

VISITS TO HIS BEATITUDE

2023-09-20

On Wednesday, September 7/20, 2023, His Eminence Archbishop Tychon of the Holy Archdiocese of Rouza of the Moscow Patriarchate, who served in the past as the Head of the Russian Mission in Jerusalem (MISSIA), visited the Patriarchate with the MISSIA Representative Archimandrite Dometian and a small group of clergy and pilgrims.

In the words of His warm reception, His Beatitude underlined the importance of the Holy Sepulchre as safeguarding the unity of Jerusalem and the unity of the Orthodox Churches.



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Afterwards, His Beatitude received a large group of Priests and Pilgrims from the Patriarchate of Serbia, the Holy Metropolis of Eleftheroupolis of the Church of Greece and from the parishes of the Holy Metropolis of Gortyna and Arcadia of the Church of Crete.



Among the last of these was the Hegoumen of the Monastery Koudouma, Archimandrite Makarios, accompanied by monks of the same Monastery and a group of pilgrims from the village Charakas, the birthplace of the blessed Archimandrite Philotheos.



The Hegoumen of the Monastery Koudouma and his entourage and the parish priests of Charakas Fr Nektarios and Fr Georgios were received personally by His Beatitude, Who presented to them the liturgical vestments of the blessed Archimandrite Philotheos and an icon of Jerusalem, praising the important pastoral work, which he performed for the benefit of the flock of the Metropolis of Ptolemais-Akris, a praise for the Holy Sepulchre Brotherhood and his birthplace, saying that his death was sudden, which we accept according to God's grace and economy.

From Secretariat-General