



Press Release
Nice- May 11th, 2016

A solidarity celebration with the Christian of the Middle East

Christians from all traditions and denominations are organising a day of celebration in Nice on May 16, 2016. You are all invited! There will be a variety of recreational, artistic and cultural activities that will be taking place in different parts of the city, all day long. A special tribute will be given to the Christians in the Middle East. It will be a great opportunity to affirm our solidarity with those who cannot live their faith freely.

The 21st May is day of celebration marked by testimonies, music and creative animations. The christians of the region desire to reach out to their community. "We want to take the opportunity during this gathering, to make a special tribute to the christian of the Middle East and launch a cry of solidarity: you are not forgotten!" declared Claire Duplessis, the event President.

This tribute will take several forms of expression. A conference, followed by a round table, will be held in the big top. The Orthodox church will organise a time of celebration at St.Nicolas church, followed by a concert performed by the Russian Orthodox Choir of Paris.

In the "Chrétiens en fête!" village there will be workshop-stands giving the opportunity to discover the Middle-East and give practical assistance. Focus will be given to two particular projets, in Irak and Syria. They will be presented by the International NGO's that are working in close cooperation with the christian churches: 'Open doors' and 'Aid tio the church in need'. These organisations ensure a long term presence in these countries and have an active role in the daily lives of these persecuted populations.

Finally, a joint declaration from the different confessions of faith represented will be publicly read at the free evening Concert-Testimony time.

« CHRETIENS en FETE ! »

Esplanade Maréchal de Lattre de Tassigny à Nice

Saturday 21 May 2016, from 10 am to 11 pm.

This day is organised by the Christian Churches and Communities of the Riviera through the association: "Jour du Christ Côte d'Azur".

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