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In the name of the Blessed Holy Trinity, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

Dearly beloved in Christ,

I write to invite you, the esteemed Clergy, Managing Committee Members, Council Members, Office Bearers of the Parishes and Spiritual Organizations, Malankara Association Members, General Body Members, and all the Sunday School Teachers of the Diocese of UK-Europe and Africa, to join us on the blessed occasion of the Induction Day for the Ecumenical Faith Formation through Orthodox Reflections for Transformation (EFFORT) – Diploma in Orthodox Theology.

This significant event will mark the commencement of the Diploma Course in **Orthodox Theology on 25 September 2024**. We thank God for His manifold blessings, enabling us to begin this journey with the first batch of students. EFFORT, as you may know, was inaugurated on **25 May 2024** by His Holiness the Catholicos during the Orthodox Sangamam. This is a humble beginning in the arena of spiritual academia for our Diocese, and we invite you to join the Faculty and students for this special occasion.

We earnestly seek your prayers as we embark on this journey. Although we are in the process of accreditation, we acknowledge that it will be a long road, and we humbly ask for your continued support and intercession in this effort.

Please find attached the Programme for the Induction Day, and we look forward to your gracious presence in blessing the students.

May the blessings of God Almighty be with you and all your endeavors.

Yours in Christ,

+ Metropolitan Abraham Stephanos