



His Holiness Patriarch Kirill congratulates His Beatitude Metropolitan Jonah of All America and Canada with the feast day of his heavenly patron

His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia sent the following congratulatory message to His Beatitude Jonah, Archbishop of Washington and Metropolitan of All America and Canada.

Your Beatitude,

Beloved in the Lord Brother and Concelebrant:

I cordially congratulate you on the Feast Day of your Heavenly Patron.

We know you as an indefatigable worker in the field of the Lord, caring wholeheartedly for the unity of the Church, the upholding of which is our primary responsibility entrusted to us by the Chief Shepherd Christ – 'that they may all be one' (Jn 17:21). Your wonderful personal qualities, your openness and benevolence help you in your labours, attracting the hearts of people belonging to your flock and those from outside, too.

Together with the plenitude of our Church I wish you good health and inexhaustible spiritual joy for many and good years.

With brotherly love in the Lord,

+ KIRILL

Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia