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**CHAVARA\* LECTURES  
May 23, 2015**

**"Jesus and India:  
A Connection through the  
Aramaic Language & Music"  
Rev Dr JOSEPH PALACKAL CMI**

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**Saturday, May 23, 2015**

*Entrance Free!*  
*Heartly Welcome to All*  
**Prof Isaac Arickappalil CMI**  
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**Saturday, May 23, 2015**  
03. 30 to 06. 00 pm

*Prayer, Welcome & Inauguration*

**Lecture 1.** An Audio-visual Tour of the  
Aramaic Project in India and USA

*Tea Break*

**Lecture 2.** The Aramaic Heritage and  
the Faith Formation of  
the Syro-Malabar Catholics

*Conclusion*

**Dr Joseph Palackal, MA (Psychology), PhD (Music)** is an Indic musicologist, singer & composer; founder-president of the Christian Musicological Society of India; special member, School of Music, University of Maryland, USA; author of articles on Indian Christian Music in several international journals and 3 encyclopedias; his Doctoral Dissertation: "Syriac Chants in South India"; documentary film: "Kerala, the Cradle of Christianity in South India"; hails from the family of the saintly Palackal Thoma Malpan, one of the founders of the first indigenous religious congregation of India - Carmelites of Mary Immaculate; a member of the same congregation; currently Associate Pastor of St. Stanislaus Kostka church, NY.



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