



The Lutheran World Federation's

# Olive Oil FROM THE MOUNT OF OLIVES

Every October, the staff and volunteers of the Lutheran World Federation in Jerusalem begin the six-week process of harvesting the 800 olive trees that dot the hillsides around Augusta Victoria Hospital on the LWF's Mount of Olives campus. For centuries the olive harvest has been a source of sustenance for the people of the Holy Land, and the LWF continues this tradition with its own harvest.

For 60 years, Augusta Victoria Hospital has been providing healthcare to Palestinian refugees and those living in impoverished conditions. The money raised from the LWF olive oil goes towards the 'Fund for the Poor' at Augusta Victoria Hospital. This fund helps to cover the Hospital's operational costs and the healthcare fees of patients unable to pay for their treatment.

The work of the LWF is especially important now, as more and more families and individuals are feeling the impact of instability in the region.

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*Olive oil fundraisers have been successful at churches and community centers and are particularly popular for Christmas bazaars and gifts. The LWF olive oil bottles are made of recycled glass hand-blown by Palestinian artisans in the city of Hebron. Oil can be ordered in batches of ten or more bottles, for a requested minimum donation of \$25 per bottle. For orders made after January 1, 2010, the requested minimum donation will rise to \$30.00 per bottle. Olive oil will be shipped upon receiving the donation. The bottles will be shipped empty with the olive oil in a separate container to reduce breakage during shipping.*



Olive oil from the Mount of Olives is a unique and popular product and a great way to support the Lutheran World Federation and its work with those most in need in the Holy Land.

To place an order, please e-mail [info@LWFJerusalem.org](mailto:info@LWFJerusalem.org), including a mailing address, phone number, and the number of bottles you would like to order. Checks can be made out to The Lutheran World Federation and sent to:

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