

1936 Mar 19 Abdullah and Miriam Saade to Katherine – let us know what to do

Saltillo, Coahuila

To our dear daughter Katrina, may God preserve her, Greetings, etc. I write this to tell you, our dear daughter, that I sent a letter to your old address and we have not received a response. I hope everything is well. Please let us know where you are or write us a letter and let us know your life and work are proceeding and also about Julia. Is she working now? We want all the details because we are worried about you. Just as you worry about your children, we worry about you.

We have received a letter from Suleiman and the Mukhtar, who went to Bethlehem to the house of Jurgi Saade and they wrote imploring you to return with the children to the homeland. Suleiman sent us a letter jointly with this Mukhtar and I am hereby sending it inside this letter. Think about it and let us know what you intend to do – in detail. We are waiting for an urgent reply for you so we will know how to respond to them. I understand that they are sending you another letter separately. When you respond to them, please tell me what you say. Do not allow them to put the responsibility on your shoulders.

I want you to know that throughout last month we have been fighting with (unreadable) Suleiman and his folks. Please write so we know how to respond to him.

Hearty greetings to you and Julia and to Mary and Freddy. Everybody here sends their regards.

Blessings from your father and mother

P.S. The people who came with Suleiman to Bethlehem were his relatives, one of them is the Mukhtar.

Translated by Salim Tamari