

Faithful Witness AT the Border

August 26-30, 2018

Southwest Conference United Church of Christ
in Collaboration with
Justice Witness Ministries
Global Ministries

Hosted by
Good Shepherd UCC, Sahuarita, AZ

Schedule:

Sunday---Aug 26th

5:00pm Dinner*, Intros and Orientation at Good Shepherd

Monday—Aug 27th

8:00am Samaritan Meeting at Good Shepherd

10:00 Criminalization, Family Separation and Orientation to Streamline proceedings

Setting the stage to understand what's happened, the issues, and what we will be observing during the afternoon and for the stories we will hear in the evening.

12:00 Lunch*

1:30pm Operation Streamline, Federal Courthouse, Downtown Tucson

3:00 Conversation with Judge or Attorney

5:00 Dinner* at Good Shepherd

6:00 Panel discussion on Immigrant Shelter/Detention Facilities with clergy and other leaders

Tuesday Aug 28th

Breakfast on your own

8:00am Leave the church for Nogales, Sonora

*Van transportation** into Mexico will be provided. Donations to defray the cost of your seat will be accepted.*

9:00 Rotations at Kino Border Initiative, Visit Shelters---La Roca and others, Visit HEPAC—Hogar de Esperanza y Paz

12:00 Communion Service at Border Wall

1:00pm Lunch*--- United Churches Fellowship/Nogales, AZ

2:00 Debrief and Rest

4:00 Nogales Border Patrol Station and Detention Center Vigil with SOA Watch

Dinner on Your Own

Wednesday Aug 29th

Breakfast on your own

8:00am Small group trips from church to Put out Crosses/ Migrant Memorials Desert Walk

These activities are strenuous walking experiences of more than 1.5 miles through the open desert. Water bottles, sunscreen, appropriate footwear, are required.

12:00 Lunch*

1:30pm Afternoon Presentations at the Good Shepherd

- Immigration Advocacy and Policy
- Sanctuary Churches
- Becoming and Immigrant Welcoming
- Get Out The Vote
- Intersections Between Palestine/Israel conflict and US border militarization

5:30 Dinner at Good Shepherd and Conversation with Asylum Families and Mariposas Sin Fronteras

Thursday Aug 30th

9:00am to 11:30 Action Plan and Debrief

12:00 Closing

*These meals are provided by the Southwest Conference and a donation basket will be available to help defray costs.

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For more information on the various events on the schedule please visit these websites:

Green Valley Samaritans <https://www.gvs-samaritans.org/>

Operation Streamline <https://derechoshumanosaz.net/coalition-work/end-streamline-coalition/>

Kino Border Initiative <https://www.kinoborderinitiative.org/>

HEPAC—Hogar de Esperanza y Paz <https://www.hepacnogales.org/>

The Florence Immigrant and Refugee Rights Project <https://firrp.org/>

Mariposas Sin Fronteras <https://mariposassinfronteras.org/>

School of the Americas Watch <http://www.soaw.org/border/about-us-2/>