

***Good Friday Offering 2017
Give hope to the next generation
of Christians in the Middle East***



“The situation in parts of the Middle East in recent decades has rarely been so tragic and the ultimate outcomes so uncertain. The effects of the various conflicts will last for generations on the communities of the region, not least the Christian minorities.”

John Clark, JMECA Chairman - Bible Lands Winter 2016/17

This Easter please pray for Christians of the Middle East and in particular encourage your church to allocate one of their Easter Offering to support the work of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East so they can continue to minister the love and peace of God to people of the region, as they have done for more than a hundred years.

Since 1922 churches have dedicated the collections taken at Good Friday to the charitable work of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. More recently, in 2012 JMECA began to re-invigorate this initiative with the support of the Archbishop of Canterbury and has seen donations rise by 300%.

By contributing to the JMECA Good Friday Offering you can share in the ministry of the Anglican/Episcopal Church in the Middle East and make a difference to the lives of the people who live in the land of Jesus' birth and across the region. The church ministries continue to positively impact the lives of those within the community through their many greatly valued medical, educational and humanitarian ministries.

For more details of these and other projects that JMECA supports visit www.jmecca.org.uk

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 2017 Good Friday Offering. Alternatively gifts can be made online via the [JMECA BT MyDonate Good Friday Appeal page](#).

For more information, resources, prayer suggestions and payment options visit the Good Friday Offering page on the JMECA website (www.jmecca.org.uk/how-you-can-help/good-friday-offering).

Yours faithfully,

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