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God save me. Jesus enlightens me, The Holy Spirit is my life

Dear Mother Superior;

Please forgive me for writing to you so lately. Needless to say, as soon as I heard of these news, my heart was very saddened. With profound emotion I learned that Sister Maria Lucia of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart, at the age of 97 years, was called by the heavenly Father to the eternal dwelling of heaven. She has thus reached the end to which she always aspired in prayer and in the silence of the convent. I wish I could have attended the funeral ceremony in order to give my last farewell to this humble and devout Carmelite, who consecrated her life to Christ, Savior of the world.

The visit of the Virgin Mary, which little Lucia received in Fatima together with her cousins Francisco and Jacinta in 1917, was for her the beginning of a special mission to which she remained faithful until the end of her days. Sister Lucia leaves us an example of great fidelity to the Lord and of joyful adherence to His divine Will.

I remember with emotion the meetings I had with her in 1994 and in April 1998. On the latter occasion, Oil oozed from my hands when I was praying with the nuns. I will not forget when Sister Lucia came towards me, then I placed my hands in hers and we had prayer intensely together with all the nuns who were present. I felt I was in Heaven and I did not want to leave the Carmel.

May the Holy Virgin accompany the soul of this devoted daughter of Hers to the happy encounter with the divine Spouse: Jesus.

From Heaven, I am sure that she will pray with me for the mission that Jesus and Mary have entrusted me with: that of Christian Unity.

This year, sadly again, we celebrate Two Feasts of Easter. The Catholic one: March 27th, and the Orthodox one: May 5th. The call for unity of the Feast of Easter was given to me (us) by Jesus and Mary several times since 1982. Until now, the Church(es) have not responded concretely to this call. What is 23 years in the life of the Church? Very little, yet for us in the Middle-East, in the heart of Islam, in the land of the first Christians, Damascus, this ongoing scandal hurts us all and tarnishes the image of Christianity when it comes to celebrate the One and only Feast of Feasts: EASTER!

I would like to convey to the nuns of the Carmel of Coimbra the certainty of my prayers.

Please convey my best wishes to sister Isabel "who is the first sister who opened the door for me" and sister Anna Sofia who I will never forget her wonderful smile.

Please pray for my upcoming 3-week mission to Australia next month in 5 April.

Christ is Risen! yes. He is truly Risen!!

in unity of prayer.

With Love

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