Visit to Romania for the Feast of the Holy Hierarch Glicherie the Confessor

n Tuesday, June 12/25, 2013, His Grace, Bishop Ambrose of Methone, representing our Holy Synod, went to Suceava, Romania, in order to participate in the great Feast of the Holy Hierarch Glicherie the Confessor (†June 15, 1985 [Old Style]), the founder and organizer of our Sister Old Calendar Orthodox Church in Romania

Bishop Ambrose took this opportunity to visit a newly built convent in Ukraine, near the border with Romania, which, *inter alia*, runs an orphanage housing 450 children, many of whom are disabled.



On the afternoon of Thursday, June 14/27, His Grace took part in the Vespers and Matins services for the Feast of the Holy Hierarch Glicherie at the Monastery of the Transfiguration of the Savior, in Slătioara, together with the entire Hierarchy under His Eminence,

Metropolitan Vlasie, and a large number of clergy. Despite the rainy weather, the participation of the faithful was truly impressive, as was the atmosphere of compunction and filial love and devotion to the memory





of their spiritual Father. The festal Divine Liturgy was celebrated the next morning in the open air.

On Saturday, June 16/29, Bishop Ambrose returned to Thessalonike, and on the Sunday of All Saints he celebrated the Divine Liturgy for the Feast Day of our Church in Katerine, Pieria, together with the Church's Rector, the Reverend Father Vitalios Almanides.