

To St. Andrew's Biblical Theological Institute Mr. Alexei Bodrov Moscow

's-Hertogenbosch, September 2nd 2015

Dear Alexei,

On behalf of the Catholic Association for Ecumenism Athanasius and Willibrord I send you my cordial congratulations with the 25th anniversary of St. Andrew's.

St. Andrew's fulfils a very important task especially by offering laypeople the opportunity to deepen their knowledge about theology and religion.

Over 25 years St. Andrew's has done a tremendous job in translating and publishing important works of leading European theologians and philosophers, in organising so many conferences and encounters and in offering an innovative curriculum in Scripture and theology.

Through this educational mission St. Andrew's is contributing to spiritual renewal in Russia and to building bridges of understanding throughout Europe.

I wish the institute and all collaborators of St. Andrew's a good and fruitful future. 'By its fruits, you recognise the tree', a Dutch proverb says, Biblically inspired (Mt 7: 16-20). The good fruits of the work you started in 1990 are already numerous and the best harvest, I hope, is yet to come.

In Christ united,

Geert van Dartel Director

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