

## The Listening Post

If you stop in front of a post called the "Listening post" in Ibillin/Israel you will hear the voices of martyrs whispering to you: please, stop hatred, please stop any kind of violence, we are the Semites: sons and Daughters of the Same Father Abraham. To listen to those voices you should have in your heart already a great love for a comprehensive justice and peace.

Dear Beloved Abuna Labib,

Thank you for caring about us . The situation is not easy over here. I think that our Christian contribution to the peace in the Middle- East should be to introduce the concept of forgiveness -which should mean somehow forgetfulness- towards reconciliation on the basis of justice for the living and for those who are to come, the next generation and their children-

We have at Mar Elias College a memorial for the "holocaust" it is two circular walls facing each other thus making a perfect circle. On each of the walls we engraved a statement : one in Arabic and one in Hebrew. This reads "Memorial for the Palestinian martyrs" and that " Memorial for the Jewish martyrs" the whole place is named "LISTENNING POST" listen to the martyrs. They would say all together with one voice:" ENOUGH MARTYRS"

It is insane to continue with the satanic method: reaction--reaction; violence for violence; teeth for one tooth...it is time that we introduce the freedom on the One hanging on the cross, I mean our Compatriot, Jesus from Nazareth. The ultimate expression of freedom was expressed while He was hanging on the cross: FATHER FORGIVE THEM, THEY DO NOT KNOW WHAT THEY DO '

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