

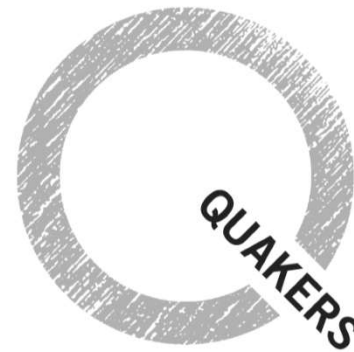


Quaker Peace and Social Witness
Middle East Programme





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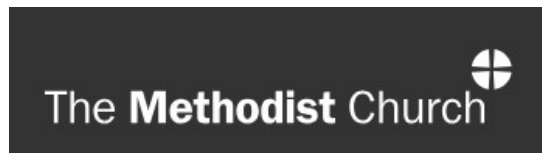
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Not just Quakers!



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**World Council
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Overseen by the World Council of Churches
with 25 countries participating and the
Jerusalem office at our centre



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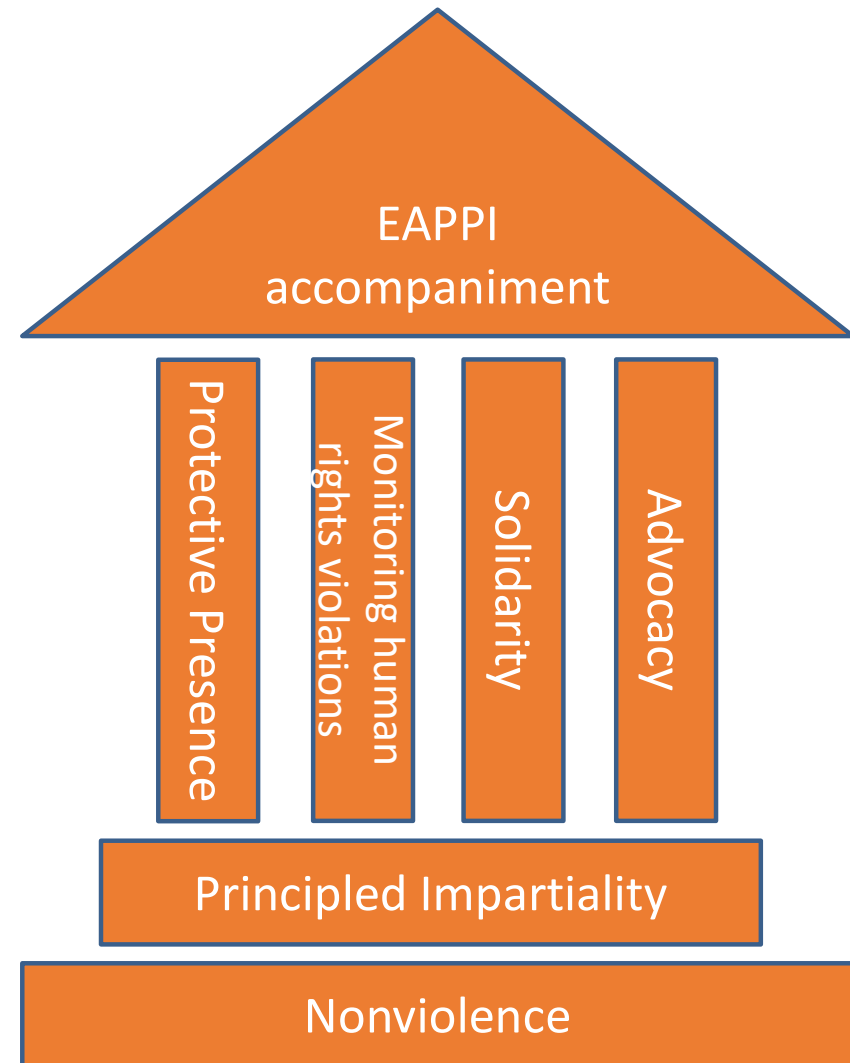
What is EAPPI?

A just end to the occupation of Palestine (West Bank, including East Jerusalem, and Gaza) based on international law.

Everyone can do something to help make that happen.



EAPPI accompaniment



Principled Impartiality

- commitment to human rights above concerns for any group
- uses International Humanitarian Law as a benchmark



British Friends' long history
and relationship with the
Holy Land

Testimonies to peace and equality

Why do we do this?

A request from the local community

Quakers are asked to “hold firm”



"It's the very least we can do. Whilst Palestinians ask you - and us - to be there it's the absolute minimum."

Ori Govati, Breaking the Silence

EA accompaniment provides solidarity and a protective presence...

"I am able to herd my sheep near the military base because I feel safe in the presence of Ecumenical Accompaniers, and settler harassment is much less when you are around."

"The soldiers went away because you were watching."

"EA presence means a lot to us in terms of mental support. The pupils feel safer coming to school."

"I felt grateful for the support I received...it gave me hope. Seeing [EAs] in the court gave me strength."

"The soldiers are more controlled when you are here. When you are not here, they do what they want."

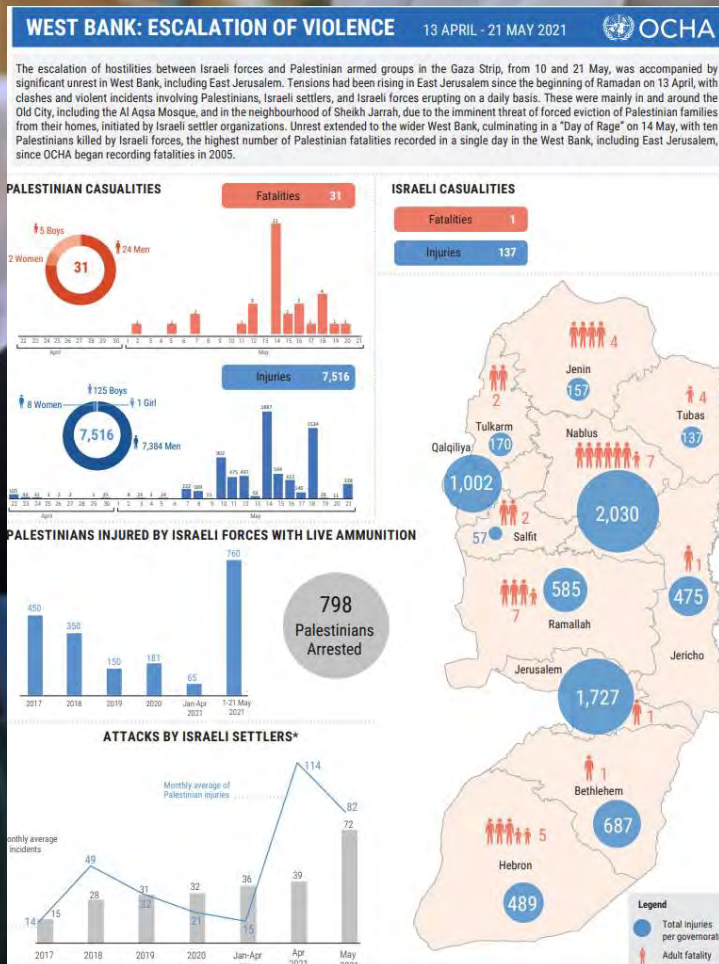
"We are truly honored to have partners like you and are truly grateful for your confidence in the importance of our work. Your immense dedication to human rights and peace is truly encouraging. We deeply appreciate your ongoing solidarity and commitment to a more just reality for Israelis and Palestinians alike."

"I have never seen my home from this direction. We do not come here on our own, but we feel safe when the Ecumenical Accompaniers are present."

"The pupils tell me that the soldiers don't push them when they see the Ecumenical Accompaniers."



EA monitoring info is requested and used...



“eyes and ears on the ground” (United Nations)



EAs change
minds and
inspire
action...



Not just us
saying it...





- **2011 – Meeting for Sufferings:** boycott of products made in Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank
- **2014 – YM ‘Gaza statement’** including recognising the state of Palestine, and a comprehensive arms embargo on Israel, Hamas and all armed Palestinian groups
- **2018 – Trustees and Meeting for Sufferings:** commitment to not invest in companies profiting from the occupation
- 2016-2024 – campaigning against the **anti-boycott bill**
- **Since October 7:**
 - Immediate and permanent ceasefire by all sides
 - Release of all hostages
 - Renew funding to UNRWA
 - Ending UK arms sales to Israel
 - Unhindered humanitarian aid into Gaza



Challenges since October 7

Huge operational and
security challenges for
EAPPI

Reflections from Friends
about the work