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

Dearly beloved,

It gives us great joy to see many of our parishes, and ministries of our Diocese are returning back to normal, in-person and active ministry. Despite the difficulties caused by the pandemic, we thank God a newfound life and vigor is being felt throughout our Diocese.

Talmeedo will be conducting a men’s fellowship on the first Friday of every month in two areas of our Diocese, Philadelphia and the Brooklyn/Queens/Long Island area. In addition to this, a One Day Conference for the young men in our Diocese will be held on Saturday, July 9, 2022 at our Saint George Orthodox Church of Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania. Rev. Dn. Anthonios (Roby) Antony will present on the theme Lust & Love.

Lastly, Talmeedo will be hosting their fourth annual retreat from Wednesday, August 3 to Saturday, August 6, 2022 at our Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center. The Very Reverend Father Andrew Stephen Damick will present on the theme Unseen Warfare. In order to assist with the coordination of this ministry, and its events, we hereby appoint the following individuals to be part of the Talmeedo committee:

- Benjamin Mathew
- Mathew Varughese
- Joshua Mathew
- Joel Kurien
- Joel Thomas
- Akin Sunny
- Gregory Jacob
- Mathew Jacob

For additional information on these programs, please see the attached flyers. We anticipate the prayerful support of our clergy, along with the participation of the young men in our Diocese. If there are any questions, please contact Rev. Fr. Daniel (Dennis) Mathai (Spiritual Advisor), Mathew Varughese or Joshua Mathew.

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

Yours in our Lord,

Zachariah Nicholovos, Metropolitan