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Orthodox Youth from Istanbul in the Land of a Thousand Lakes



In the context of the program of mutual visits exchanged between the Orthodox youth of the Ecumenical Patriarchate and the Autonomous Church of Finland, a six-member Youth group visited the cities of Helsinki, Joensuu, Valamo, Lintula, Mohko and Ilomantsi.

The young people, during their trip, participated in the Divine Liturgy on Saturday, July 13, for the canonization of the new martyr John of Sokajanranta, who was recently canonized by the Holy and Great Synod and listed among the saints of the Orthodox Church.

This visit exchange program began in 1995 at the initiative of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, to contribute to the mutual understanding of the youth of the Mother Church of Constantinople and the daughter Church of Finland. The team leader this



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