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Metropolitan Cleopas Welcomes the Chaplain of the Swedish Royal Palace



STOCKHOLM - On Friday, January 12, 2024, His Eminence Metropolitan Cleopas of Sweden and All Scandinavia welcomed the Lutheran Bishop of Strängnäs, Sweden and chaplain of the royal palace H.G. Johan Dalman to the St. George Cathedral in Stockholm.

Immediately following his arrival, Metropolitan Cleopas warmly welcomed his honored guest, giving him a tour of the Cathedral, informing him of its history and the restoration work that was recently completed. Their tour ended at the Museum of Hellenic Christian Heritage, where the two prelates discussed various matters pertaining to current events.

Afterward, the Metropolitan presented Bishop Dalman with a copy of the Metropolis' publication on the Patriarchal Visit to Stockholm in 2019 and asked him

to convey the heartfelt wishes of His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew to His Majesty King Carl XVI Gustaf and all members of the royal family, on the occasion of the new year, together with his own personal wishes.

He also offered him a copy of his English-language two-volume study entitled “St. Nectarios Kefalas Metropolitan of Pentapolis” to give to the King, while Bishop Dalman gave Metropolitan Cleopas a copy of a Byzantine icon, which the latter placed on display on site at the museum.

Bishop Dalman congratulated Metropolitan Cleopas on his ministry in Scandinavia, noting the bonds of sincere friendship that exist between them, while asking the latter to convey his respect to the Ecumenical Patriarch.

He also expressed his admiration for the exceptional quality of the projects resulting in the complete restoration of the Cathedral.

Following addresses and the exchange of gifts, the Metropolitan hosted his visitor for a luncheon at a local area restaurant.

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