

AP 178 - JOSE K. GEORGE ON THE BAPTISM OF HIS CHILDREN IN THE EAST SYRIAC TRADITION

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Jose George and Diana Paul from Michigan, USA, arranged the Sacraments of Initiation for their two children in the East-Syriac tradition.

Jose George and Diana Paul, a young couple from the Syro Malabar community in Michigan, USA, wanted to initiate their two children into the Christian faith, in the East-Syriac tradition of the Syro Malabar Church. The Assyrian Church of the East, the Chaldean Catholic Church, and the Syro Malabar Church traditionally administered all the three sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation) together even for children. Jose George and Diana Paul waited for the opportune time and accomplished their goal during their visit to Kerala in January 2020. The ceremony included the celebration of Qurbana, which included also a few Syriac chants. After the event, Jose George visited our office in Kochi, and Kuriachan Palackal used the occasion to engage in a conversation. Jose George shared his thoughts about why and how he wanted to accomplish this. The conversation ended with comments on the usefulness of the Aramaic Project for the young generation of Syro Malabar Catholics, who want to reconnect with their roots and experience their identity. We are grateful to Jose George and Diana Paul for sharing this video and granting permission to post it on our channel. It serves as a model for others who want to follow the same path.

Dr. Joseph J. Palackal, CMI

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