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Blessings to our respected Vicar, Priest, Deacons, and all the faithful of the Diocese of South-West America!

Dearly beloved,

Regina has been one of the major growing cities in Canada in the last few years. This growth has been attracting more workforce and the city's overall expansion. Our communities which only a few decades ago were all clustered in one area of town have now spread out over the city. New job possibilities and growth have brought members of our congregation from all across the country. Also, the influx of students from India has immensely contributed to the need to start a congregation. This growth has prompted us to broaden our horizon to serve better the faithful who live far away from our parishes.

It is our responsibility and the need of the hour to cater to the spiritual needs of our faithful. Hence, we announce the formation of a new congregation in Regina, named after Saint George effective from June 01, 2024. Through this Kalpana, we appoint Rev. Fr. Dr. Paul T. Varghese to organize and lead all the spiritual activities of the St. George Orthodox Congregation.

We encourage our members to work together with our designated clergy to identify Orthodox families who do not attend any of our local parishes and encourage them to attend worship services in the above-mentioned congregation. We seek the intercession of St. George as well as your cooperation and assistance for the expansion of our Holy Church and God's kingdom.

May the love of God the Father, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship and communion of the Holy Spirit be with us forever and ever.

Urshlem Aramana, Beasley May 27, 2024

Metropolitan Dr. Thomas Mar Ivanios