



Old Calendar Orthodox Church of Greece

Holy Synod in Resistance



Standing Holy Synod Period VI, Fourteenth Meeting (September 20, 2013, Old Style)

On Thursday, September 20, 2013 (Old Style), the Standing Holy Synod in Resistance convened for the fourteenth regular meeting of the Sixth Period of its incumbency. The meeting was held at the Headquarters of the Holy Synod in Resistance, namely, at the Holy Monastery of Sts. Cyprian and Justina, Phyle, Athens, under the chairmanship of the Presiding President of the Synod, His Grace, Bishop Cyprian of Oreoi, and dealt with the following matters.

1. The Synod approved the report of the activities of the Synodal Fund for Charitable Assistance during the seventh quarter of its operation (May-July 2013).

2. The Synod was informed about the recent pastoral visit of the Presiding President to its communities in Georgia.

3. The Synod discussed the official Dialogue with the “Church of the True Orthodox Christians of Greece” in the wake of its recent Eighth Joint Deliberation and also of the recent visit by a delegation of Hierarchs from the “Church of the True Orthodox Christians of Greece” to our Sister Old Calendar Orthodox Church of Romania, which we learned about only after the fact, and it discussed the serious problems arising from this visit.

4. The Synod was informed about the recent pastoral visit of His Grace, Bishop Ambrose of Methone to England, South Ossetia, and Russia, and decided, with regard to Bishop George, formerly Bishop of Alania, that the time has not yet come for his return to active ministry, from which he was relieved for reasons of health.

5. The Synod approved and blessed the establishment of a parish dedicated to St. Spyridon of Trimythous the Wonderworker by one of its clergy from South Ossetia, who is of Greek descent, and by the faithful hailing from there in the region of Northern Greece where they have now settled.

6. The Synod made decisions on matters concerning its missions in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Republic of Congo.

7. The Synod approved the program for the pastoral and liturgical activities of its Hierarchs in Greece between now and its next meeting.

8. The Synod was informed about various other matters and made decisions thereon where necessary; to wit, pastoral issues (the Ordination of a Kenyan Hieromonk in Greece for his native land, the festal celebration on October 28, etc.), developments in the sphere of ecumenism, and other issues.

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