

## German

Ignatius Zakka I. Iwas stammte aus Mossul im Irak Das Oberhaupt der syrisch-orthodoxen Kirche Patriarch Ignatius Zakka I. Iwas, ist am Freitagmorgen im Alter von 81 Jahren in einem Krankenhaus in Kiel Schleswig-Holstein) nach langer schwerer Krankheit gestorben am 21.03.2014 Um 9.30 Uhr. Als "Patriarch von Antiochien und dem ganzen Orient" wurde er von seiner Kirche als 121. Nachfolger des Heiligen Petrus angesehen

Ignatius Zakka I. Iwas stammte aus Mossul im Irak, wo er am 21. April 1933 geboren wurde. Er absolvierte seine theologischen Studien in Mossul und New York. 1962/63 nahm er als Beobachter seiner Kirche am Zweiten Vatikanischen Konzil teil

1963 wurde er - mit 30 Jahren - Erzbischof von Mossul, 1969 Erzbischof von Bagdad. Am 14. September 1980 wurde er zum Patriarchen gewählt. Residenz des Patriarchen war das Mor Ephrem Seminar in Ma'arrat Saydnaya bei Damask

## Englisch

Mar Ignatius Zakka I Iwas

The head of the Syrian Orthodox Church, His Holiness Moran Mar Ignatius Zakka I Iwas, Patriarch of Antioch and all the East, has passed away

The end came in a German hospital where he was admitted for treatment. He suffered a massive heart attack. He was 81

Mar Ignatius was the 121<sup>st</sup> reigning Syriac Orthodox Patriarch of Antioch and All the East and, as such, Supreme Head of the Universal Syriac Orthodox Church. He became the patriarch on September 14, 1980, in St. George's Patriarchal Cathedral in Damascus. Known for his involvement in ecumenical dialogue, he was a prolific author. He was an observer at Second Vatican Council before becoming Metropolitan

Bishop of Mosul. At the time of his election as patriarch, he had been Archbishop of Baghdad and Basra

Mar Ignatius was born on April 21, 1933, in Mosul, Iraq. In 1946, he began his theological studies in the city's Mor Ephrem seminary and took monastic vows in 1954. On November 17, 1957, he was ordained as a priest and, two years later, was given the pectoral cross as Ramban.

On November 17, 1963, he was ordained as Metropolitan Bishop of Mosul

Following the death of Patriarch Yaqub III on June 25, 1980, Mar Ignatius was elected by the Synod of the Church to be the 121<sup>st</sup> Syriac Patriarch of Antioch. He was enthroned as Patriarch on September 14, 1980, in Damascus

أَنَا مَسْلًا مَلْفُلاً دَامَا كَنْعِيَا وَحَسْبُ مَمْعَمُنَا  
كَنْزُومَا وَحَسْبُ هَمَمِ أَرْأَمَا: كُنَا إِنْ كُنْهَمَا  
أَرْأَمَا فَهَ الْكَلَمَا نَمْعَمُنَا هَ أَمْدُ إِنْ إِنْ كُنْهَمَا  
لَا أَوْ وَنَسَا وَحَم كَاتَا هَ أَوْتَقَا.

أَمَامَاتُ أَلْمَلْحَمَةِ كَاتِبُ مَلْفُلاً دَامَا كَنْعِيَا أَرْأَمَا

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