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Praying for Peace in the Holy Land: an opportunity for your community to help grow the circle of peace

SA Council of Churches continues to encourage prayer and support for the diminishing Christian population in the Holy Land. During the last 3½ years, SACC has made available for sale Peace Lamps and Peace Doves made by young Palestinian Christians in their ceramic workshop in the village of Taybeh, in the West Bank. Approximately 320 Lamps and 574 Doves have been purchased so far and placed in churches, offices and homes across Australia during these 3½ years. Each purchase contributes to supporting young people in meaningful work in Palestine and providing hope for them to achieve **‘their goal of ‘placing a Peace Lamp in every church in the world’**.

In addition to the cost of purchases, the value of which so far is \$16,000, any surplus from sales & donations (currently totalling around \$3,500), has been returned to the community for local projects such as aged care, and providing Christmas gifts to “the only and last 350 Christian families in Gaza”. Dawn and John Sullivan, members of SA Council of Churches Ecumenical Partners for Peace and Justice Committee, are available and willing to come to your church or parish to sell these lamps and doves and to explain the details and aims of the project. The Peace Lamps (\$44) and the Peace Doves (\$20) can be placed in churches, in prayer rooms, on dinner tables, as a sign of solidarity with our Palestinian sisters and brothers in Christ, and as a reminder of the need to pray for peace.

Would your parish or congregation be interested in a visit from Dawn and John?

Current available dates are: the weekend of 16-17 September 2017 (which is prior to the World Week of Peace in Palestine and Israel) and the weekend of 9-10 December 2017 in the lead into Christmas. Other dates can be negotiated.

To invite Dawn and John, or for more information or to buy and Lamp or a Dove, contact

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