

Finding Voice

HOW DO WE CREATE a space in our worship for listening to voices crying out in the wilderness? How can we introduce to our congregations the stories of people whose cries are not heard? In my fourteen years with Christian Peacemaker Teams, I struggled with that every time I came home.

A few years ago my local pastor agreed to let me have a “Finding Voice” moment during the worship service. If I worked it out enough ahead of time, I could also include a bulletin insert. Now United Methodist Kairos Response and Kairos USA are working together create opportunities to bring voices from Palestine to our churches here, starting with a series for Advent. Weekly themes will focus on refugees, imprisonment, home demolition, and freedom of movement, connecting Palestine and #blacklivesmatter.

Can you help us? If you are living or working in Palestine, can you share your stories? Please send submissions to worship@kairosresponse.org. Thank you!

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