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Congratulations of His Holiness Patriarch Kirill to the Primate of the Orthodox Church of Antioch on the anniversary of enthronement



His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia congratulated His Beatitude Patriarch John X of the Great Antioch and All the East on the anniversary of his enthronement:

HIS BEATITUDE JOHN X

PATRIARCH OF THE GREAT ANTIOCH AND ALL THE EAST

Your Beatitude,

Beloved in the Lord Brother and Concelebrant,

Please accept my heartfelt greetings on the anniversary of your Patriarchal enthronement.

Performing your lofty and responsible ministry as the Primate of the ancient Church of Antioch, you strive to rely entirely on Christ the Chief Shepherd, Who called you to bear His name before the Gentiles (Acts 9:15) and look after God’s heritage (1 Pet 5:3), so that the communication of faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing in Christ Jesus (cf. Phlm 1:6).

In these trying years for the lands of Syria and Lebanon, you share hardships with your flock, courageously bearing witness to the Truth and selflessly working for the good of the Holy Orthodox Church.

On this memorable day I prayerfully wish to Your Beatitude strength in spirit and body, spiritual joy and generous help from God in your further Primatial service, and I wish peace and welfare to your flock bearing the name of Christ.

With brotherly love in the Lord,

+KIRILL

PATRIARCH OF MOSCOW AND ALL RUSSIA

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