



Patriarch Kirill greets Primate of Bulgarian Orthodox Church on the his name day

His Holiness Kirill, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, has greeted His Holiness Neophyte, Patriarch of Bulgaria, on the occasion of his Name Day.

His Holiness Neophyte

Metropolitan of Sofia

Patriarch of Bulgaria

Your Holiness,

Beloved Brother and Concelebrant at the Altar of God:

I cordially greet you on the occasion of your Name Day – the commemoration day of Martyr Neophytos.

Carrying out the lofty and important Patriarchal ministry, you has been tireless in your concern for the pastors and flock entrusted to your care and have zealously preached the word of God *being watchful and thankful* (Col. 4:2). You have done much to assert the canonical Orthodoxy, remembering that the Lord *has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love* (2 Tim. 1:7).

Through the intercession of your heavenly patron, may the Saviour preserve you in good health for many years and send His generous help for your further Primatial work.

+ Kirill

Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia