

THREE RELIGIONS. ONE HOUSE.

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Dear friends of the House of One,

we are writing to you at the end of a tumultous year. After Covid, life seemed to regain normality, meetings, even prayers side by side, services without masks, all this was possible again.

Russia's war against Ukraine has shaken security again, in a different way and somehow stronger than before, at least in Europe. We are also shaken by the cruel events in Iran, where "the fundamental values of Islam are trampled underfoot in the name of Islam", according to the words of our Imam Kadir Sanci. Pope Franziskus also just underlined in his Christmas address, "Religion must not be used to stir conflict."

Conversely, however, what has happened also shows that without peace among religions there will be no global peace. But this tension, which tears us apart inside, can also become a force that heals and brings us together. This is shown by the numerous encounters and friendships across religious boundaries that were allowed to grow in 2022 and that the House of One was also able to make possible. The building may not yet be standing, but the heart has already been beating for many years.

It is a special concern to thank you for your accompaniment and loyalty. This support makes encounters possible, promotes understanding between religions, helps build bridges and break down prejudices. We would be pleased if you would remain at our side in the future and help us to build our one house for all - in the concrete as well as in the figurative sense.

We wish you a contemplative and peaceful end of the year, a Happy Hanukkah and a Blessed Christmas!

Your House of One Team in December 20222



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