

HIS BEATITUDE THE PATRIARCH OF JERUSALEM LIGHTS UP THE CHRISTMAS TREE IN NAZARETH

On the evening of Sunday, the 30th of November/13th of December 2015, His Beatitude Theophilos, Patriarch of Jerusalem, accompanied by the Most Reverend Joachim, Metropolitan of former Zambia, arrived in Nazareth, Galilee.

There, in the town square, Patriarch Theophilos lit up the Christmas tree, extending wishes for a happy New Year. Attending the ceremony were Metropolitan Kyriakos of Nazareth, the town's priests, the Chairwoman of the Board of the Greek Orthodox Arabic-speaking Community, the Mayor, the Director of the Office of Christian Affairs at Israel's Ministry of Religious Affairs, representatives of other Churches and Community Services, and a crowd of approximately 10.000. The Patriarch addressed those present in Arabic.

From the Secretariat-General