

# **CULT WARNING:**

## **THE DIONYSIOS KALAMBOKAS CULT**

We are a EU-based group that includes DKC victims and their families, true Orthodox Church members, barristers, journalists, Orthodox Church leaders, and concerned people from around the world that believe what Georgios Nikolaou Kalabokas and his followers are doing is criminal, evil, and against the true Orthodox faith.

The website will focus on the DKC and its alleged brutal leader, so that **potential future victims & communities may be spared the nightmare** this man and the DKC will bring to them.

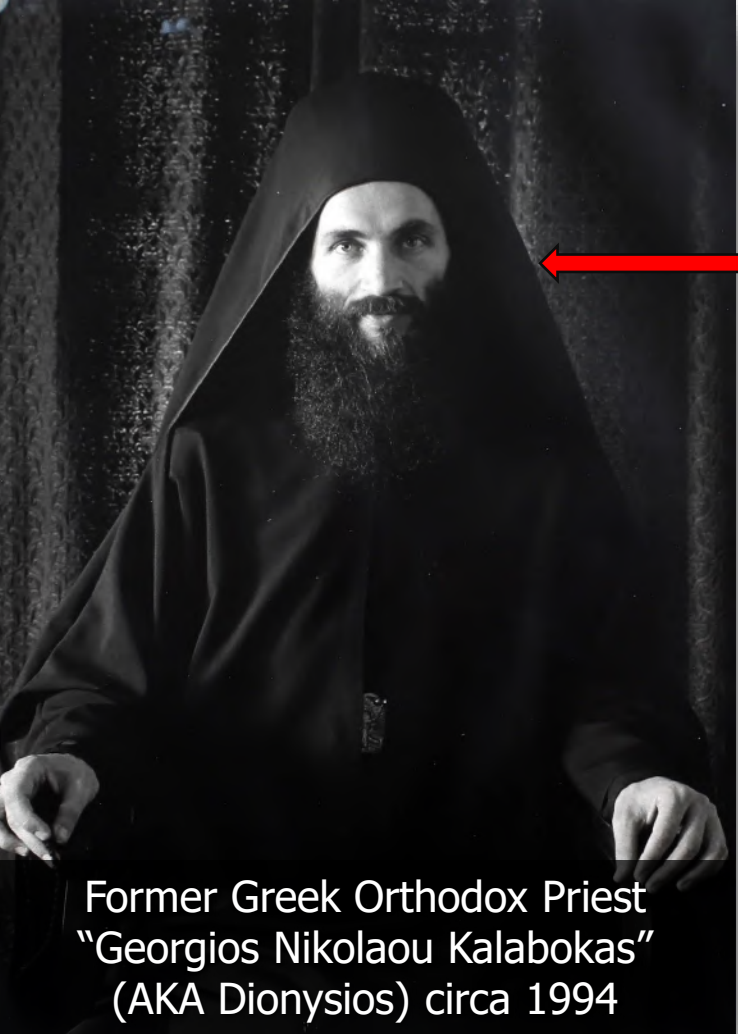
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Victims say Do not be fooled by this man!

He and his followers pretend to be a legitimate Orthodox Christian Church & Monastery that are devoted to Jesus Christ to lure victims, families, and communities into trusting them...

Then, once the victims are “baptized” and “confess” to their new “Spiritual Father” Dionysios, they are rapidly pressured to become a Nun or Monk in one of Dionysios’s so-called monasteries, cut all ties with their families & friends, and give their lives and wealth to Dionysios.

This has happened hundreds of times around the world.



Former Greek Orthodox Priest  
“Georgios Nikolaou Kalabokas”  
(AKA Dionysios) circa 1994

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This website will expose the numerous police reports, official church documents, victim testimonials, documentaries, and investigative journalist reports that fully illustrate the DKC's:

- Alleged use of fraud and fake religious credentials to recruit members
- Alleged psychological and physical abuse of its members
- Alleged sexual assaults on its members & visitors
- Alleged use of drugs to control members and visitors
- Alleged financial exploitation of its members





Giorgios "Dionysios" Kalampokas circa 2003

**"The Dionysios Kalambokas Cult"** has destroyed many of the lives of its followers and members of the communities where they are established.

However, because these reports, documents, videos, and official records are located in four different countries and four different languages, it is difficult to view the entire body of accusations against the **"Dionysios Kalambokas Cult"** in one location.

If the information that is already publicly available becomes more accessible to men or women considering joining, supporting, or visiting one of the **"Dionysios Kalambokas Cult"** locations around the world, they will be armed to make an informed decision about avoiding this dangerous cult.

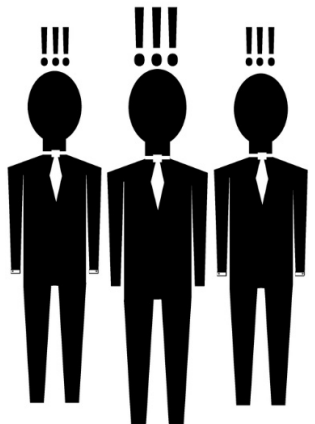
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Georgios Nikolaou Kalabokas  
circa 2010

Starting in 1994, under the disguise as a Christian Orthodox "Elder", he has established "so-called monasteries" in Europe and America. Most of the true Christian Orthodox Patriarchates have rejected him and all of his cult locations.

**"The Dionysios Kalambokas Cult" exhibits ALL nine of the classic **Warning Signs of a Dangerous Cult:****



The group or leader is always right and their teaching is the only correct one



The group isolates the person from his old relationships and connections



Intolerance of doubts about the teachings of the group.  
Intolerance to questions



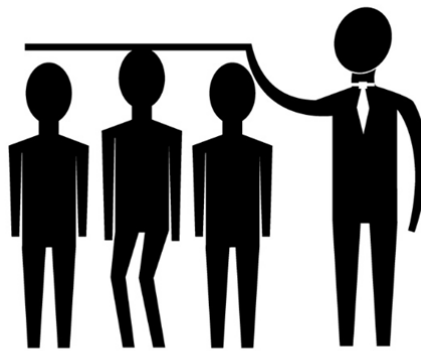
There are documented violations of the group or leader



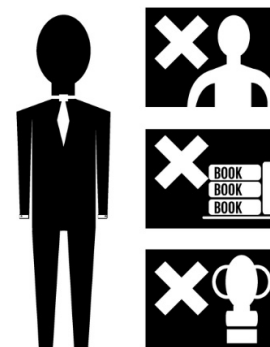
No legitimate reason can be found for leaving a group or teaching



The group has a leader.  
He alone has true and correct views



Strict and absolute discipline.  
Strict adherence to rules



The group decides what can and cannot be done.



The world outside the group is hostile and dangerous.  
Only the group or leader knows how to save themselves and avoid disaster.



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Most Orthodox and Catholic Monastic Orders wait until a newly baptized person has matured, served in the church for a few years, and even then include the family in the decision process to become a Nun or a Monk. Not the DKC! They immediately push newly baptized persons to be tonsured as a Nun or Monk, then immediately begin to isolate the new member from their family and friends. By severing those connections, the new member is alone and cut-off from any hope or help when they suddenly realize they have made a terrible mistake!

All of this “Brain-Washing” techniques work together and compound each other. Once the new member is alone and cut-off from any hope or help, the DKC message is that the outside world is evil! And, the DKC has now “Saved” the new member from that evil and Geronta Dionysios is the only one that can “Save” them from now on! One can quickly see how important isolating the new member from their family & loved ones is to this DKC process.

Once the new member is alone and cut-off from any outside opinions or questions, then any doubts about the DKC teachings or methods is violently suppressed by the senior DKC leadership at each DKC site. Any evidence of resistance to the DKC program, and especially any directive from Geronta Dionysios, is met with emotional torture or physical punishment, as well as accusations of “being in league with Satan and must be attacked like we would attack Satan”!



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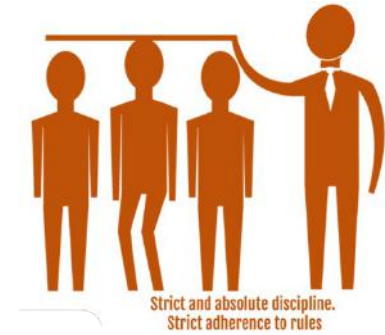
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All DKC Victims have said that a main belief of the DKC is that Georgios “Dionysios” Kalambokas is God to them. Not a representative of God, but actually God. In one scene in the Norwegian documentary on what the DKC did to a small town in Norway, one of the current DKC “Nuns” there, Sister Iakovi, (Julie Greenleaf – American) states that the Elder Dionysios, “*is like God himself to us. He is our mother and our father, guiding and disciplining us.*” When you enter one of the DKC churches and monasteries, there are very few pictures of Jesus, but there is one of Dionysios in almost every room.

All DKC Victims have also said that every day of every week of every month of every year the Abbess or Abbot at every DKC location around the world MUST email, text, or use Telegraph or WhatsApp to “Report” to Geronta Dionysios every infraction, mistake, or comment that every one of the Nuns and Monks made at that location. In one scene in the Norwegian DKC documentary, you will see Abbess Thavoria writing one of those end of day reports. In it, she is begging forgiveness because the dinner was “late” that day and that she is over-come with shame because she let Dionysios (God) down!

Again we see how these techniques are interconnected. All DKC members, even the senior Abbesses and Abbots must “Confess” to the Elder on a regular basis. Between these scheduled “Confessions” and the daily reports from the Abbess or Abbott, Geronta Dionysios routinely passes judgement and instructs what punishment should be carried out on each member for each transgression. The more serious the “crime” the more severe the punishment. Numerous DKC Victims have reported first-hand knowledge of slaps about the face, beatings with wooden rods, withholding food, confinement, public humiliation, threats of sexual assault, and actual organized rape of Nuns and Monks.



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One of the frequent “crimes” that many DKC Victims report is contradicting or questioning a statement from Geronta Dionysios. For example, a Nun or Monk is told “The Elder has noticed that you seem distracted the last few days.” And, the member answers, I am very sorry he thinks that, I am not distracted by anything.” That is when the Abbott or Abbess began shouting and striking the member saying “How dare you contradict the Elder!” “You are full of the evil of the world and are attacking our spiritual father who saved you!” “He will learn what you have just said and will bring his wrath on you!” This is an example of a thousand different variations of this “mind-game” that the DKC will continually subject their members to. The result is devastating. There have been reports of DKC Nuns and Monks attempting suicide at the DKC monastery.

ALL DKC Victims report living in fear of reprisals from the DKC once they escape. They receive threats of rapists coming to find them, threats to the Victim’s family, and a number of senior members contacting them and saying its ok, all is forgiven if you just come back now. Of course when the Victim does not return the threats resume. Many Victims and their families are threatened with lawsuits if they speak about anything that happened to them while at the DKC. Some have actually been taken to court. Many Victims have been diagnosed with PTSD after they escaped and had to under-go psychotherapy care. Many DKC Victim families have been sued by DKC lawyers when they resisted giving their child’s inheritance, trust fund, or other assets to the DKC once they were tonsured as a Nun or Monk.

Again, there are numerous police reports, court records, official church documents, victim testimonials, documentaries, and investigative journalist reports that fully illustrate the alleged crimes, psychological and physical abuse of its members, sexual assaults on its members & visitors, as well as financial exploitation of its members & their families.

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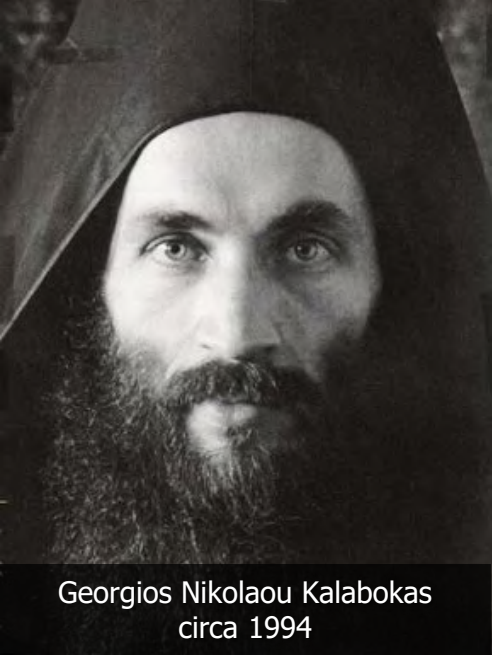
According to many DKC Victims, Here are some Warning Signs that the DKC is "Targeting" a family member or a community.



**Warning Sign One:** A member of the Dionysios Kalambokas Cult will make contact with the targeted person and strongly encourage them to become baptized in the "Orthodox Church". Shortly thereafter, the DKC will pressure that person to become a so-called "Nun or Monk" in their monastery. Afterward, family contact will be cut.

**Warning Sign Two:** The DKC often identifies a former Catholic monastery or religious site to establish their new "DKC monastery." DKC "Nuns or Monks" will contact the local city officials and politicians about their plans. They will try to convince everyone that they are a normal Orthodox Christianity organization and officially authorized by a particular Orthodox Patriarchate. They will dress in Orthodox Church clothes but it is all fake. They are only serving Georgios Nikolaou Kalabokas, who they believe is God.

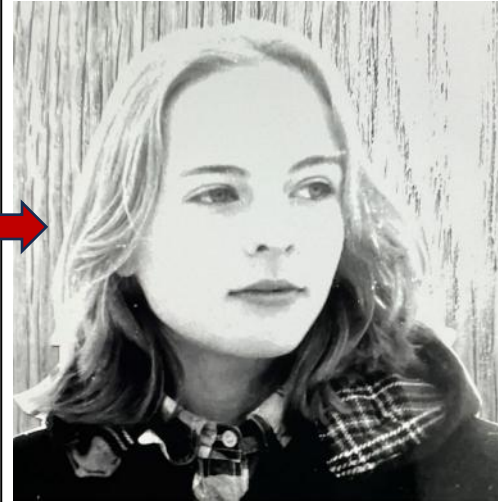
**Warning Sign Three:** The DKC often identifies individuals who are vulnerable and may have a large inheritance, trust fund, or a court settlement which the DKC will take from them once they are a "Nun or Monk".

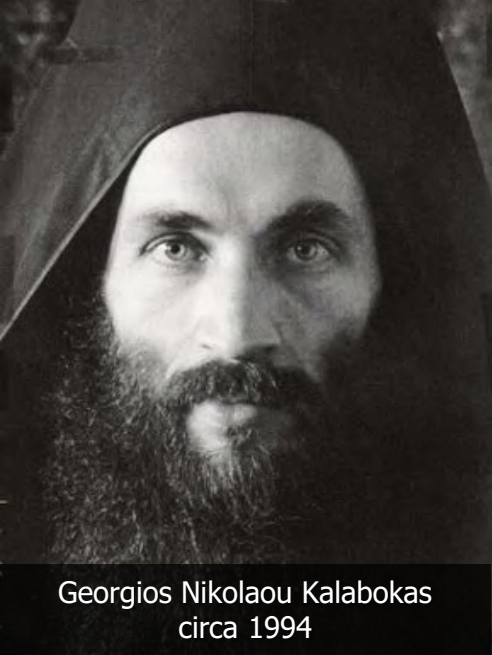


Georgios Nikolaou Kalambokas  
circa 1994

**“The Dionysios Kalambokas Cult”** is accused of deliberately targeting vulnerable young women and some young men. They also target individuals who have some type of potential personal wealth or assets that will be usurped by the cult after they join. The target is enticed into an Orthodox Christian Baptism and then is rapidly pressed into becoming one of **his** “Nuns or Monks”.

**An example of this rapid recruitment:** From a Norwegian young lady, who loved her devoted parents, studying art in Berlin with a promising future as an artist and went to “visit” Greece to sketch the ancient ruins— to becoming an emotional and psychological slave to Georgios Dionysios Kalambokas in just a few weeks...severing ties with her parents and dropping out of school.





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Charlotte Stapenhorst  
AKA: Gerontissa Diodora

Charlotte Stapenhorst Baptizing a very young girl from Thailand at the Holy Monastery of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross in Thiva, Greece.



**Some DKC Victims have given statements that allege that:**

*“For some new young members, Diodora and others have prepared them to be blessed by the Elder. Putting make-up on them, dressing them in night gowns, and encouraging them to go into Dionysios’s bed chamber!”*



Charlotte “Diodora” Stapenhorst  
She is one of the original DKC members and some victims say she is one of the most abusive and evil in the organization...”Dionysios’s enforcer”

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## WITNESSES SAY GEORGIOS NIKOLAOU KALABOKAS IS A "CULT LEADER"

This is a 2021 Reddit post when someone mentioned they were thinking about visiting the Sacred Monastery of St. Nina on their vacation:



**Concerned** · JANUARY 3, 2021

Reply to **Kyrie Eleison**

This group is a cult who has harmed many people I know. Their "elder", Dionysios, left his first monastery without permission. His entire ministry has been founded on delusion. He has been banned from many jurisdictions and churches. He's recently been demoted and suspended by his home church in Greece. It's sad that his followers obey him and believe in him without question. The bishops and laity in Greece have figured this out so they limit and avoid this group and do not support them. Thus his followers have been forced to found monasteries all over the world in places like Norway and Oklahoma in order to avoid episcopal oversight and find support among lay people who aren't aware of their true nature. I hope that, for the sake of their spiritual health, that all Christians avoid this place. Orthodox Christians should check with their legitimate spiritual authorities to find safe monasteries to visit.

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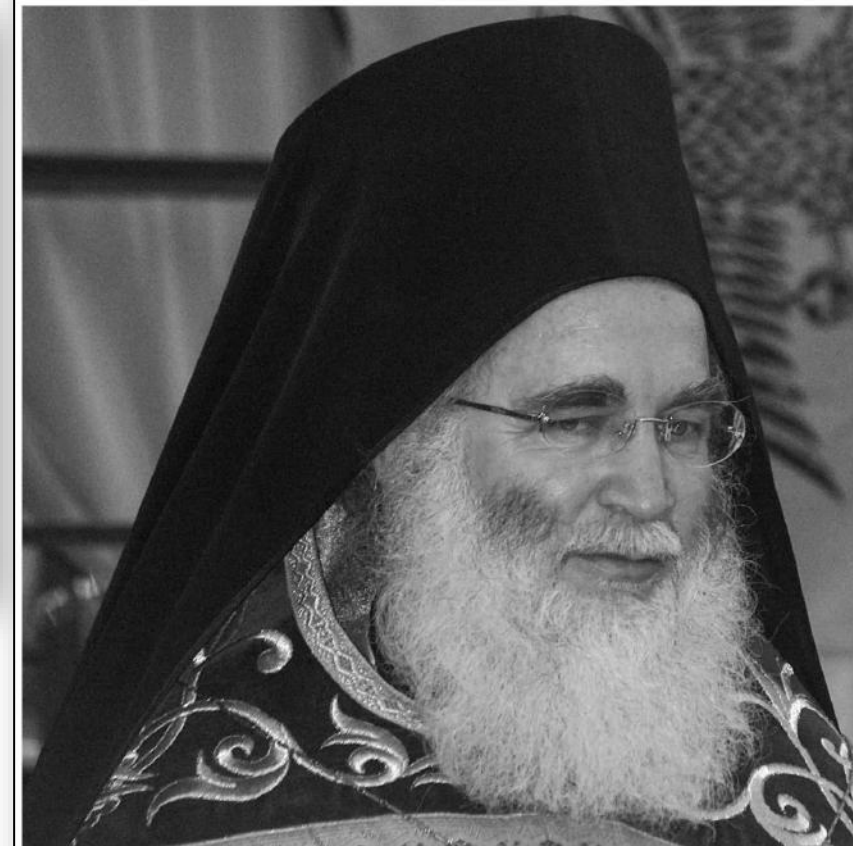
More Reddit posts:

## What are your thoughts on Archimandrite Dionysios Kalampokas?

I recently started to get in touch with Orthodoxy through a monk from a monastery belonging to the community of Archimandrite Dionysios. At first I was a little surprised by the Monks' reverence and attachment to their Teacher, but then I thought it was a common thing to do. After doing some researches online I read that some people call that community a cult and that they had some issues both in Greece and abroad because of the recognition. Does someone know something more? I'm a bit discouraged and disappointed. Thank you very much!

MONASTIC WARNING

## Norwegian monasteries under Dionysios Kalampokas / Διονύσιος Καλαμπόκας



Dato: 27 mai, 2016

Background and issues:

## GEORGIOS NIKOLAOU KALABOKAS IS A "CULT LEADER"



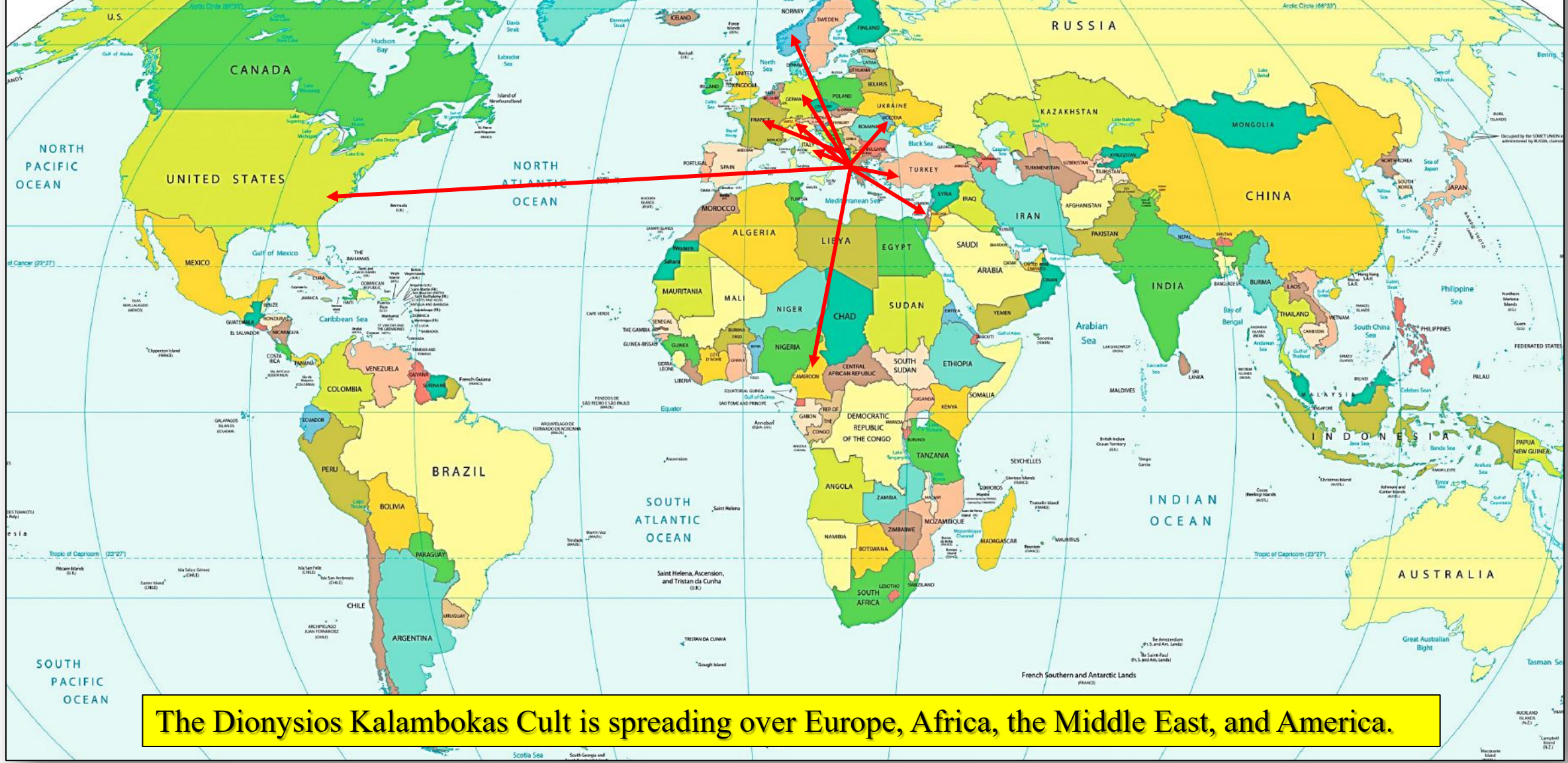
More Reddit posts:

There were both men and women living at this monastery in Greece. There was not a lot of order...for example there were usually only one or two sisters in Church for the first services in the morning. Some monks and nuns stayed up all hours of the night talking and/or working. There was no silence. I never saw anyone having private prayer time. Most of the sisters were converts and tonsured very soon after becoming Orthodox without proper formation.

(As in my case as well) I know of a Mother and daughter who were there and they both left and returned to their country. One was a Great Schema nun. There was a 16 year old Jamaican girl and her mother living in the monastery. I was told that the mother had been prostituting the daughter in Athens when Dionysios found them and brought them to the monastery. They didn't attend services and never became Orthodox. The mother stayed in her room all the time and I never saw her. I know something happened with a monk in DC that was a scandal and caused them to switch jurisdictions. There was also a priest at the monastery in Greece who wasn't allowed to serve because of something that happened when they were at the monastery in Jerusalem.

Also Fr. Tom (who is now Bishop Melchizadech) was living at the monastery then but he has distanced himself from them.

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The Dionysios Kalamboas Cult is spreading over Europe, Africa, the Middle East, and America.

# Dionysios Kalambokas Cult Locations Around the World:

According to a 2020 list published in [www.pentapostagma.gr](http://www.pentapostagma.gr) the following are the current DKC locations around the world:

## SWITZERLAND

City/State: Beinwil

Holy Orthodox Monastery of Johannes Kapodistrias

(DKC Cult Location Since 2019)

Address:

Kloster Beinwil

Kloster 109 CH - 4229 Beinwil, Switzerland

Web: [www.kloster-beinwil.ch](http://www.kloster-beinwil.ch)

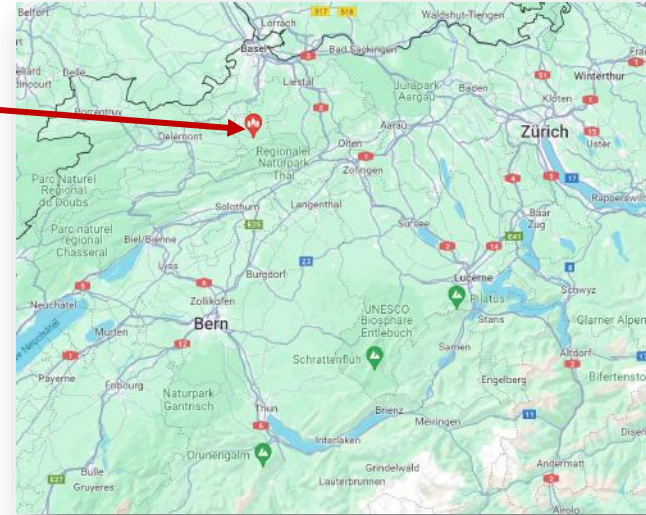
Email: [kapodistrias@kloster-beinwil.ch](mailto:kapodistrias@kloster-beinwil.ch)

Phone: +41 77 42 71 687

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

Georgios Nikolaou Kalabokas – (Cult Name) Geronta Dionysios – (Greek)

Michael Mezilson – (Cult Name) Archimandrite Chrysostomos – (American)





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## GERMANY

City/State: Obernhof

Holy Orthodox Monastery Dionysios Trikkis & Stagon  
Heiliges Orthodoxes Kloster Dionysios Trikkis & Stagon

(DKC Cult Location Since 2019)

Address:

Kloster Arnstein

Pater-Damian-Str 1, 56379 Obernhof, Germany

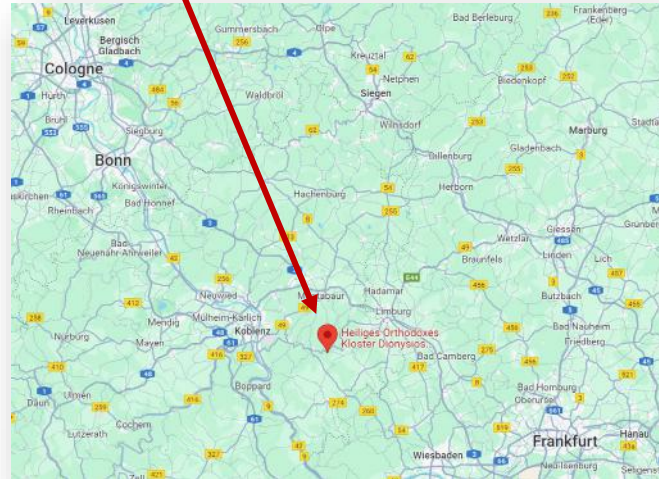
Web: <https://dionysios-trikkis-kloster.de>

Email: [jawastas@fhc.org](mailto:jawastas@fhc.org)

Phone: +49 26 04 94 3479

Senior Cult Member On-Site:

Charlotte Stapenhorst – (Cult Name) Abbess or Gerontissa Diodora – (German)



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## GERMANY

City/State: Lindenfels

Holy Archbishop - StavroPigio "Agios Emilianos"

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

Villa Schenck, Nibelungenstrasse 94,  
D-64678

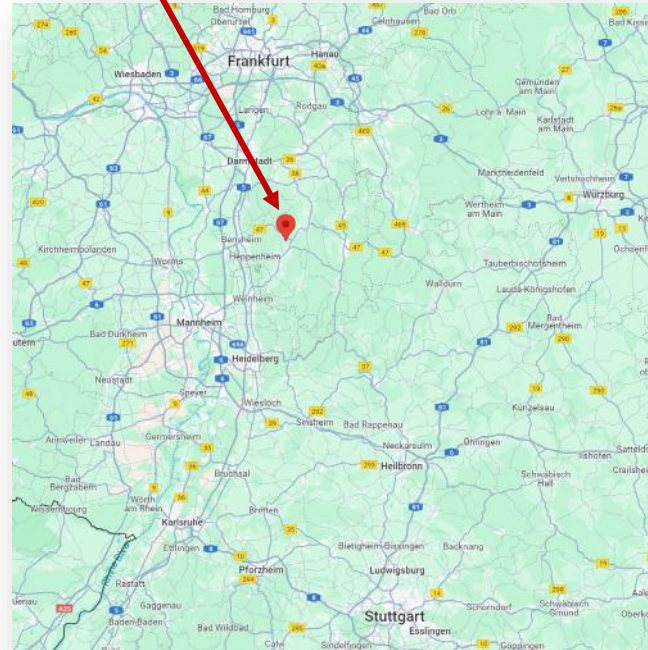
Lindenfels, Germany

(In a privately-owned Tower)

Web: <https://Kloster-Heiliger-Aimilianos.de>

Email: [StAimilianosde@fhc.org](mailto:StAimilianosde@fhc.org)

Phone: +1.5707188761



Senior Cult Member On-Site:

True Name Unknown– (Cult Name) Archimandrite Charalambios – (German)

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## NORWAY

City/State: Valldal

Patriarchal Stavropegial of Saint Olav the King & Elias the Tishbite

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

St. Olav Monastery

74 Solbergvegen

6210 Valldal, Norway

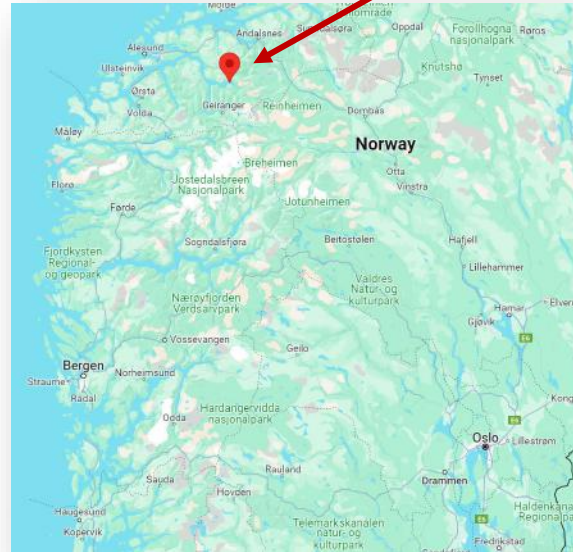
Web: <https://www.saintolav-monastery.com>

Email: [saintolav@fhc.org](mailto:saintolav@fhc.org)

Phone: +47.40387683

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

Edel Irenaea Gillebo – (Cult Name) Abbess Thavoria – (Norwegian)



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## NORWAY

City/State: Selja

Holy Patriarch - StavroPigion "Agias Vasilissis & Martyr Sunniva"

(DKC Cult Location Since 2013)

Address:

Hellige Sunniva Kloster  
N - 6740 Selja, Norway

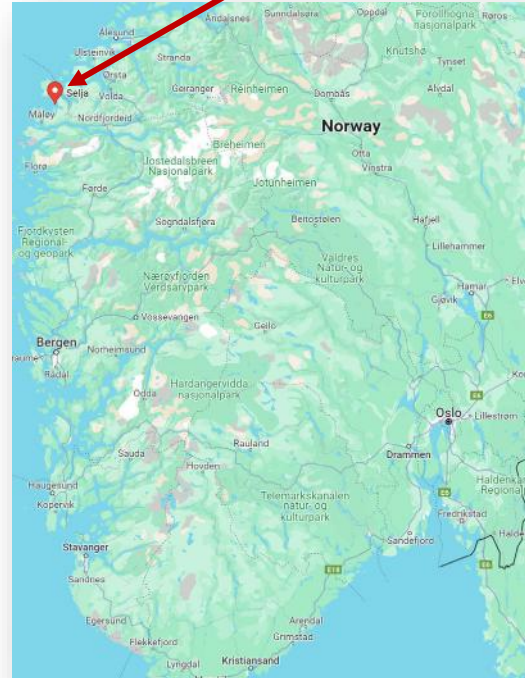
Web: [www.HelligeSunniva.org](http://www.HelligeSunniva.org)

Email: [SaintSunniva@fhc.org](mailto:SaintSunniva@fhc.org)

Phone: +47.45034107

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

Real Name Unknown – (Cult Name) Archimandrite Nidaros – (Norwegian)



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## UNITED STATES

City/State: Union Bridge, Maryland

Sacred Monastery of Saint Nina

(DKC Cult Location Since 2012)

Address:

Sacred Monastery of Saint Nina  
9002 Clemsonville Road  
Union Bridge, Maryland 21791

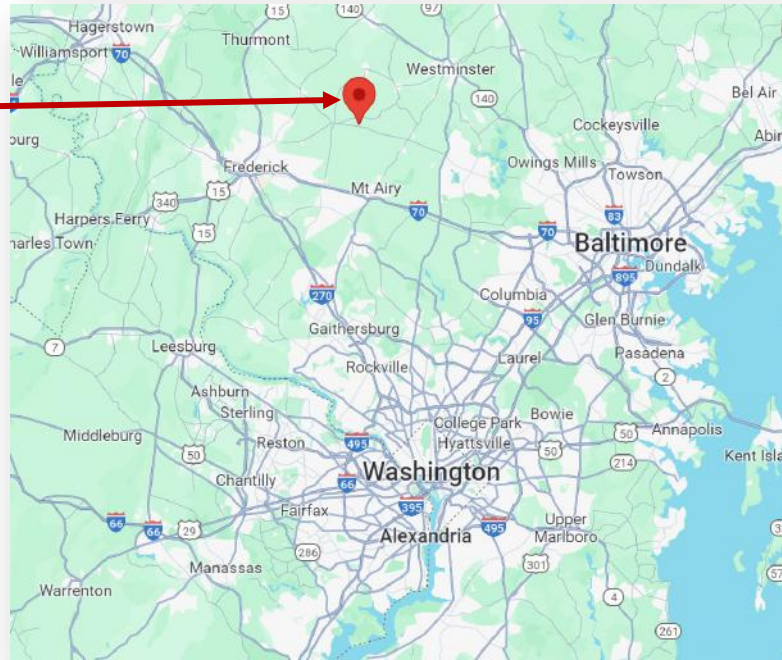
Web: <https://www.saintnina-monastery.org>

Email: [SaintNina@fhc.org](mailto:SaintNina@fhc.org)

Phone: 301-703-1384

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

Sarrah Hansen – (Cult Name) Abbess Aemiliane – (American)



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## UNITED STATES

City/State: Kensington, Maryland

Holy Spirit Monastery

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

Holy Spirit Monastery

10920 Bangor Pl

Kensington MD 20895-1107

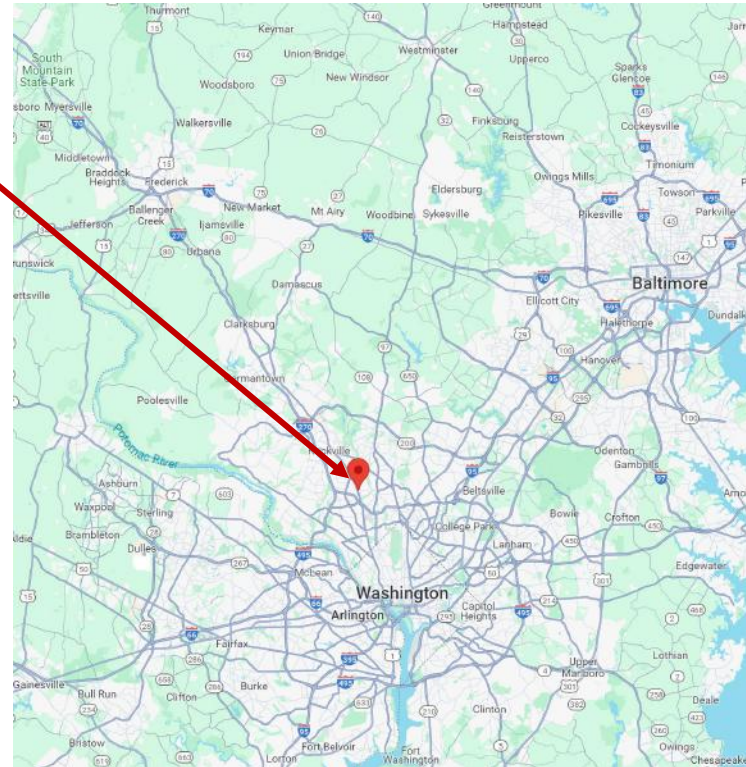
Web:

Email: [HolySpirit@fhc.org](mailto:HolySpirit@fhc.org)

Phone: 202-696-7662

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) – (Cult Name) Abbott, Archimandrite Christophoros - Bélarussien



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## UNITED STATES

City/State: Loyal, Oklahoma

Holy Monastery of “Forty Churches, Kirklareli”

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

Paradise Valley Ranch  
E0660 & Northsouth 2770  
Loyal, OK 73756

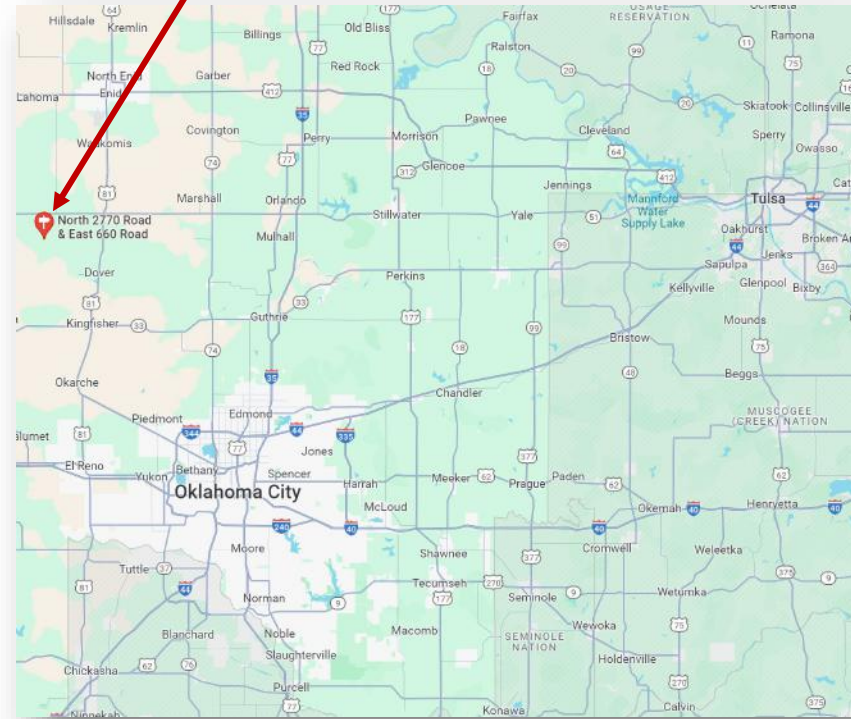
Web:

Email:

Phone:

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Abbess Chrysostomia



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## UNITED STATES

City/State: Loyal, Oklahoma

The Sacred Monastery of St. Iakovos "New Studion"

(DKC Cult Location since 2018)

Address:

20000 N County Line Road  
Piedmont, Oklahoma 73078

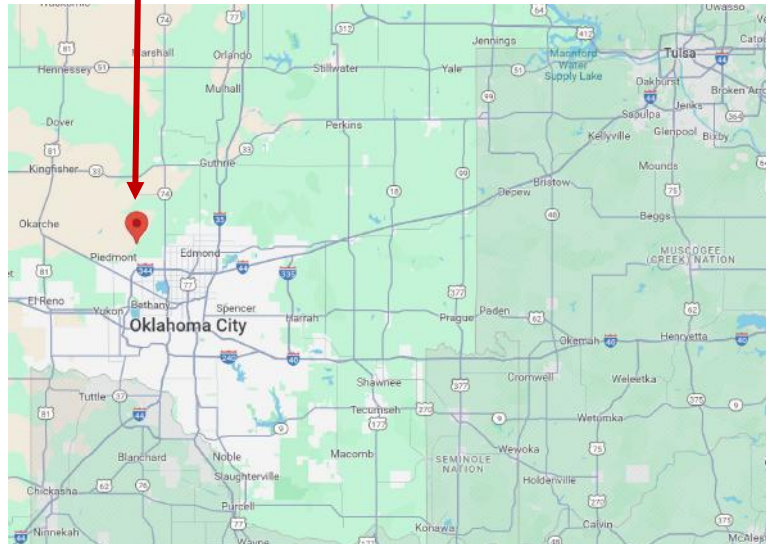
Web: <https://www.stiakvosnewstudion.org>

Email: [stiakvosnewstudion@fhc.org](mailto:stiakvosnewstudion@fhc.org)

Phone: +1 616-734-3038

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Demetrios Elijah Clark – (Cult Name) Archimandrite Athanasios – (American)





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City/State: Concordia, Kansas

Holy Monastery of "Agios Emilianos"

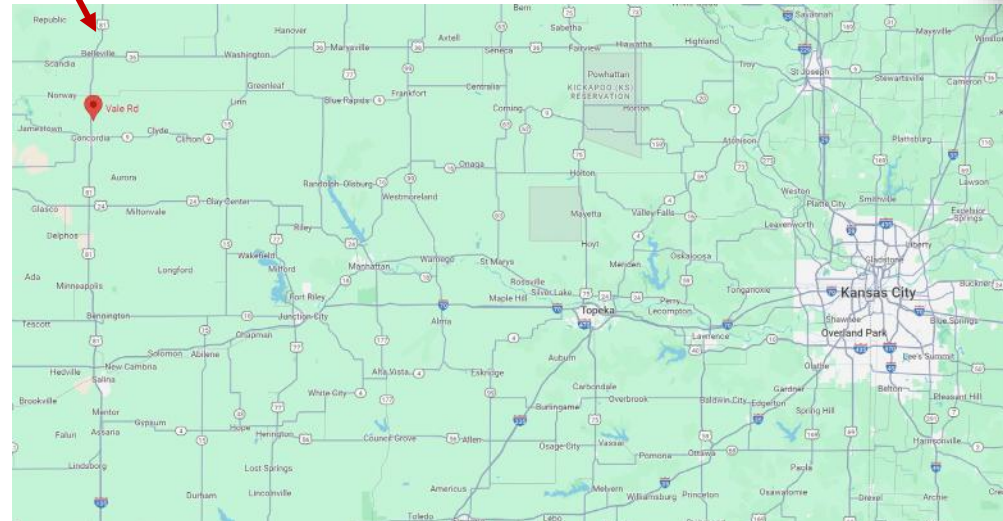
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
Vale Road  
Concordia, Kansas 66901

Web: [www.saintaimilianos.org](http://www.saintaimilianos.org)  
Email: [staimilianosUSA@fhc.org](mailto:staimilianosUSA@fhc.org)  
Phone: +1 202 446 6121

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Dr. Monachi – (Cult Name) Abbott Chrysostom –



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## AFRICA

### Cameroon

City/State: Foumbot

Holy Monastery "Anastaseos Sotiros"

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

Résurrection du Sauveur  
Foumbot, Cameroon

Web:

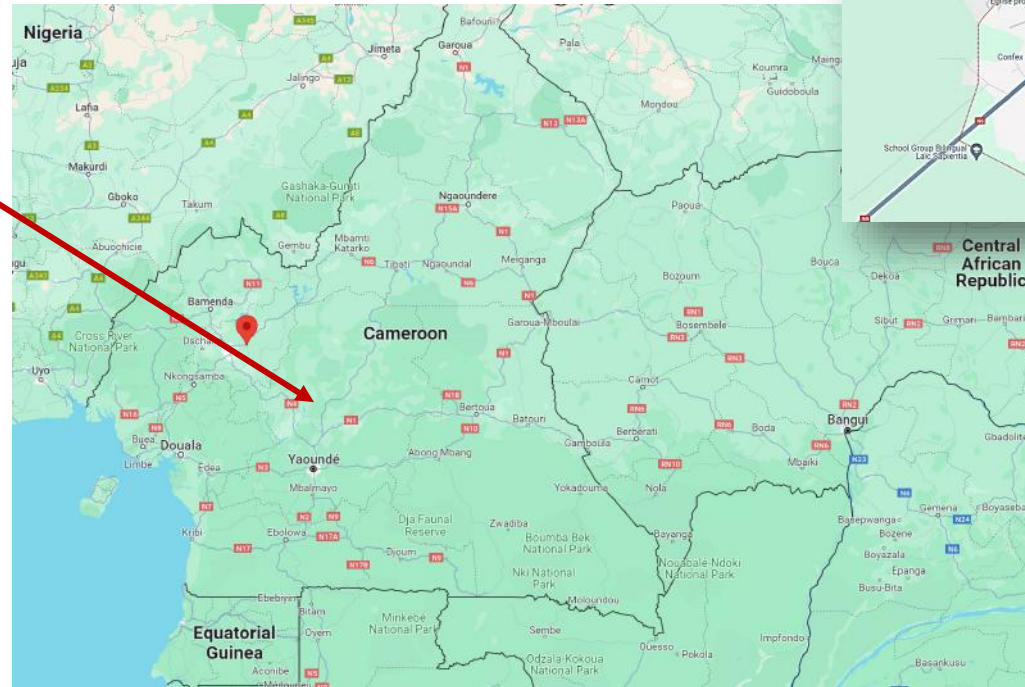
Email: [resurrection@fhc.org](mailto:resurrection@fhc.org)

Email: [anastasios.yaoundé@gmail.com](mailto:anastasios.yaoundé@gmail.com)

Phone: +237 680587286

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Simona – (Cult Name) Abbott, Archimandrite Anastasios – (Swiss)



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## AFRICA

### Cameroon

City/State: Yaoundé

Holy Monastery of the Dormition of the Virgin

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

POB: 949 Bikok

Yaoundé, Cameroun

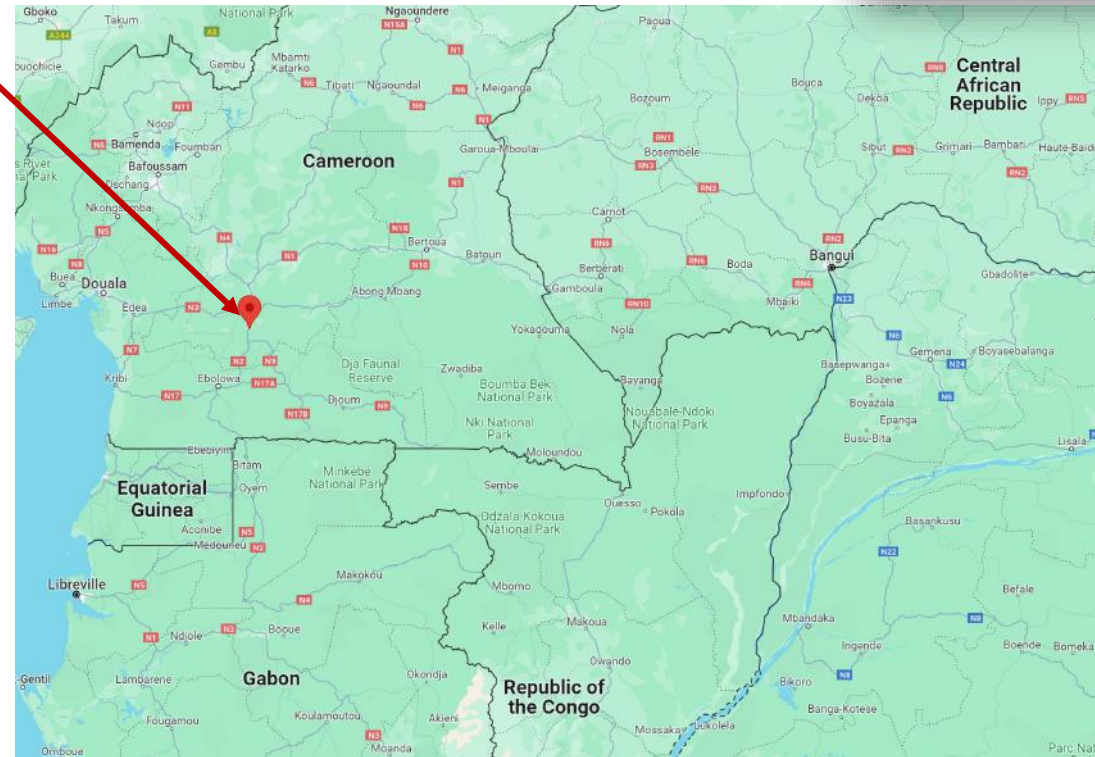
Web:

Email: [dormition.cameroun@fhc.org](mailto:dormition.cameroun@fhc.org)

Phone: +237 673977366

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Abbess, Gerontissa Kassiani – (Russian)



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## GREECE

City/State: Lambrika, Koropiou, Attica

Monastic Confraternity of the Holy Hermitage "Komisis Theotokou"

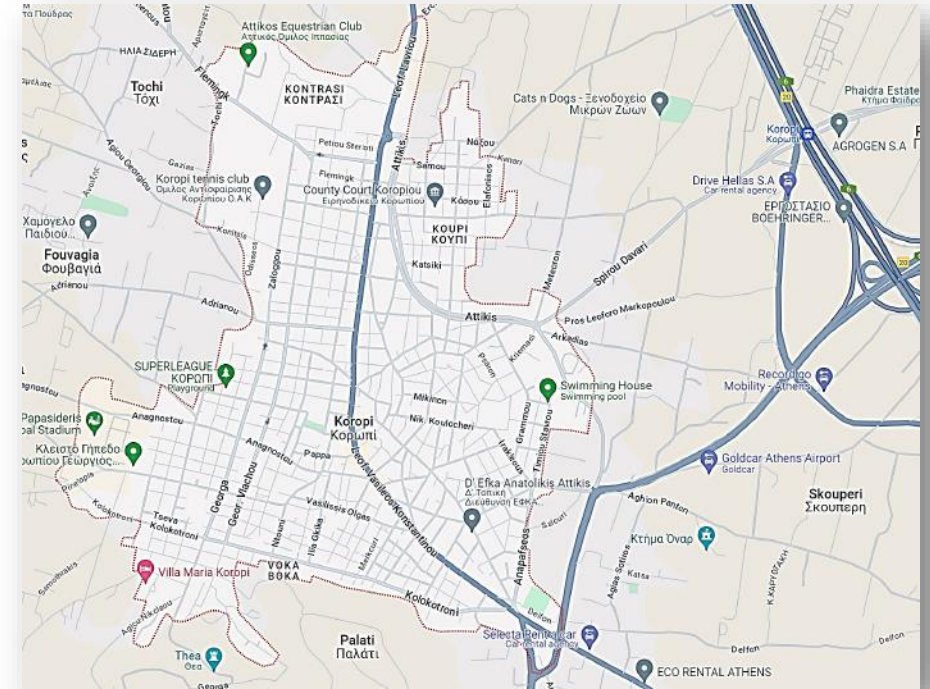
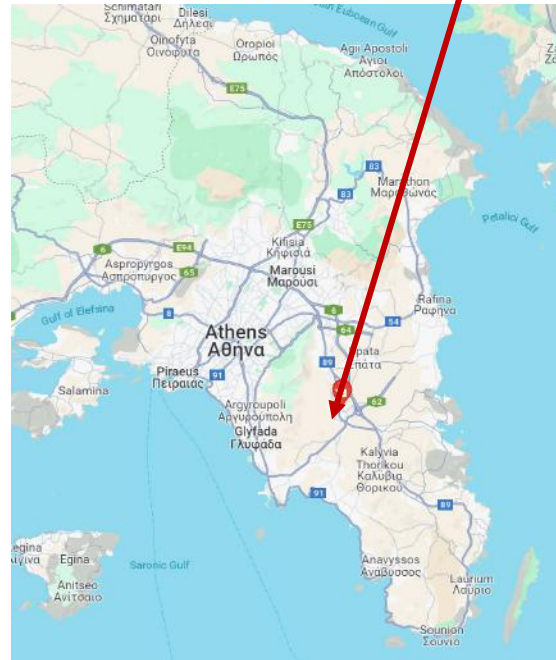
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
Lambrika Koropiou, P.O. 194 00  
Attica

Web:  
Email:  
Phone: +30.210.6625524

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Abbess, Gerontissa Theonymph – (Greek)



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## GREECE

City/State: Mytilini, The Island of Lesbos

Monastic Brotherhood in front of the "Holy Hospital" of Mytilene

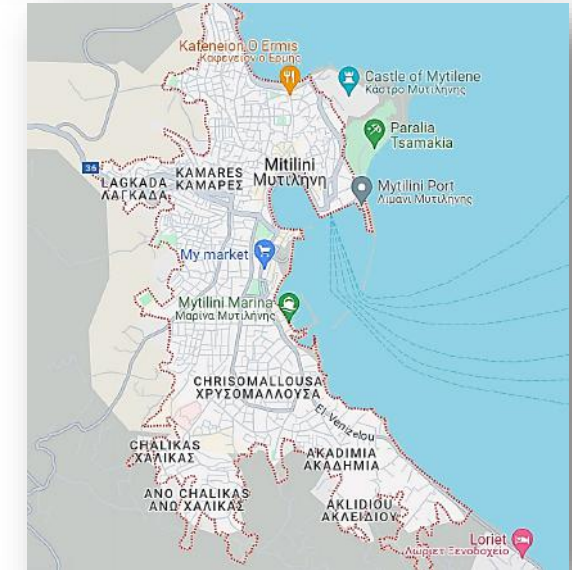
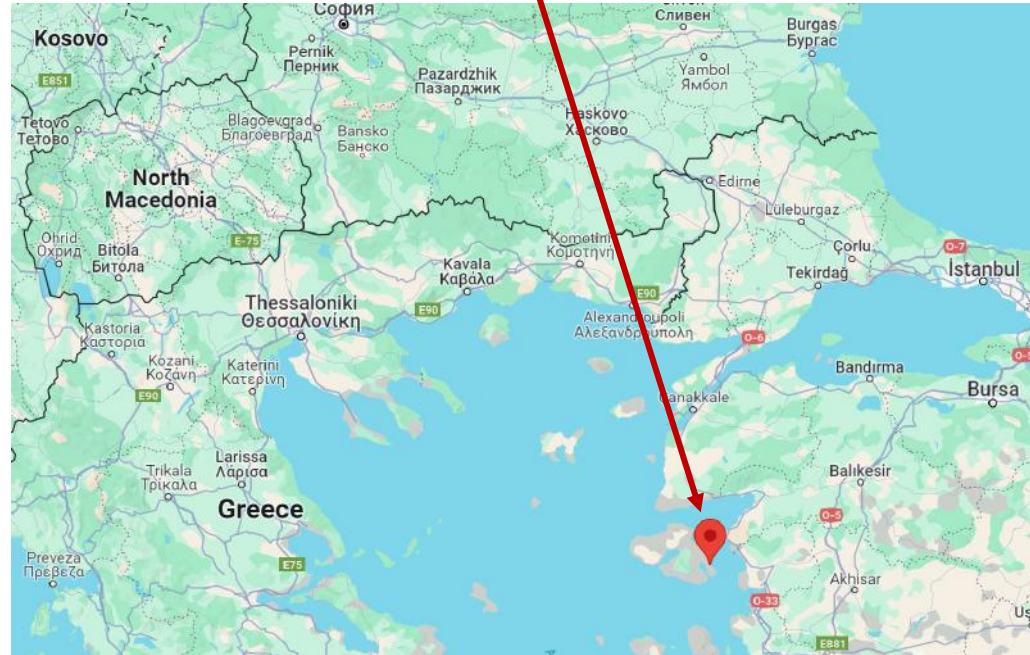
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
Katsakuleion Girls' Boarding School  
Bostani E 72 811 00

Web:  
Email:  
Phone:

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Gerontissa Ionia – (American)



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## GREECE

City/State: Orthonies, Zakynthos Islands

Holy Monastery of the Most Holy Theotokos "Spelaiotissis"

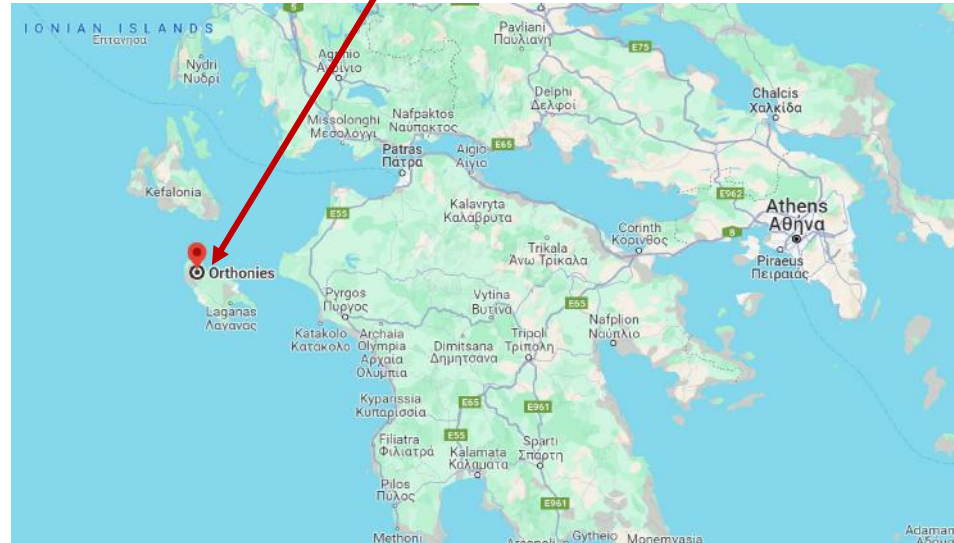
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
290 91 Orthonies  
Zakynthos Island, Greece

Web: [www.Spilaiotissa.org](http://www.Spilaiotissa.org)  
Email: [IMSpilaiotissas@gmail.com](mailto:IMSpilaiotissas@gmail.com)  
Phone: +30.697.6341699

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Gerontissa Niki – (Ukrainian)



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## GREECE

City/State: Strofades, Zakynthos Islands

"Transfiguration Saviour" Holy Monastery of Strofados

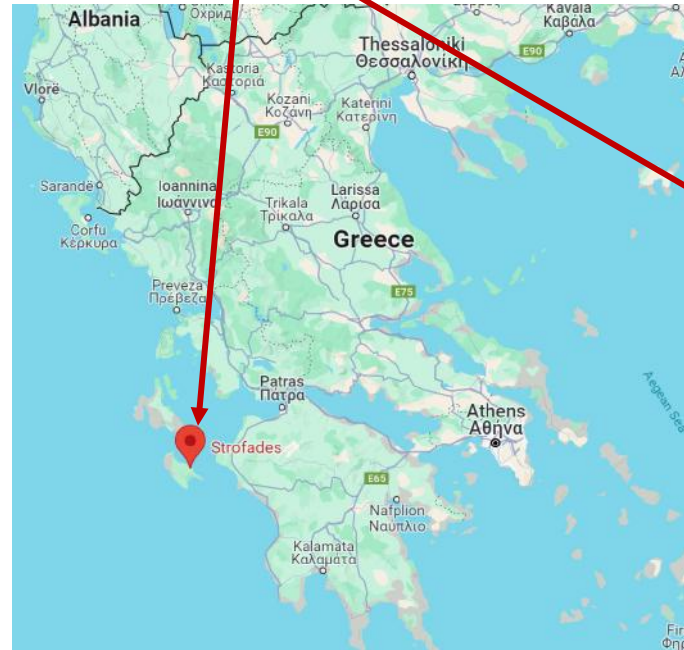
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
290 90 Strofades  
Zakynthos Island, Greece

Web:  
Email:  
Phone: +30.26950 22950

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Unknown



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## GREECE

City/State: Volimes, Zakynthos Islands

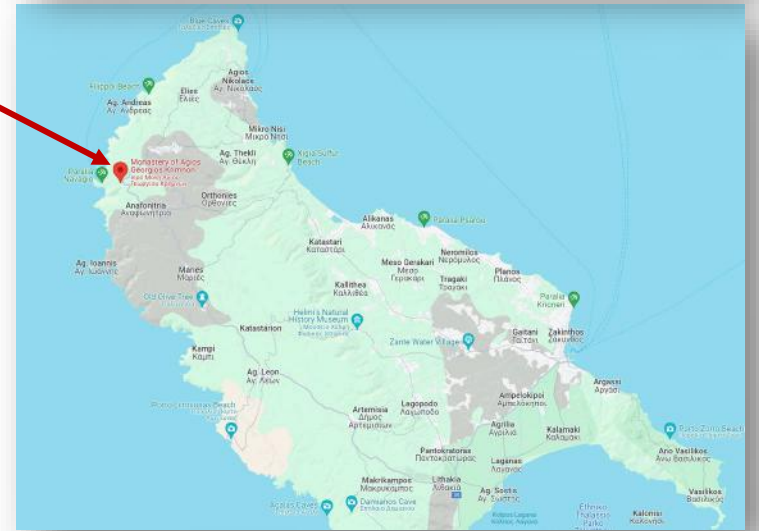
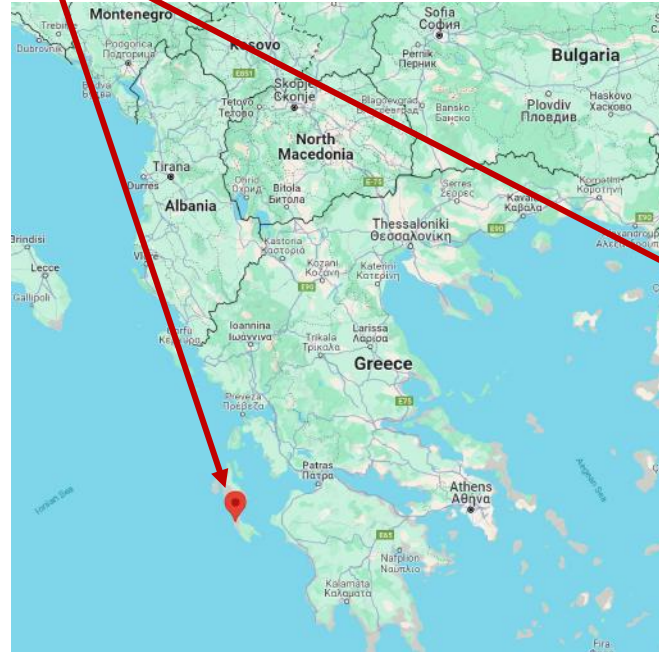
Holy Monastery of "Great George of Krimnon"

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
290 90 Volimes  
Zakynthos Island, Greece

Web:  
Email: [Krimnon@fhc.org](mailto:Krimnon@fhc.org)  
Phone: +30.697.8118600

Senior Cult Members On-Site:  
(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Unknown





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## GREECE

City/State: Karditsas, Greece

Holy Monastery of Agios Georgios "Karaiskaki"

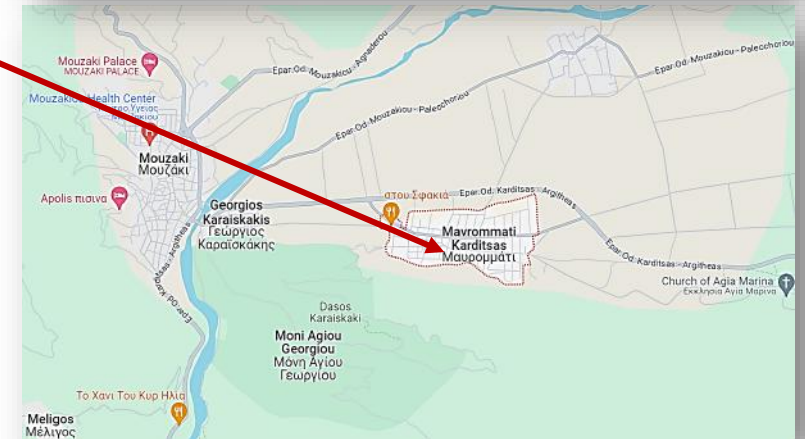
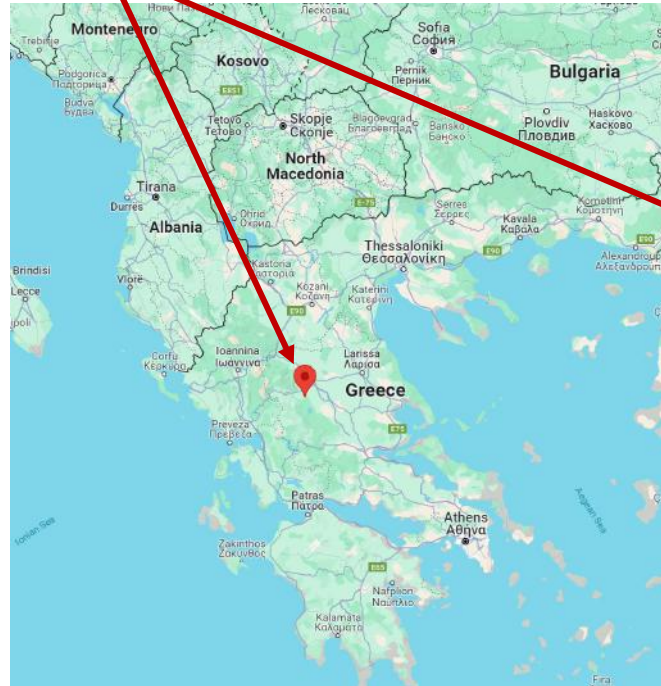
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
430 60 Mavrommati  
Karditsas, Greece

Web:  
Email: [Anathima@fhc.org](mailto:Anathima@fhc.org)  
Phone: +30.697.8118629

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Gerontissa Myriam – (German/Greek)



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## GREECE

City/State: Karditsas, Greece

Holy Monastery of Petra Agrafon

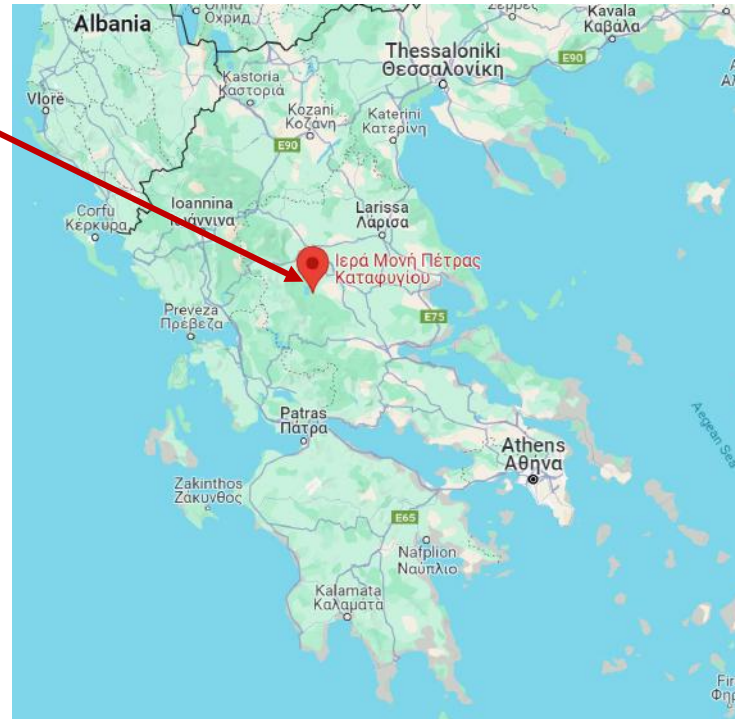
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
431 00 Katafygion  
Karditsas, Greece

Web:  
Email: [MoniPetras@fhc.org](mailto:MoniPetras@fhc.org)  
Phone: +30.697.8118604

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Archimandrite Emilianos – (Greek)



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## GREECE

City/State: Thebes, Boeotia

Holy Monastery of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

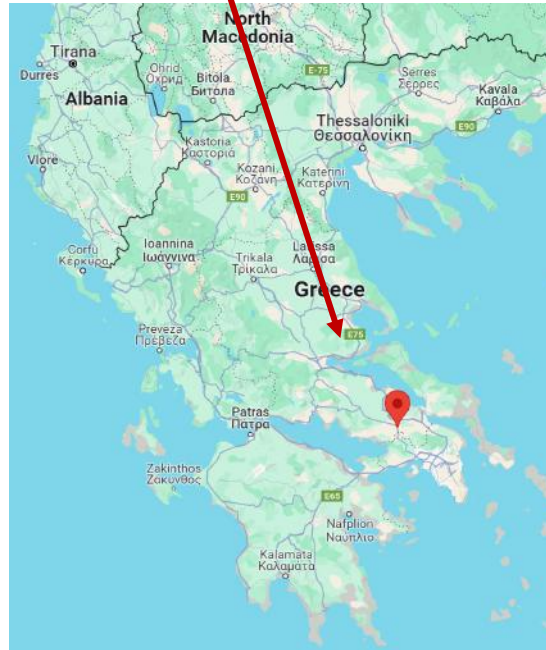
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
32000 Thebes  
Boeotia, Greece

Web:  
Email: [ypososis@fhc.org](mailto:ypososis@fhc.org)  
Phone: +30.226.2062265

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Gerontissa Hieronymi – (Greek)



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## GREECE

City/State: Attica

Private Owned Monastic Estate “Assumption of the Virgin”

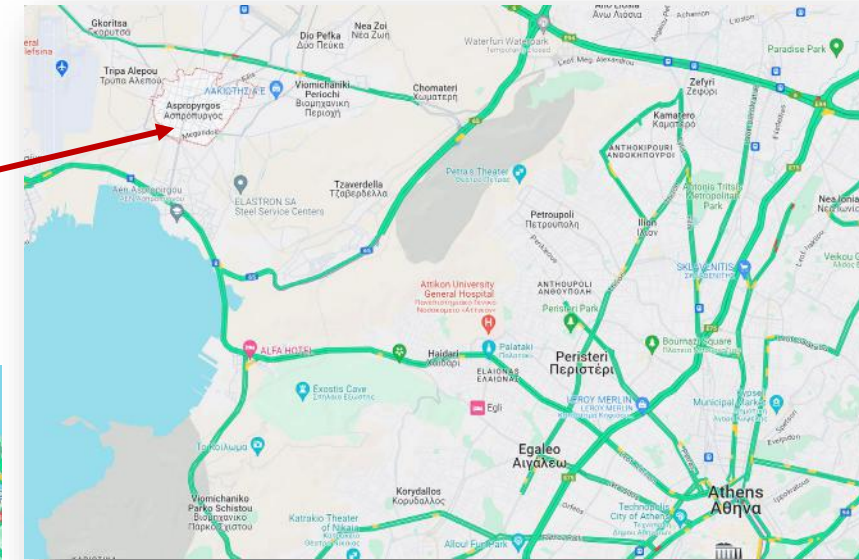
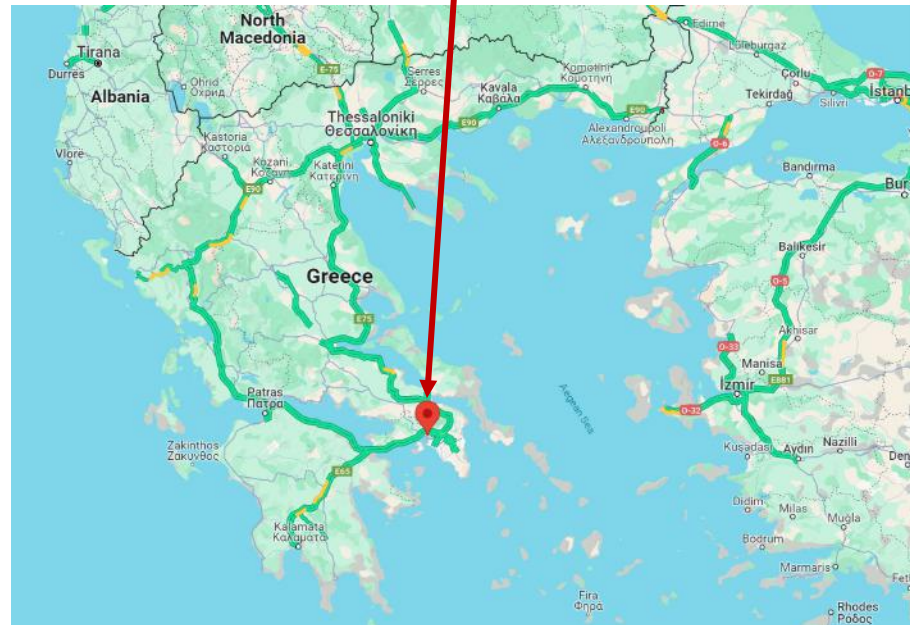
(DKC Cult Location)

Address:  
193 00 Aspropyrgos  
Attica, Greece

Web: [Koimisis-Aspropyrgos.org](http://Koimisis-Aspropyrgos.org)  
Email: [Aspropyrgos@fhc.org](mailto:Aspropyrgos@fhc.org)  
Phone: +30.6971851776

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Unknown



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## FRANCE

City/State: Busy

Hieron Archiepiscopikon - Stavropeyion Metochion “Our Lady of Kazan”

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

4, Chemin des Landoz,  
25320 Busy, France

Web:

Email: [irmengardmonahi@gmail.com](mailto:irmengardmonahi@gmail.com)

Phone: +33 783555464

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown – (Cult Name) Elder Irmengard – (German)



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## ITALY

City/State: Sicily

Hieron Archiepiscopikon - StavroPeion Metochion of "Evangelism of the Theotokos"

(DKC Cult Location)

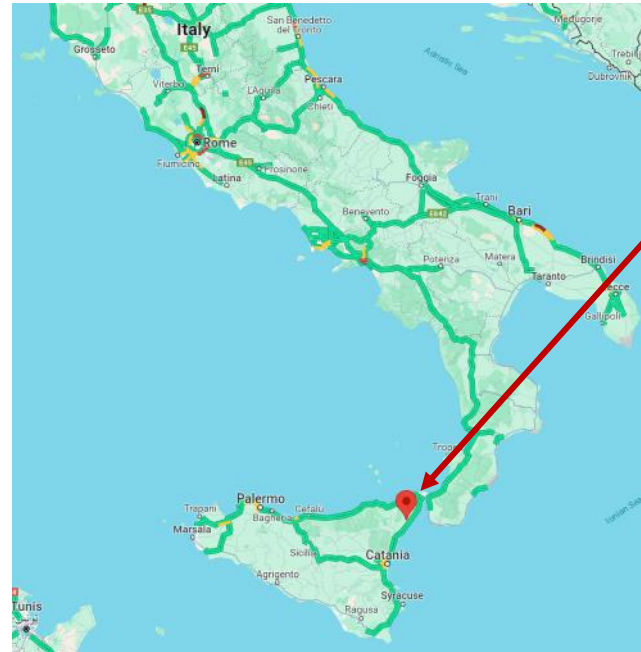
Address:

Badia 98020, Mandanici (ME),  
Sicily, Italy

Web: [Monastero-Mandanici.it](http://Monastero-Mandanici.it)

Email: [dionysia.abbess@gmail.com](mailto:dionysia.abbess@gmail.com)

Phone: +30.697.3757854 or  
+39 35 10 55 57 66



Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown (Cult Name) Gerontissa Dionysia – (Bélarussien)

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## ITALY

City/State: Stilo

Hieron Archiepiscopikon - StavroPeion Metochion of "Panagia Stylus & Three Saints"

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

Piazza San Giovanni Theristis 1  
89049 Stilo, Italy

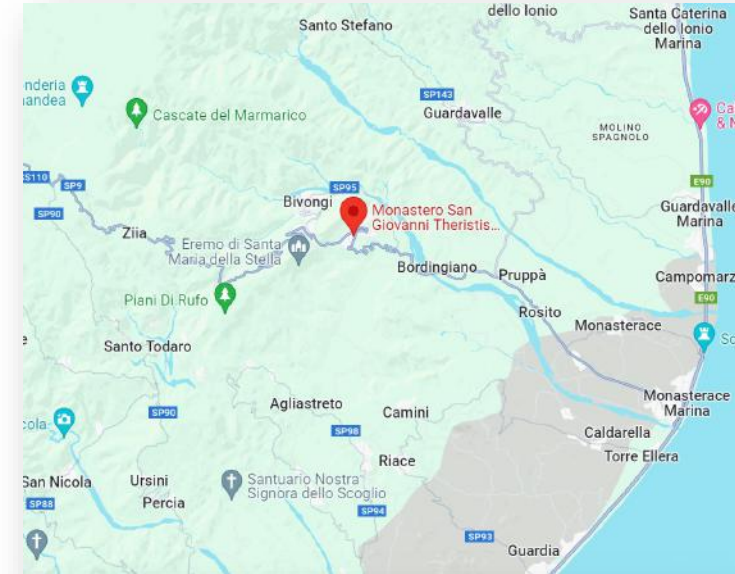
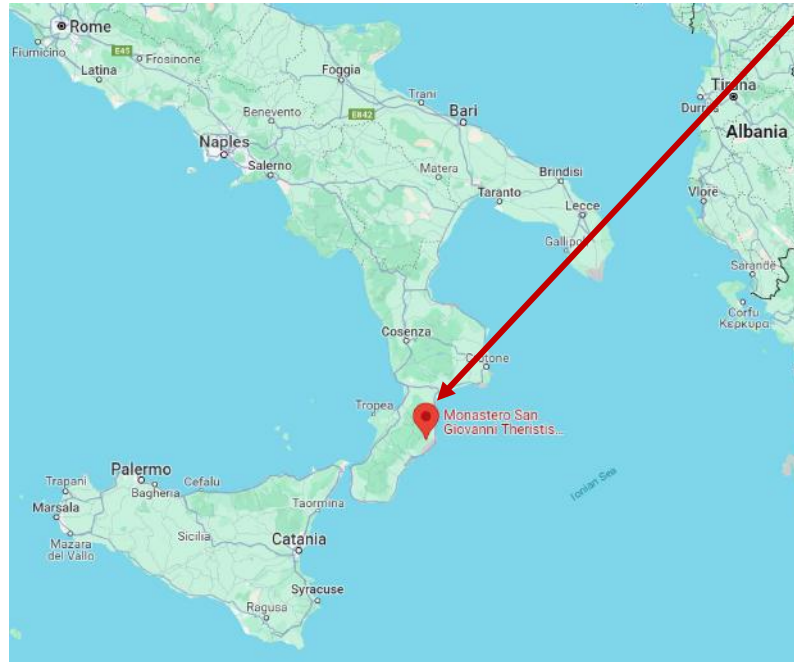
Web: [Monastero-Stilo.it](http://Monastero-Stilo.it)

Email: [monastero.stilo@fhc.org](mailto:monastero.stilo@fhc.org)

Phone: +39.388.9364245

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown (Cult Name) Archimandrite Nilos



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## ITALY

City/State: Adelfia, Provincia di Bari

Hieron Archiepiscopikon - StavroPeion Metohion "Agiou Tryphonos"

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

Corso Umberto 52

70010 Adelfia

Provincia di Bari, Italy

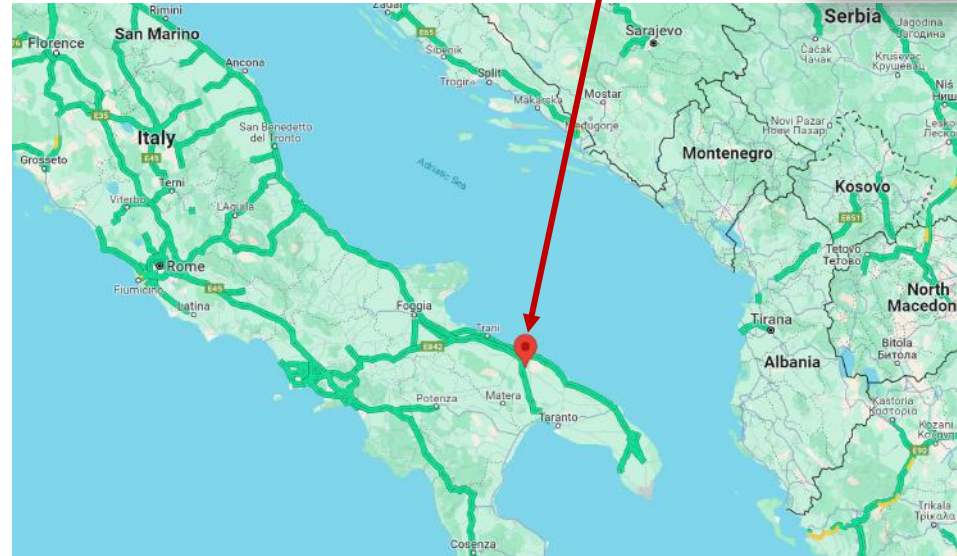
Web: [Monastero-Stilo.it](http://Monastero-Stilo.it)

Email: [monastero-santrifone.org](mailto:monastero-santrifone.org)

Phone: +39.388.9364245

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown (Cult Name) Archimandrite Daniel – (Georgian)





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## ISRAEL

City/State: Bethlehem, Palestine

Private Owned Monastery Estate "Kat' Onar" Bethlehem

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

Milk Grotto St.  
Bethlehem, Palestine  
Israel

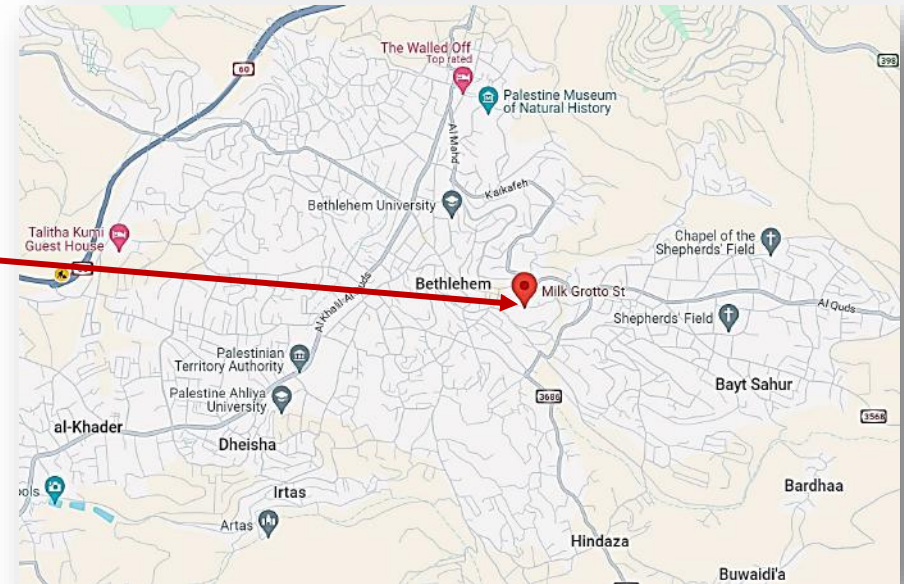
Web: [Monastero-Stilo.it](http://Monastero-Stilo.it)

Email: [MilkGrotto@fhc.org](mailto:MilkGrotto@fhc.org)

Phone: +30.6978118612

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown (Cult Name) Gerontissa Nazarini – (Israeli)



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## TURKEY

City/State: Antalya

Private Monastic Estate “Agiou Panteleimonos”

(DKC Cult Location)

Address:

N. 119 D. 1, Aksu  
Antalya, Turkey

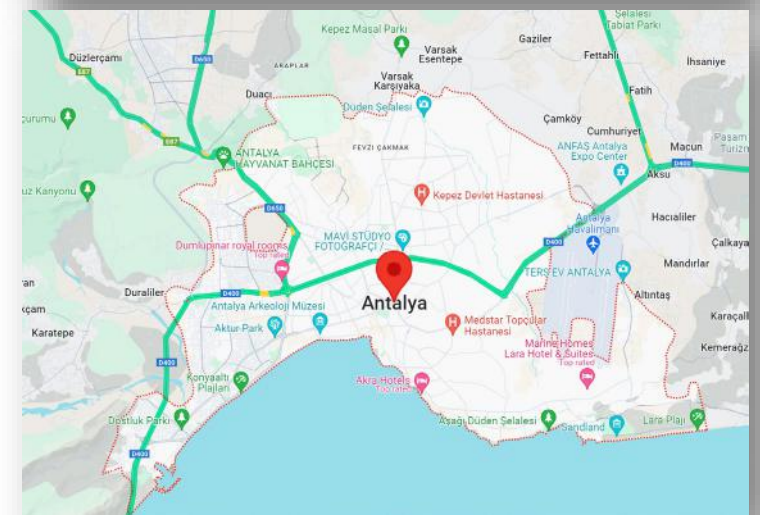
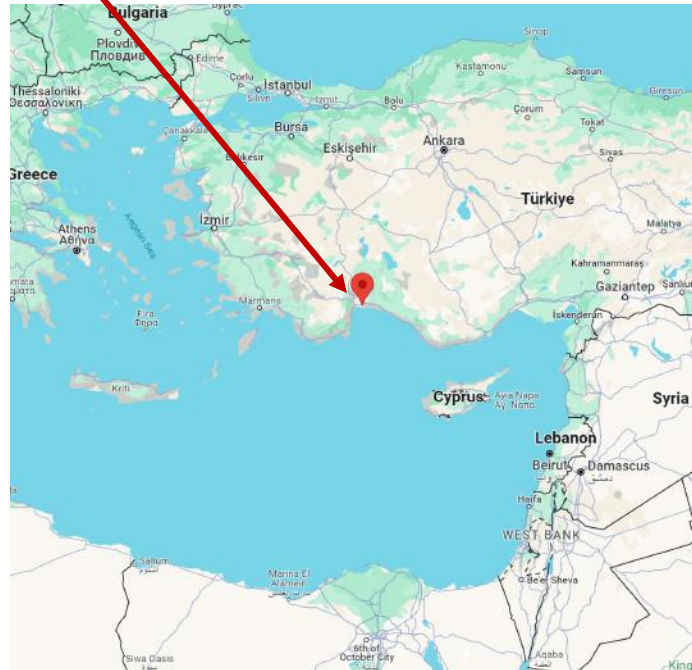
Web: [Attaleia.org](http://Attaleia.org)

Email: [SaintPanteleimon@fhc.org](mailto:SaintPanteleimon@fhc.org)

Phone: +90. 0552 634 5631

Senior Cult Members On-Site:

(Real Name) Unknown (Cult Name) Archimandrite Valsamon- (Palestinian)



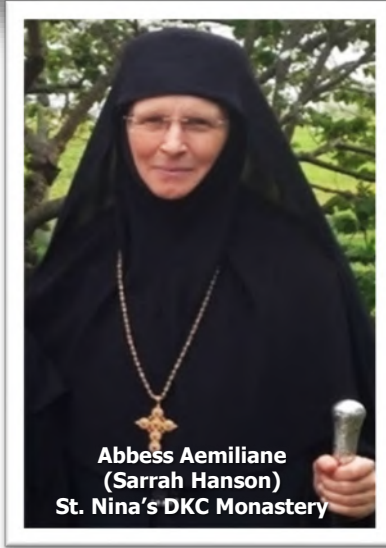
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## MANY OFFICIALS IN THE ORTHODOX CHURCH COMMUNITY SAY GEORGIOS NIKOLAOU KALABOKAS IS A "CULT LEADER"

Dear in the Lord Abbess Aemiliane,

It is my clear understanding that you and your sisters do not wish under any circumstances to be separated in any way from your beloved elder, the Very Reverend Archimandrite Dionysios of Petra. Indeed, when you were released to the jurisdiction of His Eminence Metropolitan Jonah, such reference was made a condition of your future foundation, as it was when you entered ROCOR. The same was repeated to His Grace Bishop George, together with the appointed diocesan commission, when they met with you in June of this year. And recently I have received a letter of Hieromonk Basil (Land), chaplain of your monastery, which vigorously defended the continuation of this allegiance – a conviction which I am certain that you share with all of your co-laborers, being of one mind and will.

At the same time we in our Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia, of which I by the mercy of God find myself in the position of First Hierarch, can no longer support or accept a monastic foundation whose Charter and Constitution make reference to a spiritual father living in Greece and answering to an entirely different Local Church.



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### Directive

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I have directed Archpriest Victor Potapov, Dean of the South, to come to the monastery at his earliest possible convenience, and I direct you to arrange for Archpriest Vladimir Danilevich to deliver to him the Antimension and Holy Chrism from your monastery temple.

+ Hilarion

Metropolitan Hilarion of Eastern America and New York  
First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia

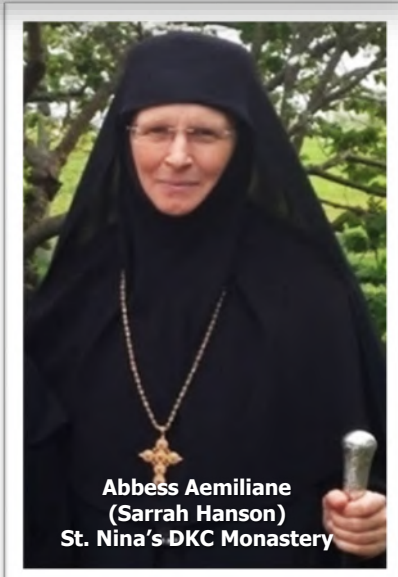


cc:  
Metropolitan Cyrill II of Thessaliotis & Phanariophersala  
Bishop George of Mayfield  
Archpriest Serge Lukianov, Diocesan Secretary  
Archpriest Victor Potapov, Dean of the South

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I write to you to inform you that I feel compelled to hereby ban and prohibit any and all contact between clergy and laity of our Holy Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA and the so-called monasteries of St. Nina (a female community), located in Union Bridge, MD and of the Holy Trinity (a male community) located in Burnsville, NC or with any individuals representing either of these communities. They are presently under the spiritual authority of the Patriarchate of Georgia.

Individuals presently residing and acting in these communities have been active within at least two other Orthodox jurisdictions here in the USA and others elsewhere in the world. I have met with and been informed about a number of individuals who have had dealings with these communities or members thereof resulting in too many unanswered questions about their recruiting methods and other activities, which have led me to this decision. I truly fear for the spiritual safety of anyone associating with these communities because of their activities and association with certain figures – non-residents of the USA.



Abbess Aemiliane  
(Sarah Hanson)  
St. Nina's DKC Monastery



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732-356-0659

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732-356-0132

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732-469-1018

TO: ALL CLERGY OF THE UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE USA

RE: RELATIONSHIPS WITH CERTAIN "MONASTERIES" IN MARYLAND AND NORTH CAROLINA

Dear Reverend Fathers and Pastors of our Ukrainian Orthodox Parishes,

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

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I must be protective of the clergy and faithful placed under my spiritual care, those of all ages and at all stages of spiritual growth. Please communicate this prohibition to any members of your parish communities who have in the past had or may potentially have contact in the future with these communities. I do not believe that there is a necessity to make a public proclamation of this prohibition during liturgical services or otherwise. I do not want to create a "banned in Rome" syndrome, which very frequently led to increased sales of the banned object. I do believe that you know your individual flocks and those of your membership who might consider visiting monastic communities seeking to enhance their spiritual lives and growth, which is normally a good and positive step. You should, however, be prepared to offer them guidance about our very strong reservations and fears concerning these communities.

I assure you all of my prayers on a daily basis and I ask for yours for this unworthy soul, as well.

In the All-encompassing Love of our Risen Lord,

+ ANTONY  
By the Grace of God, Metropolitan

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**Abbess Thavoria  
(Edel Trenaea Gillebo)  
St Olav's DKC Monastery**

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22.02. 2016 .

To Nun Tavoria, Abbess of the Convent of King Olaf,

I greet you with a brotherly love in Christ and congratulate you on the Nativity and the beginning of the New Year; the present letter has been written by me with the blessing of the Catholicos-Patriarch of All Georgia:

In 2014 with the blessing of the Catholicos-Patriarch of All Georgia, a monastery and a convent were founded in Norway. Archimandrite Dionysius (Bordzikuli) was appointed Abbot of the monastery of the brotherhood, while you were appointed Abbess of the convent.

The rational motive for the Church of Georgia to found the aforementioned monasteries in Norway was to render guidance to the Georgian population living in this country; besides, because of the fact that the functioning of the Orthodox Church in this country had not been encouraged by the Greek Church, as you have told us, and neither were you willing to join the Ecumenical Patriarchate or any Orthodox Church, you asked our Church to found spiritual centers in your country.

The Church of Georgia received you under Her omophorion on one condition – that everything would be done and accomplished with the blessing of the Catholicos-Patriarch of All Georgia and the Hierarch assigned to your supervision by him (personally I, as an auxiliary bishop, was assigned to fulfill this obligation). However, you have fully neglected this condition.

The baptism and tonsure of Ramzi, which were the most uncanonical and incorrect actions, is another subject for consideration (which later was the reason for the withdrawal of Archimandrite Dionysius (Bordzikuli)). However, in this letter it will be suffice to dwell on the recent letters we received from the brotherhood of the monastery and point out the mistakes made in them:

1. In connection with the withdrawal of Archimandrite Dionysius (Bordzikuli), you wanted (for a certain period as you mentioned) to elect the abbot; and for this purpose, at first you chose Archimandrite Panteleimon, and

later Archimandrite Athanasius. You took action on this matter without having agreed upon it beforehand with me or the Catholicos-Patriarch, which is a complete disregard of the Canons of the Church

2. Apart from it, you chose both of the candidates for the post of the Abbot from the monasteries under the jurisdiction of another church. Persons serving in such circumstances do not have any right to simply serve in monasteries which are under the jurisdiction of another church without our blessing, let alone fulfilling obligations of an Abbot. This is a very serious abrogation.

3. It is a very regrettable fact that the brotherhood of the Monastery of Saint Queen Sunniva and, as it appears, the sisterhood of the convent under your supervision has been increased in number entirely uncanonically and this was also autocratically executed and based on the letter of Archimandrite Dionysius (Bordzikuli).

I was only informed about it a month later, and you, not even having waited for the delivery of my letter, admitted other members into the monastery prior to my reply.

4. In the letter, dated by 11<sup>th</sup> August, you indicate that Archimandrite Panteleimon expected to be granted citizenship by the President of Georgia. This may be correct from the point of view of secular laws; however, the blessing and the recommendation on the citizenship of Georgia for any representative of the Orthodox Church, and more so for a clergyman who is in a close relationship with the Church of Georgia, should be received from the Patriarchate of Georgia or directly from the Catholicos-Patriarch for it is a simple rule of subordination, obligatory for everyone to observe. A similar mistake was made in the case of Mother Diodora, but it must not be repeated again.

5. In the second half of December of the current year, the secular persons and the clergy who arrived in Georgia did not beforehand take my blessing on the arrival, they did not even see me, neither did they contact me by phone to find out things about themselves although they knew very well that they had problems that required clarification, which is another proof of their incorrect acting without a blessing.

6. As we were informed by the brotherhood, two or three months ago some of their representatives were sent by them to the Ecumenical Patriarchate, with a suggestion that the monasteries of Norway be transferred into the jurisdiction of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. This also was done independently from us.

7. All this manifests by itself the fact that you yourself neglect the jurisdiction of the Church of Georgia and her Canons. Due to the fact that there has not taken place a formation of the Georgian parish in Norway, and the monasteries have not been officially registered as the property of the Church of Georgia, nor have we established the typikon for these monasteries and, apart from it, you have changed your attitude towards the

matter and seek a relationship with the Ecumenical Patriarchate, we deem this step (seeking a close relationship with the Ecumenical Patriarchate) most justifiable to be taken from your side.

The return of the monasteries of Norway into the bosom of the Ecumenical Patriarchate will let you and the Patriarchate of Georgia avoid numerous problems.

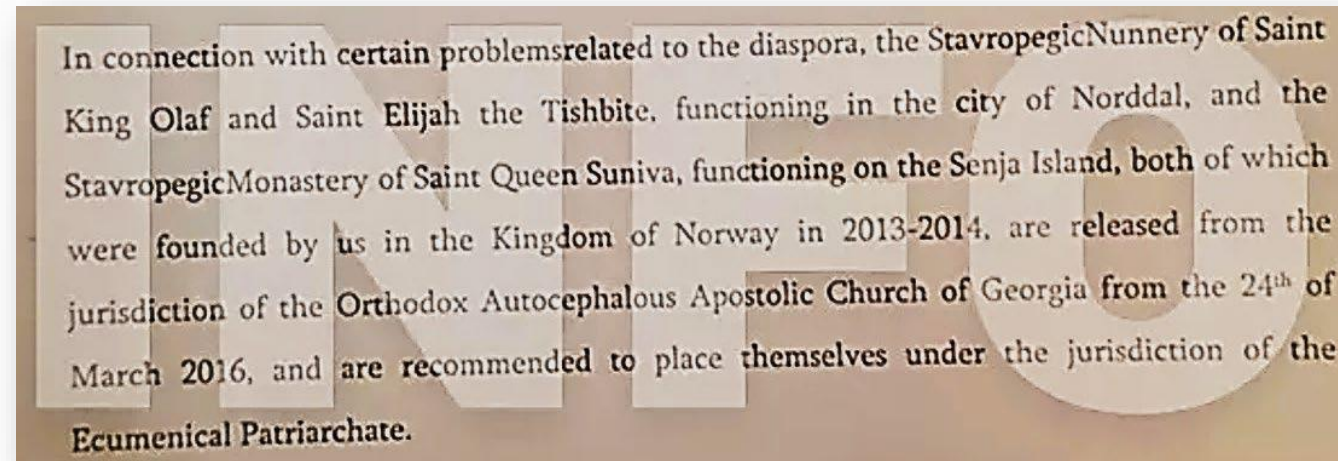
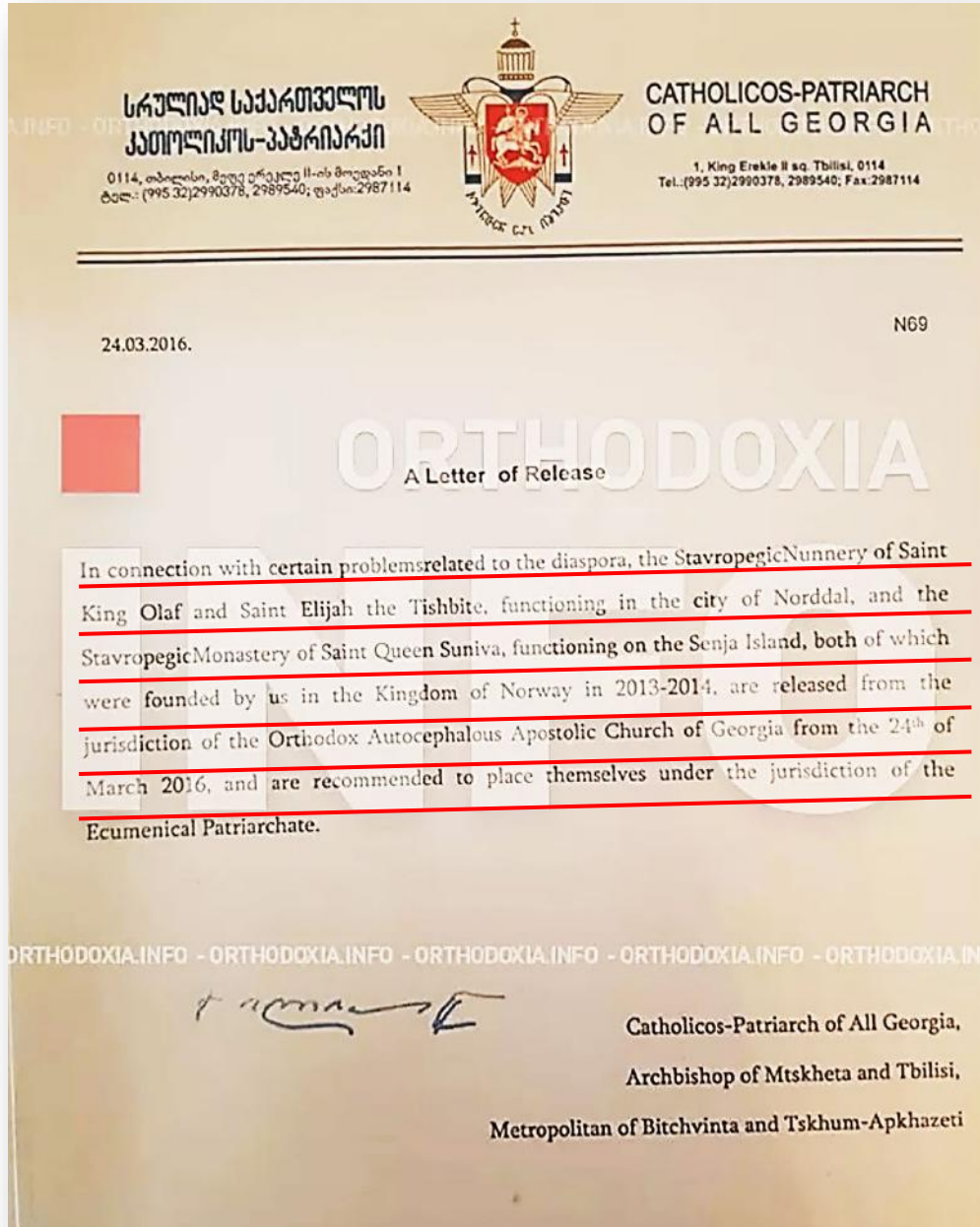
Mother Tavoria, I am sending you the present letter in order to get acquainted with it and make it known to the brotherhood of the monastery, and take the proper decision.

May God bless you.

Vicar of catholicos-patriarch  
Of all Georgia

Metropolitan Teodore (Tchudze)

# MANY OFFICIALS IN THE ORTHODOX CHURCH COMMUNITY SAY GEORGIOS NIKOLAOU KALABOKAS IS A "CULT LEADER"



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ეს ორი ახალგაზრდა ადრე სხვა და სხვა ღონისძიებაზე რამდენჯერმე ესტუმრა საპატრიარქოს. მათდამი იყო კეთილგანწყობა, მაგრამ აღნიშნულ თემაზე საუბარი არასოდეს არავისთან შემდგარა.

აწლანას კი ისინი, უკვე აღკვეცილები წარუდგანენ მის უწმინდესობას სამების საკათედრო ტაძარში წირვის დროს და იქ უთხრეს მომხდარის შესახებ.

შევნიშნავთ, რომ არქიმანდრიტი დიონისე (კოლუმბოკასი) არის საბერძნეთის ეკლესიის მღვდელმსახური და მას საქართველოს ეკლესიის წევრების აღკვეცა არ უნდა განეორციელებინა ჩვენის მხრიდან სათანადო ნებართვის გარეშე; მით უმეტეს აღნიშნული პიროვნებები არიან 18-20 წლისანი და მორჩილად ყოფნის პერიოდში არა აქვთ გავლილი.

არქიმანდრიტი დიონისესაგან ეს არის მორიგი სერიოზული დარღვევა და უნებში არასწორი ქმედება.

დიდ-სქემოსანმა ბერმა ირინეოსმა, (იგივე მათე შენგელიამ) და დიდ-სქემოსანმა ბერმა იერონიმემ (იგივე გიორგი ქათამაძემ) არჩევანი თვითონ გააკეთეს და ისინი ამიერიდან საქართველოს ეკლესიის იურისდიქციას აღარ ეკუთვნიან.

საქართველოს საპატრიარქო  
18 მაისი 2016 წელი



Abbess Thavoria  
(Edel Irenaea Gillebo)  
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### A little explanation

For three days now, information has been posted on the Internet about Mate Shengelia, a student of the second year of the Tbilisi Theological Seminary, and Giorgi Katamadze, a member of the Youth European Parliament, a student of the twelfth grade, who were caught in a big scheme by Archimandrite Dionysius (surname Kolumbokas) in Greece. Information is being spread through personal conversations that it seems that this happened entirely with the blessing of the Catholicos-Patriarch of Georgia, which is not true.

These two young men had previously visited the Patriarchate several times on different occasions. There was goodwill towards them, but the conversation on the mentioned topic never took place with anyone.

Recently, they, already excommunicated, came to His Holiness during the service in the Trinity Cathedral and told him about the incident.

We note that Archimandrite Dionysius (Kolumbokas) is a priest of the Church of Greece and he should not have excommunicated the members of the Church of Georgia without proper permission from our side; All the more so that these persons are 18-20 years old and have not passed the period of being submissive.

This is another serious violation and gross misconduct from Archimandrite Dionysius.

The great-schemosani monk Irineos (the same Mate Shengelia) and the great-schemosani monk Ieronime (the same Giorgi Katamadze) made their own choice and from now on they no longer belong to the jurisdiction of the Church of Georgia.

Patriarchate of Georgia  
May 18, 2016

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After a thorough investigation caused by various warnings raised by faithful and hierarchs from around the world, with sorrow in Our soul and broken heart, hereby We withdraw Our Letter of Decrees for Canonical Reception, Dated on the 28th of July 2017, somehow quoted differently in your Acknowledging Letter from 14/23 September 2017 under "8 April 2017"(?), which is quite confusing as I knew nothing of Yours respectful sisterhood and future intentions in April 2017, and in accord with the findings issue to you:

Please, be advised of the following: from this date and on We do not count you any longer under Our jurisdiction of the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate and the Diocese of Great Britain and Scandinavia and orderly suspend any right to present your selves in public or in private, individually or in group, as part of our monastic order, and forbid the use of Our Holy Diocese Name for your own sake in the future.



Abbess Thavoria  
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TO: THE LEADERSHIP OF "DET PATRIARKALE - STAVROPEGIALE KLOSTER: DEN HELIGE KONG OLAV OG PROFET ELIAS, SUNNIVA. NORWAY

RE: Our Ref. No.219/220 from 28.07.2017 & Your Ref. Reg. No. 35 from 14/23 September 2017

Dears in Christ Sister Thavoria with your Sisterhood

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## THE BILL OF DIVORCEMENT - CANONICAL RELEASE

Praying for yours all and hoping that you will find someone else who can welcome you into the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, providing you with full guidance and necessary spiritual care for the benefit to the Church and your own salvation.

Please, be advised of the following: from this date and on We do not count you any longer under Our jurisdiction of the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate and the Diocese of Great Britain and Scandinavia and orderly suspend any right to present your selves in public or in private, individually or in group, as part of our monastic order, and forbid the use of Our Holy Diocese Name for your own sake in the future.

With God's blessing

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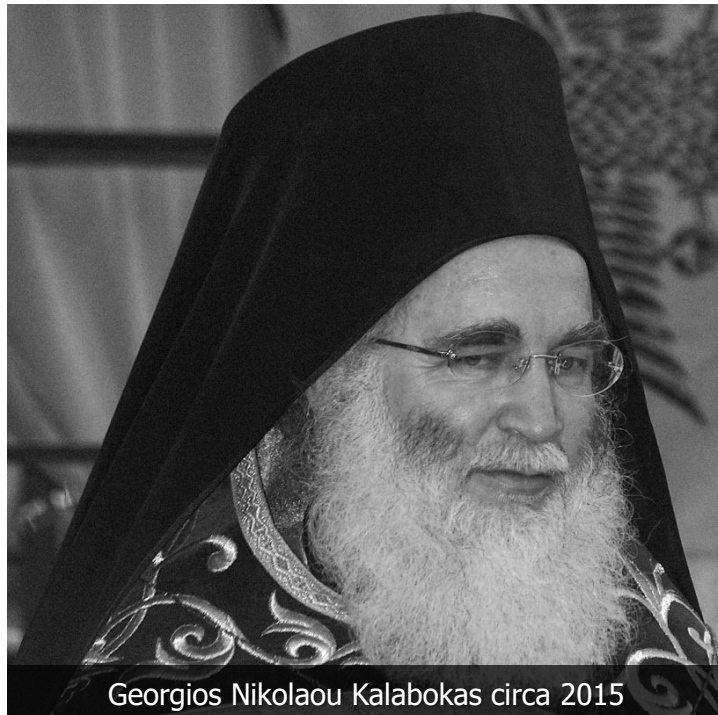




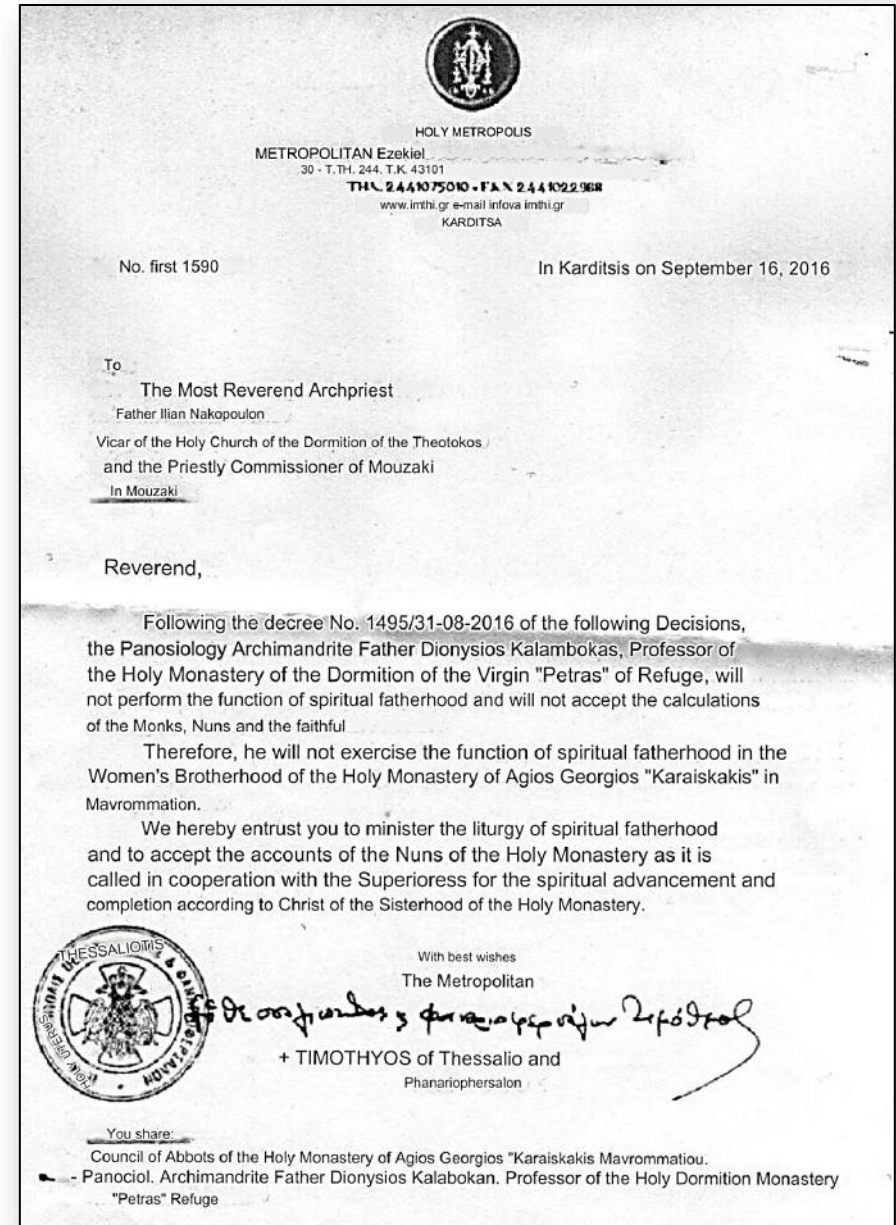
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Following the decree No. 1495/31-08-2016 of the following Decisions, the Panosiology Archimandrite Father Dionysios Kalambokas, Professor of the Holy Monastery of the Dormition of the Virgin "Petras" of Refuge, will not perform the function of spiritual fatherhood and will not accept the calculations of the Monks, Nuns and the faithful

Therefore, he will not exercise the function of spiritual fatherhood in the Women's Brotherhood of the Holy Monastery of Agios Georgios "Karaiskakis" in Mavrommaton.



Georgios Nikolaou Kalabokas circa 2015



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→CHURCH OF GREECE

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## The Holy Synod of the Church of Greece deposed the former Archimandrite Dionysios Kalabokas

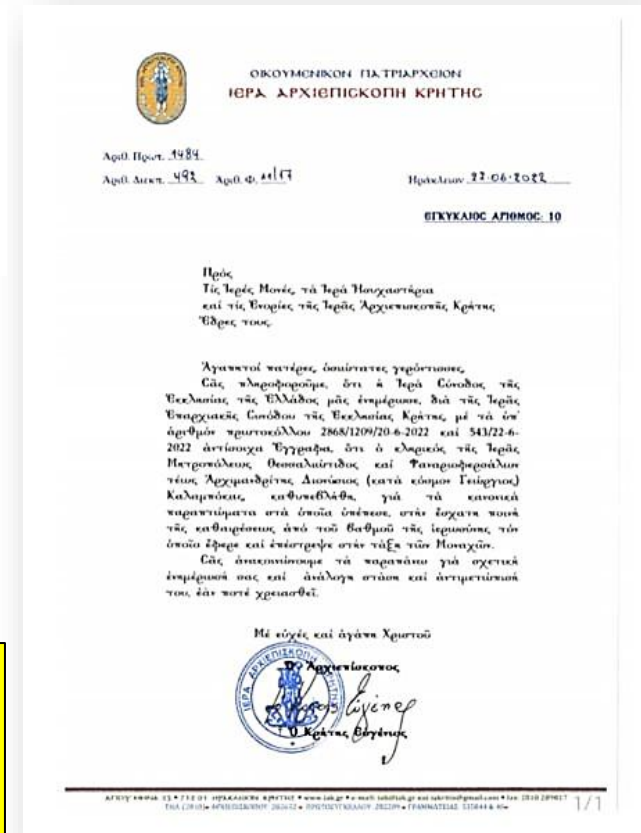
The Holy Synod of the Church of Greece recently imposed the ultimate penalty for ordination, that of removal from the rank of priesthood, to the hitherto Archimandrite Dionysios (real name George) Kalaboka (of the Holy Metropolis of Thessaliotides and Phanariophersalon), due to canonical offenses in which fell, restoring him to the order of Monks. The news became known through a circular of the Archbishop of Crete Mr. Eugenios (June 22, 2022) to the Monks and Nuns of the Archdiocese of Crete, which reads as follows:

The deposed priest was the spiritual father and founder of numerous monastic brotherhoods throughout the Orthodox world, two of which were in Zakynthos. The first was the male one in the Holy Monastery of Agios Georgios in Krimna and the second was the female one in the Holy Monastery of Speliotissa in Orthonion.

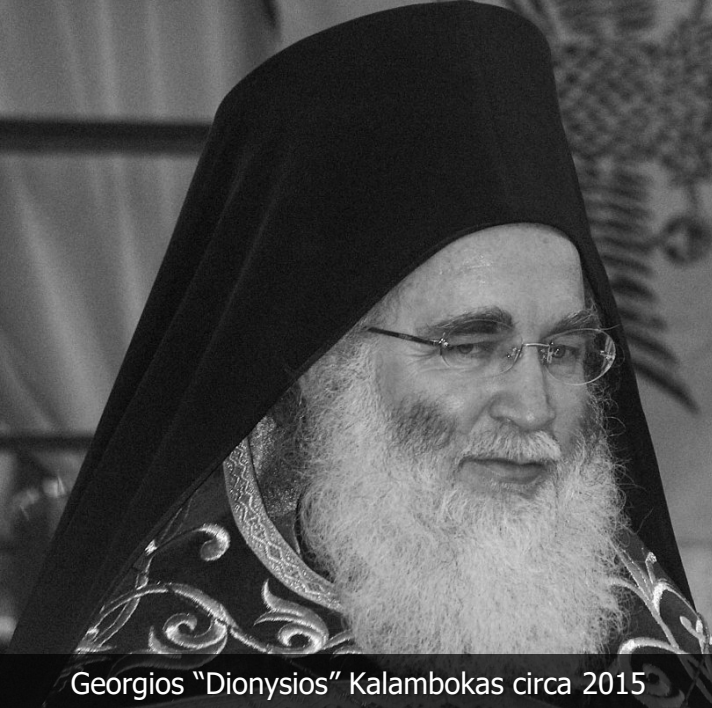
According to information from [nyxthimeron.com](https://nyxthimeron.com), he himself, having contracted Covid-19 more than a year ago, was hospitalized for a long time in an intensive care unit in Greece and abroad. Today, he is in a rehabilitation center abroad, where his spiritual children take care of him, struggling to regain strength from the painful adventure of his health.



Georgios Nikolaou Kalabokas circa 2022



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Georgios "Dionysios" Kalambokas circa 2015

# The women, men, and communities that become victims of "The Dionysios Kalambokas Cult" eventually escape his influence & control long enough to escape and realize the truth of he has been subjecting them to.

## One such story is Elisabeth Roest Kempemo.

*«Kontrollen er alvorlig, den påvirker deg så dypt, du blir sakte, men sikkert hjernevasket.»*

ELISABETH ROEST KEMPAMO, TIDLIGERE NONNE

Elisabeth Roest Kempemo har fått lære en kjole, den svarte nonnedrakta er kastet. Nå sitter hun på en benk på en flyplass og kikler seg over skuldra. Året er 2006.

Har noen sett henne? Vil de komme? Vil de overtale henne til å bli?

De siste fire åra har hun viet alle sine våkne sekunder til gud, til klosterarbeid, bibellesning og skrifting i et kloster i Hellas. Nå har hun rømt.

Hva får noen til å gi opp hele sitt liv, for å vie det til noen andre?

Hadde du fortalt unge, svenske Elisabeth at hun en dag skulle arrangere sin egen avskjedsfest, si ha det til tantebarn, foreldre, og venner – og forlate sitt gamle liv for å vie resten til gud – hadde hun aldri trodd deg.

Jeg hadde aldri tenkt at jeg skulle bli nonne. Det fantes ikke i mine tanker, sier den nå 56 år gamle kvinnen til Dagbladet.

Elisabeth er oppvokst i en ikke-religiøs familie i Linköping i Sverige. Først da hun studerte var det ei venninne som introduserte henne for religion. På reise i India etter endte studier møtte Elisabeth guruer og misjonær, og kjente at interessen for religion økte. Seinerne skulle hun gifte seg i Sverige.

Omtrent samtidig som ekteskapet tok slutt etter ti år, fikk Elisabeth en pakke i posten av sin gamle studievenninnne. I den lå en kalender med bilder. Venninna var blitt nonne og sto sammen med sine medsøstre i klosteret The Exaltation of the Holy Cross i Hellas.

«Hun har sikkert funnet det hun søker», sier Elisabeth om hva hun tenkte.

Selv var hun 37 år, informasjonssjef i Håll Sverige Rent og hadde det fint, sett bort ifra skilsmissem. Men noe i henne kjente en dragnng mot fellesskapet venninna var en del av. Elisabeth hadde lenge ønsket å gå dypere inn i sin egen kristne tro, og var fascinert av tanken om å leve bare for gud.

Så hun dro på besøk.

Jeg var imponert over hvordan de hadde viet livet sitt til gud. Jeg var rørt av den ortodokse kirkes liturgi, det var så valkert og mystisk, med lys, ikoner og røkelse.

Neste gang hun besøkte klosteret, halvannet år seinere, lot hun seg døpe.

Derfra gikk alt fort, forteller Elisabeth. Tilbake i Sverige fikk hun brev fra sin såkalte åndelige leder, som skal ha oppmuntret henne til å komme til dem så fort hun kunne.

– Du sa farvel til familien din?

– Ja. Jeg fortalte at jeg hadde bestemt meg for dette, at jeg skulle gå i klosteret i Hellas.

Dagbladet snakker med Elisabeth på telefon, pandemien gjør det vanskelig å møtes.

Hun ba venner, slekt og familie på avskjedsmiddag. De gikk på restaurant. Prøtet, sang.

– Det var for å treffes en siste gang. Jeg kjente meg veldig inspirert, nesten euforisk, over at jeg hadde tatt dette valget, at jeg kunne fortelle mennesker om gud ved å ta dette store steget. Det ga meg mening. Jeg var ikke mottakelig for følelser som tærer eller sorg under avskjedsfesten.

Familien, forteller hun, var i sjokk. De er kjent med omtalen i denne artikkelen.

– De kunne ikke forstå meg, sier Elisabeth. Datteren deres, som hadde vært gift i ti år, reist verden rundt og levd aktivt, skulle slette sitt gamle liv, gå i svarte klær, gi opp alle fritidsaktiviteter og vie sin tid til å tjene gud under navnet Syster Benedicte.

I desember 2001 reiste Elisabeth med en enveisbillett til Hellas.

**NRK-dokumentaren «Tro kan flytte fjell»** kom i slutten av mars. Dokumentaren handler om Elisabeths mednonner fra tida Hellas, som har flyttet til Norge i håp om å få bygge et kloster på toppen av det de anser som et hellig fjell på Vestlandet. Elisabeth medvirker som avhopper.

I dokumentaren får man et innblikk i nonnens liv. Dagbladet har forsøkt å komme i kontakt med dem, og har stilt spørsmål til en av de kvinnelige lederne i dokumentaren, Abbedisse Thavoria, som besvarer vår første henvendelse. Hun slutter å svare når vi sier hva vi lurar på, og forteller at vi har intervjuet Elisabeth Roest Kempemo.

Heller ikke mannen som anses som lederen i klosteret i Hellas, Dionysios Kalambokas, er enkel å nå. Dagbladet får aldri tak i ham, men etter et par måneder svarer nonnen Diadora, som betegnes som en av kirkeens ledere, på vegne av Kalambokas og kvinnene i klosteret. I et lengre brev til Dagbladet skriver hun at det å vie sitt liv til kirken er fullstendig frivillig. Vi skal tilbake til det.

**Når Elisabeth selv skal fortelle** om livet slik hun opplevde det i klosteret i Hellas, omtaler hun det som en blanding av et helvete og et herlig fellesskap.

– Alt man gjør blir rapportert videre, hevder hun og forteller at hun daglig skrifte til lederen, for å fortelle hva hun hadde gjort.

«I dag har jeg hadde feil tanker, jeg har kjent meg sint, sjalu, eller kom for seints», gjengir Elisabeth.

– Lederen endte med å kjenne mine innerste tanker.



### KLOSTERET

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross – Opphevelsen av Det hellige kors – ligger i byen Thebes i Boeotia i sentrale Hellas, og huser 30 nonner fra ulike land, også Norge. I dag har den religiøse gruppa fem klostre, ett av dem i Norge.



**NONNE FORKLARE:** Etter minningen kontaktes Elisabeth psykoterapeut Helena Lafgren, som har tatt utdanning på feltet for selv å ha levd i en sekt



**VELGER ÅPENHET:** Elisabeth har brukt mange år på å forstå situasjonen hun havnet i. Hun håper hennes opprinnelse kan være til hjelp for andre i lignende situasjoner.

**ALT FOR GUD:** Elisabeth elsket sine foreldre, til venstre, nevøen – som holdt farveltale – og niesa på fanget, men valgte å ta farvel.

**GJENFORENT:** Niesa hadde blitt noen år eldre, da tante

Elisabeth Roest Kempemo (a former Dionysios Kalampokas Cult "Nun" at the Monastery in Thiva, Greece) was featured in an article in the July 10, 2021 Edition of the Norwegian Magazine (Dagbladet Magasinet)

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“When Elisabeth herself tells about life as she experienced it in the monastery in Greece, she refers to it as a mixture of hell and a wonderful community.”

“Everything you do is reported on, she claims and says that she wrote to Elder Dionysios daily to tell them what she had done. Today, I had the wrong thoughts, I felt angry, jealous, or came too late, says Elisabeth. The Elder ended up knowing my innermost thoughts.”

“When at the same time, as Elisabeth tells it, you do not receive information from the outside world, and you allegedly have no idea about the criticism that exists against the spiritual leader you can easily be controlled, she believes.”

“The control is serious, it affects you so deeply, you are slowly but surely brainwashed, so that you are shielded from your own thoughts. I was not allowed to criticize Elder Dionysios. If I did, I was told that I had been listening to my demons. Then you stop criticizing. But luckily, I never stopped think these thoughts, thank goodness, Elisabeth says.”





**ALT FOR GUD:** Elisabeth elsket sine foreldre, til venstre, nevøen – som holdt farveltale – og niesa på fanget, men valgte å ta farvel.

In this photo, Elisabeth is "saying goodbye" to her family because she is leaving Sweden to join the **Dionysios Kalambokas Cult** in Greece.



**VELGER ÅPENHET:** Elisabeth har brukt mange år på å forstå situasjonen hun havnet i. Hun håper hennes åpenhet kan være til hjelp for andre i lignende situasjoner.



**ALT FOR GUD:** Elisabeth elsket sine foreldre, til venstre, nevøen – som holdt farveltale – og niesa på fanget, men valgte å ta farvel.



**GJENFORENT:** Niesa hadde blitt noen år eldre, da tante Elisabeth kom hjem.



«Det kan skje den beste. De som manipulerer er gode selgere.»

CATHRINE MOESTUE,  
PSYKOLOG

– Det var ikke mulig å bestille seg en taxi og bare reise, hevder hun.

En kort periode bodde hun av praktiske årsaker hos en familie i Thessaloniki, fordi hun studerte teologi og skulle ha eksamen i den greske byen.

– Jeg fortalte dem at jeg ville forlate klosteret og ba dem om hjelp til å låne klær og skaffe meg en flybillett. Da sendte jeg en melding til mamma og pappa: «Jeg kommer hjem. Jeg lander på Arlanda i kveld, og da lander jeg som Elisabeth, ikke som Syster Benedicte»

Hun hadde notert en tekst som vertsfamilien skulle sende på SMS til klosteret så snart flyet hadde landet på Arlanda.

Så satt hun der, på flyplassen, i en kjole fått av vertsfamilien, med bare et pass i hånda og noen penger i en lommebok.

Den kvelden tikket det innen melding på klosterets mobiltelefon, signert Elisabeth Roest Kempemo: «Jeg har forlatt klosteret og vil ikke at dere skal kontakte meg mer.»

**Det er gått 15 år** siden Elisabeth kunne klemme moren og faren sin på Arlanda.

– Jeg kan ennå kjenne følelsen.

I flere år hadde hun vanskelig for å slippe tanken om at noen skulle hente henne tilbake til Hellas. Men verst var følelsen av skam.

– Jeg skammet meg over å ha proklamert det jeg skulle, for så å snu og si at det jeg sa den gang er feil. Jeg følte også at jeg hadde forrådt gud. Det var en følelse av å ha gjort troen og gud *smutsig*.

Hjemme i Sverige fikk hun psykologhjelp.

– Helena hjalp meg forstå hva det var som skjedde i klosteret. Jeg ante ikke at det liknet på en sekt. Det er det som er så skummelt, jeg så det ikke.

Klosteret i Thebes avviser dette.

«Klosteret i Thebes er ikke en sekt. Det tilhører kirken i Hellas, som er en kirke, ikke en sekt», skriver Diadora.

**Gjennom kognitiv terapi**, og deretter gjennom å ha lest seg opp om sekter og hvordan grupperinger kan fungere, har Elisabeth med åra klart å kvitte seg med skammen.

Hun håper at vi kan lære av hennes erfaringer.

– Framfor alt vil jeg gjerne formidle hvor viktig det er for mennesker å stole på sine egne følelser og sine egne tanker, og ikke gi makten i andres hender. Det kan bli farlig. Du kan miste deg selv. •

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Agency: FCSO Incident Report Case Number: 2016-067480

Incident Information			
Date/Time Reported	Last Known Secure	Date/Time Found	Officer
07/15/2016 13:21	12/07/2015 00:01	12/07/2015 23:59	(110327) SKELLEY, JENNIFER L
Incident Location			Supervisor
9002 Clemsonville Rd, Union Bridge, MD 21791			(110370) ROMERIL, DANIEL J

Charges					
1	Charge Type	Description	Statute	UCR	Att Com
		POLICE INFORMATION	074	999	Com
Alcohol, Drugs or Computers Used		Location Type	Premises Entered	Forced Entry	Weapons
Alcohol	Drugs	Computers	CHURCH/SYNAGOGUE/TEM	Yes No	1.
Entry	Exit	Criminal Activity			2.
Bias Motivation		Bias Target	Bias Circumstances	Hate Group	

Victims					
Seq. #	Type	Injuries	Residency Status	Ethnicity	
1	INDIVIDUAL	None		Unknown	
Name(Last, First, M)			Race	Sex	DOB
[REDACTED]			U	F	
Age					

Offenders							
Seq. #	Type	Name(Last, First, M)					
1	INDIVIDUAL	BITAR, ELIAS					
AKA	Race	Sex	DOB	Age	Height	Weight	
	W	M		67			

Priest at "Dionysios Kalambokas Cult Monastery" **accused of raping a visitor** needing spiritual counseling.



Reverend Archimandrite Elias S. Bitar





## Notes/Narratives

On 07/14/16, Det. Skelley received a phone call from Det. Kelsey Ratcliffe, Carroll County Sheriff's Office concerning a sexual assault report that was made to the Carroll County Sheriff's Office. Det. Ratcliffe advised that the initial report was made to her agency; however it was determined that the incident location was in Frederick County, Maryland.

Det. Ratcliffe advised that she made arrangements for the victim to be interviewed by the Philadelphia Police Department Special Victims Unit, but has not received information that the interview has been conducted. Det. Ratcliffe advised Det. Skelley that the interview was arranged with P/O Tomekia Terry and provided her contact information.

Det. Ratcliffe further provided Det. Skelley with a copy of her initial report, which contained minimal information about a sex offense because an interview with the victim had not been conducted. The victim was identified as [REDACTED] who resides in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She reported to Det. Ratcliffe that she was sexually assaulted by a priest at Sacred Monastery of St. Nina, 9002 Clemsonville Road in Union Bridge on 12/07/15. She identified the priest as Elias Bitar.

Det. Skelley will submit the initial report from Carroll County to I-leads.

On 07/15/16, Det. Skelley attempted to contact [REDACTED] by telephone to obtain basic information relating to the sexual assault and arrange an interview with her. Det. Skelley was unable to make contact with [REDACTED]; however a voicemail was left for her to re-contact Det. Skelley.

Det. Skelley will follow up with this investigation.

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## Supplement Notes

On 07/19/16, Det. Skelley sent an email to P/O Tomekia Terry indicating that the case has been forwarded to the Frederick County Sheriff's Office and that efforts will be made to have the victim, [REDACTED], come back to Maryland for an interview.

Det. Skelley also left an additional voicemail for [REDACTED] on her cellphone.

A short time later, Det. Skelley received a return call from [REDACTED]. Det. Skelley explained to [REDACTED] that the case was forwarded to Frederick County based on the location of the sexual assault. Det. Skelley further explained that she would like [REDACTED] to come back to Maryland for an interview. [REDACTED] stated that the police in Philadelphia were already contacted for an interview. Det. Skelley explained that since she would be conducting the investigation and interviewing the suspect, she wished that the interview with her be conducted in person in Maryland. [REDACTED] stated that she understood, however wished to speak with her attorney and counselor before she agreed to that.

Det. Skelley asked [REDACTED] if she would be able to provide minimal information about the case during that phone call. [REDACTED] indicated that she would try; however she would have to stop if she felt a panic attack coming on. During that phone call, Det. Skelley learned the following: [REDACTED] was diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in March 2016. She sees a therapist weekly and has recently began seeing a second therapist after she began experiencing setbacks and flashbacks. She and her husband separated on 10/08/15 and she decided that she needed emotional and spiritual healing. A person familiar to her had been raving about the Sacred Monastery of St. Nina and had been going there. This friend/parishioner drove [REDACTED] to the Monastery on a Thursday, which [REDACTED] believed was on 10/27/15. It was later learned that Thursday's date was 10/29/15. [REDACTED] stayed at the Monastery until that Monday (11/02/15). She provided her phone number to the priest at his request.



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They had spoken numerous times over the phone while she was away from the monastery. He further told her that she needed to come back for confession and that he would work with her. He directed her to come back by bus. ██████ advised that she was touched by the priest during this visit. She told Det. Skelley that he suddenly grabbed her neck and pulled her face towards his face. ██████ said that her lips bumped his lips. She further stated that the priest said, "I love you. I love you. I love you." before kissing her on the head.

██████ stated that she returned the following weekend for a lecture. She indicated that she wasn't planning on coming back that weekend, however the priest told her that he would be her spiritual father and that she needed to follow what he told her to do. She stated that she stayed at the monastery from 11/7/15 until 11/10/15. She said that she told the priest that the touching was unwelcome during this visit.

Det. Skelley asked ██████ if she could speak about the sexual assault. ██████ began speaking; however the phone disconnected. Det. Skelley attempted to re-contact ██████, but the call went to voicemail. A voicemail was left for ██████ to call Det. Skelley.

Det. Skelley will follow up with this investigation.

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## Supplement Notes

On 08/01/16, Det. Skelley received a phone call from Det. Edward Enriquez, Philadelphia Police Department. Det. Enriquez advised that he was given the task to interview [REDACTED] at the request of the Carroll County Sheriff's Office. Det. Enriquez advised that he did finally make contact with [REDACTED] on 06/27/16. He stated that he was concerned about her mental status based on the limited conversation he had with her. Det. Enriquez stated that [REDACTED] was crying uncontrollably and no evidentiary information was learned during that conversation. He further stated that he spoke with [REDACTED]'s therapist by telephone. According to Det. Enriquez, the therapist requested that the interview take place in her office. Det. Enriquez advised that he could not do that and that it was against their agency policy.

Det. Enriquez has not received a return phone call from [REDACTED] since 06/27/16. Det. Skelley has not received a response to voicemail left on 07/19/16 after the phone disconnected.

Based on the victim's lack of cooperation, Det. Skelley requests that this case be suspended.

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## **Alledged Rapist Data:**

**Reverend Archimandrite Elias S. Bitar**

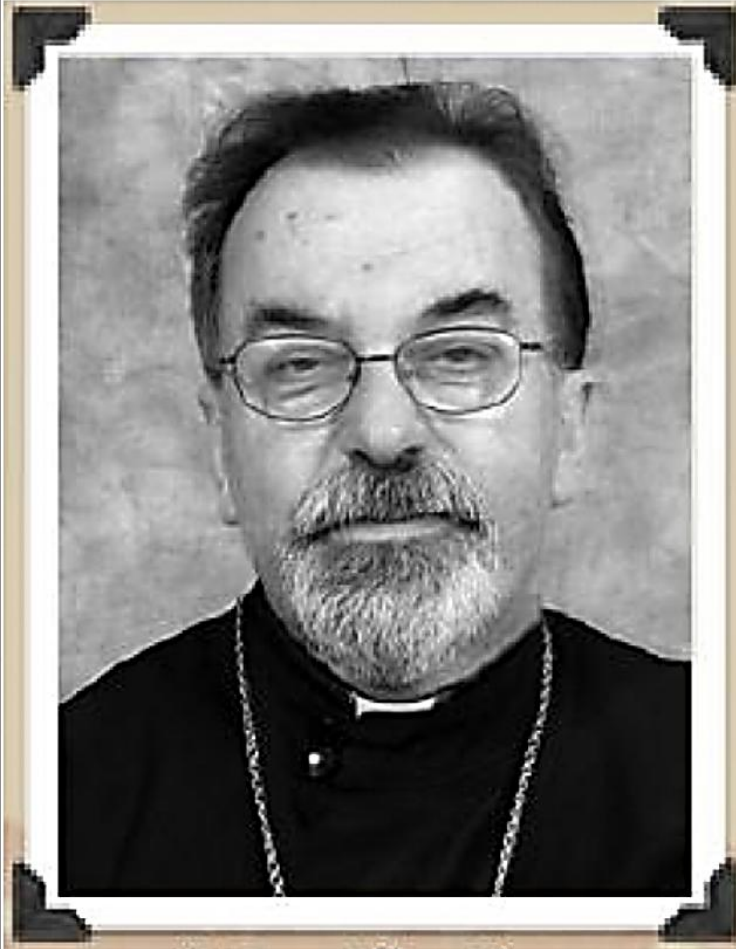
**DOB: 2/28/1948**

**Address:** Monastery of St. Nina's 9002  
Clemson Road,  
Union Bridge, MD

After the 2015 rape, the alleged Rapist was not prosecuted because the victim was emotionally destroyed and refused to return to Maryland to confront him.

The alleged Rapist continued to reside at the Monastery of St. Nina's for another five years until his death on May 21, 2020.

## MEMORY ETERNAL! + THE RIGHT REV. ARCHIMANDRITE ELIAS BITAR



Thursday, May 21, 2020

It is with faith in our Risen Lord that we inform you of the passing into eternal life of our beloved father, grandfather, brother, friend, and pastor, The Right Rev. Archimandrite Elias Bitar, in the afternoon of May 21, 2020. Father Bitar leaves behind a lifelong legacy as "the voice of the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America." During his nearly forty years in the priesthood, he has been a Lecturer in Liturgical Music (with a specialty in Byzantine music) and Practical Theology at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Seminary, Vicar General of the Archdiocese, and the residing priest for churches in California and New Jersey. Father Elias studied for his Master of Divinity degree at St. Vladimir's from 1972-1975, and subsequently earned a Doctor of Ministry from the Seminary in 2001. From 2003-2010 Father Elias taught Liturgics and Byzantine Chanting at St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary. Father Elias Bitar is survived by his children Katrina, Sr. Ignatia, Martha, Mikey, Antony, and Madeleine, as well as his grandchildren Zachary, Jacob, Samia, and another granddaughter on the way. He is reunited in His heavenly kingdom with his wife Kh. Joanne, and his parents Sadallah and Zahwe Bitar. In light of our current circumstances, we look forward to your visit at a later time. When arrangements are

made, we will send the information to be a part of the live streamed funeral online with us. In lieu of flowers, kindly send all donations to The Monastery of St. Nina in Union Bridge Maryland, where Fr. Bitar resided.

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Incident Information			
Date/Time Reported 07/27/2020 20:25	Last Known Secure 07/27/2020 20:25	Date/Time Found 07/27/2020 20:25	Officer (110558) ABBASIAN, TAKIN
Incident Location 9002 Clemsonville Rd, Union Bridge, MD 21791		Supervisor (110424) STURM, MARK W	

Charges							
1	Charge Type	Description EMERGENCY EVALUATION			Statute 041	UCR 999	Att Com
Alcohol, Drugs or Computers Used Alcohol    Drugs    Computers		Location Type CHURCH/SYNAGOGUE/TEM		Premises Entered	Forced Entry Yes    No		Weapons 1. 2. 3.
Entry		Exit		Criminal Activity			
Bias Motivation		Bias Target		Bias Circumstances		Hate Group	

Victims							
Seq. # 1	Type INDIVIDUAL	Injuries None			Residency Status		Ethnicity Non-Hispanic
Name (Last, First, M)				Race W	Sex F	DOB	Age

Dionysios Kalambokas Cult "Nun" attempts **Suicide** at the "Monastery"

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## Other Persons Involved

Name Code	Seq. #	Name (Last, First, M)	Race	Sex	DOB
Reporting Party	1	HANSON, SARRA A ←	W	F	

## Assisting Officers

(110505) BARRERA, RANDY C

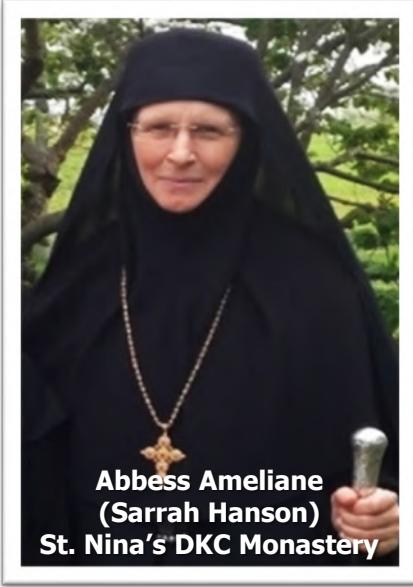
## Notes/Narratives

On July 27, 2020 at approximately 2025 hours Dep. Abbasian responded to Sacred Monastery of Saint Nina located at 9002 Coppermine Road for an overdose. While en route ECC advised that one of the sisters at that church took five muscle relaxers instead of the one she is prescribed to take.

Upon arrival Dep. Abbasian made contact with Mother Sarra Hanson, she advised that at approximately 1930 hours ██████████ took five Baclofen pills on purpose. Dep. Abbasian observed ██████████ to be lethargic, and she was holding a trash can in front of her in case she vomited. Dep. Abbasian asked ██████████ if she wanted to hurt herself, she responded that she did. Dep. Abbasian asked if she took extra pills in an attempt to hurt herself, she advised that she did. Mother Hanson further advised deputies that ██████████ usually had thoughts of hurting herself but never acted out on them.

Ambulance 179 transported ██████████ to FHH, Dep. Abbasian completed an emergency petition and left ██████████ in the care and custody of FHH staff.

A copy of the emergency petition is attached to this report



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### **Case #2: Fr. Simeon Kharon - Part I. Background**

And now we come to the second of three cases that the Synod has used against Metropolitan Jonah. When John Simeon Kharon was 13, his family emigrated from the Ukraine to the United States of America. They settled in San Francisco in 1989. Simeon traveled to Greece, met Elder Dionysios, and joined the Moni Petras Monastery in Karditsa, Greece. After three years at the Monastery, Fr. Simeon traveled to his home country of Ukraine, and then went to Russia.

According to the Special Investigative Committee (SIC) of the OCA:

In early December 2009, he meets with His Beatitude, Metropolitan Jonah in Moscow... Metropolitan Jonah invites Fr. Simeon to come to the United States. His Beatitude Metropolitan Jonah told us that he had thought that Fr. Simeon could be assigned to a parish, perhaps in New York or on the West Coast; a parish where there was a pastoral need for a Russian speaking priest.

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NEW YORK: December 30, 2008

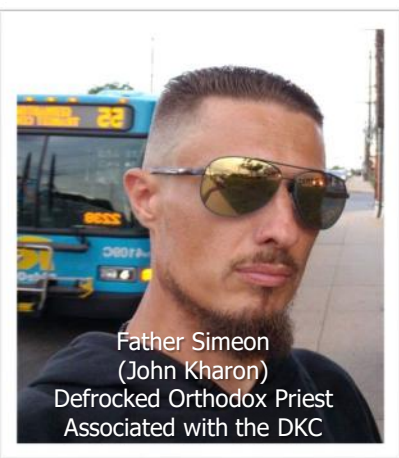
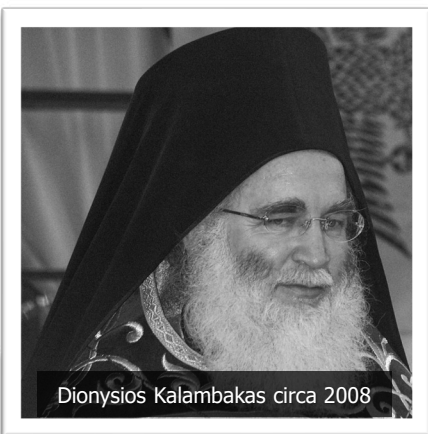
### **Bishop Jerome of Manhattan Participates In the Enthronement of the Newly-Elected Head of the Orthodox Church in America**

From the Editors: On Sunday, December 28, 2008, with the blessing of His Eminence Metropolitan Hilarion, His Grace Bishop Jerome of Manhattan participated in the celebration of the enthronement of His Beatitude Metropolitan Jonah, the newly-elected Head of the Orthodox Church in America.



During the reception honoring Vladyka Jonah, Bishop Jerome read a congratulatory message from the First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia.

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When Metropolitan Jonah was enthroned, dignitaries from around the world attended the ceremonies. Elder Dionysios from the Moni Petras Monastery attended the event. (Elder Dionysios is the spiritual father of five monasteries in Greece). Apparently there was discussion between Elder Dionysios and Metropolitan Jonah about the need for more monasteries on American soil.

According to eyewitness accounts of the enthronement, there was a group of monks and nuns with Elder Dionysios who had come from Greece for the event. The monks and nuns openly discussed the possibility of starting a monastery in the Washington, D.C. area.

One of the monks in attendance from Greece was Melchisedek Pleska (a former monk who had attended St. Tikhon's Seminary in America, then left for Greece and was reported to be in association with one of the monasteries of Elder Dionysios, who reappeared in America at Metropolitan Jonah's elevation, and then was suddenly elevated to the position of Bishop of the OCA.)

Another monk in attendance was Fr. Simeon Kharon.



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Abbot and Elder Archimandrite Dionysios was present at the enthronement of Metropolitan Jonah of OCA. Metropolitan asked him to send some monks and nuns from our monasteries in order to develop monastic life in USA. **Fr. Simeon** arrived in America in December 2009. He initially stayed at the Chancery. Several nuns (headed by **Abbess Aemiliane**) came from Elder Dionysios’ monasteries, and settled in Washington, D.C. at the St. Nicholas Cathedral Rectory.

In March 2010, Metropolitan Jonah welcomed Fr. Simeon to live in the basement of the house next to St. Nicholas Cathedral in Washington, D.C., and he stayed there briefly. He then moved into an apartment and stayed there for three weeks.

According to the SIC Report:

Late on the evening of April 22, 2010, Fr. Simeon went to the apartment of J, who lived above [name withheld]. She allowed him to use her internet access code for the Wi-Fi connection. He claimed that he went to her apartment because his computer internet wasn’t working. J told us that he came to her door with a bottle of “Everclear” (190 neutral grain alcohol) which he was drinking with orange juice. He asked her if she wanted to have a drink and asked for a cigarette. She did not allow him into her apartment but suggested they go out into the courtyard to smoke and to talk.



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There was some conversation between them. At one point Fr. Simeon pulled out a knife to show J. He also spoke about smoking marijuana. He consistently “invaded” her space, and finally attempted to put his arm around J and kiss her. He claimed that he only put his arm on her to “say ‘bravo’ and pat her on the back.” She pushed him away, ran to her apartment and locked the door. Fr. Simeon came back to her apartment and knocked on the door. J told him to stop or she’ll call the police. Fr. Simeon replies “Maybe you f---ing should.” She does call the police, Fr. Simeon returns to apartment.

The version of what took place next is based on J’s testimony, on Fr. Simeon’s account and on that of Police Officer Oladato. Fr. Simeon’s account is confusing. When asked if he was drinking, he replied, “I may have had a shot of something.” J’s account was that he came to her door with a bottle of “Everclear.”

Police Officer Oladato also stated that Fr. Simeon was “highly intoxicated.” Fr. Simeon stated the nuns (that would include Abbess Ameliane and Sister Veronica (fellow monastics who had come from Greece and had started “Entrance of the Theotokos Monastery) had driven to the apartment with a delivery of food for him. At the same time, the police came to his door. They entered the apartment and began looking around, but Fr. Simeon rebuked them for “entering a holy place.”

Loud, foul language was heard. “I’m a f---ing priest,” Fr. Simeon told them. He took a swing and tried to hit a police officer. He was taken by the police and incarcerated.

The next day, he was released to Abbess Aemiliane.



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Fr. Simeon confirmed that he had to make a court appearance on June 15, 2010. He appeared in court in full clerical garb and was accompanied by **Abbess Ameliane** and Sister Veronica. The nuns spoke to the Judge on Fr. Simeon’s behalf, vouching for his good conduct. After the incident Fr. Simeon lived with the nuns at the St. Nicholas rectory for several weeks.

His Beatitude Metropolitan Jonah told the Committee that he learned about the incident around the middle of May. On May 19, 2010, he sent Fr. Simeon a letter. He “suspends” Fr. Simeon and encourages him to deal with his alcoholism.

At the end of June 2010, rumors started circulating that **Fr. Simeon had raped one of the nuns**. Then a rumor flew through the parish that **Fr. Simeon had raped a woman back in January 2010 while Fr. Simeon was living at the Chancery**.

Some accounts of the incident were inflated to surmise that ‘some monk’ had committed ‘rape’, perhaps even of the nuns. The report was conveyed to Fr. Simeon and to **Abbess Ameliane**. Their reaction, however, was excessive. Fr. Simeon responded with threats of bringing a lawsuit against those who spread these rumors. Abbess Ameliane’s reaction was similar... **Abbess Ameliane continues to stand by claims that Fr. Simeon ‘never did anything to compromise his priesthood**. “The nuns believed in the innocence of Fr. Simeon.” Abbess Aemiliane wrote, on letterhead of the Holy Monastery of the Twelve Apostles [Red Church] of Karditsa, Greece (not OCA letterhead).



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Father Simeon  
(John Kharon)  
When he was arrested in  
Washington D.C.



**Superior Court of the District of Columbia  
Criminal Division**

500 Indiana Ave., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20001



August 22, 2012

Defendant's Name: **JOHN KHARON**

Case Number: **2010 LUP 013239**

PDID #: **636123**

DOB: **09/25/1976**

Date of Offense: 04/22/2010

**Charge(s)**

SIMPLE ASSAULT

**Disposition**

Charge No Papered

**Disposition Date**

05/18/2010

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Jane Burgermeister <jmburgermeister@gmail.com>

## confirmation

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To: Jane Burgermeister <jmburgermeister@gmail.com>

6 July 2015 at 20:50

Larissa, 06/07/2015  
to the authorities of Ireland,

i brought charges against Abbess Theodekti und Sister Theoniki of the saintjohns monastery at Anatoli Agaias (<http://www.saintjohns-monastery.gr/en/>) on behalf of Jane Burgermeister in April of 2015. The public prosecutor in charge madam Fasoula informed me , that the case may go to court, because of the evidence. I expect a date in July but because of the political situation in Greece it could be delayed. A preliminary examination will take place soon.

Yours sincerely

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Father Simeon  
(John Kharon)  
Defrocked Orthodox Priest  
Associated with the DKC



Jane Burgermeister <jmburgermeister@gmail.com>

## ΜΗΝΥΣΗ ΚΑΤΑ ΗΓΟΥΜΕΝΗ ΘΕΟΔΕΚΤΗ

Jane Burgermeister <jmburgermeister@gmail.com>

27 April 2015 at 19:25

To: contact@ecclesia.gr, info@imd.gr, metropolit@orca.org, secath@cen.gr, idiaitero@imd.gr, Αγγελική Καριώτογλου <angkari1973@gmail.com>, sta2007@otenet.gr

Most reverend Ignatius, Bishop of Demetrias,

I am writing to you t inform you that the police have filed charges against Theoktisti Emsley, nun at St John the Forerunner monastery in Anatoli for an attempt to bribe my lawyer. After obtaining the details of my lawyer under false pretences this morning, Theoktisti Emsley rang one hour later when I was with the lawyer in a bank and tried to influence him by offering a secret talk with Gerondissa Theodekti. She told him to suppress the charges, warned me off asking for the return of my money and from returning to Greece.

The lawyer immediately informed the police and lawyers chamber and the police filed charges against Theoktisti Emsley.

Bribery of a lawyer under art 237 par 1 of the crimindal code in Greece carries 5 to 20 years in prison anda fine of 15,000 to 150,000 euros.

It is most regrettable that Your Excellency did not see fit to take control of the monastery before the sisters committed more crimes. In view of the seriousness of this crime and other crimes and Your Excellency s apparent inability or unwillingness to stop them, I have now publicised the charges on my blog, birdflu666. I was told by the President of the Lawyers Chamber that I am entitled to do so, and even put a copy of the charges up. I am an experienced science journalist and know about the laws of defamation.

It is time for the Orthodox Church to take the safety of its guests seriously, especially journalists investigating matters in the public interest and with a blog read around the wor. In St George, Karditsa, I was nearly raped by a priest lay name John Kharon and in St John the Forerunner, physically assaulted, nearly forcibly confined by Abbess Theodekti Vallianatou.

Since the Orthodox Church has completely failed to take action to protect me from further crimes even though you knew of the existing ones, I will explore the option of suing the church in the courts. If only a lawsuit and a fine will make you aware of your responsibilities before God and the law, then so be it. The Orthodox Church appears from my experience to be a criminal mafia and must face the law and public opinion..

Tomorrow morning I am returning to Ireland.

I remain in Jesus Christ, yours sincerely, Jane Burgermeister

**DKC Victim Stories 68**

Priest associated with the "Dionysios Kalambokas Cult Monastery" accused of **raping a Nun and visitors** in Greece and Washington DC as well as threatening people with weapons.

Event Number: C20107906

Date	Time	Term	Operator	Action
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Father Simeon (John Kharon)  
 Defrocked Orthodox Priest  
 Associated with the DKC

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## COMPREHENSIVE PERSON REPORT

### REPORT CRITERIA

Name: JOHN KHARON  
 Person ID: JBV1-M13V  
 Include Motor Vehicles?: No

### REPORT RESULTS SUMMARY

Subject Information	Indicators
Name: JOHN KHARON SSN: 614-32-#### DOB: 09/##/1976 (47)	Possible Sex Offender: No Relatives: 13 Associates: 7 Utility Records: 0

### Addresses Summary

#### 12 Address(es) found:

6815 GEARY BLVD APT 4, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94121-1648 SAN FRANCISCO	(Aug 2022 - Nov 2023)
6815 GEARY BLVD, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94121-1695 SAN FRANCISCO	(Aug 2022 - Aug 2022)
100 FONT BLVD APT 1A, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94132-2517 SAN FRANCISCO	(Aug 2009 - Sep 2023)
11924 TWINLAKES DR APT 23, BELTSVILLE, MD 20705-6105 PRINCE GEORGES	(Nov 2018 - May 2023)
11924 TWINLAKES DR, BELTSVILLE, MD 20705-6105 PRINCE GEORGES	(Dec 2018 - Feb 2019)
15105 BEVERLY DR APT A, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19116-1410 PHILADELPHIA	(Feb 2022 - Feb 2022)
9002 CLEMSONVILLE RD, UNION BRIDGE, MD 21791-7412 FREDERICK	(Jul 2020 - Oct 2020)
3523 EDMUNDS ST NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20007-1432 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	(Jun 2018 - Jun 2018)
1603 MEIGS PL NE, WASHINGTON, DC 20002-2519 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	(Mar 2018 - Apr 2018)
1431 28TH ST S APT 1, ARLINGTON, VA 22206-3703 ARLINGTON	(Jan 2011 - Sep 2011)
4325 BALBOA ST APT 8, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94121-2552 SAN FRANCISCO	(Jan 2009 - Jan 2009)
542 27TH AVE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94121-2811 SAN FRANCISCO	(Jan 1996 - Jan 2003)

### Phones Summary

#### 8 Phone(s) found:

(415) 750-1835 - LandLine - 91%
(415) 469-9551 - LandLine - 86%
(415) 681-1601 - LandLine - 67%
(202) 823-6726 - Mobile - 66%
(405) 486-1255 - LandLine - 39%
(415) 831-4535 - LandLine - 39%
(703) 597-1746 - Mobile - 39%
(823) 672-6726 - 0%

### Possible Real-Time Incarceration & Arrest Records

NAME: KHARON, JOHN

### PROFILE INFORMATION

Match To Subject's DOB: 09/25/1976

Match To Subject's SSN: [REDACTED]

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Jail Number: 707837

### BOOKING INFORMATION

Status: RELEASED

Arrest Date & Time: 09/15/2023 13:00:00

Offense Committed On: 09/10/2023 09:20:00

Released from: TRUE

Supervision:

Released Date & Time: 09/18/2023 12:35:00

Released Reasons: CHRГ DROPPED

Arrest Agency: San Francisco Sheriff's Department

Report Date: 09/15/2023

Agency Address: 1 Carlton B Goodlett Pl  
 San Francisco, CA 94102

Agency Phone: (415) 553-1430

Holding Agency: San Francisco Sheriff's Department

### CHARGE INFORMATION

Charge Description: DISOBEYING DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT ORDER

Number of Counts: 1

NCIC Code: 5007

Statute Violation: 273.6(A) PC/M

Charge Description: ASSAULT WITH A FIREARM

Number of Counts: 1

NCIC Code: 5299

Statute Violation: 245(A)(2) PC/F

Charge Description: CRIMINAL THREATS

Number of Counts: 1

NCIC Code: 1316

Statute Violation: 422 PC/F

Charge Description: PREVENTING OR DISSUADING A WITNESS BY FORCE OR THR

Number of Counts: 1

### Individual Report Plus Associates | KHARON, JOHN | 11/01/23 11:10 AM | Reference: N/A

NCIC Code: 5006

Statute Violation: 136.1(C)(1) PC/F

Charge Description: ALTERING OR EFFACING IDENTIFYING MARKS ON FIREARMS

Number of Counts: 1

NCIC Code: 5299

Statute Violation: 23900 PC/F



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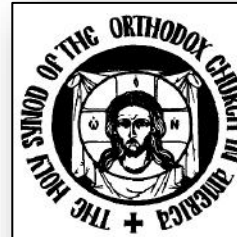
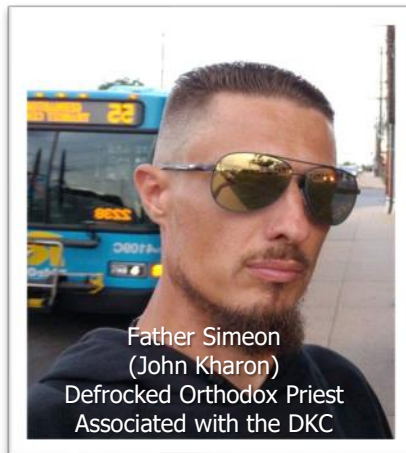
**The Washington Post**  
*Democracy Dies in Darkness*

NATIONAL

## Orthodox Church in America head Metropolitan Jonah dismissed over alleged rape cover-up

By David Gibson | Religion News Service  
July 20, 2012 at 7:21 p.m. EDT

The Orthodox Church in America has announced that it forced its controversial leader, Metropolitan Jonah, to resign earlier this month chiefly because he had failed to remove a priest accused of rape.



The HOLY SYNOD  
of the  
ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA

### Statement from the Holy Synod Regarding the Resignation of Metropolitan Jonah

July 16, 2012

To the Clergy and Faithful of the Orthodox Church in America:

We have hesitated to release further details surrounding the resignation of Metropolitan Jonah as Primate of our Church, this in a desire to preserve his dignity and to prevent further harm to an innocent party. We did this knowing there would be appeals for additional information regarding our decision. We also harbored some hope that Metropolitan Jonah would show a willingness to accept responsibility for his actions and failures to act. However, things said and written by Metropolitan Jonah since his resignation have demonstrated that he is not accepting that responsibility.

Why did we ask Metropolitan Jonah to resign?

In slightly less than four years as our leader, Metropolitan Jonah has repeatedly refused to act with prudence, in concert with his fellow bishops, in accordance with the Holy Synod's Policies, Standards and Procedures on Sexual Misconduct (PSPs), and in compliance with advice of the Church's lawyers and professionals in expertise in dealing with cases of sexual misconduct.

The most disturbing and serious matter, indeed the final matter that caused us to ask the Metropolitan to resign or take a leave of absence and enter a treatment program, involves the Metropolitan's poor judgment in critical matters of Church governance, lack of adherence to the PSPs, and the risk of serious harm to at least one other person. While the names, dates and other details must be held in confidence to minimize the risk of further harm, we can say the following.

At some point after his enthronement as our Primate, Metropolitan Jonah unilaterally accepted into the OCA a priest known to him and to others to be actively and severely abusing alcohol, which more than once was coupled with episodes of violence and threats toward women. One of these episodes involved the brandishing of a knife, and the other the discharge of a firearm, the former resulting in the man's arrest. The man was also incarcerated for three days in yet another incident, shortly after he was accepted into the OCA by Metropolitan Jonah. While under Metropolitan Jonah's omophorion, this priest is alleged to have committed a rape against a woman in 2010.

Metropolitan Jonah was later told of this allegation in February 2012, yet he neither investigated, nor told his brother bishops, nor notified the Church's lawyers, nor reported the matter to the police, nor in any other way followed the mandatory, non-discretionary PSPs of the OCA. The alleged victim, however, did report the rape to the police. We know, too, that the alleged victim and a relative were encouraged by certain others not to mention the incident, and were told by them that their salvation depended on their silence. As recently as last week Metropolitan Jonah was regularly communicating with one of those who tried to discourage the

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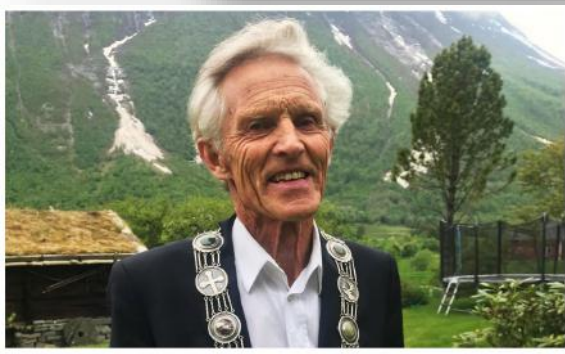
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**“Faith Can Move Mountains”** is a Norwegian film that debuted in 2021 about the Orthodox Monastery under the **Dionysios Kalambokas Cult** trying to establish itself at a historic Christian site in Norway in a small village known as Valldal or Sylte in Nordall County.



Silje Evensmo Jacobsen directed the film



Arne Sandnes mayor of valldal and one of the heroes of the film

### Faith does not always move mountains

Kristin Aalen

There are many people you have to feel sorry for after watching the documentary Faith can move mountains. After 30 years of talk, no Orthodox monastery has yet been built in Valldal.

Faith can move mountains

Documentary

Director/screenplay: Silje Evensmo Jacobsen

Photographer: Nils Petter Devold Midtun

NRK

1 hour 20 minutes



The Greek Orthodox nuns in Valldal have been invited to a May 17 party in the village. (Photo: Nils Petter Devold Midtun, Media operators/NRK)

The film was made as an intimate “Fly-on-the Wall” documentary about the Mayor of Valldal, Norway (Population: 410), **Arnes Sandnes**, who became the original pioneer of the project to bring the Orthodox Monastery to Valldal when he saw a 1991 news article about a Norwegian woman who had become a Nun in an Orthodox Monastery in Greece, and had now returned with the mission of establishing an Orthodox Monastery somewhere in Norway.

*“He has fallen in love with the beautiful nature of the Northwest, the Greek Orthodox monk Father George. For the first time he visited Norway this Christmas - together with his spiritual sister Aekaterina Gillebo from Sjøholt.”*

*“Will build a monastery by Storfjorden.” 1991*



*Han har forelsket seg i Nordvestlandets vakre natur, den gresk-ortodokse munken fader George. For første gang besøkte han Norge denne jula – sammen med sin åndelige søster Aekaterina Gillebo fra Sjøholt.*

**– Vil bygge kloster  
ved Storfjorden**

Ms. Evensmo Jacobsen, was the documentary's Director and is Mayor Sandnes's daughter-in-law. She filmed it over a four year period (2016-2020), and initially started it because her father-in-law had been obsessed since 1991 with bringing the Monastery to Valdalen because he thought it would be a major tourist attraction and help the small community financially.



By the end of the film, all of the well-meaning enthusiasm had turned to bitter disappointment and regret as the film uncovered the cult-like nature of this group as well as the deception, mind-control, physical abuse, and manipulation of its leader Geronta Dionysios and the Nuns & Monks that blindly follow him.

After 30 years of pursuing this effort, the Mayor is professionally embarrassed, naive, disillusioned, and weeps on camera.



The Norwegian film "If faith can move mountains" based on Dionysios Kalambokas' monastic "sect" is now available on Vimeo with English subtitles.

<https://vimeo.com/517743894> - Password is: mop

### The following are Case relevant time-stamped excerpts from this Norwegian documentary:

00:09:48 – 00:12:00 Mayor Arnes Sandnes of Valldal recounts his early support of helping the Orthodox to Monastery establish itself in Valldal because of the potential financial boom it would bring to the small community. But, after decades, mysteriously, the Orthodox group cannot not produce to him the required official certifications from an Orthodox Patriarchate authorizing the Monastery to be built.

00:13:04 Finally, after years of requests and excuses, a group of Geronta Dionysios's Orthodox Nuns & Monks come to the Mayor's house to deliver a framed certification (signed by Dionysios) stating that he is now a Bishop under the jurisdiction of the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate and that the Monastery has been approved.



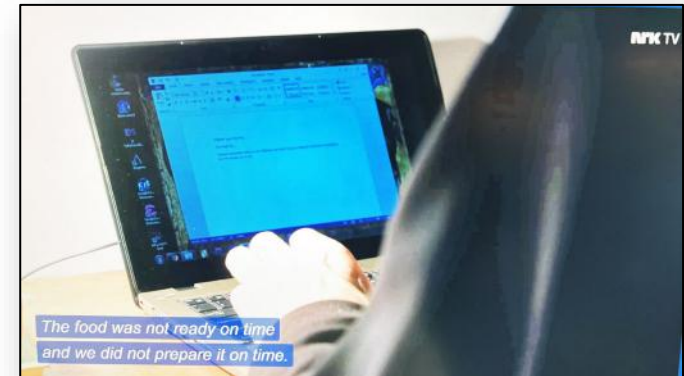
## Case relevant time-stamped excerpts from this Norwegian documentary continued:

- 00:16:32 Locals express doubt & suspicions about the Orthodox Nuns and the Monastery project in their village.
- 00:22:50 Sister Sunniva & another Nun walk around town inviting the locals to an Orthodox Liturgy at the Fjord followed by refreshments at the Monastery site afterwards.
- 00:24:27 Locals speak about the secrecy of the Nuns & Monks at St. Olav's. Especially the editor of the local newspaper, Britt Ingunn Maurstad who believes the Nuns are brain-washed and under the complete control of Geronta Dionysios.
- 00:25:32 Abbess Thavoria's father, Finn Gellebo, lost his wife recently and she is helping him to clean out her parents house. As they are discussing old photographs, he expresses bitterness about her leaving her family so young and becoming a Nun in Greece with Geronta Dionysios. He also comments about how Dionysios targets young women.



## Case relevant time-stamped excerpts from this Norwegian documentary continued:

- 00:29:29 Abbess Tharovia recounts her conversion to become a Nun and obsession with Dionysios.
- 00:31:44 – 00:34:02 St. Olav Nun, Sister Iakovi, (Julie Greenleaf – USA) states that the Elder Dionysios *“is like God himself to us. He is our mother and our father, guiding and disciplining us.”*
- 00:34:17 – 00:35:12 Abbess Tharovia types a “daily report” email message to Geronta Dionysios about what each Nun did that day that was good or bad. She also confessed to him that *“dinner had been served late. The Sisters started it late. I went into the kitchen to “tidy them up”, but it still was late when we had dinner. This never should have happened. I should not be making these kind of mistakes. Forgive me, It will never happen again.”*
- 00:39:18 Abbess Tharovia states that *“The Geronta is the most important person at the Monastery. He is the main character and the driving-force of everything, even if we don’t see him in front of us all the time.”*



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### Case relevant time-stamped excerpts from this Norwegian documentary continued:

00:42:41 – 00:44:01 Mayor Sandnes receives a document and a copy of a letter to Abbess Thavoria, St. Olav Monastery, and Geronta Dionysios stating that the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate was expelling them from their jurisdiction and to immediately cease any claims of being associated with the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate.

00:44:03 – 00:45:35 The Mayor calls Archimandrite Johannes Johansen, Rector of the Norwegian Orthodox Parish of St. Nicholas in Oslo that is currently under the Serbian Orthodox Eparchy of Britain and Scandinavia, to learn why the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate excommunicated the St. Olav group. He warns the Mayor *“to not trust those people. They are operating outside the Orthodox Church as a Sect (or Cult) and they worship Geronta Dionysios as though he is God.”* Archimandrite Johannes tells the Mayor he has personal knowledge about physical & psychological abuse that Dionysios has directly, or indirectly through the Monks or the Abbess, inflicted upon the Nuns at St. Olav’s Monastery and other Monasteries under the control of Dionysios. He further states that, *“He is a control freak!”*

00:45:36 Mayor Sandnes confronts Abbess Thavoria about the allegations which she denies.



## Case relevant time-stamped excerpts from this Norwegian documentary continued:

00:50:18 – 00:51:20 Mayor Sandnes travel to Romania where a wealthy business person has been promising to fund the construction of St. Olav's Monastery's Chapel for years, to see if that has been a lie as well. Abbess Thavoria and a Monk Father David travel with him. During the trip, Father David becomes verbally aggressive and accusatory towards the Mayor, who is shocked by the anger and intimidating posturing of the Monk from St. Olav's.



00:54:48 – 00:57:22 After much depression and loneliness from losing his wife as well as mounting pressure from his daughter, Abbess Thavoria, Finn Gellebo officially joins the Orthodox Church that he has hated for so many years...He weeps for mental and emotional exhaustion while they smile.





## Case relevant time-stamped excerpts from this Norwegian documentary continued:

00:57:31 – 00:59:25 Suddenly, the Nuns at St. Olav's have the money to buy a home and property near where the monastery is going to be built and they move out of the one they have rented this whole time. Curious about this windfall, the Editor of the local paper "Storfjordnyt", Britt Ingunn Maurstad, interviews Abbess Thavoria about how they financed the purchase. Thavoria stated **"We had something in the inheritance of one of our Sisters."**

01:01:22 – 01:04:30 **Mayor Sandnes receives a call from a former "Nun" for four years at a Dionysios Kalambakas Cult location in Thiva, Greece, Elisabeth Roest Kempemo from Sweden.** She tells him in detail about the oppressive behavior of Geronta Dionysios, the beatings of the Nuns by him or his surrogates, and the psychological abuse they are subjected to on a daily basis...The Mayor breaks down and weeps.



## RELIGIØS GALSKAP I SELJE, NORDDAL OG VERDEN

An extreme cult in Norway, led by archimandrite Dionysios Kalampokas. (Διονύσιος Καλαμπόκας)

### Om saken

En beryktet, religiøs gresk sekt har kommet til Norge, og slått seg ned i vestlandskommunene Selje og Norddal. De betegner seg selv som ortodokse, men klostrene i Norge er kastet ut av sitt tidligere patriarkat. Pr. i dag er det ingen i den ortodokse kirken som vil vedkjenne seg disse.

Denne grupperingen ledes av geronta/leder Dionysios, og har ingenting med den ortodokse kirken å gjøre. De betegnes som en sekt. For å ha rett til å kalle seg et ortodoks kloster, må klosteret ha tilknytning til et patriarkat. Grupperingen var tidligere under det georgiske patriarkatet, men denne tilknytningen har de mistet, etter at en rekke utilgivelige og klanderverdige forhold ble avdekket. Utkastelsesbrevet fra Georgia finnes på [denne siden](#).

Altfor unge mennesker manipuleres og døpes til munke/nonner, noe som er direkte brudd både på norsk lov, og innad i kirken. Rystende historier om ulike typer maktutøvelse fortelles fra innsiden av klostrene.

Vi ser det som vår plikt til å informere om hva som foregår – midt i blant oss. Vi er en gruppe på flere mennesker som ønsker å få slutt på dette, og ønsker at virksomheten deres skal dokumenteres, opphøre og om mulig – påtales.

Mesteparten av sakene vi skriver, vil være på engelsk, fordi saken er av internasjonal karakter – og da er det ekstra viktig at våre utenlandske besøkende skal forstå. Er det noe som er uklart, ta kontakt med oss via kontaktskjemaet. Useriøse henvendelser vil ikke bli besvart.

This is a website produced by concerned citizens about the DKC activities in Norway.

## RELIGIOUS MADNESS IN SELJE, NORDDAL AND THE WORLD

An extreme cult in Norway, led by archimandrite Dionysios Kalampokas. (Διονύσιος Καλαμπόκας)

### About the case

A notorious, religious Greek sect has come to Norway, and settled in the western municipalities of Selje and Norddal. They describe themselves as Orthodox, but the monasteries in Norway have been kicked out of their former patriarchate. As of today, no one in the Orthodox Church will acknowledge these.

This grouping is led by geronta/leader Dionysios, and has nothing to do with the Orthodox Church. They are referred to as a sect. To have the right to call itself an Orthodox monastery, the monastery must be connected to a patriarchate. The grouping was previously under the Georgian Patriarchate, but they have lost this connection, after a number of unforgivable and reprehensible conditions were uncovered. The letter of eviction from Georgia can be found [on this page](#).

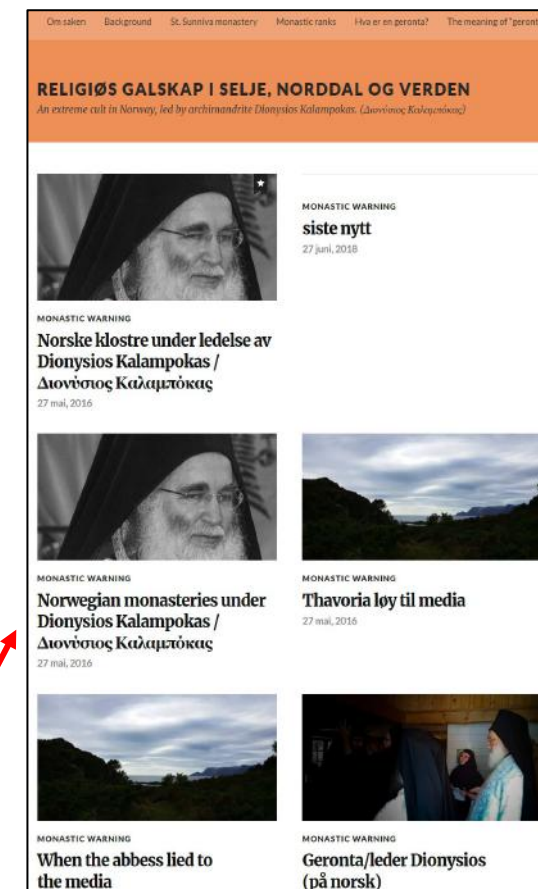
Far too young people are manipulated and baptized as monks/nuns, which is a direct violation both of Norwegian law and within the church. Shocking stories about various types of power are told from inside the monasteries.

We see it as our duty to inform about what is going on - right in our midst. We are a group of several people who want to put an end to this, and want their business to be documented, stopped and, if possible, prosecuted.

Most of the cases we write will be in English, because the case is of an international nature - and then it is extra important that our foreign visitors understand. If anything is unclear, contact us via the contact form. Non-serious inquiries will not be answered.

This Norway-based website has been sounding the alarm about this evil cult since 2016:

<https://monasticwarningblog.wordpress.com>



<https://monasticwarningblog.wordpress.com/2016/05/27/monasteries-under-dionysios>



**E-magazine of the Parish of Banatou in Zakynthos**  
**The owner is Protopresbyter of the Ecumenical Throne Panagiotis Kapodistriasis**  
**Email: [pakapodistriasis@gmail.com](mailto:pakapodistriasis@gmail.com)**

This Greece-based website has a "Unit" that focuses on the cult leader Dionysios Kalambokas:  
<http://www.nyxthimeron.com>

Saturday, October 17, 2020  
**The Metropolitan of Dodoni about Father Dionysios Kalamboka: "He thought he was the world Pope" [video]**



Wednesday, June 22, 2022  
**Fr. Dionysios Kalambokas is under the ultimate penalty of excommunication**



Thursday, June 23, 2022  
**A default judgment challenge was filed for the deposition of Father Dionysios Kalambokas**



[http://www.nyxthimeron.com/2022/06/blog-post\\_96.html?fbclid=IwAR2fPnwB1e-Z5DiHXgj4h85w53jrW5sbdJQPusy\\_0GG4pRWTFMo6R0dMM-w](http://www.nyxthimeron.com/2022/06/blog-post_96.html?fbclid=IwAR2fPnwB1e-Z5DiHXgj4h85w53jrW5sbdJQPusy_0GG4pRWTFMo6R0dMM-w)

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## What to do if you learn of a Dionysios Kalambokas Cult location establishing itself in your community?



Georgios "Dionysios" Kalambokas circa 1994

**First:** Tell as many friends, neighbors, and loved ones as possible about what you have learned in this brief. This includes local newspapers, radio and television stations. Encourage them to come to this website and do their own research. The DKC can only victimize a community if nobody knows the truth about them.

**Second:** Contact the real Orthodox Church in your community or State and make sure they know your concerns and direct them to this website.

**Third:** Contact local law enforcement and politicians and make sure they know your concerns and direct them to this website.

**Fourth:** Contact local churches, social organizations, high schools, and colleges and make sure they know your concerns and direct them to this website.

**Fifth:** Contact StoptheDKC.com so we can put this new location on the website.

If you believe you or a loved one are in danger, please call your local law enforcement agency immediately.

### **DKC Reporting Guidance**

To report a new DKC site or recent incidents at an existing DKC site, please email us the following information at StoptheDKC@proton.me

1. Name of DKC Site?
2. Name of DKC Leaders Present?
3. Location of DKC Site?
4. Website of DKC Site?
5. Reason for Reporting this DKC Site?
6. Have there been Local Law Enforcement Actions on this DKC Site?
7. What details can you share about any Incidents or Victims of this DKC Site?

**Your email will be highly confidential and after extracting the important information from it, it will be deleted.**

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