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FROM THE CHURCH GEOGRAPHY OF THE CHKONDIDI EPARCHY

Chkondidi Eparchy played a significant role in the history of the medieval Georgian church. Written sources reveal that Chkondidi was Martvili's former name. According to the author of „The Chronicle of Kartli”, foundation of the eparchy in Chkondidi was related to the reign period of Abkhasian King Giorgi II (10th c.).

At first there was a large territory within the borders of the Chkondidi Eparchy which had one of the oldest cathedrals, with its interesting past, among the Georgian Orthodox Church cathedrals; however, foundation of new eparchial cathedrals caused a decrease in the size of its territory.

The paper deals with the discussion concerning the borders of Chkondidi Eparchy in the Late Middle Ages (18th c.).