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Honoring

His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey
Alexander the Great Award

and

Elias A Iliadis, MD, FACC
Alexander the Great Community Service Award

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HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN APOSTOLOS OF NEW JERSEY

His Eminence, Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey was born Evangelos Koufallakis on the island of Rhodes, Greece. He is the second of four children of Ioannis and Stergia Koufallakis. He completed his primary education on the island of Rhodes. In 1990, he was accepted at the historical Ecclesiastical School of Patmos, also known as Patmeada, where he was first introduced to, and later mastered, Orthodox Byzantine Music and Hymnology.

On April 29, 1993 Evangelos was tonsured a monk at the Holy and Sacred Monastery of Panagia Paramethea, at which time he received the name "Apostolos." On June 20, 1993, Father Apostolos was ordained to the holy Diaconate by his spiritual father, Metropolitan Apostolos of Rhodes. He served the Metropolis of Rhodes as the deacon to the Metropolitan and after one year received the Offikion of Archdeacon.

In October of 1995, Father Apostolos passed the General Panellenian exams and was accepted at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, in the area of study of Pastoral and Social Theology. During his theological education, Father Apostolos was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on July 28, 1996 and received the Offikion of Archimandrite by Metropolitan Apostolos of Rhodes. In March of 2000, having broadened his theological education, Father Apostolos graduated with the degree of Master of Divinity from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

On October 11, 2001 Archimandrite Apostolos traveled to the United States of America in an effort to further enhance and expand his knowledge of theology. The following year, Archimandrite Apostolos was accepted to Boston University School of Theology in the Master of Sacred Theology program, with a major in Philosophy, Theology, and Ethics. The degree of Master of Sacred Theology was conferred upon him in May of 2004.

During his graduate studies in Boston, His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios of Boston assigned Archimandrite Apostolos as the visiting priest at the Annunciation Church in Brockton, Massachusetts. After offering his service to the parish of the Annunciation, Metropolitan Methodios appointed Father Apostolos as the Proistamenos of the historic parish of St. George in Southbridge, Massachusetts. In September of 2003, Archimandrite Apostolos was transferred and assignee as the Proistamenos of the Saints Anargyroi parish of Marlborough, Massachusetts. In February of 2004, His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America appointed Archimandrite Apostolos Koufallakis as the Dean of the historic Cathedral of St. Demetrios in Astoria. In November 2004, the president and the members of the Society of Patmos granted Fr. Apostolos the title of honorary president. Four years later on March 20, 2008 at the Greek Independence Day Celebrations, Fr. Apostolos received a Citation of Honor from Mrs. Helen M. Marshall, President of the

Borrow of Queens, for his “profound devotion to the Greek Orthodox Church and to the Greek American Community.” In March of 2009, His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America appointed Archimandrite Apostolos Koufallakis as the director of the Archdiocesan Hellenic Cultural Center.

In October 2011 Archimandrite Apostolos was appointed as the Chancellor of the Metropolis of San Francisco by His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco. On November 28, 2014 the Holy and Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate unanimously elected Archimandrite Apostolos to the rank of Auxiliary Bishop and was given the title Bishop of Medeia. His ordination took place on December 20, 2014 at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in New York. On November 15, 2018 His Grace appointed Chief Secretary of the Holy Eparchial Synod of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. On January 9, 2019 His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America appointed Bishop Apostolos of Medeia to be the spiritual advisor of the National Greek Orthodox Philoptochos Society.

Bishop Apostolos was tasked with the planning and organization of the Enthronement Service and celebration of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America which took place on June 22, 2019. He was also entrusted by the Archbishop as the President of the Planning Committee which organized the first Monastic Synaxis in our sacred Archdiocese which took place in Roscoe, New York from September 21-22, 2019. Additionally, Bishop Apostolos was appointed by Archbishop Elpidophoros of America as the President of the Coordinating Committee for the National Greek Education Conference held in Flushing, New York on November 9, 2019. Bishop Apostolos had the distinct privilege of organizing the virtual 45th Biennial National Clergy-Laity Congress held from September 9-10, 2020 in which more than 1,200 delegates participated, more than any other National Clergy-Laity Congress in the history of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. On February 3, 2021 His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America assigned His Grace Bishop Apostolos of Medeia to assume the liturgical and pastoral responsibilities and needs of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey.

On July 23, 2023 His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos upon the recommendation of His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew was unanimously elected by the members of the Holy and Sacred Synod as the Metropolitan of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey.



DR. ELIAS ANTHONY ILIADIS HIPPOCRATES AWARD

Elias attended medical school at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Brunswick. After completing his Internship and Residency at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, Elias completed his Cardiology Fellowship at Rush Presbyterian St Luke's Medical Center in Chicago and advanced training in Interventional Cardiology at the University of Michigan Medical Centers.

Dr. Iliadis is currently Program Director, Interventional cardiology fellowship, and Associate Director, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratories at Cooper University Hospital, Camden, NJ. He is an Associate Professor of Medicine at Cooper Medical School of Rowan University

Elias is a brother of the AHEPA Camden 69 Chapter and was the 2020 District 5 AHEPAN of the year for his work during the COVID pandemic. Elias's community involvement includes long term participation on the Parish council of St Thomas Greek Orthodox Church including Chairman of the Education Committee, Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice President of Stewardship as well as participation in annual AGORA committee. Elias has been a board member of the Greek American Chamber of Commerce, Philadelphia chapter and past president. Additionally, Elias has contributed to the Greek community as board member and prior treasurer of the World Hellenic Biomedical Association. Elias completed two terms as a Board member of the Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia.

In 2015, he served the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America as a camp physician at Ionian Village, Glyfa Greece. He is a founding Board Member and past President of the Hellenic Medical Society of Philadelphia. Elias is immediate past President of the Hellenic Federation of New Jersey and was commissioned as New Jersey Hellenic Heritage commissioner by Governor Phil Murphy in 2009. He was selected as a board member of the Robert Wood Johnson Medical school Alumni Association and serves as Vice President. He is current president of Greek American Heritage Society of Philadelphia, dedicated towards establishing a Hellenic Cultural Center in Philadelphia. Elias was recognized by the Greek Orthodox church and community for his leadership and dedication and was installed as an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate by His-Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew in 2021.

Elias is married to Katherine Dedes Iliadis, RPH, they have three children: Sophia, 27, Nicholas, 24, and Elena, 21. The family resides in Moorestown, New Jersey.



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