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Appointment of bishop of Tehuacán, Mexico

The Holy Father has appointed as bishop of Tehuacán, Mexico, H.E. Msgr. Gonzalo Alonso Calzada Guerrero, currently titular bishop of Cissa and auxiliary of the archdiocese of Antequera, Oaxaca.

H.E. Msgr. Gonzalo Alonso Calzada Guerrero

H.E. Msgr. Gonzalo Alonso Calzada Guerrero was born in San Luis de la Paz, diocese of Celaya, on 7 July 1964. After attending the seminary of Celaya and Querétaro, he was ordained a priest on 18 May 1989, and incardinated in the diocese of Celaya.

He served initially as formator of the seminary and parish vicar. Later he was sent to Rome where he obtained a licentiate in Sacred Scripture at the Pontifical Biblical Institute. He served as parish priest, rector of the seminary of Celaya and member of the college of consultors.

On 20 November 2012 he was appointed as titular bishop of Cissa and auxiliary of the archdiocese of Antequera, Oaxaca. He received episcopal consecration on 5 February 2013.

Within the episcopal conference, he is head of the Vocational Ministry Dimension in the episcopal Commission for Vocations and Ministries.

Appointment of ordinary member of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences

The Pope has appointed as ordinary member of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences the Distinguished Mr. Steven Chu, professor of physics and molecular and cellular physiology at Stanford University, Stanford, California, United States of America.

Professor Steven Chu

Born on 28 February 1948 in St. Louis, Missouri, United States of America, the new Pontifical Academician obtained a degree in mathematics and physics from the University of Rochester, New York in 1970 and a Ph.D. in physics at the University of California, Berkeley in 1976. Since 2013 he has been professor of molecular and cellular physics and physiology at Stanford University. He has published numerous articles on atomic physics, polymers and biophysics, biology, accumulators (batteries) and other energy technologies; finally, he owns various patents and patent applications.

Professor Chu directed the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (2004-2008) and taught physics and applied physics at Stanford University (1987-2008), as well as being head of the quantum electronics research department at AT & T Bell Laboratories (1978-1987). From January 2009 to April 2013 he was Secretary of Energy for the United States of America.

Professor Chu was co-winner of the 1997 Nobel Prize in physics for studies on the development of methods to cool and trap atoms with laser light, and has received numerous other awards. He is a member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, a foreign member of the Royal Society, the Royal Academy of Engineering, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and the Korean Academy of Sciences and Technology. He also received numerous honorary degrees.