



DECR chairman's greeting to Catholicos-Patriarch Iliya of Georgia on commemoration day of St. Nina Equal-to-the-Apostles

Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, head of the Moscow Patriarchate department for external church relations (DECR), has greeted the Primate of the Georgian Orthodox Church on the occasion of the commemoration day of St. Nina Equal-to-the-Apostles, the Enlightener of Georgia

Your Holiness and Beatitude,

I would like to respectfully greet you on the Day of St. Nina Equal-to-the-Apostles, the Enlightener of Georgia.

The missionary feats of this great saint are continued today in a worthy way in your work for educating and edifying the Georgian flock. The people of God give high value to your primatial service manifested in *truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left* (2 Cor. 6:7). The word of Your Holiness and Beatitude is filled with spiritual power and is always *full of grace and truth* (Jn. 1:14) in Christ.

From my heart I wish you God's all-strengthening help in your lofty service for the good of the Holy Orthodox Church.

With respectful love in the Lord,

Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk

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