Rabbis for Ceasefire & Christians for Ceasefire Multifaith Solidarity Delegation, August/September 2024



Will Allen-DuPraw is a photojournalist and documentarian based in the DC area. He completed his Master's degree in New Media Photojournalism at the Corcoran School of the Arts & Design last year, and now works to illuminate stories that would otherwise go untold.



Diane Bardol is a Grey Nun of the Sacred Heart. After a long career in education, I am now our Social Justice Coordinator since 2008. I've been to our southern border 5 times to work at Annunciation House.



Barbara Battista is a Congregation Justice Promoter for the Sisters of Providence and a medical provider. I work to abolish the death penalty, to advance racial equity and equality for Black, Brown, Indigenous, and all peoples impacted by White Supremacy historically and currently.



Beth Brockman (she/her) is an activist, a member leader of a local chapter of Southerners on New Ground (SONG), and spiritual director who lives in land stewarded by the Occaneechi band of the Saponi Nation, also known as Durham, NC. She is the mother of two children, and the grandmother of one child.



Mark Colville is a lifelong Catholic activist and community organizer living in New Haven, Connecticut. In the Palestinian anti-occupation/anti-apartheid movement, I recognize and confront the same oppression that destroys neighborhoods and criminalizes homelessness in my own community: the denial of land as a means to the denial of personhood.



David Cooper is the emeritus rabbi of Kehilla Community Synagogue in the Oakland/Piedmont area of California. He co-founded the congregation in 1984. Kehilla is a spiritually-oriented politically progressive synagogue that has always worked for peace and justice for Palestinians and Israelis.



Jim DeBrosse an author, freelance journalist and retired journalism professor living in Indianapolis.



Laurie Brands Gagne is a retired Theology and Peace and Justice Professor who has always combined activism with scholarship. I founded the Dear Hillary Campaign for the Congo in 2010, co-founded the Vermont Ibutwa Initiative, and spent a month in the West Bank on Meta Peace Team in 2018. I relocated to Washington, DC to be closer to my grandchildren and to bring a message of peace and nonviolence to Capitol Hill.



Sidney Galicia (she/her) is an organizer with a labor union in Southern California and involved in anti-imperialist organizing in Los Angeles.



Carol Garwood is a married, retired insurance adjuster with 4 children and 7 grandchildren. I am co-chair of the Steering Committee for United Methodists For Kairos Response and have been to the region several times.



Rev. Darrell Hamilton is an ordained Baptist minister and graduate from Wake Forest School of Divinity where he received his Masters in Divinity in 2017, and earned his degree in Political Science from the University of Central Oklahoma in 2012. His ministry and leadership is centered on advancing diversity, inclusion, and advocacy for the vulnerable and marginalized to inspire our world toward greater justice and love for all people.



Rev. Deb Hansen serves as an interfaith chaplain and spiritual companion. In winters I volunteer in a shelter at the U.S./Mexico border. *Borderlands*, a memoir of that experience, will be available in the fall.



Sharon Jaffe is a Kohenet, a Jewish ritual leader in evolving earth based & feminist traditions. A hospice chaplain, a grassroots organizer, lives in Minneapolis on Dakota land near George Floyd Memorial Square. In solidarity with Israeli and Palestinian activists since Sabra and Shatilla.



Jeremiah Jasper is an ordained United Methodist Pastor with 35 years of service with church and community.



Linda "Linden" Jenkins is a mother, grandmother, retired lawyer, pastor, professional mediator and a social justice activist of decades whose faith is central to how she tries to live her life. Her relationship with the land of her long-time home in the New Hampshire White Mountains sustains and also guides her.



Lindsey Jones-Renaud is a mother, organizer, and member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Washington DC.



Hebah Kassem is Palestinian American and the Founder and President of Visionary Edge, a political firm providing policy, legislative, political, and other services to global and domestic NGOs, foundations, and political campaigns. Hebah has substantial experience in public health, environment and climate justice policy, human rights advocacy, legislative affairs, community & grassroots organizing, and political strategy.



Mikayla Lytton (they) is a white, class privileged, trans and queer Quaker. Their paid work is in nonprofit facilitation and training, coaching, and baking; they also co-organize their Quaker Meeting's Seeds for Peace committee for peace and justice.



Eric Martin is part of the Catholic Worker community and teaches theology & religion at Loyola Marymount University and UCLA.



Hannah Mermelstein has led over 30 delegations to Palestine through Birthright Unplugged, Librarians and Archivists with Palestine, and other projects and organizations. She lives in Philadelphia, where she has recently left her job as a school librarian in order to spend more time working for justice in Palestine.



Sara Moon is a nature-connection and rites of passage facilitator, food-grower, community organiser & ordained Kohenet. She is the co-founder of Miknaf Ha'aretz and Camp Beenu and is dedicated to building radical, diasporist, earth-based Jewish community in the UK, rooted in justice and solidarity. Sara is currently based in South Devon, England.



Rev. Sara Webb Phillips is a retired United Methodist Church pastor. She served as a college chaplain twice, has worked in fourteen churches in rural areas, is a writer and editor, and is married to a seminary professor.



Kim Redigan taught theology for several years and is currently the Director of Campus Ministry at a Catholic high school in Detroit. She is a nonviolence trainer, water and human rights advocate, and serves on the State Council of Pax Christi Michigan.



John F Reuwer is a retired physician who studies, teaches, and practices conflict resolution. He has been on numerous UCP teams, starting with Christian Peacemaker Teams in Hebron in 1995.



Rajiv Sinha is the director of Hindus for Human Rights UK, an advocacy group campaigning against Hindu supremacy. His time is spent between grassroots organising, multifaith work, and lobbying for recognition of, and action on, human rights abuses that take place in the name of Hinduism.



Abby Stein is a rabbi and educator, award winning author, and speaker. Born, raised, and ordained in a Hasidic community with roots in Eastern Europe and Jerusalem, she has since leaving that world been working on creating inclusive spaces, with an emphasis on gender and sexuality in Judaism.



Tamara Taha is a Palestinian American Muslim Woman who was born in Jerusalem. Tamara has worked in the philanthropic sector for over ten years and is pleased to advocate for justice and freedom for Palestinians on this trip.



Sunita Viswanath has worked for over 30 years in women's rights and human rights organizations. Sunita co-founded Hindus for Human Rights in June 2019.



John Wagner is a semi-retired United Methodist minister, and co-founder and former convener for United Methodists for Kairos Response. I live in Ohio, married to JoAnn, we have three daughters and two grandchildren.



Maung Zarni is a Burmese dissident in exile, genocide scholar and human rights campaigner with 35 years of international & peace activism. 2015 Recipient of the Cultivation of (religious) Harmony Award by the Parliament of the World's Religion and Mairead Maguire's nominee for 2024 Nobel Peace Prize.