

## Archbishop Gregorios of Thyateira and Great Britain

His Eminence was born in the present-day Turkish-occupied village of Marathovounos in the district of Famagusta, Cyprus, on 28th

After completing his primary education at the village school, the eleven-year-old Gregorios became an apprentice as a shoemaker in

At the age of twenty he decided to study in 1949 at the Higher Commercial School of the



In 1951 he transferred to the famous Pan-Cyprian Gymnasium, Nicosia, having become a rasophor, and he was later ordained deacon

He graduated from the Gymnasium in 1954 and went to Athens to study at the Theological School of the University there. Before re-

In 1964 he was appointed Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Thyateira. On 12th December 1970 he was consecrated Bishop of Tropa-

On 16th April 1988 he was unanimously elected by the Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate as Archbishop of Thyateira and