

An Introduction to Mar Thoma Sunday School Curriculum 2013

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Purpose

**To give an overview of the Theme and the Lessons as
the books are not yet reached.**

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Theme

Transformation through the Word of God

Aim

- Confront God personally
- Prepare a generation of strong Christian families who are socially and environmentally responsible to the Word of God
- Bring out the latent Talent within the Child

Curriculum based on

- Christo-centric
- Bible based
- Liturgically focused (involving faith & practices of the church)
- Historically rooted

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Transformation Levels

- Personal
- Social
- Cultural
- Organism

Dynamics of Transformation

- Conflict in Context
- Thinking
- Insight
- Release/Redirection of Energy
- Reaffirmation

Curriculum Theme: Transformation through the Word of God

	Nursery	Beginner	Primary	Junior	Inter	Senior	Yuvavakup
Sub theme	My God	Word of God for me	Great Stories from Word of God	Heroes and inspired lives	God in my life	Living my faith	My Journey through the Bible
Sections	Understanding God	Calling through the Word of God	Stories of great Parents	People who walked with God	Who am I?	I believe	Formation of Bible
	Understanding Love	Praying families in the Word of God	Stories of great Miracles	People who did great things for God	What am I?		Penteteuch
	Understanding Worship & Festivals	Care according to the Word of God	Stories of great heroes	People who witnessed for God	Why am I here?	Christian Values	Gospels
	Understanding self	Journeying with Jesus	Journeying with Jesus	Journeying with Jesus	Where am I going?	Sacraments & Practices	Minor Prophets
Lessons	15	20	20	20	20	20	20

Week 1	Week 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title of Lesson • Aim of Lesson • Opening Prayer • What I can learn from Life • Bible Passage • Acquaintance with the Passage • Explanation of Keywords • Class activities • Decision Making • Memory Verse • Chorus • Prayer 	<p>Material or activities on one or more of the following related to Lesson Part 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission of the Mar Thoma church • History of the Mar Thoma Church • Liturgy and sacraments of the Mar Thoma Church • Ecumenical Perspective • Social & Environmental dimension of the lesson <p>Memory Verse</p>

Jesus Teaching Ministry	Discovery Teaching Methods
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not always by answers • Asked questions • Used Parables • Allowed people to discover 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conversation • Question/Answer • Object Lessons • Discussions • Lecture • Drama/skit • Dream Journey

The Sunday School Teaching is based on Discovery Teaching method which will cater the 9 types of Talents usually exhibited by the students. A students can have more than one talent, but everyone will have at least one of the talents. In traditional teaching only a few talents are enhanced where as in Discovery teaching method all talents are benefited.

Talents	Characteristics
Visual/Spatial	Learn best Visuals, charts, graphs, puzzles etc. needs eye catching things to learn
Verbal/Linguistic	Language, speaking, writing, reading, listening - good in traditional teaching
Mathematical/Logical	numbers, reasoning, problem solving -good in traditional teaching
Bodily/Kinesthetic	activity, games, movements, hands-on-tasks, considered over active in traditional teaching.
Musical/Rhythmic	songs, patterns, rhythms, instruments, musical expressions - overlooked in traditional teaching.
Intrapersonal	touch with their own feelings, values and ideas. Reserved but quite intuitive.
Interpersonal	People oriented, outgoing, learning in groups - considered talkative in traditional teaching
Naturalist	Love the outdoors, animals, field trips, nature – not very accommodative in traditional teaching
Existentialist	Philosophic, big picture