



## The Fifth Bi-Annual Meeting of the Elijah Board of World Religious Leaders, Oxford (UK), March 2012

On the final day of the meeting, leaders were asked to reflect on what had been accomplished. They were asked to consider three questions:

- 1. What does Interreligious Friendship mean to you?***
- 2. How do you practise Interreligious Friendship?***
- 3. What messages and practices of Interreligious Friendship can you take back from this meeting to your community?***

Some chose to respond independently to each question while others integrated their answers.

### Archbishop Boutros Mouallem

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**1** - As a Christian and a Bishop, interreligious friendship means essentially to me trust and love. In the Tradition of my Church Christ is called Philanthrops = Friend of Man(kind).

**2** - We can implement it by respecting the Other, whatever may be his race, colour, religion, social or political ideas. Although different from me, I trust him and love him.

**3** - I bring back to my community the rich experience we lived in Oxford. I already wrote and published a long article (in Arabic) on this topic.

With my best wishes and deep interreligious friendship. God bless you !