



THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
Department for External Church Relations

Patriarch Kirill greets Bulgarian President Rumen Radev on the occasion of his 55th birthday

His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia has greeted Bulgarian President Rumen Radev on the occasion of his 55th birthday.

To His Excellency Rumen Radev

President

Republic of Bulgaria

Your Excellency

Dear Mr. President:

I cordially greet you on the occasion of your 55th birthday.

Your life journey has been wholly devoted to the service of the Bulgarian people. Due to your high professional and personal qualities, you have enjoyed the respect and confidence of the citizens of the country.

Throughout centuries the Russian and Bulgarian peoples have been closely tied by a common faith, traditions and memory. The fraternal communion of the Russian and Bulgarian Orthodox Churches, who have invariably manifested unity and steadfastness in preserving the purity of Orthodoxy, has been a testimony of our age-old friendship.

I hope for further strengthening of Russian-Bulgarian relations, an important component of which is our common cultural, spiritual and historical heritage.

On this day significant for you and your loved ones, I wish you God's almighty help and blessed success in your important public work.

Respectfully,

+ Kirill

Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia

