

## Malankara Marthoma Sabha Charithram (in Three Volumes)

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## Review:

N. M. Mathew, a passionate Church historian and writer has fulfilled a long cherished dream of the Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Christians by writing an exclusive history of their Church in three volumes.

Beginning from the arrival of St.Thomas the disciple of Christ who established the Church in Malabar to present day events, the author narrates the history of the Mar Thoma Church in a very articulate yet readable manner.

Biographies of bishops, priests, church leaders are also mentioned on in his book. In addition to the biographies, N. M. Mathew focuses on the history of church institutions, organisations and prominent churches to help the reader understand history in better light.

He has explained in detail court cases, defining moments, customs and events to present a complete and detailed history of the people, institutions and events which have defined the present day Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar.

This book is also a recommended read for people interested in knowing more about the customs and practices of the Mar Thoma Christians and how through history they were incorporated into the Church.

No Church library will be complete without these books and it should merit a place in all Mar Thoma Christian homes.

## About the Author:

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His wide experience and travels around the world, living along with people of different religions and cultures have influenced him greatly in his writings.

