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To the World Council of Churches
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Invitation to World Week of Peace in Palestine and Israel

During the third week of September each year, we unite as Christian witnesses in peaceful actions around the world to promote a just peace in Palestine and Israel. We remind world leaders, as well as the public, about how peace is a fragile process.

This year's theme of the World Week of Peace in Palestine and Israel 14-21 September is "Creative Solidarity in Common Fragility."

Far from being synonymous with pacts and strategic agreements, peace is rather a profound attitude that must be rooted in hearts and in long-lasting institutions. The impact of wars, the aftermath of violence, the hatred and the bitterness engraved on souls, social injustices, and the harmful consequences of COVID-19 only accentuate, day after day, the fragility of humanity.

In the extremely fragile situation in Palestine and Israel, we still believe in the power of prayer because only the Spirit of God can soften hearts and change attitudes.

During this week, which includes the International Day of Prayer for Peace on 21 September, church organizations, congregations, and people of faith are encouraged to bear a common witness by participating in worship services, educational events, and acts of support in favour of peace and justice for Israelis and Palestinians.

Please join us again this year in our global manifestation for justice and peace in the Holy Land.

Remaining yours in Christ,

Rev. Prof. Dr Ioan Sauca
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