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*свв. 40 мучениковъ Севастійскихъ*

## **РЕЗОЛЮЦІЯ ДУХОВЕНСТВА СЪВЕРНЫХЪ БЛАГОЧИНІЙ ВОСТОЧНО-АМЕРИКАНСКОЙ ЕПАРХІИ**

Собравшись въ Свято-Троицкомъ монастырѣ въ Джорданвиллѣ на великопостное говѣніе и совѣщаніе духовенства съверныхъ благочиній Восточно-Американской епархіи, мы, священнослужители и монашествующіе, совмѣстно поклонившись Кресту, пріобщившись Святыхъ Таинъ и почтивъ память 40 мучениковъ Севастійскихъ, вознесли молитвы о ввѣренныхъ намъ пасомыхъ. Мы особо помолились и о преслѣдуемыхъ нашихъ братьяхъ и сестрахъ Украинской Православной Церкви, возглавляемой Блаженнѣйшимъ митрополитомъ Киевскимъ и всея Украины Онуфріемъ.

Какъ граждане США, основанныхъ 250 лѣтъ тому назадъ на принципахъ религіозныхъ правъ и свободъ, мы просимъ всѣхъ живущихъ въ этой странѣ православныхъ, ея политическихъ дѣятелей, представителей различныхъ государственныхъ учрежденій и общественныхъ организацій возвысить свой голосъ въ защиту Украинской Православной Церкви, ея архипастырей, духовенства, монашествующихъ и миллионовъ прихожанъ, подвергающихся многоглѣтнимъ гоненіямъ со стороны своего правительства. Узнавъ о закрытії Близкихъ и Дальнихъ пещеръ Кіево-Печерской Лавры, колыбели Православія на Руси, и о предстоящемъ выселеніи всѣхъ ея насельниковъ, въ томъ числѣ и молодыхъ студентовъ Кіевскихъ духовныхъ школъ, мы выражаемъ свой рѣшительный протестъ противъ незаконныхъ дѣйствій

властей Украины въ отношеніи канонической Церкви, окормляющей подавляющее большинство православныхъ гражданъ этой страны.

Рассказъ протоіерея Павла Канга о положеніи дѣлъ въ Корейской миссії Русской Зарубежной Церкви, возстановленной Архіерейскимъ Сунодомъ въ 1994 году, воодушевилъ насъ и всѣяль въ сердца участниковъ говѣнія надежду на дальнѣйшіе ея успѣхи. Мы призываемъ лишній разъ заинтересоваться богатой исторіей и настоящимъ днемъ этой миссіи.

Съ большимъ интересомъ былъ выслушанъ докладъ игумена Свято-Троицкой обители епископа Суракузского Луки о жизни въ монастырѣ, о ходѣ ремонтно-строительныхъ работъ на его территоріи и намѣчаемыхъ проектахъ. Рядъ выступленій должностныхъ лицъ Свято-Троицкой семинаріи, въ томъ числѣ и декана Н.Ю. Шидловскаго, ознакомили насъ съ жизнью и различными сферами дѣятельности этого разсадника богословія, настроивъ и на готовящіяся торжества его 75-лѣтія.

Сослуженіе нашимъ архипастырямъ, совмѣстная молитва и братское общеніе другъ со другомъ, укрѣпили насъ не только въ несеніи постнаго подвига, но и въ нашемъ служеніи Богу и людямъ. Возвращаясь съ новыми силами на мѣста своего служенія, мы сердечно желаемъ нашимъ прихожанамъ и богоомольцамъ достойно и праведно встрѣтить и провести предстоящія Страстную недѣлю и Святую Пасху!



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*Holy 40 Martyrs of Sebaste*

### RESOLUTION OF THE CLERGY OF THE NORTHERN DEANERIES OF THE EASTERN AMERICAN DIOCESE

Having gathered in Holy Trinity Monastery in Jordanville, New York, for the Lenten retreat and conference of clergy of the northern deaneries of the Eastern American Diocese, we, clergy and monastics, having bowed down in worship before the Cross, communed of the Holy Mysteries, and honored the memory of the 40 Martyrs of Sebaste, raised up our prayers for the flock entrusted to us. We prayed especially for our persecuted brothers and sisters of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, led by His Beatitude Onuphry, Metropolitan of Kiev & All Ukraine.

As citizens of the United States – founded 250 years ago on the principles of religious rights and freedoms – we ask all of the Orthodox Christians living in this country, as well as its politicians, representatives of various governmental institutions and social organizations, to raise their voices in defense of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, her archpastors, clergy, monastics, and the millions of parishioners who have been subjected to years of persecution by their own government. Having learned of the closure of the Near and Far Caves of the Kiev Caves Lavra – the cradle of Orthodoxy in Rus’ – and the looming eviction of all of its monks and inhabitants, including the students of the Kiev Theological Schools – we express our vigorous protest against the actions of the Ukrainian

government toward the canonical Church, which nourishes the overwhelming majority of that country's citizens.

Archpriest Paul Kang's report on the state of the Korean Mission of the Russian Church Abroad, reactivated by the Synod of Bishops in 1994, inspired us and planted in the hearts of retreat participants hope for its further success. We call on everyone to once more take an interest in this Mission's history and current affairs.

The report by Bishop Luke of Syracuse, abbot of Holy Trinity Monastery, was received with great interest, touching on life at the monastery, reconstruction efforts, and planned projects. A series of presentations by the administrators of Holy Trinity Seminary, including Dean Nicolas Schidlovsky, acquainted us with the life and various spheres of activity of this theological center, as it prepares to celebrate its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Concelebration with our archpastors, joint prayer, and brotherly interaction strengthened us not only in the bearing of our Lenten struggles, but also in our service to God and man. Returning with renewed vigor to our places of service, we sincerely wish that our parishioners and worshippers might worthily and righteously greet and spend the coming Passion Week and Holy Pascha!

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Nicholas

Metropolitan of Eastern America & New York  
*First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia*



*S* + Luke  
Bishop of Syracuse  
*Vicar of the Eastern American Diocese*