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Jerusalem is the holiest city and the center of our faith. Marking the location of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, she is the source of our identity, meaning-making, and salvation. It is from Jerusalem that Christianity and our Mother Church emanated and then spread to the rest of the world. It is in Jerusalem that Palestinian Christians, who are the children of the Bible and the Living Stones, became the first believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. Sharing Jerusalem and retaining a solid bond and influence there are essential for safeguarding the Christian holy places and Palestinian Christian interests and presence.

Have you been on pilgrimage to the Holy Land? Have you visited Jerusalem? Have you had a chance to connect with the Living Stones? Have you prayed for the peace of Jerusalem? Have you thought of Jerusalem's centrality to your faith?

Leaders - religious, academic, community, organizational, and media - share their voice in a special HCEF book, titled What Jerusalem Means to Us. Belonging to different Christian denominations and originating from different corners of the earth, including Jerusalem, Palestine, Jordan, Ireland, Scotland, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the United States, they share their views on Jerusalem.



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