



worldwide to pray for this important meeting.

Graham said, “The Bible commands us to pray for all those who are in authority. I ask Christians to pray that God will give President Trump and President Putin wisdom and a commitment to peace as they meet. With unprecedented numbers of Christians around the world facing torture, imprisonment, and death, if ever there was a time that we need to obey this command to pray, it is now.”

In his turn, Metropolitan Hilarion reiterated the words from the Joint Statement of Pope Francis of Rome and Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia: “the international community must undertake every possible effort to end terrorism through common, joint and coordinated action.” He expressed hope that the United States and Russia will unite their efforts in order to combat terrorism and protect Christians from persecution.

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