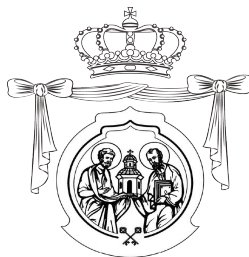


His Eminence
The Most Reverend
Metropolitan JOSEPH



Archbishop of New York and
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October 29, 2015

To the Members of the Archdiocesan Steering Committee for Syrian Relief

Daniel Abraham, Chairman
Very Rev. Thomas Zain, Spiritual Adviser
Khalil Kardous
Elias Shaheen
Salim Abboud
Dimitri Zeidan
Majed Nesheiwat

Beloved in Christ:

Blessings and greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

The purpose of this letter is to formally appoint all of you as members of the newly-formed Archdiocesan Steering Committee for Syrian Relief. Your role is to organize and coordinate all fundraising and assimilation efforts across the entire Archdiocese for all assistance to the victims of the terrible violence in Syria.

Please note that ALL proposals for fundraising efforts for the benefit of Syrian Relief must be submitted to this committee, and approved by the committee after consultation with the Metropolitan.

May these efforts be pleasing to our Lord Jesus Christ and may they bring some measure of comfort to our suffering brethren.

Your Father in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the name 'Joseph'.

+JOSEPH

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"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch" (Acts 11: 26)

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