

Editorial Board

RESURRECTION AND NISANIC EVENTS

Once again the month of Nisan came back again like a rain without thunder and lightening on the plains and mountains of our sacred Bethnahrein country.

Yesterday Nisan passed by bearing on its shoulders a jar full of love, peace and abundance, of past time rituals fragrance ... of the scent of the Babylonian Assyrian Akito.

Nisan, the new Iraqi Babylonian Assyrian New Year passed by yesterday painting the face of the earth with a green coat inlaid with wild little roses of a thousand colour, hailing the resurrection of the Dumuzi of life, fertility, light, growth and free offer.

Yesterday Nisan passed by. Its breeze gently wiped our faces. He could not help proclaiming the victory of Christ over death through his glorious resurrection.

Nisan with its rituals and feasts had its own flavour this year; with its angelic wings touching gently the pericardia of our hearts, cleansing them and wiping them off from the accumulated dust of time, removing tumours of schism and dispersion nesting upon them and joining us together as sons and daughters of one nation with one stance. Thus did we celebrat the holidays of Nisan commemorating the memory of the days of Akito and living the joy of resurrection together. It was a twofold joy this year when all our churches simultaneously celebrated this sacred historical occasion.

Yes, we celebrated Nisan festival for the first time together this year with the organizations and parties of our people taking part when the unification and activation of their common nationalist stance brought the Chaldean Syriac Assyrian organization together in a demonstrative march joined by all the secretary generals and members of our political parties, social and political organizations as well as NGOs. The demonstration showed the aspirations and ambitions of our people that are drastically needed at a very hard and difficult stage in our people's life calling upon us all to exert all efforts possible to secure the rights of our people who represent the genuine national social sector and the basic component of the people of our homeland Iraq .

We are all hopeful and optimistic that this blessed step taken by our people on the path of unity and a unified stance will be further strengthened and consolidated to safeguard our entity and realize our identity on our land of Bethnahrain that is deeply rooted history.

Amid these celebrations that are sublime in their intentions, big in their religious, nationalist and folkloric meanings, a star went into eclipse, when Dr. Dony George passed away in his body for his soul to shine in the sky of our Bethnahrain civilization engraving thereby his name in the tablet of our common memory, the memory of the Chaldean Syriac Assyrian people and the memory of the Iraqi people for ever.

Throughout all his life Dony George worked seriously and in dedication to remove the dust away from the face of our historical characters rendering them white and magnificent and

prove to all the world that it was we who laid down the first foundation stone in the monument of human civilization.

Live on, Oh son of our blessed people, in the conscience of all the Iraqi people.