



MCC

Working for peace and justice

Mennonite Central
Committee in
the U.S.

MCC meets basic human needs and works for peace and justice in more than 50 countries.

In the U.S., MCC regional offices provide programs and resources for individuals, congregations, conferences and other groups on topics such as peace education, criminal justice education, ethnicity and gender equity and immigration education.

Regional offices can also connect you with U.S. national program coordinators about these topics. Please contact the regional office nearest you to learn more!

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Peace education

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Matthew 5:9



Christ's invitation to live as peacemakers calls the church to embody the ministry of reconciliation that brings about God's shalom vision. MCC peace education program supports this vision of shalom by accompanying congregations in their quest to interpret what it means to be peacemakers in today's world.

Providing:

- Education on topics of peace and justice for children, youth and adults
- Healthy dialogue and conflict resolution training
- Tools and input related to gun violence prevention
- Education and resources on the Doctrine of Discovery
- Hands-on learning experiences for youth and young adults mcc.org/peace-camps
- Resources for conscientious objection to war and responses to militarism
- Training and education on trauma healing and resiliency

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Criminal justice education and advocacy

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free.

Luke 4:18

In his first sermon, Jesus calls for the captives to be released and for the oppressed to be free. The U.S. has 5% of the world's population and 25% of the world's prison population. MCC answers Jesus' call by journeying alongside communities who have been targeted by the mass incarceration system as they move toward healing and restoration. MCC walks with churches as they work for justice alongside these impacted communities.

Providing:

- Facilitation of the mass incarceration learning tool "You Got Booked"
- Biblically based education for church visits, preaching, teaching, Sunday school lessons and "mission moments"
- Healing Communities training for congregations to welcome and support formerly incarcerated individuals and their families
- Seminars or other training on mass incarceration
- Federal advocacy updates on mass incarceration and gun violence

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Racial justice and gender equity

We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen.

I John 4:19-20

MCC is committed to providing training and support for staff, constituency and churches that seek to identify systems of oppression in the areas of racism and sexism, learn about and understand historic patterns of injustice in those areas and promote healing within organizations, communities and homes. Through these training initiatives and resources, we seek to be transformed and reconciled through Christ.

Providing:

- Anti-racism training I: Understanding the roots of racism
- Anti-racism training II: Understanding racism and economics
- Anti-racism training III: Understanding policy and collaboration
- Board and leadership training on racial justice and gender equity
- Leadership coaching on understanding power and privilege
- Resources related to gender equity and sexualized violence

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Immigration

The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

Leviticus 19:34

I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

Matthew 25:35

From Old Testament exhortations and commandments to the words of Christ in the New Testament, God calls us to reach out to strangers, loving and welcoming newcomers. MCC seeks to respond faithfully to God's call to welcome and support newcomers with dignity and provide a safe journey for people on the move.

Providing:

- Speakers for sermons, Sunday School classes, workshops and seminars
- Immigration law trainings
- Church-based immigration legal aid program consultations
- Borderlands learning tours
- Migration root causes learning tours
- Trauma healing and resilience workshops for immigrant communities
- Referrals to trustworthy and low-cost immigration legal services



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