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Resignations and Appointments

Appointment of bishop of Jequié, Brazil

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The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Paulo Romeu Dantas Bastos as bishop of the diocese of Jequié, Brazil, transferring him from the diocese of Alagoinhas.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Paulo Romeu Dantas Bastos was born on 20 August 1955 in Nova Soure, diocese of Alagoinhas, in the State of Bahia. He began his studies in philosophy at the Universidade Católica do Salvador-BA, and completed them at the Institute of Philosophy and Theology of Barra-BA. He studied theology at the Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul.

On 18 May 1985 he received priestly ordination, and was incardinated in the diocese of Barreiras, where he held the following offices: parish vicar of the Sagrado Coração de Jesus in Formosa do Rio Preto-BA (1984-1985); parish administrator of São Sebastião in Barreiras-BA (1986-1987) and of Senhora Santana in Riachão das Neves-BA (1987-1991); parish priest of the Cathedral of São João Batista in Barreiras-BA (1992-2002); diocesan pastoral coordinator (1987-1996); youth pastoral coordinator (1987-1996); and vicar general (1997-2002).

On 24 April 2002 he was appointed as bishop of Alagoinhas and received episcopal ordination on the following 27 July.

Appointment of bishop of Lorena, Brazil

The Holy Father appointed Bishop Joaquim Wladimir Lopes Dias as bishop of the diocese of Lorena, Brazil, transferring him from the diocese of Colatina.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Joaquim Wladimir Lopes Dias was born on 23 October 1957 in Cafelândia, diocese of Lins, in the State of São Paulo. He carried out his studies in philosophy at the *Nossa Senhora do Desterro* Seminary of the diocese of Jundiaí, and in theology at the *Centro Universitário Salesiano de São Paulo Pio XI*. He was awarded a bachelor's degree in business administration from the Faculty of Economic Sciences and Business in Jundiaí.

On 12 December 1997, he was ordained a priest, and incardinated in the diocese of Jundiaí, where he held the following positions: parish vicar of *São Sebastião* in Itupeva (1997-1998); diocesan coordinator of the *Cursilhos de Cristandade do Brasil* Movement (1997-1998); parish priest of *São Francisco de Assis* in Campo Limpo (1999-2000); pastor of *Nossa Senhora da Piedade* in Várzea Paulista (2001-2002); vice rector (2003-2006) and rector of the *Nossa Senhora do Desterro* Seminary (2006-2009); vicar general (2006-2009 and 2010-2011) and diocesan administrator (2009).

On 21 December 2011 he was appointed titular bishop of Sita and auxiliary bishop of the metropolitan archdiocese of Vitória, receiving episcopal ordination on 4 March 2012.

On 14 May 2014 he was appointed apostolic administrator of Colatina and on 4 March 2015 bishop of the same diocese.
