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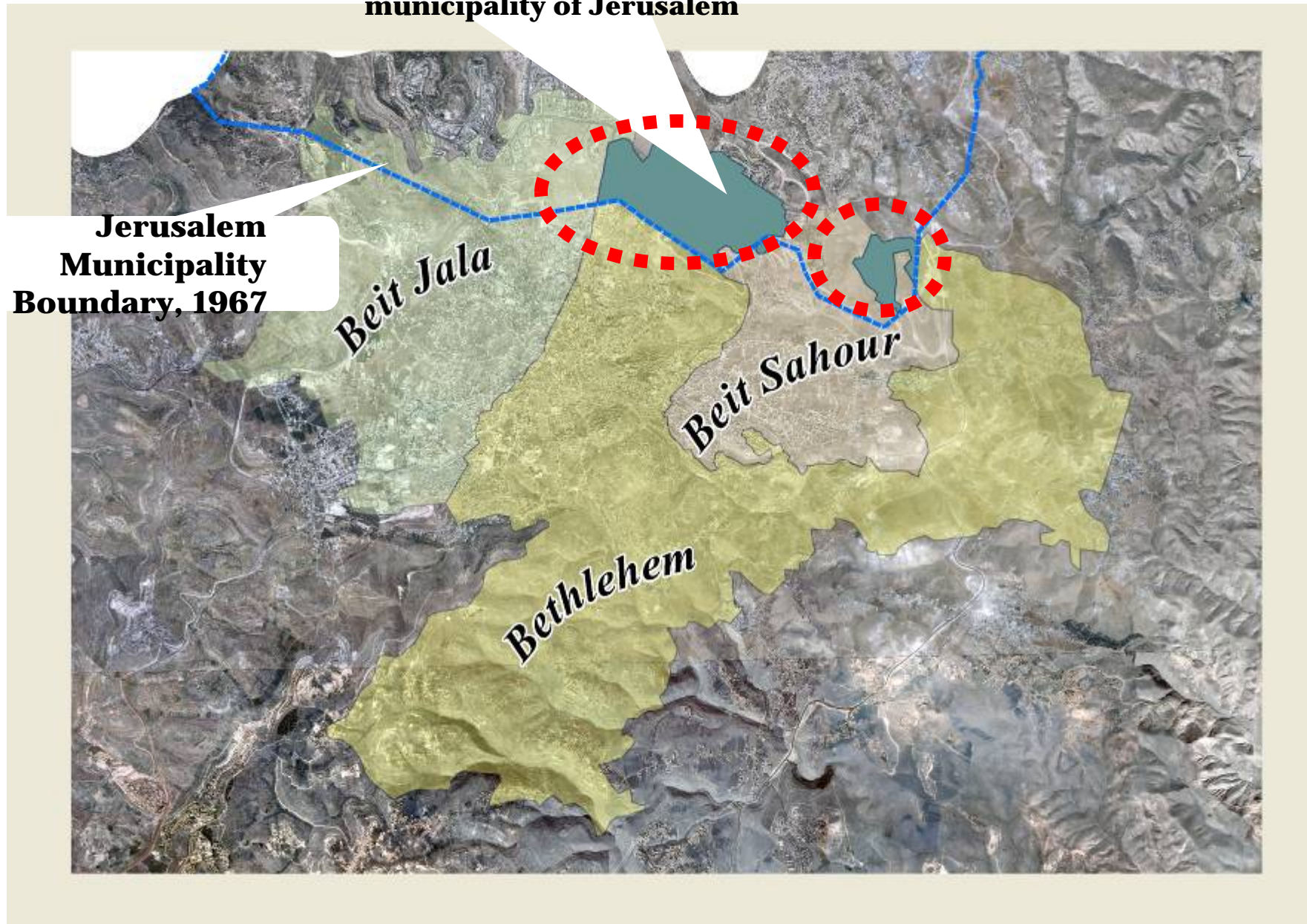


Bethlehem City

- ~ 7.3 km²
- ~ 30000 inhabitants
- ~ 8 km south to Jerusalem
- ~ Pilgrimage destination for millions of believers
Church of Nativity, Birth place of Jesus
- ~ Listed on UNESCO List as World Heritage Site
- ~ Capital of Arab Culture 2020



After the 1967 war Israel snatched 2500 Dunums of Bethlehem city lands to add it to the illegally and unilaterally Declared new boundary of the Israeli municipality of Jerusalem



Refugee Camps



Ad Duheisheh Camp
.33 km²
11.000 refugees

2. Ayda Camp
.071 km²
4000 refugees

3. Azeh Camp
.050 km²
1800 refugees

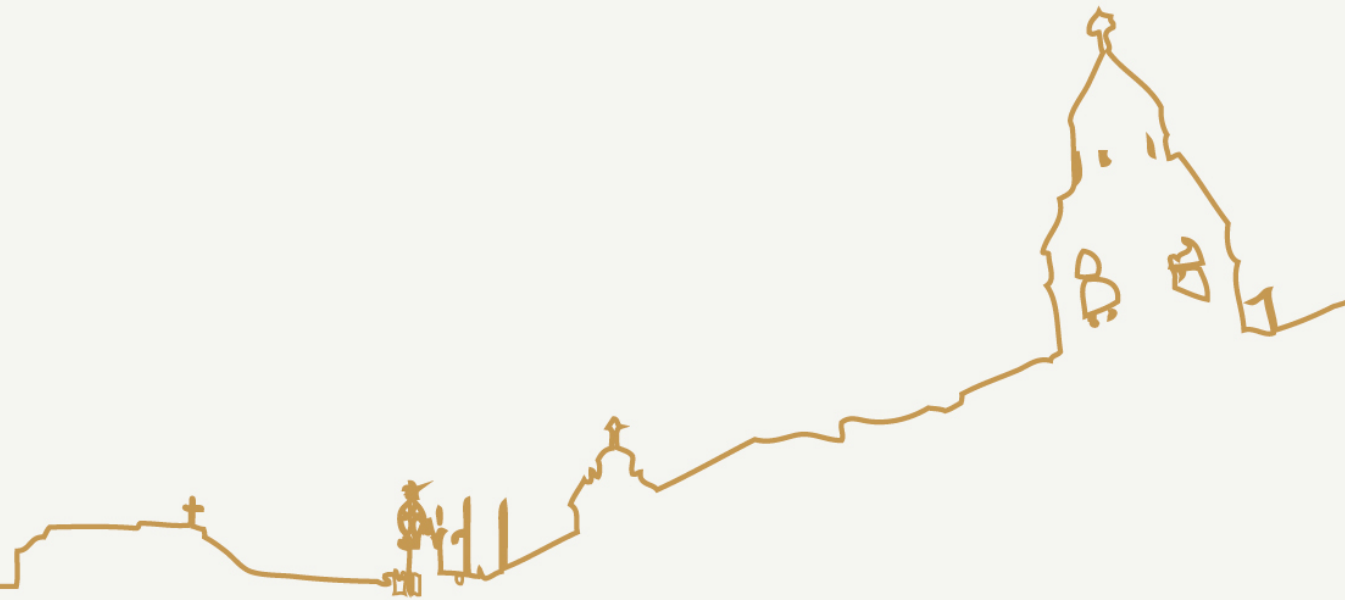
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Settlements:

22 in Bethlehem Governorate
135.000 settlers

196 in Palestine, 233 outposts
834.000 settlers



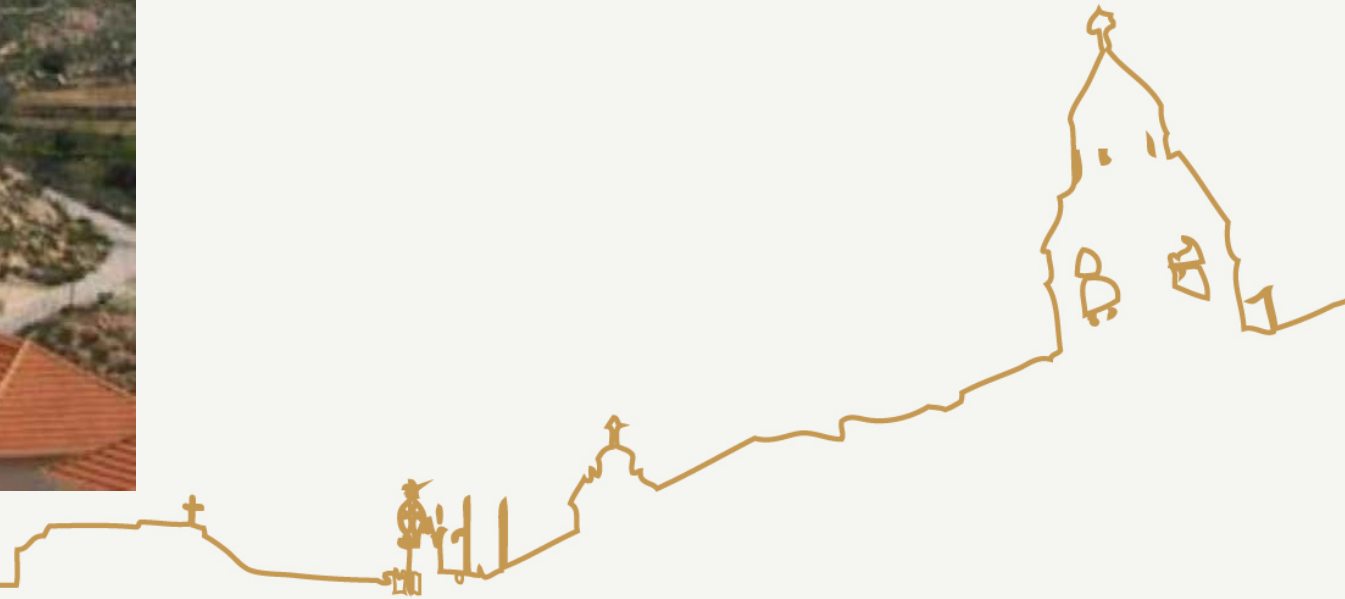


Efrat Settlement

established 1979

4 km²

11.000 Israeli settlers
located 12 kilometers south of
Jerusalem



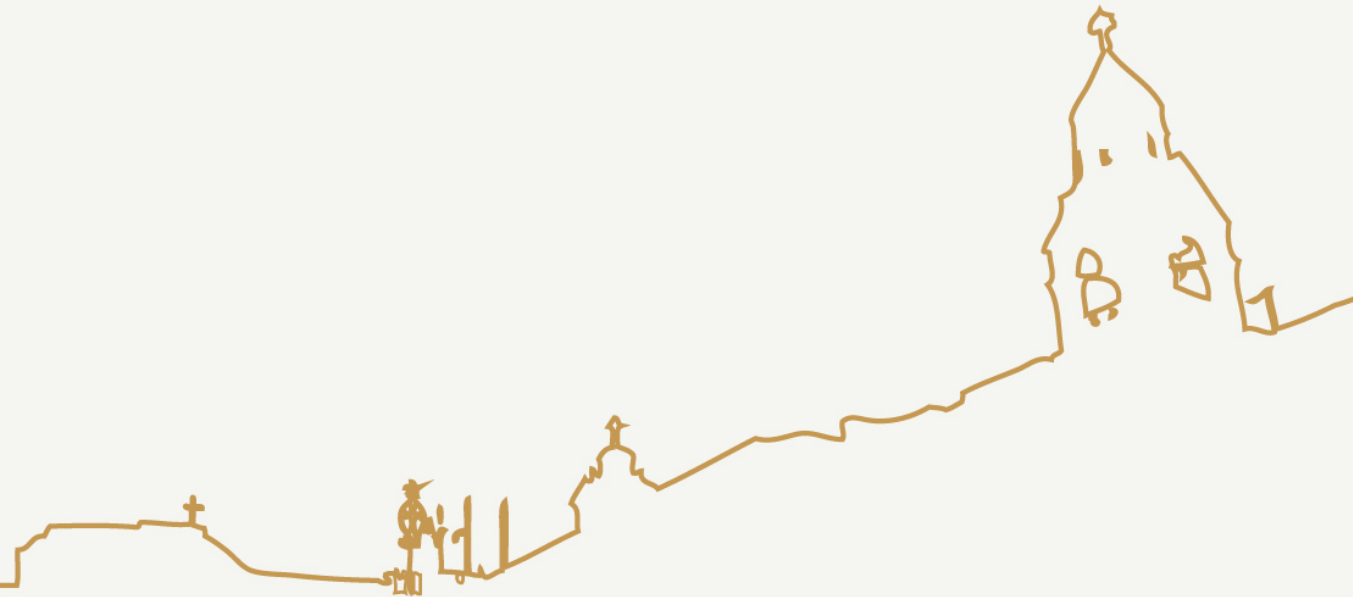


Oslo Accords, signed by the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and Israel in 1993 and 1995

Bethlehem Governorate 608 km²

- . Zone A 7.8%
- . Zone B 5.5%
- . Zone C 69.7%
- . Natural reserve 17%

ARIJ GIS Database ~ 2011





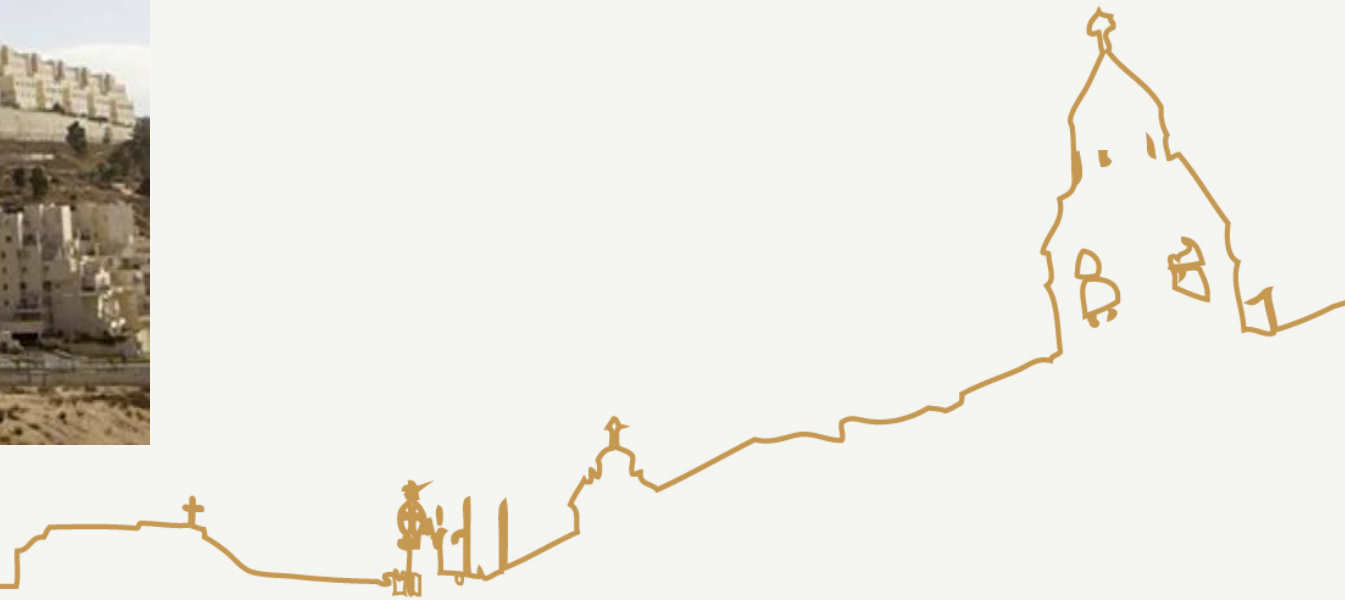
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established 1997

1.9 km²

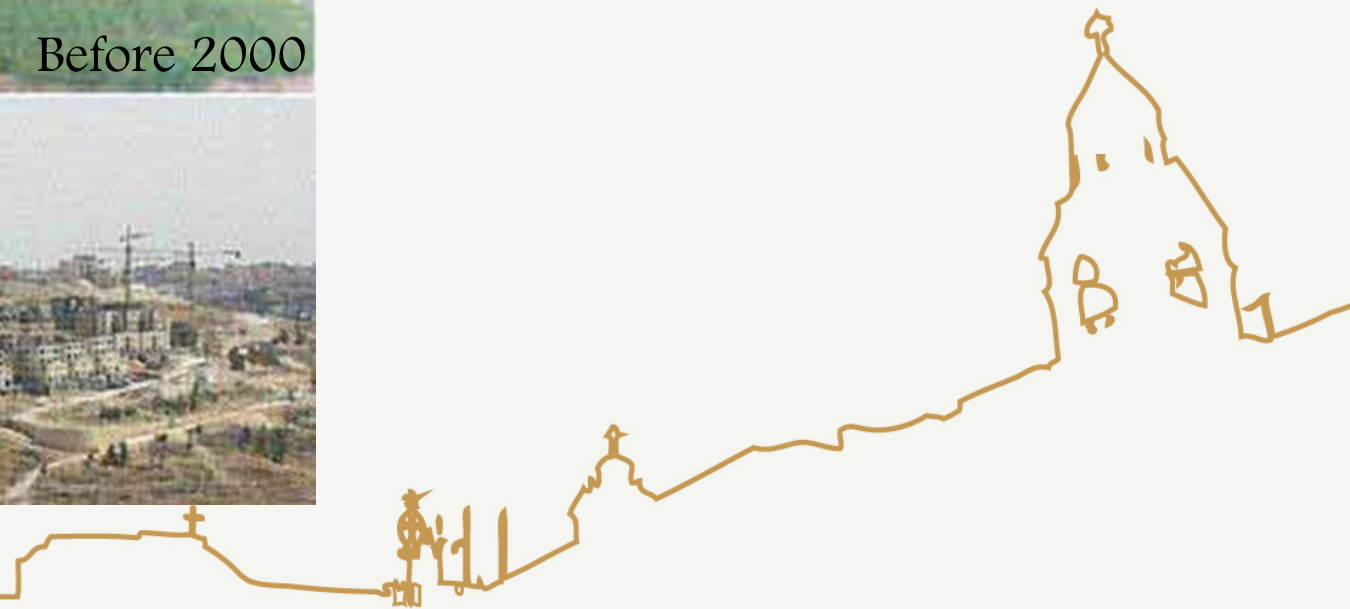
39.500 Israeli settlers

located to the south east Jerusalem

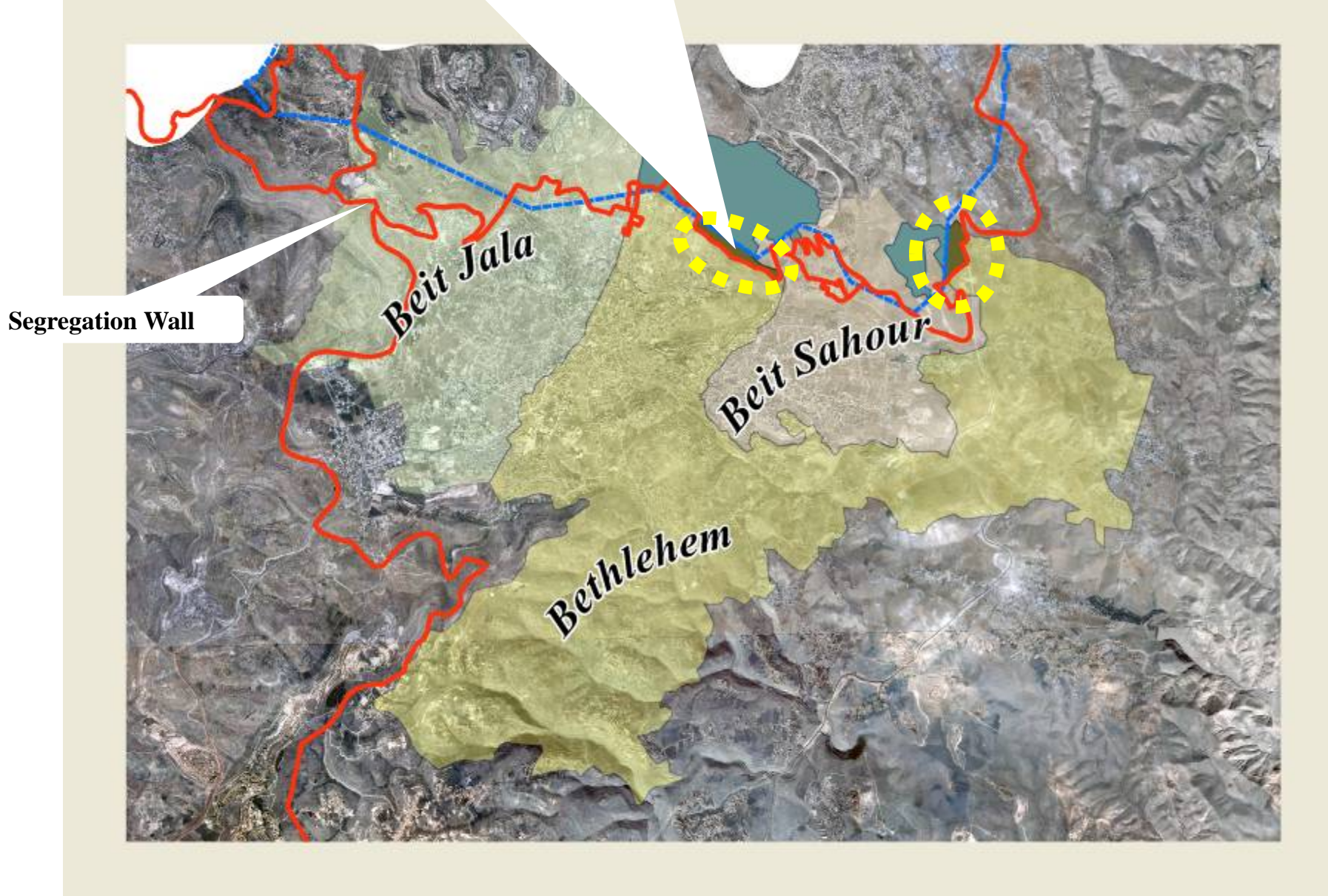




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Israel started building the Segregation Wall, an additional 300 Dunums were isolated from Bethlehem city lands



The Segregation Wall at the Northern Entrance of Bethlehem City around Rachel's Tomb Site





When abnormal living is considered normal... and accepted

www.bethlehem-city.org

The separation wall:

- **8 Meters high**
- **56 km within Bethlehem Governorate**
- **Checkpoints: 35**

(source: ARIJ GIS Database – 2011)





THANK YOU!

