



Christian Witness in the Middle East

***St. Alban's Impact in Jordan & the
Diocese of Jerusalem***

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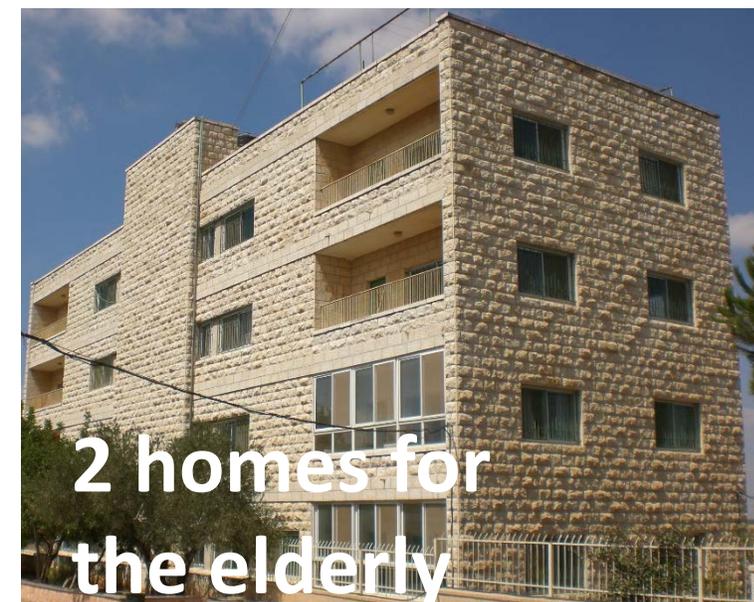
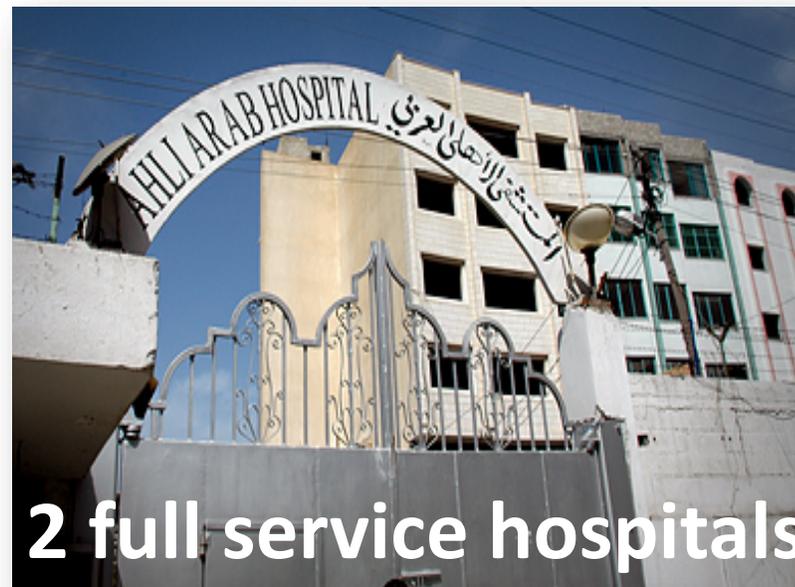


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Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem



Diocese of Jerusalem Institutions



Diocese of Jerusalem: Who we serve



6,500 Students
- 90% Muslim
- 10% Christian
- Pre K- 12



**25,000 Annual
Outpatient Visits**
10,000 Admissions



7,000 Parishioners
Worship services in Arabic

2 English-speaking
congregations: Beirut &
Jerusalem



***Key part of
AFEDJ Mission***

**Helping to stabilize
Christian communities
in the Middle East**



Christians in the Middle East – *Diocese of Jerusalem*

Country	1947	Today
Jordan	30% of total population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 250,000; 4% ▪ Recent growth from Christian refugees: Syria (100,000); Iraq (60,000) ▪ Greek Orthodox, Catholic, Protestant
Palestine	12%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 38,000 ▪ West Bank & East Jerusalem: 2% ▪ Gaza: <1% ▪ Greek Orthodox, Armenian Orthodox, Protestant, Catholic
Israel	20%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 160,000: 2% ▪ Greek Orthodox, Catholic, Maronite, Melkite, Protestant

Christians in the Middle East – *Diocese of Jerusalem*

Country	Previous %	Today
Lebanon	1960: 60% of total population	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 1,400,000; 30%▪ Christian retain significant political influence▪ Maronite, Melkite, Armenian Orthodox, Protestant, Catholic
Syria	2006: 15%	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 800,000; 5%▪ Since 2011, 600,000 Christians have fled violence from extremist groups▪ Greek Orthodox, Armenian Orthodox, Catholic, Protestant

**Why Should We Care About Stabilizing
the Christian Presence?**

Their ancestors were at the 1st Pentecost!



Zarqa, Jordan





Zarqa Refugee Camp

- 1 of 10 Palestinian camps in Jordan
- Established 1949
- 20,000 registered Palestinian refugees
- .2 square kilometers



Saviour's School



Duaa Bisharat, Director Saviour's School















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Scholarships for Blind and Low-Vision Students



Upper School Technology Lab





Playground Renovation

Playground Equipment





Teacher Professional Development



**Scholarships for Syrian
Refugee Children**



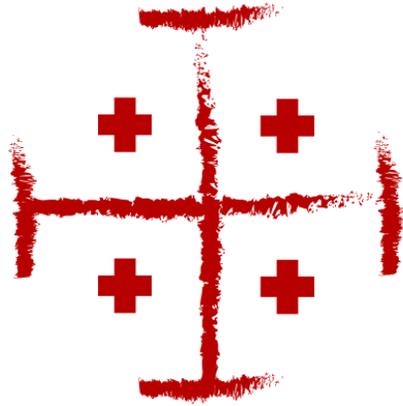
After School Program for Syrian Refugee Children

Braille Machines



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