Week of action 13 - 21 September 2020



During the above week, the World Council of Churches (WCC) will hold their annual <u>World Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel</u> (WWPPI), which includes the International Day of Prayer for Peace on 21 September. The WCC theme for 2020 is: Creative Solidarity in Common Fragility and can be downloaded by clicking the link.

Along with the suggestions outlined in the WCC booklet, PIEN have come up with our own creative solidarity, linking with the <u>Cry for Hope</u> call that was issued by <u>Kairos Palestine</u> and <u>Global Kairos for Justice</u> on the 1st July, 2020. Cry for Hope not only asks us to <u>sign the call</u> but implores people to actively engage in their 7 key asks. To find out more about the Cry for Hope, please revisit our July PIEN Quarterly.

Will you help us to have a visible focus on Palestine and Israel and raise awareness to your own networks during this week of action.

Many of you will be familiar with the Anglican Church of Gosford and how they have used their church sign to speak out on injustices which has gained them much notoriety and attention. Our creative solidarity idea has stemmed from this.

Actions during 13 - 21 September: We have developed a range of materials to display in various ways.

If you are clergy, or have some involvement in a church group, then please use the WWPPI resources in your worship services and in educational and advocacy events, during this week in September.

Utilize the church billboard with messages such as these ones drawn from the 'Cry for Hope' statement:

- We cry for hope for the Holy Land. Injustice against Palestinians is incompatible with Christian belief.
- We cry for hope for the Holy Land. We reject the oppression of the Palestinian people.
- We cry for hope for Palestine. We believe in a God of love, mercy and justice.
- We cry for hope for the Holy Land. We join Palestinians in their creative, nonviolent resistance.
- We cry for hope for the Holy Land. We believe in a vision of inclusivity and equality for both Israelis and Palestinians.
- We cry for hope for the Holy Land. We embrace Christ's vision to bring love, mercy, compassion and abundant life for all Israelis and Palestinians.



On your Facebook page replace your cover picture with one of these options below (click image):







Change your Facebook, Instagram and Twitter Profile picture with either of these 2 options.

Please make reference to the Cry for Hope website and their signature campaign.



Upload these images to Facebook and Instagram







Add this email banner to the bottom of your emails.



If you are familiar with photo editing you may like to add the banner to your existing Facebook cover picture instead. Please note it is a black image with a white background.

And finally, suggested Tweets throughout the week - adapted from the Cry for Hope statement:

- 1. "I Cry for Hope we cannot serve God while remaining silent about the oppression of Palestinians."
- 2. "I Cry for Hope for the Holy Land. Stand up to injustice wherever it is found."
- **3.** "I Cry for Hope we cannot serve God and oppress Palestinians, whether passive or active, through silence, word or deed."

This document is also available to download from our PIEN <u>website</u> or email Nell at <u>contact@pien.org.au</u>. Please also join in and invite people through the event <u>Facebook page</u>.