



Disaster in Palestine: The people of Bethlehem need our help.

The people of Bethlehem have asked for our help, not just because of the effects of the present war, but because of the suffering they continue to endure due to the high rates of cancer without adequate medical support.

Bethlehem has the highest reported cancer cases in the Occupied Palestinian Territories (OPT). Cancer cases there rose by 136% between 2000 and 2016. There was no palliative care during that time and healthcare generally continues to be underdeveloped and patchy.

It is sadly the case that 7 out of every 10 reported cancer cases are at terminal stage when first diagnosed. Without specialist palliative care, these people are destined to end their days in pain.

The Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust is the only licensed palliative care provider in Palestine. Since August 2023 our nurses have made over 1800 home visits to 136 patients.

We urgently need your support to continue our work of reducing pain and suffering so as to enable people, who throughout their lives have suffered the effects of war and ill health, to end their days pain free and with dignity.

Bethlehem gave the world a great gift.
We can't turn our backs on Bethlehem.

“My passion lies in easing the burden of those facing terminal illnesses or life-threatening diseases. I believe in approaching each patient with empathy and understanding, striving to comprehend their unique needs and concerns. By doing so, I aim to not only improve their quality of life but also bring a sense of comfort and solace during challenging times.”

Helen Hazboun,
Palliative Care Nurse, Bethlehem Care & Hospice Trust



Please do help. You can:

- make a donation
- become a volunteer helper and raise awareness of the problems
- arrange a fundraising event to help.

Each act of kindness helps someone to face the end of their life pain free and with dignity.

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