



## FAQ regarding Melthodhaye

### The organization

#### Who founded the organization?

Melthodhaye was found by a Syriac Orthodox monk-priest named Rev.Fr. Samuel Issa who, from an early age, felt a strong desire to help today's Syriac Orthodox youth in need of guidance. This desire led him to create Melthodhaye, which is primarily represented by its website of the same name. Through these efforts, it is Deyroyo Samuel's fervent hope that each member creates a meaningful and lasting relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### When was the organization founded?

The organization was found in Sweden in January 2008.

#### What does Melthodhaye mean?

Melthodhaye is Syriac for the 'life-giving-word'; the Word that became flesh for our sake and salvation. Through His resurrection He gave us a new life.

#### What kind of organization is Melthodhaye?

Melthodhaye, **ܡܠܬܘܕܗܝܝܥ**, is an international Syriac Orthodox youth organization with the aim of creating a database containing Syriac Orthodox theology, tradition, hymns, liturgy, history and Syriac language lessons for youth up to 33 years old.

#### Why youth up to 33 years old?

According to orthodox tradition a youth is such until reaching 33 years of age since our Lord Jesus Christ lived on Earth 33 years.

#### What aims and purpose does Melthodhaye have?

- To preserve, uplift and spread the Syriac Orthodox belief, doctrine and tradition to current and future generations.
- To strengthen the Christian and Syriac Orthodox identity.
- To connect the Syriac Orthodox community through modern technology, and to create a forum for the exchange of knowledge, ideas encouragement and ultimately, spiritual development.

#### Who are the people behind the organization?

The people behind the organization have many years of experience of church service and activity with youth in the Syriac Orthodox Church. The core committee consists of five people, with several representatives helping them in various countries.





## The website

### **How does Melthodhaye communicate with its members?**

The channel of communication is through its website [www.melthodhaye.com](http://www.melthodhaye.com). The primary language used is English. In addition to this, much of the content included is also in Syriac, Swedish, German and Arabic. The aim is to eventually include more languages as the demand for them increases, since our members come from all over the world, 42 countries to date.

### **How can I trust everything that is written and included in the website?**

Melthodhaye was blessed by His Holiness Moran Mor Ignatius Zakka I Iwas, Patriarch of Antioch and the Supreme Head of the Universal Syriac Orthodox Church of Antioch and All the East. It has also been blessed by a number of our Syriac Orthodox Bishops around the world. The content included in the website is written and approved by clergy and laymen well versed in the faith and history of the Syriac Orthodox Church.

### **What does the website contain?**

It contains articles (of an academic, spiritual and faith & traditional nature) regarding our Syriac Orthodox belief and faith, news about our churches around the world, video clips (interviews, meditations, lectures and movie clips), a map of our churches around the world, a forum for lively discussions, daily prayers (four languages), music (liturgy, sermons and hymns), Syriac language lessons (*Herge Suryoye*; Syriac lessons in Syriac, English and Swedish), Prayer Request, and a Picture Gallery, as well as general information about Melthodhaye.

### **How do I become a member?**

You become a member by simply visiting the website and registering yourself as a user.

