

Your Eminence, Mar Joseph

I am sending this official Letter of Resignation as to receiving any appointment from the A.O.C.C. , African Orthodox Catholic Church, in particular that of Archbishop/ Metropolitan of Church in the West.

I thank you for the opportunities offered me, but I must retain my fellowship and communion with my Metropolitan, Archbishop David L. Cooper and the Orthodox Catholic Metropolitan Archdiocese with Allied Jurisdictions. I don't want to further offend the Bishops, Clergy and laypersons by bringing confusion as well as splits that resulted in my disobedience to the Metropolitan Archbishop David L. Cooper.

As Suffragan Bishop, I must remain faithful to my post in New York State appointed by my Archbishop and therefore I can not receive appointments not accepted or recommended in the interest of the Orthodox Catholic Church in California .

Be blessed forever,

+ John Vincent Roland