Methodist Advance Projects* and Partners

*denotes Advance Project: an official program of the United Methodist Church, to support the Advance Projects go to www.umcmission.org

Al Basma Center, Beit Sahour, WB. A special education vocational training center for youth and young adults with moderate intellectual disabilities. www.betterplace.org/en/organisations/albasma

Al Sharouk School, Beit Jala, WB. Provides a school, dorm, and living education for blind students of the West Bank and Gaza.

Applied Research Institute – Jerusalem. (ARIJ), Bethlehem, WB. Specializing in the fields of economic, social, management of natural resources, water management, sustainable agriculture and political dynamics of development in the area. www.arij.org

Arab Association for Human Rights – HRA, Nazareth, Israel. Promotion and protection of civil, political, economic and cultural rights of Palestinians from an international human rights perspective. www.arabhra.org

Atfaluna Society for Deaf Children, Gaza City, Gaza. Working in the field of deaf education and allied services, audiology, speech therapy, income generating programs for the deaf, vocational training, parents', teachers’ and community training and awareness programs, etc. www.atfaluna.net

BADIL Resource Center for Palestinian Residency and Refugee Rights, Bethlehem, WB. Works to defend and promote the rights of Palestinian refugees and Internally Displaced Persons. www.badil.org

*Bethlehem Bible College, Bethlehem, WB Training Arab Christian leaders to serve and strengthen the church and communities in the Holy Land. Advance # 12017A. www.bethbc.org

Breaking the Silence, Jerusalem. Veteran combatants who have served in the Israeli military working to expose the Israeli public to the reality of everyday life in occupied Palestine. www.breakingthesilence.org.il

B’Tselem, Jerusalem. The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories works on the documentation and publication on human rights abuses in occupied Palestine. www.beselem.org

Christian Peacemaker Teams, Hebron, WB. Building partnerships to transform structures of domination and oppression, and embody creative non-violence. www.cpt.org

Coalition of Women for Peace, Tel Aviv, Israel. Working against the occupation and for a just peace. www.coalitionofwomen.org

Combatants for Peace, Jerusalem. Former Israeli and Palestinian combatants who call for the end to occupation and to all violence, support the establishment of two states living side by side, and are committed to finding mutually acceptable solutions to their peoples’ aspirations through nonviolent means. www.combat4peace.com
The Diyar Consortium, Bethlehem, WB. Diyar is the umbrella organization to which the Dar al-Kalima Health and Wellness Center, Dan An Naddwa, the International Center of Bethlehem, and Dar al-Kalima College belong.  www.diyar.ps

*DSPR Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees - Middle East Council of Churches, WB/Gaza. Advancing human rights, health, education, self-realization, income generation and world recognition. Advance # 14908A.  www.neccgaza.org

*East Jerusalem Baptist Church Renovation, Jerusalem. Renovating and enlarging the worship and fellowship area for a congregation of 100-120. Advance # 14907N.

Ecumenical Accompaniment Program in Palestine and Israel, Jerusalem. EAPPI is a program of the World Council of Churches. Participants spend 3 months in the Palestine and Israel in one of 7 locations and provide a protective presence to vulnerable communities. www.eappi.org

Elderly Care Center, Beit Sahour, WB. Provides a day center for the elderly, provides food, health services and activities. www.hwc-pal/display_album_gallery.php?id=66

*Four Homes of Mercy Home for Disabled, Bethany. Improving the quality of services for severely disabled children, teens and elderly persons. Advance # 3020711.  www.fourhomesofmercy.com

Hebron Rehabilitation Committee, Hebron, WB. Monitors the presence and acts of Israeli Settlers toward the Palestinians in their own town. They promote, encourage and put people to work on various kinds of rehabilitation in the city. www.hebronrc.org

*Hope Secondary School, Bethlehem, WB. Educating and boarding disadvantaged children from the West Bank in a caring Christian environment. Advance # 12018A.

*Jerusalem Princess Basma Center for Disabled Children, Jerusalem. Acting as a national referral and resource center and a rehabilitation and educational facility. Advance # 14238A.

Kairos Palestine, Bethlehem, WB. A call from the Christian community in Palestine to the Christian world to help end the Occupation. www.kairos Palestine.ps

Lajee Center, Aida Refugee Camp, Bethlehem. WB. Lajee is a community-based grassroots creative cultural center that works with the new generation of Palestinians as they continue their ongoing struggle for justice and rights for Palestine and its people. www.lajee.org

L’Arche or Ma’an lil-Hayat Center (“together for life”), Bethlehem, WB. The first and only wool-felting project in Palestine, brings together people with and without intellectual disabilities. www.maanlilhayat.ps


**Mossawa**  Advocacy Center for Arab Citizens of Israel, Haifa, Israel. Promotes legal, economic, social and cultural rights of the Palestinian community in Israel by legal and international advocacy, economic development, media, human rights education, community organizing, networking and capacity building for Arab local councils and NGOs. [www.mossawa.org](http://www.mossawa.org)

**New Profile** – Movement for the Civilization of Israeli Society, Tel Aviv, Israel. Counseling for and information on conscientious objectors, working to demilitarize Israeli society and to end military rule in the West Bank. [www.newprofile.org](http://www.newprofile.org)

**Palestinian Agricultural Relief Association**, Ramallah, WB. PARC provides advice, awareness support, services, and special consultancies for individuals, groups, and institutions involved in rural development and women's empowerment. [www.pal-arc.org](http://www.pal-arc.org)


**Sabeel** Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center, Jerusalem. They offer programs for clergy, women, youth, family, and international conferences. The advance supports Palestinian Christian youth through trips, Bible study, workshops and volunteering. Advance # 14909A. [www.sabeel.org](http://www.sabeel.org)

**Salary support for Global Ministries Mission Personnel**

- Alex Elias Awad, Bethlehem Bible College and East Jerusalem Baptist Church - Advance # 10825Z
- Brenda Kay Awad, Bethlehem Bible College - Advance # 10826Z
- Kristen L. Brown, Methodist Liaison - Advance # 3021280
- Janet Lahr Lewis, Methodist Liaison - Advance # 14183Z

**Shepherd Field Kindergarten**, Beit Sahour, WB. A Christian based pre-school and kindergarten center for children offering care and education for the children and enabling working mothers a safe place for their children while they work. [www.hwc-pal.org/ar/display_album_gallery.php?id=55](http://www.hwc-pal.org/ar/display_album_gallery.php?id=55)

**Shepherd’s Society**, Bethlehem, WB. Providing short and long-term humanitarian assistance and development aid for the Palestinian people located at the Bethlehem Bible College. Advance # 3020439. [www.shepherd-society.org](http://www.shepherd-society.org)

**Sidreh-Lakiya Negev Weaving**, Negev, Israel. Empowering Bedouin women through education, economic development, community development, media and awareness of their lives and world. [www.lakiya.org](http://www.lakiya.org)

**Sindyanna of Galilee**, Kfar Manda, Israel. Fair trade cooperative of women – Israeli and Arab – who produce and sell olive oil, soap, baskets and hand crafted items, they learn business management and offer workshops for women in the area. [www.sindyanna.com](http://www.sindyanna.com)
St. George’s Church (Melkite), Zebabdeh, WB. Project areas include: women’s sewing project, kindergarten, senior center, church building expansion, olive oil soap project, incense projects. [www.stgeorgeinzababdeh.com](http://www.stgeorgeinzababdeh.com)

SULAFYA, Gaza. Employs over 400 refugee women located in nine community centers in refugee camps in the Gaza Strip to produce Palestinian traditional articles for sale at the Embroidery Shop. [www.sunbula.org](http://www.sunbula.org)

Tantur Institute for Ecumenical Studies, Jerusalem. Offers a variety of Continuing Education Programs and Sabbatical Programs which include a variety of lectures and excursions designed to introduce participants to its geography, history, complex religious life, local people and the Bible. [www.tantur.org](http://www.tantur.org)

Taybeh Peace Lamp Project. Taybeh, WB. This initiative helps the Christian communities in the Holy Land to fight unemployment. These lamps are produced in Taybeh's ceramic workshop, and provide jobs to 20 young men and women. [www.taybeh.info](http://www.taybeh.info)

Tent of Nations, Bethlehem District, WB – International support for Christian family farm on a hilltop surrounded by five Israeli settlements, and under continued threat of settlement expansion. [www.tentofnations.org](http://www.tentofnations.org)


*Wi’am Community Empowerment & Conflict Transformation, Bethlehem, WB. Advancing a culture of peace and acceptance while promoting nonviolent resolution to conflict. Advance # 14910A. [www.alaslah.org](http://www.alaslah.org)*

YWCA Young Women’s Christian Association of Palestine, WB. Program areas fall under four thematic areas: women’s economic development, promoting women’s rights, youth leadership training and civic engagement, and children’s education and cognitive learning. [www.ywca-palestine.org](http://www.ywca-palestine.org)

Zochrot “Remembering,” Tel Aviv, Israel. Israeli citizens working to raise awareness of the 1948 Nakba and the Palestinians’ right of return. [www.zochrot.org](http://www.zochrot.org)