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Harrassowitz Verlag Feb 2009, 2009. Buch. Book Condition: Neu. 246x179x20 mm. Neuware - On the occasion of the 10th anniversary of 'Rudolf Macuch's death in 1993 a conference was organized in Berlin devoted to his two main areas of research, i.e. Mandaic and Samaritan studies. The proceedings of this conference, which are about to be published, contain 21 contributions of which 14 are on matters Mandaean. The Mandaean are the only late antique Gnostic baptist sect who have been able to survive up to today by retreating into remoter areas. But now their very existence in their homelands in Southern Mesopotamia and the adjacent province of Persia is threatened by violent conflict and a general absence of law enforcement. In their papers Kurt Rudolph and Sabih Alsohairy are reporting on the Mandaean's endeavours to preserve their religion and culture in their homelands as well as in the worldwide diaspora. The Mandaean have produced a remarkable literature, written in an Aramaic language that is closely related to Syriac and Talmudic. Several contributions are dedicated to said literature, whereas others are dealing with questions concerning the disputed origin of the Mandaean, the Mandaean script, versification, and incantation bowls. Also, six scholars'...



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