## The church of Saint Nicholas tis Stegis, Kakopetria, Cyprus

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The church of Saint Nicholas tis Stegis is situated in the central region of the Troodos mountains, in the north of the Solea Valley and is regarded as one of the most important byzantine churches of Cyprus. It is built on the west bank of the river Klarios/Karkotis, southwest of the village of Kakopetria.

The church itself is the only surviving part of a byzantine monastery, called Ktholikon. It was probably built during the first half of the  $11^{th}$  Century. The monastic community ceased to function in the  $19^{th}$  Century. Since then, the church served as a country church and a pilgrimage site. ( $\pi\epsilon\rho\iota\sigma\sigma\acute{o}\tau\epsilon\rho\alpha...$ )