

## UUJME Activities

- Increase awareness and engagement of UUs concerning the situation in Palestine/Israel with educational programs online and in person.
- Organize UUs into chapters and other groups.
- Communicate with the larger UU community to encourage engagement for Palestinian rights.
- Partner and inaugural signatory of the Apartheid-Free Communities initiative of the American Friends Service Committee:  
<https://apartheid-free.org>.
- Create presence at UUA General Assemblies with UUJME exhibit booth, workshops, special events, and action ideas.
- Collaborate on education efforts and campaigns of UU and non-UU organizations that work for human rights, anti-oppression, and anti-racism.
- Promote and support delegations to Palestine/Israel prioritizing seminarians, UU Young Adults, UUs of color.
- Advocate for legislation supporting Palestinian human rights; convene a legislative working group. Sign up on our website Calendar.

## Connect with Us



### Website

[www.uujme.org](http://www.uujme.org)



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## UUJME Values and Inspiration

- As Unitarian Universalists (UUs), we lift up the core value of Love for every person and the sanctity of international law. We support the transformation of UUs toward greater action for justice for Palestinians, who have endured the violent impacts of Zionism. We are committed to work that is accountable to the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people including ending military occupation, settler colonialism, and apartheid, and supporting the right of return for Palestinian refugees, as affirmed by the United Nations.
- Unitarian Universalist Actions and Statements.
- International law, United Nations resolutions, the Geneva Conventions, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.



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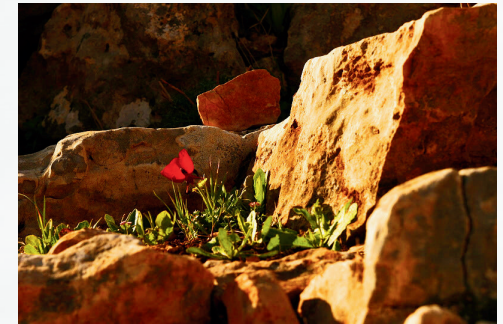


## Unitarian Universalists for Justice in the Middle East



**Witness - Educate - Organize - Advocate**

*A Related Social Justice Organization  
of the Unitarian Universalist Association*



*Palestine anemone, by Emile Ashrawi*



**"Palestinians want freedom,  
just like anybody else."**

**- Noura Erakat**

**"Nobody's free till everybody's free."**

**- Fannie Lou Hamer**

**"True peace is not merely the absence of  
tension; it is the presence of justice."**

**- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

**"We know too well that our freedom is  
incomplete without the freedom of the  
Palestinians."**

**- Nelson Mandela**

## About UUJME

Founded in 1971, UUJME is a UUA-related social justice organization of education and advocacy siding with love with the people of Palestine / Israel. We have chapters and advocates in more than 40 congregations in the United States.

## Vision

A just peace in Palestine-Israel that reflects our UU values of respect for the inherent worth and dignity of every human being and justice, equity and compassion in human relations.

## Mission

To work within the Unitarian Universalist community to educate and mobilize individuals, congregations and denominational leaders to recognize and counter inequality and injustice in Palestine-Israel and to support our allies in the global justice and anti-oppression movements.

## UUJME Advisory Council

- Reverend Kimberly Quinn Johnson, past member of Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism Organizing Collective Board
- Bruce Knotts, former Executive Director of UU Office at the United Nations
- Rachel Rott, UU Refugee and Immigrant Education and Services (UURISE), First Universalist Church of Minneapolis
- Tarek Abuata, former Executive Director of Friends of Sabeel North America
- Philip Farah, co-founder of Palestinian Christian Alliance for Peace
- Rabbi Brant Rosen, author, founding rabbi of Tzedek Chicago Synagogue
- Reverend Don Wagner, author, past Program Director of Friends of Sabeel North America
- Susan Landau, co-founder of Christian-Jewish Allies for a Just Peace for Israel-Palestine



## UU Actions and Statements

- 2024: The UUA General Assembly adopted the Action of Immediate Witness "Solidarity with Palestinians" that calls for ending US military aid to Israel and asks UUs to engage with the issue of justice for Palestinians, apartheid-free communities, and support for student activists.
- 2021: Unitarian Universalist Service Committee declared that US military aid to Israel must be withheld until Israel obeys international law and respects the human rights of Palestinians.
- 2020: The UUA GA adopted a Business Resolution calling for the embodiment of human rights considerations in UU Common Endowment Fund investment decisions.
- 2019: The UUA GA adopted an AIW in support of the First Amendment right to boycott in support of Palestinian Human Rights.
- 2016: The UUA investment committee sold its shares in four companies complicit in Human Rights violations in the Occupied Territories.
- 2002: The UUA GA passed an Action of Immediate Witness (AIW) declaring their opposition to the occupation, house demolitions, and all violations of International law by Israel.
- 1984: The UUA became a founding member of Churches for Middle East Peace, dedicated to achieving a just peace for all in the Middle East.
- 1982: The UUA GA adopted a General Resolution calling for an end to Israeli settlements and withdrawal from the occupied territories. The UUA Board of Trustees passed a Business Resolution declaring that criticism of the state of Israel should not be considered antisemitic.

## Your Help is Needed

We are a largely volunteer organization with two staff working less than half time. The UUJME board, chapter leaders, and local advocates put in many hours with no monetary compensation. The financial support of those who believe in our work is essential if we are to continue to make a difference for Palestinian human rights. UUJME is a 501c3 organization and all donations are tax deductible.

## Ways to Donate

1. Send a check: Make it out to "UUJME" and mail to: UUJME, P.O.Box 380355, Cambridge, MA 02238-0355.
2. Donate online: Please go to our website [www.uujme.org](http://www.uujme.org) and click "Donate". You can use your credit card to make a one-time donation or a monthly recurring donation. Monthly donations allow us to predict how much money we will have at some future time. If you currently have a recurring donation that uses PayPal, your donations will still process.
3. Donate via Benevity with employer matching.
4. Share the collection plate on a Sunday.
5. Make a bequest: The UUA Department of Planned Giving will help with bequests to UUJME. Contact UUJME board member Curt Bell about ways of making a bequest at [curt@uujme.org](mailto:curt@uujme.org). Please let us know if you decide to make a bequest so that we can thank you.

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