

## ABBREVIATED MOLEBEN

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Thy great mercy, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

*Chanters: Lord, have mercy. Thrice.*

Again we pray for our Great Lord and Father, His Holiness Patriarch Kyrill, for our lord the Very Most Reverend Metropolitan Hilarion, First Hierarch of the Russian Church Abroad; for our lord the Most Reverend (*Archbishop or Bishop N.*) and for all our brethren in Christ.

Again we pray for the suffering Russian Land and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the Diaspora, and for their salvation.

Again we pray; for this land, its authorities and armed forces, for the God-preserved Russian land and its Orthodox people both in the homeland and in the diaspora and for their salvation, and every Christian land.

Again we pray for mercy, Life, peace, health, salvation, visitation, pardon, and prosperity for the servant(s) of God (*N.*) (*the brethren of this Holy Temple*).

Again we pray Thee, O Lord our God, that Thou wouldst hearken unto the voice of our supplication and prayer, and have mercy on Thy servant(s) *N\*(N.)*, through Thy grace and compassions, and forgive all *bis (her) (their)* petitions, and pardon *him (her) (them)* all transgressions voluntary and involuntary; let *bis (her) (their)* prayers and alms be acceptable before the throne of Thy dominion, and protect *him (her) (them)* from enemies visible and invisible, from every temptation, harm and sorrow, and deliver him (her) (them) from ailments, and grant *him (her) (them)* health and length of days: let us all say, O Lord, hear-ken and have mercy.

Look down, O Master, Lover of mankind, with Thy merciful eye, upon Thy servant(s) (*N.*) and hearken unto our supplication which is offered With faith, for Thou Thyself hast said: "All things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believe that

ye shall receive, and it shall be done unto you; and again: "Ask, and it shall be given you." Therefore we, though we be unworthy, yet hoping in Thy mercy, ask: Bestow Thy kindness upon Thy servant(s) *N.(N.)*, and fulfil *bis (her(there))* good desires, preserve *him (her)(them)* all *bis (her)(there)* days peacefully and calmly in health and length of days: let us all say, quickly hearken and graciously have mercy.

Again we pray for the people here present that await of Thee great and abundant mercy, for all the brethren, and for all Christians.

*Ectenia for the Ailing:*

O Physician of souls and bodies, with compunction and contrite hearts we fall down before Thee, and groaning we cry unto Thee: Heal the sicknesses, heal the passions of the soul and body of Thy servant *N.* (*or the souls and bodies of Thy servants N.N.*) and pardon *him (her) (them)*, for Thou art kind-hearted, all transgressions, voluntary and involuntary, and quickly raise *him (her) (them)* up from *bis (her) (there)* bed of sickness, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

O Thou Who desirest not the death of sinners, but rather that they should return to Thee and live: Spare and have mercy on Thy servant(s) (*N.*), O Merciful One; banish sickness, drive away all passion, and all ailments, assuage chill and fever, and stretch forth Thy mighty arm, and as Thou didst raise up Jairus' daughter from her bed of sickness, restore *-him (her) (them)* to health, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

Again we pray also that the Lord God may hearken unto the voice of the supplication of us sinners, and have mercy on us.

*Priest's exclamation: Harken unto us, O God our Saviour...*

*After the Ectenia, a prayer is said to whomever the moleben is served.*

*If it be to the most holy Theotokos, the Deacon saith:*

To the most holy Lady Virgin Theotokos, let us pray.