



DECR chairman greets Patriarch Theodoros II with his Name Day

Metropolitan Hilarion, chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations, congratulated His Beatitude Patriarch Theodoros II of Alexandria and All Africa on his Name Day. The text of the message is given below.

Your Beatitude!

Please accept my respectful and cordial greetings with your Name Day, the commemoration day of your holy patron, the Great Martyr Theodore the Tyr.,.

Taking example of this witness of Christ in faith and zeal about God, you are performing your lofty ministry 'with all confidence' (Acts 28:31) and tirelessly teach the people of God entrusted to your care to 'follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness' (1 Tim 6:11).

The Russian Orthodox Church highly appreciates your personal contribution to the strengthening of good and truly fraternal relations between the Holy Church of Alexandria and the Moscow Patriarchate.

On this festive day I prayerfully wish Your Beatitude peace, good health, the all-strengthening God's help and the blessed success in your primatial labours.

With respect and love in the Lord,

+Hilarion

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