form of donation and monthly stewardship contribution. For the reporting year the parish received a total income of £162004.92 against the total expenditure of £166857.48 with a net Deficit of £4852.56.

## SOFTWARE UPDATION

During the current financial year with the approval of the committee the finance team has bought a New Software Quick Book for the accounting purposes as the Old Software has been outdated and the cost price was quite higher for upgrading.

## SUBSCRIPTION

Monthly subscription represents the voluntary monthly contribution made by the members against the day-to-day expenses of the Parish. We are grateful to all those who have supported the financial need of the church. This year we got £55782 as subscription.

The accounts provide the statement of Income and Expenditure and the Balance Sheet of the Parish for the year 2024-2025.

During the year 2024-2025, we had 172 members who made monthly voluntary contribution. The parish is grateful to the members and well-wishers for their wholehearted financial support.

#### OFFERTORIES AND COLLECTIONS

Offertory collections during every worship service and special collections for any special events will serve as primary sources of income for the church. Both contributions are voluntary and made by members to meet the needs of the parish.

#### ONE DAY INCOME

This voluntary contribution from members signifies their gratitude for the blessings bestowed upon them by God. Each salaried member is encouraged to share their one-day income with the church.

### RECESSA & UPOSHANAM VARAM

Recessa represents the yearly payment by each adult member of the Mar Thoma Church which is remitted to the Sabha Office whereas Uposhanam Varam is the sum contributed by the members from the savings generated by fasting during the Passion Week which is sent to the Mar Thoma Evangelistic Association.

### SUVISHESHA NIDHI

This fund is utilized for the missionary activities of the Diocese. The active participation of the area prayer groups in this collection is appreciated.

### DIOCESCAN COLLECTION

This Collection is utilized for the All the activities & day by day expenses of the Diocese.

### BOARD TRUSTEES OF OUR CHURCH FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-2025.

President	:	Rev. John P Chacko
Vice President	:	Mr. Abraham John
Secretary	:	Mr Pramod Verghese
Trustee	:	Mr. Aji Varghese
Accounts Trustee	:	Mr. Mojin Koshy Cherian



Lay Leaders : 1) Mr. Sanoj M George

2) Mr. Koshy Thomas

Edavaka Mission Representative: Mr. Ipe Kurian

Mandalam Representative : Mr. Abraham P John

Assembly Representative : Mr. Varughese P John

Nominated Assembly Representative: Mr. Pramod Verghese

Sevika Sangham Secretary : Mrs. Rojy Santosh

Youth Fellowship Secretary : Mr. Abel Jossey

Sunday School Representative: Mrs. Tessy Abraham

Choir Representative : Mr. Mathew Abraham

#### PRAYER GROUPS REPRESENTATIVE

1) Bolton – Bury : Mr. Aniyankunju Scaria

2) Ashton & Stockport : Mr. Johnson Samuel

3) Manchester : Mr. Denny Thomas

4) Blackburn : Mr. Santosh Sam Chacko

5) Sheffield : Mr. Ashams Daniel

6) Leeds : Mr. Jerry Sam Philip

7) Withington : Mr. Jacob Thomas

8) Preston : Mr. Manu Varghese

9) Wythenshawe-Sale : Mrs. Annie Siju

UKBA Authorising Officer: Mr. Pramod Verghese

Key Contact : Mr. Anil Samuel

Health and Safety Officer : Mr. Denny Thomas

Fire Safety Officer : Mr. Alex Zachariah

Safeguarding Officer : Mrs. Rojy Santosh

Auditors : 1) Mr. Siju George

2) Mr. Vinod Malayil

### WORSHIP SERVICE

Our Worship Service was conducted regularly every Sunday at 10.30 am on First, Second, Third and Fourth Sunday and Fifth Sunday. Every Second and Fourth Sunday we have our Holy Qurbana in English. Rev. John P Chacko Achen is our Chief celebrant. Furthermore, in Leeds, Preston and Sheffield, Holy Communion will be celebrated on one Saturday each month.

### PARISH DAY CELEBRATION:

Parish Day of our Church for the year 2024-25 was held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024, Chief Guest for the occasion was Rev John Mathew C, Vicar of St. Johns Mar Thoma Church, Hounslow. Refreshments were provided after the Meeting.

### PARISH CONVENTION:

Convention of our church was held from 15<sup>th</sup> November to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
Rev John Mathew C Achen, Vicar of St Johns MTC Hounslow was the Main  
Speaker for the Event.

### FAMILY SUNDAY

This year, Family Sunday was celebrated alongside Parish Sunday on  
November 03, 2024. We were honoured to have Rev Abu Cherian Vicar Carmel  
MTC Liverpool as our esteemed chief guest, who delivered a profound message  
during the Parish Day celebration. As a symbol of our collective dedication,  
families are invited to contribute a special offertory and join in Holy  
Communion together with all their members.

### FAMILY RETREAT

The parish's three-day family retreat was held from October 4<sup>th</sup> to 06<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at  
Castle Head, Cumbria. Rev P. T. Jacob and Rev John P Chacko Achan  
conducted classes & for Smart Health. Dr. Manoj John Mathen  
also gave a lecture. Shalom Beats performed a Musical Night on Saturday  
Evening.

### MERIT AWARDS

Students who scored Highest Marks in GCSE, A-level examination were honoured by cash prizes on the Parish Day celebration. This year 3 students for GCSE & 1 student for A-Level got the merit award

### HARVEST FESTIVAL OF OUR CHURCH

Harvest festival of our church was held on 27<sup>th</sup> October and 24<sup>th</sup> November 2024 immediately after the holy communion service. Many of our members brought items for auction and the total amount raised from the auctions was £13429 for financial year 2024-25.

### CAROL ROUNDS

During this financial year we had our Door to Door Carol rounds between 23<sup>rd</sup> November to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2024. Special thanks to our Achen for his leadership and the members of all our prayer groups for all their support and participation. Total income received from members of 9 prayer groups is £5490.45.

### CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

We celebrated Christmas carol service on 22nd December 2024. Rt. Rev. Dr. Euyakim Mar Coorilos Suffragan Metropolitan was the chief guest, and he gave an inspiring Christmas message. We as a church extend our thanks to Rt.Rev.Dr. Euyakim Mar Coorilos Suffragan Metropolitan. We extended our special thanks to all choir members and Area Prayer Groups who partake in the carol service. Christmas Holy Communion service was conducted on 25.12.2024 at 7 a.m., fellowship meal was provided after the Christmas carol service.

### WATCH NIGHT AND NEW YEAR SERVICE

We celebrated watch night service on 31st December 2024 from 10pm onwards. Around 150 families joined the service, and our members gave their testimony during the service.

### CHOIR

Choir Annual Report 2024–2025

"Sing to Him, sing praise to Him; tell of all His wonderful acts." – Psalm 105:2

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

It is with immense joy and gratitude that I present the Choir Annual Report for the year 2024–2025. First and foremost, we thank God Almighty for His divine protection and abundant grace over all our choir members and their families throughout this past year.



## Annual General Body Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting was held on March 24, 2024, immediately following the Holy Communion Service. The meeting commenced with a word of prayer led by Rev. Thomas Baby Achen, who also chaired the session. The primary agenda was the election of new office bearers for the upcoming financial year.

### Elected Office Bearers:

Choir Leader: Mr. Mathew Abraham

Assistant Choir Leader: Mrs. Tessy Abraham

Secretary: Mr. Varughese P. John (Jibu)

Treasurer: Mr. Jolly P. Mathew

### Additional Choir Committee Members:

1. Mr. Joji Mathew
2. Mrs. Ginu Sara Varghese
3. Mrs. Sheeba Abraham

## Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory for all worship services, including Saturday services. Any member absent for three consecutive weeks without submitting a written request to the President (Achen) will be removed from the choir.

Choir practice is held every Sunday at 8:30 AM, with a cut-off time of 9:00 AM. Members arriving after the cut-off will be seated in the congregation's reserved section and their attendance will not be recorded.

## Farewell to Rev. Thomas Baby Achen

The church held a farewell meeting for our outgoing Achen. The choir had the honor of participating in this gathering and expressing our heartfelt thanks. We wish Rev. Thomas Baby Achen all the best and uphold him in our prayers as he begins ministry in his new parish.

## Choir Uniform

The General Body unanimously agreed to introduce a choir gown prior to the Bishop's visit.

Special thanks to Mr. Mathew Abraham and Mrs. Tessy Abraham for their initiative and effort in sourcing the uniforms from Kerala. Their commitment is deeply appreciated.

## Christmas Carol Practice

Christmas carol practices commenced in the third week of August.

We are grateful to Mr. Thejus George for his voluntary leadership in conducting and teaching the carols with great dedication and enthusiasm.

## Diocese Inauguration

Our choir was honored to participate in the Diocese Inaugural Choir. Due to limited slots, the following members represented our church:

Mr. Joe Thomas

Ms. Christy Ann Jiju

Mrs. Nisu Thomas

Mrs. Tessy Abraham

We thank them for their representation and commitment.

## Carol Service

Under the leadership of Mr. Thejus George and Achen, the choir began preparations early, and the performance received outstanding feedback from the congregation.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Euyakim mar coorilos suffragan metropolitan was the chief guest.

During the service, we also bid farewell to Mr. Thejus George Palooran, Thirumeni presented a memento and a gift purse as a token of our appreciation. Heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed on and off stage in making the event a grand success.

#### Diocese Christmas Carol Event – January 4, 2025

Both our senior and junior choirs presented two songs at the Diocese Christmas Carol Event. We sincerely thank all the members who participated at short notice and represented our church with excellence.

#### Choir General Body Meeting – March 2, 2025

The meeting began with a prayer led by Achen, followed by the election of new office bearers:

Choir Leader: Mr. Sanoj Mathew George

Assistant Choir Leader: Mrs. Sheeba Abraham

Secretary: Mrs. Cellins Vinod

Treasurer: Mrs. Linu George

Committee Members:

1. Ms. Hannah Siju
2. Mr. Jerrish Esho

As we conclude this year, we give all glory to our Almighty God, who has graciously led us thus far. May He continue to guide, strengthen, and uplift our choir in the years ahead.

With warm regards,

Varughese P. John

Choir Secretary

### o3) YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Proverbs 23:26 “My son, give me your heart, and let your eyes observe my ways.”

We conducted our annual youth meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 after the holy mass and our President Rev. John P Chacko chaired the meeting. Annual Report for the year 2023-2024 was presented by Miss. Pretty and was passed by the general committee.

Following members were elected as the Governing body members for the year 2024-2025:

President – Rev. John P Chacko

Vice President – Mr. Ashwin Moncy Varghese

Secretary – Mr. Abel Jossey John

Diocese Representative:

Mrs. Tessy Abraham

Church Choir Auditions – March 30, 2025

To accommodate more singers, the choir conducted auditions after the Holy Communion service. In response to parental feedback, the audition process was revised as follows:

1. Song Selection: Participants could choose from:

Malayalam: “Paadum Njan Yeshuvinu” (Chorus and first stanza)

English: “I Love to Think of the Heavenly Land” (First two stanzas)

A total of 64 participants auditioned. Judging was done by Rev. P.T. Jacob Achen and Kochamma, using the DSMC marking system.

Special thanks to Rev. John P. Chacko Achen for his outstanding organization and leadership throughout the process.

Conclusion

I sincerely thank every choir member for your unwavering dedication, support, and love throughout this blessed year. Your visible and unseen efforts have truly glorified God.

Joint Secretary – Ms. Hannah Maria George

Treasurer – Mr. Jeswin James

Zonal Secretary – Mr. Reuben Mathew

### Zonal Youth Conference

Our youth fellowship members participated in the Zonal Youth Conference conducted on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April 24 at Cefn Lea, Dolfor, SY16 4AJ. Due to the close cooperation of our members, we were able to stand out at the zonal youth conference as the youth League.

Youth as fund raising event organized on 09<sup>TH</sup> OF June and 08<sup>th</sup> of September, our youth organized Ice Cream Sale. We celebrated our Youth Sunday and Cake Sale on 20<sup>th</sup> October and celebrated 92<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Mar Thoma Yuvajana Sakhyam at our church. Youth Fellowship members took the initiative to lead in assisting, reading lessons, singing choir, sermon, and prayer. A big thanks to all who volunteered.

### RHYME - 2024

As part of the Youth fund raising events, the youth of our church organized a Devotional Music Concert on 27<sup>th</sup> of July 2024 at Poynton Civic Hall Stockport. Our youth fellowship members have participated for Singing in the concert.

## Christmas Carol – 2024

As part of our youth league's initiative, we sang a carol song for our church's Christmas celebrations. Thanks to all those participated for the same.

Following members were elected as the Governing body members for the year 2025-2026.

President – Rev. John P Chacko

Vice President – Mr. Abel Jossey John

Secretary – Ms. Sarah Anna Mathew

Joint Secretary – Mr. Ryan Mathew

Treasurer – Mr. Merrick Santosh

Special thanks to all youth members who volunteered for assisting in the holy Communion on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

Youth League Registration: Our Youth league has been officially registered at the Mar Thoma Yuvajana Sakhyam Office for the year 2024-2025. The list was published at our church notice board.



## A Note of Thanks

As part of the Tabore Mar Thoma Youth Fellowship, I thank our Achen and all committee members for their wholehearted support even during their busy schedule. May God bless us all in doing better and praising his name to the highest in the next year.

Thanks,

Abel Jossey John Secretary

### o4) EDVAKA MISSION

Mar Thoma Voluntary Evangelists' Association formed in 1924. Bishop Abraham Mar Thoma was the ardent supporter of this movement and Titus II Mar Thoma Metropolitan sent a circular to all parishes encouraging the formation of branches of the Association. Rev. C. P. Philipose Kassis was the first president, Sadhu Kochu Kunju the secretary and Kolakottu John Upadesi the travelling secretary.

The object of this association is that every member of the Church should be a witness to Jesus Christ, whatever his occupation may be. Those who volunteer to be members of the Association meet together in each parish at least once a week for fellowship, intercessory prayer, Bible study and sharing experiences.

Then they go out and contact those who work with them and share the Gospel. Edavaka Mission meeting was conducted every fourth Friday of the Month in the church at 7 pm. Mr Ipe Kurien, Secretary for the Edavaka Mission has actively organised our church's convention with the support of our vicar and members. This Year Rev John Mathew C Vicar St John MTC Hounslow was the Main Speaker of our Parish Convention.

Thanks

Mr Ipe Kurien (Secretary)

o5) SEVIKA SANGAM (LADIES WING)

Sevika Sangam Annual Report [2024-25]

Tabore Mar Thoma Church

Manchester

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

By the abundant grace of God, the Sevika Sangam—the women’s fellowship of the Mar Thoma Church—has had a spiritually fulfilling and impactful year. As a Christ-centered ministry, our focus continues to be on prayer, fellowship, service, and outreach within and beyond our church community.

We were blessed to begin the year by welcoming our new vicar, Rev. John P. Chacko, whose guidance and support have strengthened our ministry.

By God's grace, the following activities were prayerfully planned and successfully carried out:

- Prayer-Centered Meetings: All meetings began and ended with prayer, emphasizing our dependence on God's leading.
  - Financial Year Planning: A well-structured plan was drawn up for the year's spiritual and service activities.
  - Gardening Initiative: Members actively engaged in gardening and beautification of the church grounds.
  - Dosa Fest Fundraiser: A successful Dosa Fest was conducted with enthusiastic participation, raising funds for ministry purposes.
  - Monthly Fellowship:
    - Prayer meetings were held on the first Friday of each month at 7:00 PM, hosted by members in their homes.
    - General Body meetings were held on the first Sunday after service each month to evaluate and plan activities.
    - Church Hospitality: Members provided food and refreshments for visiting guest vicars, displaying warm hospitality.
    - Maundy Thursday Contribution: On Maundy Thursday, members

lovingly prepared and distributed Appam and Paal for the congregation.

- Educational Support: Continued financial and prayerful support for a nursing student was maintained as part of our outreach.
- Bible Quiz Participation: Members enthusiastically took part in the Bible Quiz during the Annual Conference 2024 held on 24th August, representing our parish with dedication and joy.
- Christmas Carol Service: Members of the Sevika sangam participated in the Christmas Carol Service by presenting a special song, adding joy and meaning to the celebration.

These milestones reflect the unity, commitment, and grace that sustain our ministry. We extend sincere thanks to all members and well-wishers who contributed through prayer, time, and service. We look forward to another year of faith-filled fellowship and fruitful ministry.

In His Service,

Rojy Santosh

Secretary, Sevika Sangam

Tabore Mar Thoma Church Manchester

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22 :6

The Mar Thoma Church Sunday School Samajam motto is "Come to Jesus, bring every child to Jesus", and its vision is to guide children towards Christ, fostering a strong relationship with Jesus and preparing them for a future as responsible members of the church and society.

Tabore Mar Thoma Church Sunday School, Manchester is part of the UK Europe Africa Diocese and under the guidance of our vicar Rev. John P Chacko Sunday School we endeavor to nurture spiritual growth, strengthens biblical understanding, and foster a sense of community.

This report highlights the activities, and progress of the program, reflecting on our shared journey and celebrating the blessings received while looking forward to future opportunities. Currently the Sunday School has a strength of 225 children and 57 teachers. Sunday School begins following Holy Qurbana with praise and worship songs, offertory and then disperse to classes.

### Sunday School Office Bearers 2024-2025:

President: Rev. John P Chacko

Head Teacher: Mrs. Tessy Abraham

Secretary: Mrs. Ginu Sara Varghese

Treasurer: Mr. Koshy Thomas

### Annual Sports Day

We started our year with the Annual Sports Day held in May 2024 at with an attendance of 110 kids. We would like to extend our gratitude to Nisu Thomas and Christy Anna Jiju, who coordinated the event. Due to unforeseen weather changes the venue was changed last minute to the church premises. Thank you to all who took part and volunteered to help with last minute venue organization. Activities included running and football races, relays, lime and spoon, and tug-of-war. Winners for each category were awarded prizes on the same day.

### Annual Exam

Annual Sunday school exam was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of July 2024, following the UK Europe Africa Diocese curriculum. 126 children attended on the exam day. Thank you to all teachers who worked hard towards making the day a success. Tiju Philip From Carmel Mar Thoma Church was the invigilator this year.

Ginu Sara Varghese TMTC Sunday School secretary was the invigilator for Carmel Mar Thoma Church. 13 teachers attended the central paper valuation at Birmingham.

All students who achieved 90% or higher were awarded a trophy and certificate from the diocese. And those who achieved 50% and above received certificates from the Diocese. Additionally, the Sunday School awarded medals to students who scored 50% or more in the exams.

### Vacation Bible Classes

VBS 2025 was held in August with an attendance of 140 children over a period of 4 days. The theme for the year was: 'Go Pro'. Thank you to our VBS directors Anet Sara Koshy, Sania Shaji, all Teachers and volunteers who helped with setting up the hall and everyday activities. Food was sponsored by various individuals and families for each day and we are immensely grateful to each one of them. The final day concluded with the traditional final day rally and all children performing the VBS songs they learned during the preceding days.

### Student and Teacher dedication service

The new Sunday School year began with the students and teachers' dedication on the 08<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of September, respectively. Both students and teachers took their respective pledges and signed the covenant forms on this solemn occasion. This year the diocese revised the books for grade 11 and the

introduction of grade 12 to ensure continuing participation of young adults in Sunday School. Sunday school academic year will now run from January to December as decided by the Diocesan Sunday school committee.

### Diocesan Inauguration and World Sunday School Day

Diocesan Inauguration was held on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 under the auspices of His Grace, The Most Rev. Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan. Kids had the opportunity to attend and perform at the event.

World Sunday School Day was held on 02<sup>nd</sup> of November 2024 at Tamworth hosted by Hermon MTC Midlands. Nearly 50 kids attended the celebration and performed a skit depicting Paul's journey to Damascus and conversion.

### Christmas Carols

The annual Sunday School Christmas Carol service was held on 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2024 with teachers and children actively taking part in the service, with a mix of songs and skit performances by all classes. The teacher's skit was a comic take on what would have happened at Herod's palace during the birth of Christ.



### Annual Talent competition

Annual Talent Competition was held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025 with 101 children present their God given talents like Singing, Memorizing Verses, Elocution, bible reading, coloring etc., for the glory of God. Prizes will be distributed to students taking part in these competitions during the Sunday School Annual Day celebrations.

### Charity

Part of the offertory collected by Sunday school during the student dedication service has been used to support a child at Navjeevan Centre, Mumbai. An amount of £800 (Rs. 87000/-) was handed over to Binu Achen from Navjeevan Centre during the Maramon convention 2025 and an amount of £250 to Kalayapuram Mar Thoma Residential School for rehab of Manipur Children. Total amount of £1050 was done as Charity. We as a Sunday School hope to continue this tradition of charity to instil the value of giving in our children

### New Sunday School

It is with immense pleasure we would like to inform you of Sheffield Prayer group began Sunday school and is being actively held every Saturday. We hope other Prayer groups will take initiative to start Sunday Schools at their respective areas to encourage more children to attend Sunday School.

## Conclusion

As we reflect on this year's journey, we are filled with gratitude for the growth, learning, and fellowship we have experienced together in Sunday School.

Through engaging lessons and inspiring activities, we have endeavored to strengthen our faith and built a supportive community. The dedication and enthusiasm of our students, teachers and volunteers have been truly remarkable, and their efforts have made this year a memorable success.

As we look forward to the year ahead, let us continue to walk together in faith, sharing God's love and wisdom with one another and the world. Thank you for being a part of this incredible journey.

## OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2025-2026

President	:	Rev. John P Chacko
Vice-President	:	Mr. Pramod Verghese
Secretary	:	Mrs. Rojy Santosh
Finance Trustee	:	Mr. Aji Varghese
Accountant Trustee	:	Mr. Mojin Koshy Cherian
Lay leader	:	o1) Mr. P.K. Mathai
Lay Leader	:	o2) Mr. Gibson Philip George

Health and Safety Officer : Mrs. Jyothi Mojin & Mr. Mithun John.  
Safeguarding Officer : Mrs. Jini Joseph  
Fire Safety Officer : Mr. Jerrin Cherian.  
UKBA Officer : To be Elected.  
Key Contact (Visa Process) : To be Elected.

AUDITORS : 01) Mr. Siju George.  
: 02) Mr. Vinod Verghese

#### CHARITY WORK DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-25.

##### Charity Activities in UK

1) Mr Abin Mathai Funeral Aid: £1150

##### Non- UK Charitable activities

01) Wayanad Disaster Aid: £1500. \*Loss of Life and Property due to  
Landslide.

02) Housing Support Kerala: £500 x 3\* families. = £1500.

\*Paid to support to existing / repair home.

Total Charity for Financial Year: £4150.

Mandalam Representative (23-26): Mr. Abraham P John

Zonal Representative (23-26) : Mr. Varughese P John

Nominated Assembly Representative: Mr. Pramod Verghese

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2025-26

Edavaka Mission : To be Elected

Youth Fellowship : Ms. Sarah Anna Mathew

Sevika Sanghom : Mrs. Preethy Jossey

Sunday School : Mr. Koshy Thomas

Choir : Mr. Sanoj M George

AREA PRAYER REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2025-26.

1) Bolton & Bury : Mr. Sunil Mathew

2) Manchester : Mr. Abraham John

3) Leeds : Mr. Mithun John

4) Sheffield : Mr. Ashams Daniel

5) Wythenshawe-Sale : Mr. Nebu Kovoor

6) Ashton-Stockport : Mr. Bitty Joseph

7) Preston : Mr. Toni Titus Thomas

8) Blackburn : To Be Elected.

9) Withington : Mr. Jijo Koshy

## MARRIAGE

During current financial year there is no marriage ceremony recorded as per the church register.

## BAPTISM

The following children has been baptised in our church during the reporting year. We congratulate the kids on became the part of our church. May God protect them in His mighty wings.

- o1) Mstr. Jonathan Bibin Varghese S/o Mrs & Mr Bibin Varghese.
- o2) Mstr. Austin Roy Jibin S/o Mrs & Mr Jibin Babu Sam.
- o3) Miss. Emilia Mary Varghese D/o Mrs & Mr Sony Varghese.
- o4) Miss. Joanna Elizabeth Joji D/o Mrs & Mr Joji K John.

## EPISCOPAL VISIT:

Our Diocesan Episcopa Rt. Rev Dr Joseph Mar Ivanios Episcopa of UK-Europe Zone visited our Parish on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

## STUDENT DEDICATION:

Each Year our church celebrates the student dedication service either in the first week or second week of September (New Academic Year).

We, the board of trustees are extending our heartfelt appreciation to the students who are studying in UK schools, colleges and universities who have achieved good marks and admission in higher studies. May the Almighty protect and guide them in their future career.

ONAM CELEBRATION:

During this financial year we celebrated our Onam festival on 14th September 2024 @ Sale Moor Community Centre. Around 150 families of our church attended the Onam Feast.

GUEST VISIT: BISHOP/CLERGY/EVANGELIST:

1. Rt Rev Dr Euyakim Mar Coorilos Suffragan Metropolitan.
2. Rt Rev Dr Joseph Mar Ivanios Episcopa.
3. Rev Subin Mathew Parayil
4. Rev Abu Cherian
5. Rev C Joseph (Retired Clergy)
6. Rev P T Jacob
7. Rev Jinson K Mathew
8. Rev John Mathew C
9. Rev Merin Mathew

### ZONAL MAR THOMA MEET:

During the reporting financial year, some members of our parish members participated in the Mar Thoma Meet held at the Cotton green church Tamworth.

### LENT WEEK SERVICES:

Lent meditation services were organised from 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 to 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Church Edavaka Sangam Members Volunteered to give Sermon during that period.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We are most grateful to all who have continually support us spiritually and financially, especially to His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan and the Diocesan Bishop Rt. Revd. PD Dr. Joseph Mar Ivanios.

### CONCLUSION

As we draw near to the conclusion of our annual parish report, Tabore Mar Thoma Parish wishes to express profound gratitude to the leaders of this country for granting us the freedom to openly practice our faith on the soil of Britain and for the opportunity to purchase and worship in churches dedicated to the Mar Thoma Church.

Special appreciation is also extended to Our Parish Vicar Rev. John P Chacko, other Priests, and vicars of sister churches who have provided timely cooperation in various needs. We are equally grateful to the vicars of other Mar Thoma Parishes in the UK, the officials of the Parish, Zone, and Diocese,



members of the Kaisthana Samiti, area prayer representatives, organizational officials, and all other responsible individuals who have contributed to the success of our parish. Lastly, heartfelt thanks are extended to our dear parishioners whose help and cooperation in all special matters have been invaluable to us.

Jesus Christ, the light of the world equips us to impart the radiance of His glory through His body, the Church, in this world. As members of the Church, we are recipients of this light and glory. The God of grace has designated us to be in this world as a people belonging to God that we may declare the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His wonderful light (1 Peter 2:9).

We praise God for His abundant showers of blessing on us during the past year with our humble beginning. May God empower us to take on greater responsibilities in our future endeavours and to emanate His light through our life and witness.

For and on behalf of Executive Committee/Board of Trustees of Tabore Mar Thoma Church.

*Received & Passed*  
*JVC*  
*Rev. John P. Chadco*



(Mr Pramod Verghese)

Secretary for Tabore Mar Thoma Church

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> March ,2025.



# Tabore Mar Thoma Church, Manchester

## Independent examiner's report

16<sup>th</sup> January 2026

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of the Tabore Mar Thoma Church (the Trust), Charity No. 1127602, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

We report in respect of our examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

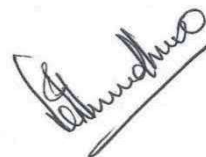
We have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Mr.Siju George  
Role: Independent Examiner  
Address: 29 Ambleside Road, Urmston  
Manchester M41 6PL

Date: 16/01/2026



Mr.Vinod Malayil  
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16/01/2026

TABORE MAR THOMA CHURCH, MANCHESTER (U.K.)

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st Mar 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total Fund 2025 £	Total Fund 2024 £
<b>Income</b>					
Stewardship	2	55,782.00	-	55,782.00	49,868.00
Donations	3	5,651.36	-	5,651.36	12,306.00
Offertories	4	44,484.66	-	44,484.66	43,802.35
Harvest Festival, One Day Income, First Holy Commun	5	31,113.50	-	31,113.50	30,596.00
Church Organisations Income	6	24,421.52	-	24,421.52	19,549.92
Other Income - Events, etc	7	200.00	-	200.00	4,257.58
Gift Aid Tax reclaim *	7	-	-	-	33,118.54
Bank interest	28A	351.88	-	351.88	355.54
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>162,004.92</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>162,004.92</b>	<b>193,853.93</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Stipend	8	36,545.17	-	36,545.17	26,693.78
Depreciation	9	6,426.47	-	6,426.47	11,392.83
Travel & Vehicle expenses	10	10,066.09	-	10,066.09	7,835.05
Rent & Rates	11	16,388.25	-	16,388.25	6,000.00
Church Events & Services	12	19,954.47	-	19,954.47	19,371.71
Printing, Postage & Stationery	14	1,373.34	-	1,373.34	651.05
Utility Expenses	15	16,274.84	-	16,274.84	26,330.77
Church Organisation Expenses	16	21,724.19	-	21,724.19	17,390.14
Diocesan/Sabha payments	17	10,980.00	-	10,980.00	10,941.00
Church Expenses	18	10,185.94	-	10,185.94	20,834.56
Insurance/Visa Costs	20	6,423.46	-	6,423.46	27,111.08
Charitable activities	21	4,150.00	-	4,150.00	4,650.00
Visiting Clergy, Donations, Gifts, etc	13	2,100.00	-	2,100.00	1,000.00
Sundry Expenses	19	886.36	-	886.36	383.45
Books, Subscrpn, Conference Attendance		-	-	-	100.00
Bank Charges	28B	360.10	-	360.10	324.90
Bad Debts Written Off	29	3,015.20	-	3,015.20	-
Asset Disposal expenses	9	3.60	-	3.60	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>166,857.48</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>166,857.48</b>	<b>181,010.32</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>		<b>(4,852.56)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(4,852.56)</b>	<b>12,843.61</b>
<b>FUNDS BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD</b>		<b>157,892.67</b>	<b>7,315.00</b>	<b>165,207.67</b>	<b>152,364.06</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>153,040.11</b>	<b>7,315.00</b>	<b>160,355.11</b>	<b>165,207.67</b>

\* No Gift Aid tax reclaim has been made during the year ended 31 March 2025.

**TABORE MAR THOMA CHURCH, MANCHESTER (U.K.)**

**Notes to the Statements of Financial Activities for the Period Ended 31-Mar-2025**

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

a. General

The account have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" [Charities SORP (FRS102)] and Charities Act 2011.

b. Tax recovered

Donations, grants and other forms of voluntary income are accounted within the accounting year.  
Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

c. Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on fixed assets on a straight-line basis using the following rates:

Fixtures and Fittings	25% per annum
Electric-Electronic Equipments	20% per annum <sup>1</sup>
Motor vehicle	25% per annum
Property	0% per annum

**2 STEWARDSHIP**

Stewardship consists of voluntary contribution from members and 172 members made contributions during the financial year 129 members contributed in the previous year.

**3 DONATIONS**

	2025 £	2024 £
<sup>1</sup> General	2,736.36	3,881.00
Donation for charitable activity	2,915.00	2,650.00
Car Purchase	-	2,275.00
Car Park	-	3,500.00
<sup>1</sup> Includes charity and Diocese donation	5,651.36	12,306.00

**4 OFFERTORIES**

	2025 £	2024 £
Worship	23,103.06	22,079.65
Birthday	8,924.00	8,595.00
Wedding Anniversary	3,169.00	3,565.00
Social <sup>1</sup>	3,460.10	3,667.00
Palm Sunday, Recessa & Fasting	922.50	4,009.50
Designated Sabha Offertories <sup>2</sup>	3,406.00	837.20
Other Sabha & Diocese collections <sup>3</sup>	1,500.00	1,049.00
	44,484.66	43,802.35

<sup>1</sup> Includes Annual Convention Offertory, Baptism Offertory, Christmas Offertory, and Family Sunday Offertory.

<sup>2</sup> Includes Tithes Sunday

<sup>3</sup> Includes Clergy Medical Aid, Outside Kerala Mission, Medical Mission Sunday, Diocese Sunday Offertories.

Divya Sanggitha Sunday, Vaideeka Seminary Day, Sanhida suvishesha dinam, Youth Sunday, World Sunday school day & Bible society

**5 HARVEST FESTIVAL, ONE DAY INCOME, ETC**

	2025 £	2024 £
One Day Income	40.00	2,520.00
Harvest Festival	13,429.00	9,205.00
Cake Sale & Sponsor	138.00	-
Church events (Mar Thoma Meet)	-	1,025.00
Church events (Family Retreat)	8,551.05	7,320.00
Church events (Onam)	3,465.00	3,585.00
Christmas Carols	5,490.45	6,541.00
	31,113.50	30,596.00

**6 CHURCH ORGANISATIONS INCOME**

	2025 £	2024 £
Sunday School Offertory	4,144.34	609.45
Sunday School Books	2,366.00	1,036.00
Sunday School Donation <sup>1</sup>	5,345.00	6,780.00
Sunday School - Others <sup>2</sup>	3,601.18	5,350.00
Sevika Sangham Offertory	130.00	496.10
Sevika Sangham Donation <sup>3</sup>	1,136.00	1,158.37
Sevika Sangham - Subscription	3,140.00	2,910.00
Choir	-	-
Youth Fellowship <sup>4</sup>	4,559.00	1,210.00
	24,421.52	19,549.92

<sup>1</sup> includes VBS donation and Talent Contest donation, sports day, SS donations

<sup>2</sup> includes WSSD, VBS training camp contributions and Zonal grant

<sup>3</sup> includes Dosa Fest, charity Donation

<sup>4</sup> includes Rhyme, membership, ETC

**7 OTHER INCOME-EVENTS ETC**

	2025 £	2024 £
Church Hire Rent	200.00	150.00
Lent Book Sale	-	195.00
Other - Refunds	-	87.35
Insurance Claim - Broken Window	-	3,825.23
HMRC Gift Aid 2022	-	14,863.73
HMRC Gift Aid 2023	-	16,254.81
	200.00	37,376.12

**STIPEND**

The Vicar who served the parish during the year was remunerated in accordance with the terms agreed prior to appointment. All expenses incurred in the course of pastoral and management duties were reimbursed at actual cost.

Except as stated above, no remuneration, either directly or indirectly, out of the funds of the Church was paid or payable during the year to any trustee or to any person connected with a trustee. Trustees served in a voluntary capacity and received no remuneration for their services. However, trustees were reimbursed for expenses incurred on behalf of the Church, such as the purchase of goods or services, at actual cost upon submission of supporting receipts.

**9 DEPRECIATION**

	2025 £	2024 £
Motor Vehicle	4,304.50	1,793.50
Fixtures-Furnitures	155.97	1,048.99
Electric-Electronic Equipments <sup>1</sup>	1,996.00	8,550.34
	6,426.47	11,392.83
<sup>1</sup> Depreciation includes Trimmer write off (Damage in FY24-25).	3.60	-

**10 TRAVEL & VEHICLE EXPENSES**

	2025 £	2024 £
Motor Vehicle maintenance	2,081.03	2,385.34
Motor Insurance	1,042.29	826.84
Road Tax	190.00	60.00
Car Accessories	-	33.56
Fuel charges	2,641.71	2,185.04
Motor Service Plan and Road Assistance	290.43	215.85
Parking & Toll charges	-	-
Public Transport	-	-
Travel, Hotel & others	134.00	-
Vicar's Transfer Expenses	3,094.63	2,128.00
Driving Licence expenses	692.00	-
	10,966.09	7,835.05

**11 RENT & RATES**

	2025 £	2024 £
Rent - Parsonage	14,320.00	6,000.00
Council Tax <sup>1</sup>	2,068.25	1,969.50
	16,388.25	7,969.50

<sup>1</sup> Added to Rent&Rates2025

**12 CHURCH EVENTS & SERVICES**

	2025 £	2024 £
Passion Week Service expense	-	500.00
Christmas Carol Service expense	3,240.51	4,463.92
First Holy Communion	-	-
Annual Convention	-	500.00
Special Event (Thirumeni Visit)	1,518.99	-
Family Retreat Expenses	8,887.65	6,135.44
Onam Expenses	3,403.62	3,398.86
Easter Expenses	-	1,708.49
Parish Day Expenses	553.70	1,545.00
Marthoma Meet Expenses	-	1,100.00

	Family Sunday	1,500.00				
	Harvest festival	850.00				
		19,954.47		19,371.71		
		2025		2024		
		£		£		
13	Visiting Clergy, Donations, Gifts, etc					
	Thirumeni Visit	700.00		-		
	Visiting Clergy, Donations, Gifts, etc.	1,400.00		1,000.00		
		2,100.00		1,000.00		
14	PRINTING, POSTAGE & STATIONERY	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Printing & Photocopying expenses	343.20		50.96		
	Postage & Carriage	1,002.15		522.00		
	Stationery & Software expenses	27.99		78.09		
		1,373.34		651.05		
15	UTILITY EXPENSES	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Lighting & Heating Parsonage	2,539.10		3,342.89		
	Waste Management	737.58		693.20		
	Gas & Elec Heywood	9,672.79		17,009.84		
	Internet	388.80		1,597.40		
	Telecommunications (Landline, Mobile, TV Licence)	1,264.57		1,405.94		
	Church Cleaning	1,672.00		312.00		
		16,274.84		24,361.27		
16	CHURCH ORGANISATION EXPENSES	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Sunday School <sup>1</sup>	17,772.04		14,411.51		
	Choir	1,145.00		88.63		
	Sevika Sangham	426.99		1,750.00		
	Youth fellowship	2,380.16		1,140.00		
		21,724.19		17,390.14		
17	DIOCESE, SABHA, ZONAL PAYMENTS	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Sabha/Central Office	3,500.00		1,011.00		
	Zonal Yearly Contribution	6,980.00		9,930.00		
	Zonal Building Payment	500.00		-		
		10,980.00		10,941.00		
18	CHURCH EXPENSES	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Kitchen and Toilet Floor			775.00		
	Drainage Repair	1,140.00		3,300.00		
	Window Glass Repair			4,200.00		
	CCTV	300.00		-		
	Electrical Works	1,000.00		300.00		
	Boiler Repair	667.20		1,431.60		
	Church Roof Repair	2,000.00		2,400.00		
	Tree Removal			2,700.00		
	General Expenses	1,008.69		4,799.80		
	Altar Expense	247.57		-		
	Gas Burner & Tarpaulin			273.89		
	Church Appliance	638.97		654.27		
	PAT Test	928.93				
	Church General Maintenance	1,189.78				
	External Audit	600.00				
	Office/Administrative	464.80				
	Total	10,185.94		20,834.56		
		2025		2024		
		£		£		
19	SUNDRY EXPENSES	886.36		383.45		
	Sundry expenses comprise cafeteria-related costs.	886.36		383.45		
20	INSURANCE/LEGAL, RECRUITMENT/VISA COSTS	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Insurance Building & Employers Liability	6,362.66		6,204.69		
	Recruitment costs			416.20		
	VISA / DBS Check	60.80		20,499.19		
		6,423.46		27,111.08		
21	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Charitable activity-UK	1,150.00		3,150.00		
	Charitable activity-outside UK	3,000.00		1,500.00		
		4,150.00		4,650.00		
	FIXED ASSETS					
22		Motor Vehicle	Property	Fixtures and Fittings	Computer & Electrical Equipment	TOTAL
	<b>Cost</b>					
	At 1st April 2024	18,015.00	115,500.00	5,438.04	18,484.76	157,437.80
	Additions FY 24-25	-	-	-	1,849.21	1,849.21
	Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
	At 31st March 2025	18,015.00	115,500.00	5,438.04	20,333.97	159,287.01
	<b>Depreciation</b>					
	At 1st April 2024	2,590.50	-	4,489.25	14469.96	21,549.71
	Charge for the year	4,304.50	-	155.97	1,966.00	6,426.47
	Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	3.60	3.60
	At 31st March 2025	6,895.00	0.00	4,645.22	16,439.56	27,979.78
	<b>Net Book Value</b>					
	At 31st March 2025	11,120.00	115,500.00	792.82	3,894.41	131,307.23
	At 31st March 2024	15,424.50	115,500.00	948.79	4,014.80	135,888.09
23	DEBTORS, ACCRUAL INCOME & PREPAYMENTS	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Differed/Accrual Income	208.00		5,415.30		
	Balance to be received from 2023-24	41.00		3,015.20		
	Posting Error Adjustments					
		249.00		8,430.50		
24	CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Current Account	9014.58		22112.36		
	Saver/Deposit Account	21111.89		14397.56		
	Conference Account	2,004.41		125.23		
	Petty Cash	-		32.38		
	Cash with Choir	-		3.55		
	Cash with Youth Fellowship	-		50.00		
		32,130.88		36,721.08		
	The petty cash balance of £85.93 was deposited into the Church's bank account on 12 April 2024.					
	As at 31 March 2025, no petty cash was held with the trustees.					
25	CREDITORS: Amount falling within one year	2025		2024		
	Creditors			-		
	Accruals	3,332.00		1,832.00		
		3,332.00		1,832.00		
26	UNSECURED LOAN FOR NEW CHURCH VEHICLE	2025		2024		
		£		£		
	Interest Free Loan					
	Repayable within ten years (as at 31 March 2024)	-		14,000.00		
	Total unsecured loan	-		14,000.00		
	Repaid during the year 2024-2025	(14,000.00)				

Total unsecured loan balance at 31 March 2025

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The car loan, which had an opening balance of £14,000 at the beginning of the year, was fully repaid.

Accordingly, no car loan liability remained outstanding at 31 March 2025.

MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

		At 01-Apr-2024 £	Received Apr2024-Mar25 £	Utilised Apr2024-Mar25 £	Transfer betn funds £	At 31-Mar-2025 £
27						
Unrestricted Fund	General Fund	157,892.67	162,004.92	(166,857.48)	0.00	153,040.11
Total Unrestricted Fund		157,892.67	162,004.92	(166,857.48)	0.00	153,040.11
Restricted/Designated Fund	CAR PARK	4,750.00	-	0	0.00	4,750.00
	Charity donations & other offertories	2,565.00	-	-	-	2,565.00
		7,315.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,315.00
Total Restricted/Designated		165,207.67	162,004.92	(166,857.48)	0.00	160,355.11

Restricted funds represent unspent balances of income received in previous financial years for specific purposes. During the year ended 31 March 2025, no restricted income was received and no expenditure was incurred against these funds. Accordingly, the restricted fund balances have been carried forward unchanged. The restricted funds comprise the Car Park Fund and Diocese Donations received in previous financial years.

28A	Bank interest		2025 £	2024 £
			2025 £	2024 £
			351.88	355.54
			351.88	355.54

Represents interest credited by the bank on savings account balances during the year.

28B	Bank Charges	360.10	324.90
		360.10	324.90

Bank charges include bank account maintenance fees, cheque clearance charges etc.

29	Bad Debts Written Off	2025 £	2024 £
		3,015.20	-
		3,015.20	-

Bad debts written off during the year relate to the correction of accounting errors arising from incorrect postings in previous financial years. These amounts do not represent actual irrecoverable debts but adjustments made to rectify prior-years accounting errors.

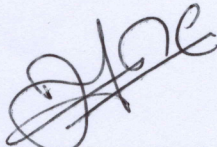


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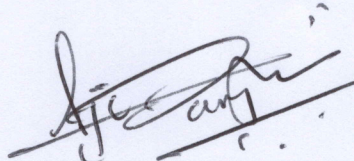
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st Mar 2025**

	Notes	2024-25		2023-24	
		£	£	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Fixed Assets	22		131,307.23		135,888.09
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors, Accrual Income & Prepaym	23	249.00		8,430.50	
Cash at Bank and in hand	24	32,130.88		36,721.08	
		32,379.88		45,151.58	
<b>LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors and Accruals	25	3,332.00		1,832.00	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<b>29,047.88</b>		<b>43,319.58</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Less: Unsecured Loan	26		-		14,000.00
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<b><u>160,355.11</u></b>		<b><u>165,207.67</u></b>
<b>Represented by:</b>	27				
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund			153,040.11		157,892.67
Restricted/Designated Funds			7,315.00		7,315.00
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			<b><u>160,355.11</u></b>		<b><u>165,207.67</u></b>

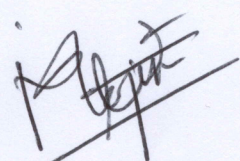
Approved by the General Body on 25/01/2026 and signed on its behalf.



Rev. John P Chacko  
Vicar & President



Mr. Aji Varghese  
Finance Trustee



Mr. Mojin Koshy Cherian  
Accounts Trustee

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.





# **Tabore Mar Thoma Church, Manchester**

## **BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 2026**

	Notes	Total Budget £ 2024-25	Actual £ 2024-25	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total Budget £ 2025-26
<b>Income</b>						
Stewardship	1	70000	55,782.00	70000	0	70000
Donations	2	36000	5,651.36	36000	0	36000
Offertories	3	54300	44,484.66	54300	0	54300
Harvest Festival, One Day Income, Tithe	4	43000	31,113.50	44000	0	44000
Church Organisations Income	5	22500	24,421.52	31000	0	31000
Other Income - Events, etc	6	150	200.00	200	0	200
Gift Aid Tax reclaim	8	25000	-	25000	0	25000
Interest		400	351.88	400	0	400
new vicarage		70000	-	70000	0	70000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>321350</b>	<b>162,004.92</b>	<b>330900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>330900</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
Stipend	9	36600	36,545.17	36600	-	36600
Depreciation	10	5300	6,426.47	10000	-	10000
Travel & vehicle expenses	11	10050	10,066.09	10155	-	10155
Rent & Rates	12	15600	16,388.25	18600	-	18600
Church Events & Services	13	31450	19,954.47	31450	-	31450
Visiting Clergy, Donations, Gifts, etc	14	2500	2,100.00	3000	-	3000
Printing, Postage & Stationary	15	2250	1,373.34	2250	-	2250
Utility Services Expenses	16	28100	16,274.84	28000	-	28000
Maintenance & Repair costs	17	5000	-	5000	-	5000
Church Organisation Expenses	18	21000	21,724.19	30000	-	30000
Diocese, Sabha, COMPE payments	19	31500	10,980.00	21500	-	21500
Insurance Legal, Licence, Visa costs & DBS	20	6500	6,423.46	9000	-	9000
Sundry Expenses		100	886.36	100	-	100
Charitable expenses	21	9000	4,150.00	9000	-	9000
Accountancy & Advertisement charges		0	-	0	-	0
Books, Subscripn, Conference Attendance	22	1200	-	1200	-	1200
Health & Safety	23	300	-	500	-	500
Bank Charges		100	360.10	100	-	100
Church Expenses	24	35000	10,185.94	25000	-	25000
electronics						
driving licence						
New vicar allocation						
external audit fee						
car loan repayment		14000				
new vicarage		70000		70000		70000
bad debts writeoff			3015			
asset disposable expense			3.6			
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>325550</b>	<b>166857.48</b>	<b>311455</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>311455</b>

### **Notes to the Financial Budget for the 2025-26 Financial Year ending 31st March 2026**

Previous year budget car loan repayment and DBS visa fees are incorrectly classified as income in budget  
This has been reclassified as expenditure.

#### **1 STEWARDSHIP**





Stewardship income consists of voluntary contributions from members of the Church.  
During the financial year 2024–25, 172 members made stewardship contributions, compared to 129 members in the previous year.  
In preparing the budget for 2025–26, the trustees have assumed a modest increase in stewardship income, reflecting the increase in participating members and the expectation that additional members will commence or regularise stewardship contributions during the year.

	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
Stewardship	70000	70000
<b>2 DONATIONS</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Christmas Carol Donations	10000	10000
Zonal Family Contribution	7000	7000
Donation for charitable activity	7000	7000
General Donations	12000	12000
	<u>36000</u>	<u>36000</u>
<b>3 OFFERTORIES</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Worship	26000	26000
Birthday	10000	10000
Wedding Anniversary	5000	5000
Christmas	2500	2500
Special <sup>1</sup>	4500	4500
Racessa & Fasting	2000	2000
Diocesan Sunday Offertory	1300	1300
Designated Sabha Offertories <sup>2</sup>	1000	1000
Other Sabha & Diocese collections <sup>3</sup>	2000	2000
	<u>54300</u>	<u>54300</u>
<b>4 HARVEST FESTIVAL, ONE DAY INCOME, ETC</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
One Day Income	5000	4500
Harvest Festival	20000	20000
Tithe	3000	2500
Church events	16000	16000
	<u>44000</u>	<u>43000</u>
<b>5 CHURCH ORGANISATIONS INCOME</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Sunday School Offertory	4000	2000
Sunday School Donation	10000	10000
Sunday School - Others	9500	3000
Sevika Sangam Offertory	1000	1000
Sevika Sangam Subscription	3000	3000
Choir	1000	1000
Youth Fellowship	2500	2500
	<u>31000</u>	<u>22500</u>
<b>6 OTHER INCOME-EVENTS ETC</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Church Hire / Misc. Income	200	150
	<u>200</u>	<u>150</u>
<b>8 GIFT AID TAX RECLAIM</b>		
	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Gift Aid	25000	25000
<b>9 STIPEND</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	35000	35000
	1600	1600
	<u>36600</u>	<u>36600</u>



<b>10</b>	<b>DEPRECIATION</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Motor Vehicle	2000	2000
	Fixtures-Furniture	3500	1500
	Electric-Electronic Equipments	4500	1800
		<u>10000</u>	<u>5300</u>
<b>11</b>	<b>TRAVEL &amp; VEHICLE EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Motor Vehicle maintenance	3000	1600
	Motor Insurance	900	900
	Road Tax	180	180
	Fuel charges	5000	3295
	Parking & Toll charges	25	25
	Public Transport	150	150
	Travel, Hotel & others	300	300
	Transfer Expenses	0	3000
	Driving Licence expenses	600	600
		<u>10155</u>	<u>10050</u>
<b>12</b>	<b>RENTS &amp; RATES</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Rent - Parsonage	16000	13000
	Rent - Church	0	0
	Rent - Others	600	600
	council tax	2000	2000
		<u>18600</u>	<u>15600</u>
<b>13</b>	<b>CHURCH EVENTS &amp; SERVICES</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Passion Week Service expense	0	0
	Christmas Carol Service expenses	5000	5000
	Parish Day service	2000	2000
	Family Sunday	1500	1500
	Annual Convention	950	950
	Other events	22000	22000
		<u>31450</u>	<u>31450</u>
<b>14</b>	<b>VISTING CLERGY, DONATIONS, GIFTS, etc.</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
		3000	2500
<b>15</b>	<b>PRINTING, POSTAGE &amp; STATIONERY</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Printing & Photocopying expenses	500	500
	Postage & Carriage	750	750
	Stationery and Software expenses	1000	1000
		<u>2250</u>	<u>2250</u>
<b>15</b>	<b>UTILITY SERVICES EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Lighting & Heating - Rectory	4500	4500
	Lighting & Heating - New church	18500	17000
	Council Tax	0	2300
	Telecoms (Phone, Mobile, Internet, TV)	1500	1500
	Church Cleaning	2500	2000
	Waste Management	1000	800
		<u>28000</u>	<u>28100</u>
	council tax moved to rent and rates		
<b>17</b>	<b>MAINTENANCE &amp; REPAIR COSTS</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>

	Office & Rectory Maintenance	5000	5000
		<u>5000</u>	<u>5000</u>
<b>18</b>	<b>CHURCH ORGANISATION EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Sunday School	23500	15000
	Choir	1000	500
	Sevika Sangam	3000	3000
	Youth Fellowship	2500	2500
		<u>30000</u>	<u>21000</u>
<b>19</b>	<b>DIOCESE, SABHA, COMPE PAYMENTS</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Sabha/Central Office	2500	2500
	Recessa/Hoskote	4000	4000
	Diocese Contribution	10000	10000
	Diocese Building Payment	5000	15000
		<u>21500</u>	<u>31500</u>
<b>20</b>	<b>INSURANCE/LEGAL, RECRUITMENT/VISA COSTS</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Public Liability Insurance	9000	6500
	Recruitment costs	0	0
	Visa & UKBA sponsorship costs	0	0
		<u>9000</u>	<u>6500</u>
<b>21</b>	<b>CHARITABLE EXPENSES</b>		
	50% should be reserved for UK charities & 50% for non-UK charitable cause		
		<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Charitable activity-UK	3500	3500
	Charitable activity-outside UK	3500	3500
	Funeral aid	2000	2000
	Other Aid	0	0
		<u>9000</u>	<u>9000</u>
<b>22</b>	<b>BOOKS, SUBSCRIPTION &amp; CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE</b>		
		<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Books for church	200	200
	Family/clergy conferences	1000	1000
		<u>1200</u>	<u>1200</u>
<b>23</b>	<b>HEALTH &amp; SAFETY</b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	DBS CHECKS	500	300
		<u>500</u>	<u>300</u>
<b>22</b>	<b>CHURCH EXPENSES</b>		
		<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
	Property Maintenace	10000	10000
	CCTV	0	5000
	Council Planning for Car Park (Arch.Fees)	10000	15000
	Legal Costs	2000	2000
	kitchen container	3000	3000
		<u>25000</u>	<u>35000</u>



