An Information Summary of

*A Resolution of Witness Regarding the Israeli-Palestine Conflict*

The Resolution will be presented for your vote at the NH Conference Annual Meeting, October 25, 2014. This Resolution includes four major parts:

2. A call to United Church of Christ entities to divest holdings from companies profiting from the occupation of the Palestinian Territories by the state of Israel;
3. A call to all entities of the UCC to boycott goods produced in illegal Israeli settlements;
4. A call to request Congress to investigate whether US military aid given to Israel violates US laws.

The purpose of the resolution is to support a nonviolent action to end the Israeli occupation of the Palestinian territories for the sake of justice and peace for Israelis and Palestinians.

Our church is called to this action by clergy and laity of 13 Christian denominations in Palestine and East Jerusalem from their experience of encroachment of illegal Israeli settlements; separation barriers and checkpoints; limited access to water; arbitrary travel restrictions; segregated roads; the demolition of homes; the destruction of crops; limited access to holy sites; and arbitrary arrest, including of children. They seek a nonviolent end to this injustice in the West Bank, East Jerusalem and Gaza.

Palestinian Christians ask us, "Are you able to help us get our freedom back... can you help two peoples (Israelis and Palestinians) attain justice, peace, security and love?" This resolution is our response to their request.

**This Resolution of Witness Regarding the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict** is presented by the Peace with Justice Advocates of the New Hampshire Conference, UCC, with the recommendation of the Peace & Justice Ministry of the NH Conference UCC. The NH Conference Board of Directors has put it on the agenda of the annual meeting for a vote of the Conference delegates.

It was drafted by members of the United Church of Christ Palestine-Israel Network to be presented for a vote at the 30th General Synod in June 26 - 30, 2015. The Network seeks Conferences to join with them in support for the adoption of the General Synod Resolution.

Members of the UCC Palestine-Israel Network are clergy and laity of the United Church of Christ from Conferences throughout the country. The majority of the members have spent time in Palestine and Israel observing and experiencing life in the occupied Palestinian territory. Rev. Faye and Rev. John Buttrick from the NH Conference are members of the Network.

An affirmative vote of the delegates to the New Hampshire Conference Annual Meeting will include the NH Conference among Conferences across the United States supporting the Resolution of Witness to be presented for adoption at the UCC General Synod.