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By the Grace of God METROPOLITAN ZACHARIAH MAR NICHOLOVOS

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Blessings to our Very Reverend Chor Episcopoi, Reverend Fathers, Reverend Deacons, and faithful of the Northeast American Diocese.

Talmeedo has been a unique ministry of the MGOCSM of our Diocese catering to the spiritual needs of our young men. As this ministry has grown in strength, we have decided to make *Talmeedo Men's Ministry*, an independent ministry of our Diocese. Talmeedo will seek to engage all men of our Diocese, between the ages of 17 and 55, through the sacred life of the Church. Some goals of this ministry include:

- 1. Host regular gatherings to foster relationships which draw them closer to Christ
- 2. Create opportunities for mentorship with the next generation of men to understand their sacred role as a brother, father and son in the Orthodox Church
- 3. To serve the community and help bear the crosses of those who are struggling in their daily lives

We appoint Reverend Deacon Anthonios (Roby) Antony as the director of Talmeedo Men's Ministry until further orders. In order to facilitate the growth of this ministry, we appoint the following men to serve this ministry, until further orders:

Joel Thomas - General Secretary

Joshin Abraham - General Treasurer

Committee Members

Benn ThomasJustin MathaiBlessen SamuelJoshua SanthoshBenjamin MathewAndrew AbrahamAaron ZachariaAlvin Samuel

Chris Thomas Justin Varghese

We anticipate the prayerful support from all of our parishes, along with our Vicars and Assistant Vicars. More information on this ministry can be found in the attached brochure.

May the blessings and mercies of God Almighty be showered upon us.

Yours in our Lord,

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Metropolitan Zachariah Mar Nicholovos