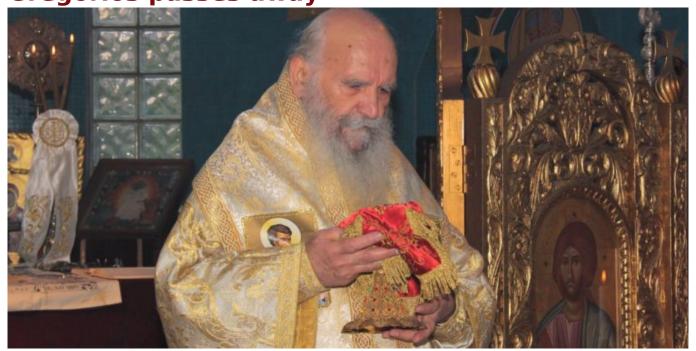
Former Archbishop of Thyateira & Great Britain Gregorios passes away



The former Archbishop of Thyateira & Great Britain Gregorios reposed in the Lord on Wednesday, at the age of 91.

Gregorios had stepped down from the Throne a few months ago due to health reasons.

In a statement, the Archdiocese of Thyateira expressed its great sadness over the Archbishop's passing, calling on the clergy and faithful to pray that "...our spiritual father will be granted the blessings and glory of the heavenly kingdom."

The reposed Church hierarch was born in 1928 in the Cypriot village of Marathovouno. He was elected as a bishop of the Orthodox Church in 1970, and elected by members of the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate as the Archbishop of Thyateira & Great Britain in 1988.