

Elijah Summer School 2019
“Friendship Across Religions”

	9:00	9:20 – 10:50	11:00 – 12:30	2:00 - 3:20	3:30 – 4:50	5:10 – 6:30
Sunday				Welcome & Intros. (Alon Goshen Gottstein, Peta Jones Pellach)	Text Study The Tulasidasa on Friendship. Introduction to chevruta method. (Peta Jones Pellach) 4:30 Discussion Characteristics of friendship (Alon Goshen Gottstein)	5:30 Interview: Friendship in Hinduism (Neelima Shukla-Bhatt)
Monday	Prayers on Mt Zion	Text study on Friendship in Sikhism (Peta Jones Pellach) 9:50 Interview: Friendship in Sikhism (Dr Eleanor Nesbitt)	Excursion : Visit to monument for tolerance; Visit to Indian Cemetery in Talpiot. (Peta Jones Pellach)	Excursion (cont) Return to Mt Zion, stopping at war cemetery and grave of Oscar Schindler. (Peta Jones Pellach)	Discussion: Expressions of friendship (Alon Goshen Gottstein)	4:30 – Case study 1: Bibliodrama Guru Nanak and Mardana. (Peta Jones Pellach)
Tuesday	Prayers on Mt Zion	Visit to JICCC (until 10:20)	10:30 Text study (chevruta): Friendship in Islam (Peta Jones Pellach) 11:30 Interview: Friendship in Islam (Timothy Gianotti)	Case study 2: Bibliodrama: Emir Abdelkader - a Muslim exemplar of friendship (Peta Jones Pellach)	Meeting with Qadi Mohammad Abu Obeid	
Wednesday	Prayers on Mt Zion	Interview: Friendship in Christianity (David Ford)	Text Study: Friendship in Christianity. (Alon Goshen Gottstein)	Site visit – Ecce Homo The mission of the Sisters of Sion (Sisters Waafa and Trudy)	Text study (cont) – Friendship in Christianity.	Site Visit Church of the Holy Sepulchre

Thursday	Prayers at the Kotel	Text study – Friendship in Judaism (Peta Jones Pellach)	Site Visit – Rav Kook House (Rabbi Itzchak Marmorstein)	1:45 Case study 2: Bibliodrama Abraham Joshua Heschel and Martin Luther King (Peta Jones Pellach)	3:30 Text-study and interview Friendship in Buddhism (Maria Reis Habito)	5:00 – 7:00 Interfaith activists and peace-makers in Jerusalem – Yehuda Stolov and Souli Khatib; Debbie Weissman and Fr David Neuhaus - testimonials on friendships
Friday	Prayers on Mt Zion	Text-study Sources from five traditions of God as friend (Peta Jones Pellach)	Discussion: Summary of Week 1 – the qualities of friendship; spiritual v “common” friendship (Alon Goshen Gottstein)	Lecture and text-study: Introduction to Shabbat (Alon Goshen Gottstein)		Shabbat dinner at homes
Sunday	Prayers at Dormition; prayers in syngagogues	10:00 am Excursion all day Meet at Har Herzl station: Yad Vashem (Peta Jones Pellach)	Emphasis: Righteous Among the Nations	Excursion continued	Excursion continued	
Monday	Prayers at Ecce Homo	Lecture/ discussion: Summary of week 1 and introduction to week 2 – how do we extend the principles of friendship to interreligious? (Alon Goshen Gottstein)	Testimonial I Friendship in action (Rabbi David Rosen and Fr Hosam Naoum.)	Lecture and discussion : What does Yad Vashem teach? Can Friendship be a means to overcome hatred?	Panel of Christian leaders: the friendships between us.	Towards a Declaration of Friendship:: Why we need interreligious friendship
Tuesday	Prayers at Ecce Homo	Case study 3 – Lecture and Bibliodrama - The Friendship between Ghandi and Andrews (Dr Anantandand	11:30 – Text study and Discussion: Obstacles to interreligious friendship	At Har Hatzofim Testimonial II Friendship in action (Suheyli Umar and Shrivatsa Goswami)		Towards a Declaration of Friendship: Virtues associated with Friendship.

		Rambachan and Peta Jones Pellach)				
Wednesday	Prayers at Ecce Homo	Testimonial III Friendship in Action Sr Maureen Goodman and Br Josef Goetz	Towards a Declaration of Friendship: Working through the document	Meeting with Rabbi of Kotel – “the Kotel as a prayer site for all”	Testimonial IV Friendship in action (Alon Goshen-Gottstein and Swami Atmapriyananda).	Towards a Declaration of Friendship: continue working through the document.
Thursday	Prayers at Ecce Homo	Lecture: Friendship to heal the earth (Rabbi Yonatan Neril)	Towards a Declaration of Friendship: summary, responses and evaluation Brainstorming: Strategies/ activities towards friendship.	Final lunch	Evaluation and appreciation	