An Annotated Bibliography on the Middle East

The following is a list, by no means exhaustive, of books which will be helpful to your understanding of the causes of tension in the Middle East and of the glorious culture that is still there. The focus is on Christians in all of the different countries.


The authors, missionaries in the Middle East, describe past and present of the five church families of the Middle East and profile Christian presence by country, in Cyprus, Egypt, Holy Land, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, N. Africa, Persian Gulf, Sudan, Syria, and Turkey. Avail. Eerdmans.com or amazon.com $20.


A look at contemporary conflict and many Christians caught in the middle of conflict; true stories and conversations. Avail. Fuller Theological Bookstore on line-$12.

A Palestinian Melkite Catholic Priest who is a significant figure in religion and politics tells his story. Avail. Amazon $18.

A blend of personal anecdote and historical research, scripture and politics. Available Amazon, $10.

A major figure in Christian/Muslim conversation; detailed theological analysis. Avail. Amazon $20-30.
Dalrymple, William. *From the Holy Mountain.* NY: Henry Holt, 1997. 454 pages. The author follows the journey of two monks who traveled from Egypt to Turkey and then south through the Levant, beginning in 587. Avail. From Amazon. $12.43 (3-5wk shp)


Examines role of Eastern Church in history of Arab society; analyzes challenges currently facing communities including juridical status, social, political and economic dynamics. Avail. Alibris.com $44.50 to $90.

PC(USA) Church and Society Series, Vol. 95, No. 1. *Israel and Palestine: A Quest for Peace.* PC(USA) publisher, October 2003. 
Series of papers by some of the most knowledgeable people in the Middle East and US. Available from PC(USA) Louisville PDS office, $3.

Limited copies avail. Amazon.com

Papers from ecumenical seminar series; history, issues of pilgrimage, socio-economic topics, role of major churches in Holy Land. Avail. Melisende.com 12.50 pounds


History of Palestinian Christians, and description of life under occupation; effective role played by Christian community. Avail. Amazon.com $11.

Catholic-Orthodox relation and current relationship between Catholic and Oriental Orthodox churches. Avail Alibris.com, limited copies $54.

Autobiography of famed Columbia U. scholar with Baptist/Anglican background; journey from wealth in Jerusalem, displacement in Palestine to US. Avail. Amazon.com $12.

Foremost Lebanese historian analyzes factions including Maronite Christians. Avail Amazon.com 21.95.

Set in the context of Christian mission over 6 centuries, the book focuses on the Arabian mission as an independent Protestant mission, as part of the Reformed Church in the US. Avail. Eerdmans.com, $39.

A look at the Christians of the Holy Land and why they are disappearing. Avail through Amazon, 70 copies, varying prices.


