

Good Friday Offering 2020

Remembering Christians in the Holy Land



The LORD is my strength and my defence; He has become my salvation. Psalm118v14

This Easter please pray for Christians of the Middle East and support them by allocating one of your Easter collections to support the work of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. By doing so you join them in sharing the love and peace of God with people of the region.

In 1891 Bishop Blyth, Bishop in Jerusalem, called on Anglican churches across the world to support the ministry of the church in the Middle East through an annual offering taken during the Good Friday service. Subsequent bishops have continued the tradition and it is promoted in the UK by J.M.E.C.A.; a UK charity supporting the dioceses of Jerusalem, Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa, Cyprus & the Gulf, and Iran.

The Middle East remains a focal point for inter-communal, intra-regional and international conflict and it is in this context that the Anglican Church ministers to its congregations and the wider communities. Your offering will make a difference to the lives of so many through diocesan ministries in education, medical care and support for the vulnerable in society. Read more at <u>jmeca.org.uk</u>

JMECA provides a simple and cost efficient way to send Good Friday donations to the dioceses. Cheques made out to **The Jerusalem and Middle East Church Association** or **J.M.E.C.A.** should be sent to The Secretary at **JMECA**, **1 Hart House**, **The Hart**, **Farnham**, **Surrey GU9 7HJ** with a covering note stating that the money is for the 2020 Good Friday Offering. Alternatively gifts can be made online via the <u>JMECA Good Friday Appeal link</u> on Wonderful.org

For more information, resources, prayer suggestions and payment options visit the <u>Good Friday Offering page</u> on the JMECA website.

Yours faithfully,

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