

PILGRIMS ON THE PATH TO PEACE

Pax Christi 70th Anniversary

Bethlehem, 13 May – 17 May 2015

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2015

17h00 – 20h00: Welcome and Introduction

20h00 – 21h00: Evening Meal

DAY 2: THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2015

9h00 – 12h00: **Reflecting on Major Milestones in Pax Christi's History**

Member Organisations will present the story of the Pax Christi Movement and reflect on lessons learned and achievements.

12h00 – 13h00: Lunch

14h30 – 19h00: **Looking at Today's Challenges – Justice and Peace Today**

Participants will choose a "Walking Path", which will first look at the current socio-political situation in the Holy Land by visiting local sites and hearing the stories of the local people. The following day, participants will connect these themes to similar issues at the international level.

Walking Path 1: *Human Security: Key to Our Work for Peace*

Walking Path 2: *Ecological Justice: Promoting Sustainable Peace*

Walking Path 3: *Reconciliation and Transformative Justice: Unveiling the New Humanity*

Walking Path 4: *Disarmament and Demilitarisation: Turning Swords into Ploughshares*

Walking Path 5: *Peace Education: Walking with Younger Generations*

Walking Path 6: *Women Peacemakers: An Essential Face of Peacemaking*

19h00 – 20h00: Evening Meal

20h00 – 21h30: Reflection and Prayer

DAY 3: FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2015

9h00 – 16h00: **Strategizing for the Future**

Various roundtables will each focus on a separate "Walking Path" theme, and connect it to the global concerns of Pax Christi. The participants will work together to identify areas for advocacy and capacity building within the Pax Christi movement. There will be sharing regarding methodologies, skills and strategies.

16h30 – 18h00: **Steps Towards 2020**

This session will bring together all the concerns and discussions of the previous sessions and look at the challenges for our future work through the lens of hope.

From 19h00: Anniversary Evening Meal

DAY 4: SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2015

9h00 – 22h00: **70th Anniversary Peace Festival**

This 70th Anniversary Peace Festival will be a celebration of the work of local and international peacemakers. Pax Christi Member Organisations may share their work, host workshops and be part of the festival marketplace. The 2015 Pax Christi Peace Award will be presented at the event.

DAY 5: SUNDAY, 17 MAY 2015

9h00 – 12h00: **Closing Ceremony in Bethlehem**

As Pilgrims on the Path to Peace, we will renew our commitment to be peacemakers.

12h00 – 13h00: Lunch