As we turn our eyes to Jerusalem during Holy Week and Easter, please join me and the churches of Western Washington in support of Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza and Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre. Together we can reach our Easter Appeal 2020 goal of $100,000 in support of these remarkable Episcopal ministries in the Holy Land.

The Rt. Rev. Greg Rickel
Episcopal Bishop of Olympia
Chair, AFEDJ Board of Trustees

MAKE A CHURCH-WIDE APPEAL
DONATE YOUR EASTER VIGIL OR EASTER SUNDAY OFFERING
OFFER A GIFT THROUGH YOUR OUTREACH PROGRAM

$500 provides treatment and ongoing support for a traumatized child in Gaza

$1,000 supports the rehabilitation therapy program for a child with disabilities from the West Bank or Gaza

$5,000 covers the full cost of a 3-week residential therapy program for a mother and her child with disabilities in Jerusalem

WE CAN HELP
Spread the word and build excitement about Easter Appeal 2020 in your parish.

Visit www.afedj.org/easter for:
• Bulletin inserts
• Story Cards about families served by these ministries
• Videos from Jerusalem and Gaza

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EASTER APPEAL 2020

At Easter we celebrate the hope of the resurrection by serving our sisters and brothers with dignity and respect at Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza and Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre.

“We invite our American Friends to stand with us as witnesses to the resurrection in the land of the Holy One by sharing in the healing ministry of our risen Lord.”

The Most Rev. Suheil S. Dawani, Archbishop of Jerusalem and the Middle East

Support the humanitarian ministries of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. Stand with Episcopalians whose witness offers hope and a future to vulnerable families in the West Bank and Gaza.
JERUSALEM PRINCESS BASMA CENTRE
The Mount of Olives

The Mother Empowerment Program serves Palestinian mothers and their newly-diagnosed children with disabilities in a three-week residential program. Mothers participate in their children’s therapy and are trained to continue working with their children when they return home. Mothers are taught how to be effective advocates for children with disabilities in their local communities. This life-changing program is the only one of its kind in the West Bank and Gaza.

AHLI ARAB HOSPITAL
Gaza

Ahli Arab Hospital is the only Christian hospital serving the 2.1 million people in Gaza. Ahli provides a free community clinic for the poorest Gazans living in Palestinian refugee camps and squalid neighborhoods. The hospital’s digital mammogram machine - one of only several in Gaza – is a lifeline for women in Gaza where the incidence of breast cancer is high. When violence strikes in Gaza, Ahli Hospital cares for the wounded and traumatized.

“Before coming to the Princess Basma Centre I used to feel hopeless about my child’s case. Here I am learning from other mothers and seeing other kids progress with therapy. This gives me hope for the future.”

Ibtihaj
a mother from Ramallah

“Ahli hospital is the church at work, the hands of Jesus in this desperate place. I thank all of our American friends. Without your strong stand beside us it would be difficult for us to continue. You give us the feeling that we are not alone in this ministry. That we are not forgotten.”

Suhaila Tarazi
Ahli Hospital Director