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In troubled Ramallah, her name is Jamila

Your gifts to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, through the ELCA Division for Global Mission, help fund this relief effort in Palestine. Thank you.

Jamila's home is less than a mile from the government compound that houses Palestinian leader Yassar Arafat. She attracts no international press, living invisibly within the long shadow of the Ramallah compound that has drawn the world's attentions.

Jamila has, however, quietly drawn the vigilant attentions of the Christian ecumenical community in Ramallah. She receives attention because she is a human being, created in the image of God, and because she is old and poor and alone, and in need of social contact. Jamila is remembered and served by the Ramallah Meals on

Wheels Program.

Since 1995, the driving force behind this ecumenical effort is the (Palestinian) Lutheran Church of Hope in Ramallah (a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jordan and Palestine). Currently 62 Palestinians who are elderly and poor, or disabled, are being helped by Meals on Wheels. Program services include delivery of hot meals, transportation to medical appointments, payment for and delivery of prescriptions, delivery of staple foodstuffs, and help with light housekeeping. The Lutheran church also provides "friendly visitors" as part of the program.

This quiet ministry remembers, serves, and calls by name. In troubled Ramallah, her name is Jamila.

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