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Blessed are you who mourn, for you shall be comforted!

I was deeply saddened to receive the news of the repose of Prince Michael. Please accept my sincere and heartfelt condolences and assurance of prayers for his departed soul.

Prince Michael was such a wonderful, kind and gentle person. A noble figure, a living connection to our historical Russian past - he will be greatly missed by all.

I pray that God will give rest to His newly-departed servant, Prince Michael, and that his memory be eternal!

May God bless you all with strength and spiritual consolation during these difficult days of mourning.

With love in Christ, our Hope and Resurrection,

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