## H H Baselios MarthomaDidymusI: A Dynamic Sage

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Raised a star in the East and lead by an enlightened guruThoma Mar Dionysius

Represented and transfigured by the early monastic life in Mount Taborfortress

Radiated and enlightened by H HGeevarghese II and H HAugenCatholicose

Received this star for Malankara Church and enthroned as the seventh Catholicose

Shortest epoch in the throne of St.Thomas, but weaved a golden era of luminance Served as great shepherd, no noise, but whose spontaneous smile decorated the space Stirred and inspired many lives by His holiness's ascetic and ecstasyof saintly life Sagelyleading, not by words, but through humility and simplicity without hypocrisy.

Sparkled earthly life like a hermit withsolitarymediation and hourly praying

Stored enormous energy for long life and nurtured the inner-man through fasting

Struggledthrough stonyand thorny paths in the early days in Malabar diocese

Softened, harmonized and transformed with perseverance and persistence.

Enriched numerous livesby His Holiness' untainted passions for education

Encouraged to reach the zenith and to be a scholar of the subject with edification

Efficient bishops, priests, sisters and experts emerged by this selfless vision,

Enfold this prophetic vision for the better future of the Church and Her mission.

Edifying teacher in schools and colleges, who read the mind of the students

Energetic priest in parishes, who listened to the voices of the needy and poor

Empathetic bishop, who was never luxurious butheeded the priests and diocese

Exuberant Catholicose, who safeguarded the faith and discipline of the Church.

Beauteous voice echoed the walls of God's temple with melodious tune

Benevolent enough to fortify a person into the presence of glorious Triune

Beloved Bava entered into the eternal glory to offer prayers and sacrifices

Beyond the physical realm and earthly constrains of time and space.