

# Millions of people around the world seek peace.

Your gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering can help to provide relief, shelter, and hope to families who've fled their homes in search of safety.

***Be part of the work to proclaim the peace of Christ with sisters and brothers around the world.***

## PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY



Through your congregation



Text PEACE to 56512 to learn more or to give



[presbyterianmission.org/give/peace-global](http://presbyterianmission.org/give/peace-global)

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# Embracing Those Who Seek Peace



Old First Presbyterian Church

## PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION



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PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS  
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## The Peace & Global Witness Offering supports every level of the PC(USA) to work for peace and respond to injustice in their own contexts and around the globe.



Seven congregations in the Presbytery of San Francisco (PSF) came together to give nearly \$24,000 to help resettle refugees in Oakland; PSF used \$10,000 of its peacemaking fund to match contributions of congregations for this effort.



Old First Presbyterian Church in San Francisco raised more than \$20,000 to buy and deliver 5,000 teddy bears to provide comfort and joy to Syrian refugee children in Jordan.



At the global level, the Presbyterian Ministry at the United Nations amplifies the voices of refugees and other vulnerable populations throughout the world and advocates for justice and peace as guided by church policy.



A visit by Rami Al Maqdasi, an international peacemaker, inspired Ivyland Presbyterian in Philadelphia, to help those seeking peace. Members joined together to provide furnishings and welcome kits for refugee families resettling in their community.



We Choose Welcome is a campaign to live out the Biblical call to welcome the stranger. Peace & Global Witness recipient ministries, the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program and the Presbyterian Ministry at the UN, are among those collaborating to assist every level of the PC(USA) in this effort. Resources can be found at [presbyterianmission.org/we-choose-welcome](http://presbyterianmission.org/we-choose-welcome).

### 65.3 million people worldwide need your help

Mostly women and children, these people have fled their homes to escape violence and persecution. Now at the highest levels ever recorded, the global refugee crisis represents one of the greatest humanitarian needs around the world.<sup>1</sup>

#### Colombia

Even as they work to resolve decades of conflict, Colombia still reported 6.9 million people without homes due to the violence.<sup>2</sup>

#### Central Africa

Amid decades of fighting, nearly 4.5 million people have sought refuge from violence and famine in South Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya.<sup>2</sup>

#### Syria

In 2016, 13.5 million people required humanitarian assistance, having fled their homes to escape the continued violence and civil war in Syria.<sup>2</sup>