

Life in the West Bank and East Jerusalem



Sunday, February 12 | 5-7 pm
with Reverends John and Faye Buttrick

Reverends John and Faye Buttrick live in Peoria and are part of the Western Association, Illinois Conference of the UCC. John is retired after serving his last 11 years as Western Association Minister on the ordained staff of the Illinois Conference of the UCC and as a local church pastor in Connecticut and New Hampshire for 27 years. Faye is retired from Intentional Interim Ministry. She is the Illinois Conference representative to UCC Board for Wider Church Ministries and serves on its Executive Committee and also serves on the Global Ministries Board (UCC and DOC).

Background

John and Faye first traveled to Israel/Palestine in September, 2009 with a group of 12 people under the sponsorship of Global Ministries and the UCC Child Sponsorship program. While there, they heard many stories of Palestinians' struggles, observed the walls, experienced the checkpoints, and viewed Israeli settlements on the West Bank and in East Jerusalem. They met with school children and Israeli peace and justice groups. They met with nongovernmental organization leaders and with a representative from the Israeli department of tourism.

They also spent 3 months as part of a World Council of Churches program to accompany Palestinians and Israelis in their nonviolent actions and concerted advocacy efforts to end the Israeli occupation of the Palestinian territories.

Come share a light meal and hear about the Buttricks' experiences.



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