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✠ Holy 33 Martyrs of Melitene

Beloved children in the Lord,

For the past seventeen years the mission Parish of Saint Philaret the New Confessor, in Chicopee Massachusetts, has been worshipping in a small, rented space. The community has outgrown the space and now finds itself in great need to relocate.

Thanks to our merciful Lord and the efforts of the parishioners of St Philaret, the parish has raised \$160,000 so far for this endeavor. The money raised is enough to purchase a nice piece of property. Once they have their own property, they will begin the construction of a new church building which is estimated to cost around \$800,000.

St John of Kronstadt says, *“If you had the good fortune of building a House of God, receive this as a great Gift of your Creator, for the hand of the Lord touches all who build churches, and the Lord will forgive many sins for it”*.

I ask all those who can help by your almsgiving to participate in this sacred and God-pleasing endeavor, so that they may establish an honorable place of worship.

With my blessing, the Parish has established ways to donate. Please visit www.saintphilaret.org to help.

May the Lord reward you for your generosity and almsgiving and may He “touch all of you”. By the intercessions of our great confessor Saint Philaret, may our Lord bless this endeavor and the Parish.

Your fervent suppliant of the Lord,

✠ Metropolitan Demetrius of America

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