

THE  
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CHURCH

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*For the Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation's 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference*

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

Greetings to all of you attending the Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation's seventeenth international conference. I pray this year's conference will, more now than ever, nourish this ecumenical body's commitment to the theme: Our Faith is Commitment to Justice, Peace and Coexistence. As always, I appreciate the dedication and commitment of HCEF for Christians in the Holy Land.

My thoughts and prayers will be with you as you gather in Washington, D.C. It is my sincere hope that this assembly will enrich the broader dialogue regarding Christianity's role in conflict-ridden and battle-worn areas of the world.

May God continue to bless those within the HCEF whose extraordinary work and commitment has served to educate all of us about the plight of Christians living in the Holy Land. In gratitude and with best wishes I remain,

Your servant in Christ,

*Katharine Jefferts Schori*

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