



Sabeel Wave of Prayer

January 18th, 2018

This prayer ministry enables local and international friends of Sabeel to pray over regional concerns on a weekly basis. Sent to Sabeel's network of supporters, the prayer is used in services around the world and during Sabeel's Thursday Communion service; as each community in its respective time zone lifts these concerns in prayer at noon every Thursday, this "wave of prayer" washes over the world.

On Monday the 15th, Sabeel Jerusalem and Nazareth offices held a one day retreat in Bethlehem to strengthen fellowship among our staff and volunteers.

· Lord, we pray for the staff and volunteers of Sabeel Jerusalem and Sabeel Nazareth. We pray for the Sabeel Board of Directors, Executive Committee and the General Assembly. We give thanks for all the Friends of Sabeel groups around the world. Bless their lives and work.

Lord, in your mercy...

Hear our prayers

Rev. Ibrahim Azar, Pastor of The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Jerusalem, was consecrated as Bishop of the Lutheran Church. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL) is one of the Lutheran World Federation member Churches, serving approximately 3,000 local members.

· Lord, we give thanks for the ministry of Bishop Dr. Munib A. Younan, and his long service of the Evangelical Church in particular, and for the entire Palestinian people in general. We also hold the new Bishop, Ibrahim Azar, in our prayers as he takes on the new position in your service. May your spirit, Lord, empower him to remain the humble, loving and honest good shepherd we know.

Lord in your mercy...

An Israeli settler was killed last Tuesday after he succumbed to wounds sustained in a shooting attack near the city of Nablus. On Thursday, two Palestinian teenagers were shot and killed by Israeli soldiers as violence continues in the occupied territories.

*• Lord, as we pray for all the families who have lost their loved ones, we pray for the safety of our families and our own loved ones. We pray for justice and the end of oppression. Grant us Lord the gift to see peace and the end of violence in our country.
Lord in your mercy...*

“The Palestinian Center for Development and Media Freedoms “(MADA), documented a total of 84 violations committed by the Israeli occupation against Palestinian journalists during the month of December. Also during December, five journalists have been injured from stones thrown by Palestinian demonstrators during clashes with the Israeli occupation army.

*• Lord, we pray for the safety of all journalists, especially for the ones who work in conflict zones. We give thanks to the people who dedicate their lives, cameras and pens to inform the world of the untold story.
Lord in your mercy...*

Sabeel is organizing an international witness visit from the 28th of February to the 8th of March 2018 under the theme: The Forgotten Faithful – A Window into the Life and Witness of Christians in The Land of the Holy One. Sabeel Witness Visits provide participants with the unique opportunity to experience the reality of Palestinians living under Israeli Occupation.

*• Lord, we pray for an enriching and fruitful visit that will enable the participants to see and learn firsthand the situation on the ground. We pray that they will go back inspired and encouraged to continue the work of justice and peace for this troubled land.
Lord in your mercy...*

• We join the World Council of Churches in praying for the countries of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen. Lord in your mercy...