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Patriarch of Antioch John X officiates at con-celebratory Vespers at dedicated Monastery of the Apostle Paul, in Damascus



The Patriarch of Antioch and All the East, His Beatitude John X, on Wednesday officiated at the con-celebratory Vespers at the dedicated and historic Monastery of the Apostle Paul at Tal Kokab, near the Syrian capital of Damascus.
The ancient monastery is built on the spot where the Lord Jesus revealed Himself to the then persecutor of the Christians, Saul, on the road to Damascus.

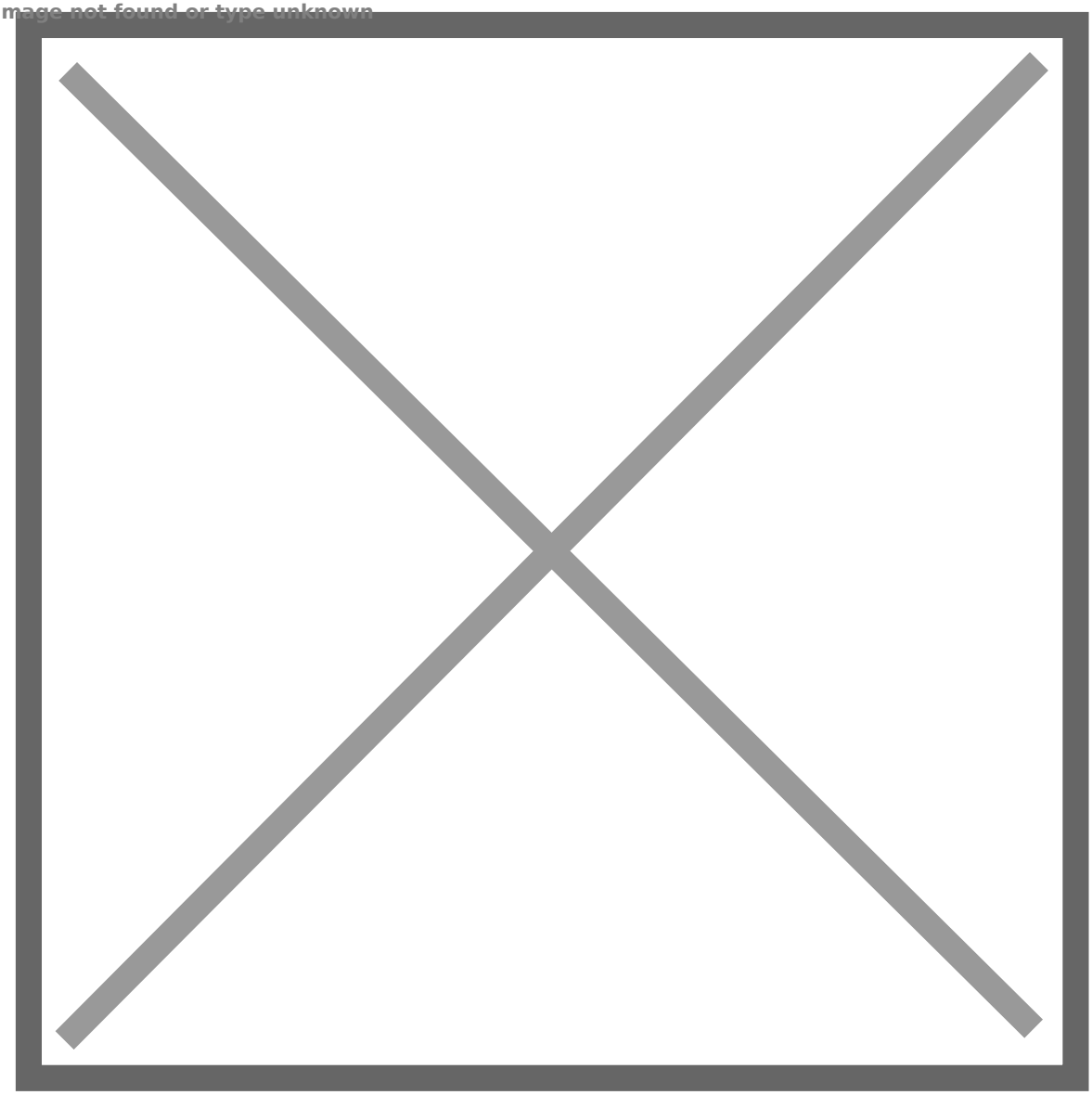
Numerous Orthodox faithful from the wider Damascus area gathered for the annual and reverent service, along with monks, nuns and hierarchs of the Antioch Patriarchate.

On the occasion of the feast day, a Divine Liturgy was celebrated at the Cathedral of the Dormition of the Theotokos in Damascus, also officiated by Patriarch John.

The charge d’affaires of the Greek embassy in Damascus, Amb. Nikolaos ProtonoTArios, was among the congregants, and read out the Symbol of Faith.

Patriarchate of Alexandria

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The memory of the Apostles Peter and Paul was commemorated on Wednesday at the Holy Monastery of St. George in the old quarter of Cairo, with the Grand Sacristan of the Patriarchate of Alexandria and All Africa, Archimandrite Paul, officiating at the solemn Divine Liturgy.