

# BHMC Partner Ministry

## Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT)



### About Christian Peacemaker Teams

#### Mission Statement

"Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT) offers an organized, nonviolent alternative to war and other forms of lethal inter-group conflict. CPT provides organizational support to persons committed to faith-based nonviolent alternatives in situations where lethal conflict is an immediate reality or is supported by public policy. CPT seeks to enlist the response of the whole church in conscientious objection to war, and in the development of nonviolent institutions, skills and training for intervention in conflict situations. CPT projects connect intimately with the spiritual lives of constituent congregations. Gifts of prayer, money and time from these churches undergird CPT's peacemaking ministries."

"We believe that the mandate to proclaim the Gospel of repentance, salvation and reconciliation includes a strengthened Biblical peace witness.

"We believe that faithfulness to what Jesus taught and modeled calls us to more active peacemaking.

"We believe that a renewed commitment to the Gospel of Peace calls us to new forms of public witness which may include nonviolent direct action."

- CPT founding conference: Techny, Illinois, December 1986

### Support this Ministry

- **Join a Peacemaker Delegation:** Short-term teams (5-14 days) travel to crisis settings to protect human rights, engage in public peace witness, and report to home churches. Open to applicants over age 18.
- **Subscribe:** Sign-up for "CPTNet," CPT's email news service and "Signs of the Times," our quarterly print newsletter.
- **Become a CPTer: Join the Peacemaker Corps:** Teams of trained peacemakers carry out CPT's violence-reduction ministry at home and abroad. Corps members commit to full-time service for three years. Reservists support CPT work for periods of 2-12 weeks each year.
- **Regional Groups:** CPT supporters form Regional Groups to focus on local peace witness and undergird CPT's ongoing work. Currently, Regional Groups are active in Colorado, Indiana, Manitoba, Ohio, Ontario, United Kingdom and Washington, DC.
- **Peacemaker Congress:** Peacemakers of all ages gather for four days every other year to share stories, vision and inspiration for the long haul of peacemaking. Includes nonviolent public witness.
- **Financial Support:** The tax-deductible donations of individuals and churches make CPT's violence-reduction ministry possible. Send donations to: CPT, PO Box 6508; Chicago IL 60680-6508
- **Action Alerts & Campaigns:** The world-wide Church supports CPT's ministry through public prayer, fasting and nonviolent action in response to specific crises and ongoing campaigns. Urgent Actions & Prayer Alerts urge supporters to take specific action on behalf of threatened individuals and communities.

For more information go to <http://cpt.org/>