

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2018

JERUSALEM, JANUARY 20 – 28

*Theme : “Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power”
(Exodus 15:6)*

Today Caribbean Christians of many traditions see the hand of God active in the ending of enslavement. It is a uniting experience of the saving action of God that brings freedom. For this reason the song of Moses and Miriam (Ex 15:1-21) was chosen as the motif of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2018. It is a song of triumph over oppression that unites. However, contemporary challenges again threaten to enslave and threaten again the dignity of the human person created in the image and likeness of God. Exodus 15 allows to see how the road to unity often passes through communal experience of suffering. Although liberation/salvation is an initiative taken by God, God engages human persons in the realisation of his purpose and plan for the redemption of his people. Christians, through baptism share in God’s ministry of reconciliation, but our own division hamper our witness and mission to the world in need of God’s healing.

PROGRAMME

Saturday, Jan. 20	Anastasis (Holy Sepulchre), Calvary <i>Greek Orthodox Office of “Apodeipnon”(Compline)</i>	5.30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 21	Anglican Cathedral of St George Nablus Road	5.00 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 22	Armenian Cathedral of St James Old City, Armenian Quarter	5.00 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 23	Lutheran Church of the Redeemer Old City, near the Holy Sepulchre	5.00 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 24	Latin Patriarchate’s Church Old City, from Jaffa Gate	5.00 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 25	Upper Room, Cenacle Mount Zion	4.00 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 26	St Mark’s Church, Syrian Orthodox Old City, near Jaffa Gate	5.00 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 27	Ethiopian Orthodox Church West Jerusalem, off Prophets’ Street	5.00 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 28	Greek Catholic Church of Annunciation Old City, near Jaffa Gate	5.00 p.m.

N.B. – Sunday 14 January, at 3.00 p.m., Fr. Frans Bouwen, w.f., will give a lecture on “L’actualité œcuménique en 2017” (in French), at the Ecumenical Institute of Tantur).