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## Foreword

„The Divine Life, Light, and Love“ is a central topic in the thought of Petro B. T. Bilaniuk describing a lifelong theological work. This word is honouring Father Bilaniuk celebrating his 60th birthday and it gives honour to our Father in Heaven as well.

John Cheng, the interpreter of Father Bilaniuk's œuvre lays emphasis upon transcendental perspective: „the one major recurring theme found in Bilaniuk's work which may characterize the quintessence of his theology as a whole is his concept of eschatological fulfilment“.

Corresponding with the cover picture the editors have chosen as subtitle „Euntes in mundum universum“ (Marc 16,15) thus also demonstrating the world-wideness and ecumenicity expressed in this Festschrift.

First of all we like to give thanks to His All Holiness Bartholomaios I, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople or New Rome, who does not get weary demonstrating his ecumenical spirit. We owe our thanks to His Excellency Isidore Borecky, D.D., Ph.D., Ukrainian Catholic Bishop of Toronto and to His Grace Vsevolod, Bishop of Scopelos, Primate of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of America, Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople.

From the authors of this volume we thankfully want to pick out Mrs. Isabel Ann Massey and Mr. John Cheng who elaborated Father Bilaniuk's biography and his bibliography.

It has not been possible to edit all the articles we have in our hands. Thus we have to thank for the contributions of Dr. Panos D. Bardis, Toronto and of Dr. León Tretjakewitsch, Toronto, whose article simply was too late to be worked out.

With the help of God we finish our editorial works on August 10, commemoration day of Laurentius, deacon and martyr in Rome.

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