



[KAIROS Members Call for Peace in Gaza \(click logo above to read more\)](#)

KAIROS member churches and organizations continue to speak out for peace in Gaza, urging the Canadian government to become more engaged in building a just peace.

“What effect can my words have? Probably nothing—but silence is not an option when the bombs and rockets are falling, when innocent people are being killed. And so I cry out; and I continue to pray.....”

—*United Church Moderator Gary Paterson*

In response to the violence in Gaza - the deaths of more than 1600 people including over 300 children – the United Network for a Just Peace for Palestinians and Israelis (United Church members and supporters) encourages us to visit the office of our MP. Go as a group to spend an hour of vigil outside your M.P.'s office in support of those who are suffering in Gaza and to challenge our government to speak up demanding that the attacks on Gaza and the blockade of Gaza stop.

Here is a sample letter people can sign and give (or send) to M.P.s [Draft letter to MP](#) To find the email address of your MP, go to

<http://www.parl.gc.ca/Default.aspx?Language=E>

Here is a photo of children killed; download and print (4 on 8.5x11” sheet) and give to M.P.s:

[Postcard set 1: Stop Bombing Gaza \(PDF\)](#)

<http://www.dci-palestine.org/> gives some information about the deaths of children. This site gives you names up to July 21st. <http://www.5pillarz.com/2014/07/24/names-of-palestinian-children-killed-between-070714-210714/> People could have placards with a message such as "Silence Is Complicity" and/or saying how many Gazans have been killed. Contact the local media and ask them to cover the action.

This is one step we can take to shift the moral ground in Canada. Persistent, sustained, committed action will support the people of Palestine and the Jewish Israeli activists (who are prepared to suffer because they have spoken out). And it's possible that our action will encourage the Israeli young men and women who are violating their moral compass by the actions they are ordered to take.

Watch this statement by the British journalist, Jon Snow, who just returned from Gaza.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ACqwr2Nj\\_GQ&feature=youtu.be&app=desktop](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ACqwr2Nj_GQ&feature=youtu.be&app=desktop)

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