



THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
Department for External Church Relations

DECR Chairman congratulated His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada on his namesake day



Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, Chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations, sent a congratulatory message to His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada on the day of his namesake. The message reads as follows:

Your Beatitude:

On the commemoration day of St. Tikhon the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, I am sending to Your Beatitude my wholehearted greetings on the occasion of your Name Day.

Striving to imitate your heavenly patron in faith and deeds and looking at his apostolic labours in America, you follow the path of Primate ministry with zeal and humility, and give your life (cf. Jn 10:11) for the faithful children of the Orthodox Church in America, teaching them to glorify and thank God “which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead” (1 Pet. 1:3).

I wish to Your Beatitude the inexhaustible Divine help in your Primate labours at the helm of the Orthodox Church in America, as well as good health and bountiful mercies from God.

With respectful love in the Lord,

**/+Hilarion/
Metropolitan of Volokolamsk
Chairman
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