

Metropolitan Onuphrius appealed to the President of Ukraine with a request for equal attitude to Ukrainian believers



After the inauguration of Vladimir Zelensky, Metropolitan of Kiev and All Ukraine, Onufry assured that Ukrainian Orthodox Church supports new President of Ukraine in all of his good intentions.

“I admire, that on his inauguration, President was talking from the bottom of his heart and about things, which fulfill his soul. It is ending the war. It is improving people lives of in our country. Uniting people, in order to divide them by some features”, – noted Metropolitan.

Also his Beatitude added “We do not expect anything particular from new President. We want from him same attitude to Ukrainian Orthodox Church as to other churches. So that all the Orthodox people would be equal before the law, and would be no «our people» and «strangers»”.

Ukrainian Orthodox Church hopes, that after the election and inauguration of the new President, direct intervention of Ukrainian officials in the Church affairs will be stopped. Same as the campaign forcing the clergy and parishioners of the

Ukrainian Orthodox Church to join the newly created Orthodox Church of Ukraine. During over the 4 months of this year, hundreds of raider captures of temples, disruption of worship, beatings and insults of parishioners and church clerics were committed.



Additional information about Ukrainian Orthodox Church

Ukrainian Orthodox Church (UOC) is the canonical local Orthodox church of Ukrainians. UOC is recognized by all the Orthodox churches of the world. The UOC Center is located in Kiev. According to the statute, registered by the Ukrainian legislation, UOC elects Primate and bishops independently, ordains clergy, conducts administrative and economic activities.

UOC is the biggest church in Ukraine. It unites millions of believers in 12 thousand territorial church communities (parishes) in Ukraine. Over 10 thousand clergymen serve in UOC.