

## **Metropolitan Ieronymos of Larissa and Tyrnavos receives Honorary Doctorate from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens**



In the presence of His Beatitude Archbishop Ieronymos of Athens and all Greece, and the Minister of Education and Religious Affairs of Greece, Mr. Christos Kittas, the ceremony of conferring the title of Honorary Doctorate of the Department of Social Theology and Religion of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens on His Eminence Metropolitan Ieronymos of Larissa and Tyrnavos, took place on the afternoon of Tuesday, May 30, in the Great Hall of the University of Athens.

Also present for the ceremony were: His Eminence Metropolitan Theodoritos of Laodicea, representing His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, His Eminence Archbishop Evgenios of Crete, Metropolitan Eustathios of Monemvasia and Sparta, Metropolitan Alexios of Nicaea, Metropolitan Ignatios of Dimitrias, Metropolitan Ephraim of Hydra, Metropolitan Seraphim of Piraeus, Metropolitan Dorotheos of Syros, Metropolitan Chrysostomos of Chalkida, Metropolitan Symeon of Nea Smyrna, Metropolitan Nicholas of Mesogaia, Metropolitan Chrysostomos of Patra, Metropolitan Georgios of Thebes, Metropolitan Kallinikos of Arta, Metropolitan Athenagoras of Ilion, Metropolitan Kyrillos of Kifisia, Metropolitan Gabriel of Nea Ionia, Metropolitan Antonios of Glyfada, Metropolitan Hariton of Elasson, Metropolitan Konstantinos of Megara, Metropolitan David of Grevena, Metropolitan Chrysostomos of Trikki, Metropolitan Georgios of Karpenisi, Metropolitan Theoklitos of Stagoi, Metropolitan Chrysostomos of Mani, Metropolitan Symeon of Fthiotida, Metropolitan Athanasios of Sisanion, Metropolitan Gregorios of Peristerion, Metropolitan Damaskinos of Aitolia, Metropolitan Iakovos of Thavmakon, and Their Graces, Bishop Chrysostomos of Evripos, the Arch-Secretary Bishop Filotheos of Oreoi, Abbot of the Holy Monastery of Simonopetras, Archimandrite Elisaios, Exarch of the Holy Sepulchre in Greece Raphael, Chief of the General Air Staff Mr Themistocles Bourolias, Chief of the Hellenic Army General Staff Mr. Aggelos Houdeloudis, the Regional Governor of Thessaly Mr. Konstantinos Agorastos, the Mayor of Larisa, Mr. Apostolos Kalogiannis, the General Police Director of Attica Mr. Asterios Mantziokas, the Commander of the Supreme Military

Support Command Mr. Georgios Kostidis, The Commander of the Air Support Command Mr. Demosthenes Grigoriadis, the former MPs Ms. Zetta Makri, Mr. Maximos Harakopoulos, Ms. Evangelia Liakouli, the General Secretary of the Ministry of Education and Religion Mr. Georgios Kalantzis, Academics, Military personel, Politicians, clergy and many lay people.

The Chancellor of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Mr. Meletios-Athanassios Dimopoulos welcomed the attendees and made a brief reference to the work and the contribution of Metropolitan Ieronymos.

This was followed by the presentation of the work and personality of the honoree, by the professor of the Department of Social Theology and Religion, Mr. Emmanuel Karageorgoudis.

Afterwards, the President of the Department of Social Theology and Religion, Metropolitan Kyrillos of Krini and Patriarchal Exarch of Malta, read the resolution, while immediately after, the honoree was dressed with the School's gown by the Dean of the Theological School of the University of Athens, Associate Professor Mr. Christos Karagiannis.

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Immediately after, the honoured Doctor Emeritus Metropolitan Ieronymos of Larissa and Thessalonica, offered his address, on the topic: "for nothing is so characteristically Christian as the being a peacemaker," (Saint Basil the Great, Epistle 14, PG 32, 5:3B)".

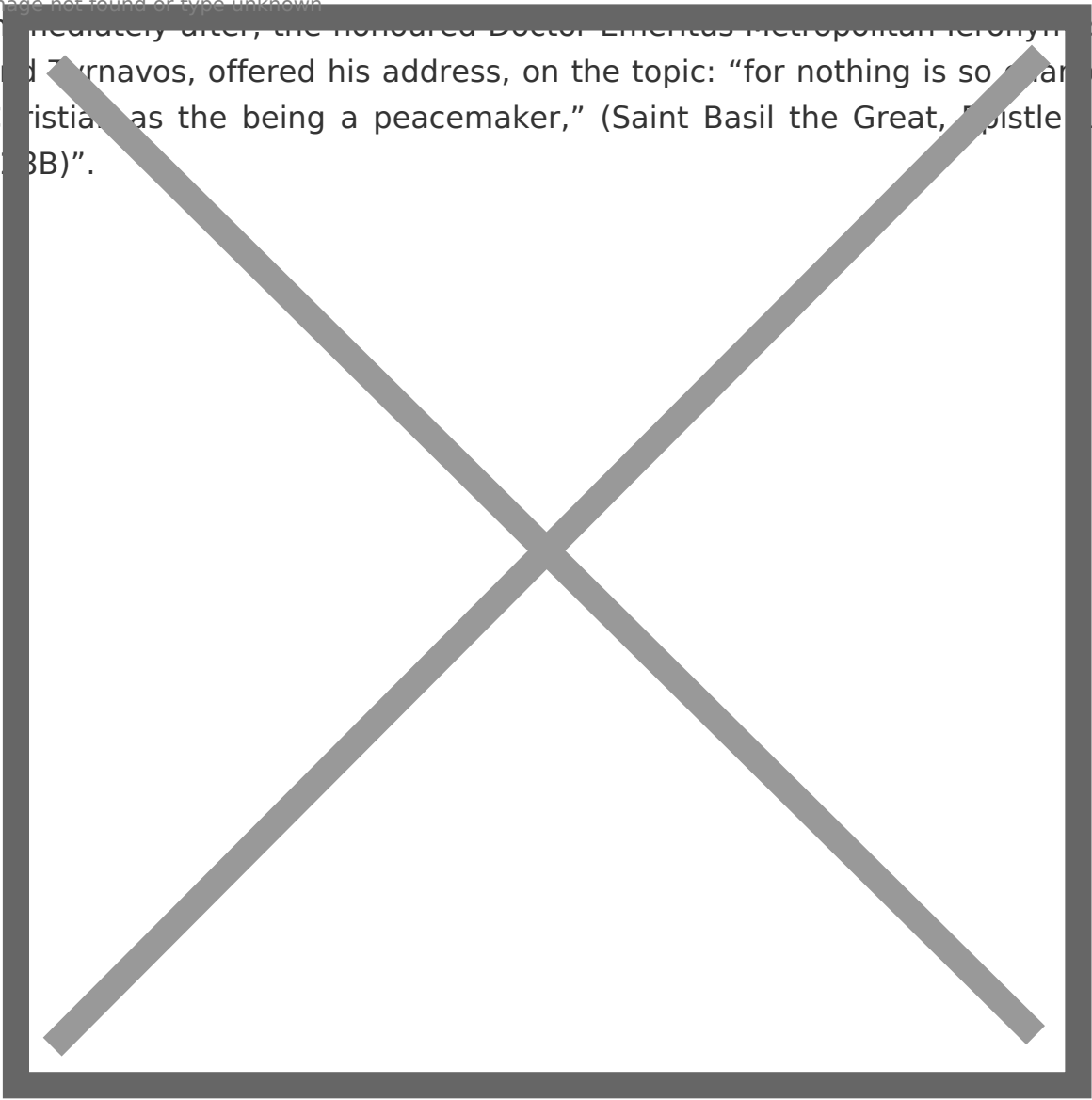






































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