

NOVAE EPISTULAE

The Providence and Aleppo

Dear friend and supporter,

Few days ago we have received this touching letter by Mons. Youhanna Jean Jeanbart, Archbishop of Greeks Catholics in Aleppo. We would like to share to you this great impressive hymn of **Divine Providence**, a real plea to all of us.

"One could call it "**Providence**" or else "Divine Mercy!" It is a fact: we find ourselves in a particularly difficult and painful situation that causes great misery and sometimes almost leads us to despair; yet, at the same time, and more and more with each passing day, we feel the warmth of God's kindness—surrounding, comforting and sustaining us through the mercy of His ineffable **Providence**!

Defying storms and tempests, we go forward—priests and faithful—determined to continue to live here in this land where we were born, where our ancestors have lived for centuries, and where the first Christians were able, in the face of many difficulties, to live, resist and prosper!"

"This hand of **Providence**, we which experience each day, comes to us through our benefactors, chosen to make visible God's goodness! All the while thanking the Lord, we cannot forget to express our thanksgiving to each and every one of these chosen persons, who so generously give us a hand".

"This support makes it possible for the Church to remain at the side of her people—the Church which the Lord gave them is alive and at the ready to serve the faithful with the Word and the Sacraments; confirming the people's faith through the power of the Holy Spirit; and relieving their suffering through acts of mercy and charity".

We would like to take part in Aleppo Cathedral and to support their Christians

"The Church faces a huge task; we hope that the devastating tempest that has hit our country will not last much longer and that with the grace of God, peace will return to Syria. Bishops, priests, women and laity, stand shoulder-to-shoulder, looking toward a brighter future and committed to help one another survive".

"It is our fervent prayer that Christians' prophetic presence may continue in this land that has been blessed; that has seen the first days of Christianity; and that has been baptized by the blood of martyrs who have given their lives in faithfulness to Christ all along the Syrian Church's history of more than 2000 years. We count on our benefactors in the West to accompany us on this journey of faith!"

Your commitment could be crucial for restoring Aleppo Virgin Mary Cathedral of Greeks Catholics believers and the christian community in Aleppo

On next November 30th, we will start an aid initiative thanks to our friendship with the His Eminence Archbishop of Greeks Catholics of Aleppo, Mons. Youhanna Jean Jeanbart.

I'm sure we can count on your commitment so important for the future of Christians in Aleppo!

Help us today to support persecuted Christians!

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Thank you very much

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