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Dear Friends:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your gift to Eastern Mennonite University on February 18, 2011 as follows:

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The idea of a Center for Studies in the Abrahamic Tradition emerges from discussions and experiences in these EMU departments: the Center for Justice and Peacebuilding, the Seminary, Bible & Religion, and History. The Center is to provide a setting where practitioners and scholars belonging to the three faiths of the Abrahamic tradition—Judaism, Islam and Christianity—may collaborate in research, training, and learning to further peace, just development, security, and wholeness. This collaborative process is to equip a new generation of religious and reflective practitioners for understanding and positive change. It is imagined that their theological, social, and political insights would serve linked Abrahamic communities who together pursue peace and justice as covenanted people of a sacred Scripture. The participating scholars and practitioners within these traditions would together identify topics and questions for collaborative attention.

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