

1937 May 14 Na'ame (sister) to KF - George in Bethlehem

My dear sister Katrina,

Greetings.

For several days we have not received any letter from you. Hope everything is OK. I am telling you, my dear sister, that we are worried about you and about your children. Your son Georgie came upon us and we greeted him, thinking that he is coming for a visit. But he tells us that he is coming because they are treating him like a slave and his father Suleiman beats him up and demeans him because he has angered his uncles. This boy has been abused and badly treated to the last extent. He told us that his father intends to get married on the 16th of May and when he found this out, he was very angry. He said to me, my aunt, please send me to my mother.

My cousin (husband) Anton and I told him, why don't you stay until you tell your mother? And then she will fix you up. But they are very angered since he is with us, while he is waiting for your letter hour by hour. If you intend to help him, send him the passport and whatever is necessary for travel, and Anton will fix him. Two days after Georgie came, Suleiman came with his cousin Shukri, and they filed a complaint against our cousin (husband) Anton at the court. They claimed that Anton went to Ramallah with Georgie, in order to have him spirited away to you. And the court decided to hold our cousin Anton for a few hours, as I had told you. [And they asked] if Georgie intends to go to you, and if they [his father] took him against his will. If you want him to come to you, my dear sister, you should do this immediately. Now I tell you that the wife of brother Mitri and his little boy have died.

May you and children live long and be safe. My best regards to sister Jamileh and her family, and to miss Julia, and your precious ones Freddie and Mary. Kiss them on our behalf on the cheeks. From this side, my cousin (husband) Anton and the others send you greetings, and our sister Liza and her family send you greetings and our brother Mitri sends his greeting.

She who always wishes you the best. Your sister Na'ame Karraa

Ps. Immediately send a response.