A MIRACLE IN GEORGIA: WE DID NOT HAVE AN EPIDEMIC ALTHOUGH CHURCHES NEVER CLOSED, SAYS GEORGIAN HIERARCH



nation that is faithful to God and its fatherland will be miraculously blessed by God, His Eminence Metropolitan Daniel of Chiatura and Sachkhere of the Georgian Orthodox Church said during his Sunday sermon at the Holy Trinity Cathedral.

A miracle was seen in Georgia, where there was no eruption of the coronavirus epidemic despite the fact that the churches were never closed, as in many other countries, Met. Daniel emphasized, reports 1tv.ge.

"The Georgian ethos is one of the first," Met. Daniel said. "Someone may ask how it survived. It survived for two reasons: it was dedicated to the fatherland and to God. He who is devoted to God and to his fatherland will not be abandoned by God and will often be saved by great mercy."

"We have seen an example of this mercy today," the Metropolitan continued. "How this country, in spite of many problems, turned out to be much more protected than larger states, and this happened because our people spared no expense, and the people who fight to the end for the country, for love, for morality, will see a miracle of God."

"We have seen the miracle that happened in Georgia," he emphasized.

"This was that the spread of the conditions of the epidemic was as limited as possible, and despite that Church services never ceased, the epidemic did not break out in Georgia," Met. Daniel said.

"God will perform a miracle for a nation that is faithful to God and the fatherland. Georgia had such dedicated patriots and that is why it has survived," the hierarch preached.

"Life without Christ is death, and death with Christ is life. This belief has saved us from this epidemic," he said.

In March, the Georgian Patriarchate stated that the closing of churches is an "unjustified offense against God."

Earlier that month, His Holiness Patriarch-Catholicos Ilia revealed that he had been granted a spiritual vision, which he understood to mean that "with the help of prayer and the blessing of the Lord, we will be able to overcome this disease."

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