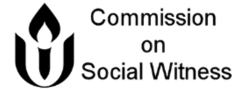


CSW Alert!



ALL ARE CALLED • KANSAS CITY 2018 Saturday, June 23, 2018

AIW Vote 1—Saturday, June 23, General Session V. After reading the 100-word summaries of 6 possible AIWs in this Alert (on page 2) and listening to 2-minute presentations by proposers, delegates will vote whether to admit up to three proposed Actions of Immediate Witness to the Final Agenda.

AIW Mini-Assemblies, Saturday June 23, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., 2101, 2102A, 2102B. The full text of the 3 selected proposed AIWs will be available at the mini-assemblies and on the GA ap. These Mini-Assemblies are your **ONLY** opportunity to suggest amendments to the text of the proposed Actions of Immediate Witness admitted to the GA Agenda during the morning Plenary. Debate on each AIW as amended occurs during the Sunday morning Plenary. Off site delegates will have a chat room where they can also propose amendments.

Following the mini-assemblies, the CSW will meet to consider all proposed amendments. The Sunday CSW Alert will contain a revised draft text, with all unincorporated amendments listed and prioritized.

PLAN AHEAD for SUNDAY

AIW Vote 2—Sunday, June 24, General Session VII, 1:30 – 4:00 pm. Delegates vote whether to adopt each of the 3 proposed AIWs.

Proposed AIW A: End Family Separation and Detention of Asylum Seekers and Abolish ICE

Seeking asylum is a human right. Criminalizing refugees for seeking asylum and the theft of children by Immigration Customs Enforcement (ICE) from parents and family is immoral, inhumane, and is a clear human rights violation. Unitarian Universalists are called urgently to prophetic witness and concrete action that would stop the incarceration and separation of asylum seekers and to call for the abolition of ICE. We are called to do this work in relationship with immigrant-led organizers, and to support and amplify their goals and their voices, through monetary donations and by showing up.

Proposed AIW B: End Israeli Military Detention of Palestinian Children

Each year the Israeli military arrests, prosecutes and incarcerates around 700 Palestinian children between the ages of 12 and 17. Mistreatment of the children is systematic and

includes night arrests, physical abuse, threats, forced confessions, and separation from parents - as documented by international and Israeli human rights organizations - <https://nwttac.dci-palestine.org> . Congressional concern has led to a bill calling for an end to US complicity in this abuse through US military aid to Israel (H.R. 4391, <https://mccollum.house.gov/palestinianchildrensrights>). This Action of Immediate Witness calls on Unitarian Universalists to advocate for ending the Israeli military's mistreatment of Palestinian children.

Proposed AIW C: End Prisons for Profit: Dismantle Predatory Medical Care Practices in Prisons

There are 870 incarcerated members of the Church of the Larger Fellowship. Members write to us about the oppression they face. Most are charged for receiving medical care but since they make little to no money they have no way to pay the bill. The Prison Industrial Complex (PIC), under the influence of private prison companies that supply goods and services to prisons for profit, is a system of oppression that perpetuates and further criminalizes poverty. The PIC is an entrenched system of white supremacy where guilt and innocence are determined by skin color and economic privilege, regardless of behavior.

Proposed AIW D: Join the Poor People's Campaign

Ask your congregation to join "The Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival" (www.poorpeoplescampaign.org), a resurrection of MLK's Poor People's Campaign of 1967-68, now keynoted by Rev. William Barber. This seeks common ground among faith traditions for a movement rooted in the suffering of the "least among us".

Proposed AIW E: A Moral Response to the March for Our Lives

UUs should offer support to the young people who recently seized our attention and demanded a renewal of our best efforts to change this nation's gun culture. Specifically we should marshal resources for our mutual task, to continue the work begun by many over the years, especially people of color, who in their grief and courage have carried on this struggle.

Proposed AIW F: We Are All Related: Solidarity NOW with Indigenous Water Protectors

This AIW honors the Indigenous-led Water Protector movement at Standing Rock & Oceti Sakowin Camp as a prayerful example of resistance to the general crisis of the earth, as well as of the rights of Indigenous peoples to control their own destiny. It calls on UUs to engage in continued education, reflection, and solidarity, especially considering the human rights violations of Indigenous Water Protectors who now face federal imprisonment.

*Questions? Visit the CSW at Booth 610 in the Exhibit Hall
UUA Commission on Social Witness – www.uua.org/statements*