Bishop Victor of Baryshevka meets with Patriarch Theophilos III of Jerusalem

On March 4, 2019, with the blessing of His Beatitude Onufry, Metropolitan of Kiev and All Ukraine, Bishop Victor of Baryshevka, vicar of the Metropolis of Kiev, met with Patriarch Theophilos II of Jerusalem, the UOC information-education department reports.

Taking part in the meeting were Archbishop Theophylactos of Jordan and Archpriest Nikolay Denilevich, deputy head of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church department for external church relations.

Bishop Victor told the Primate of the Church of Jerusalem about the current church situation in Ukraine and the challenges faced by the Ukrainian Orthodox Church today.

Patriarch Theophilos noted that the Ukrainian church crisis was a challenge to the whole Orthodoxy and

expressed a firm hope that universal Orthodoxy would find strength and resources for overcoming these temptations and preserve the unity of the Church.

His Beatitude assured his guests of his prayers for Ukraine and for the canonical Ukrainian Orthodox Church headed by His Beatitude Onyfry, Metropolitan of Kiev and All Ukraine.

In conclusion the sides exchanges tokens of the meeting.

The UOC representatives came to Israel as members of a delegation of the All-Ukraine Council of Churches and religious organizations, which is making a working visit to that country.

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