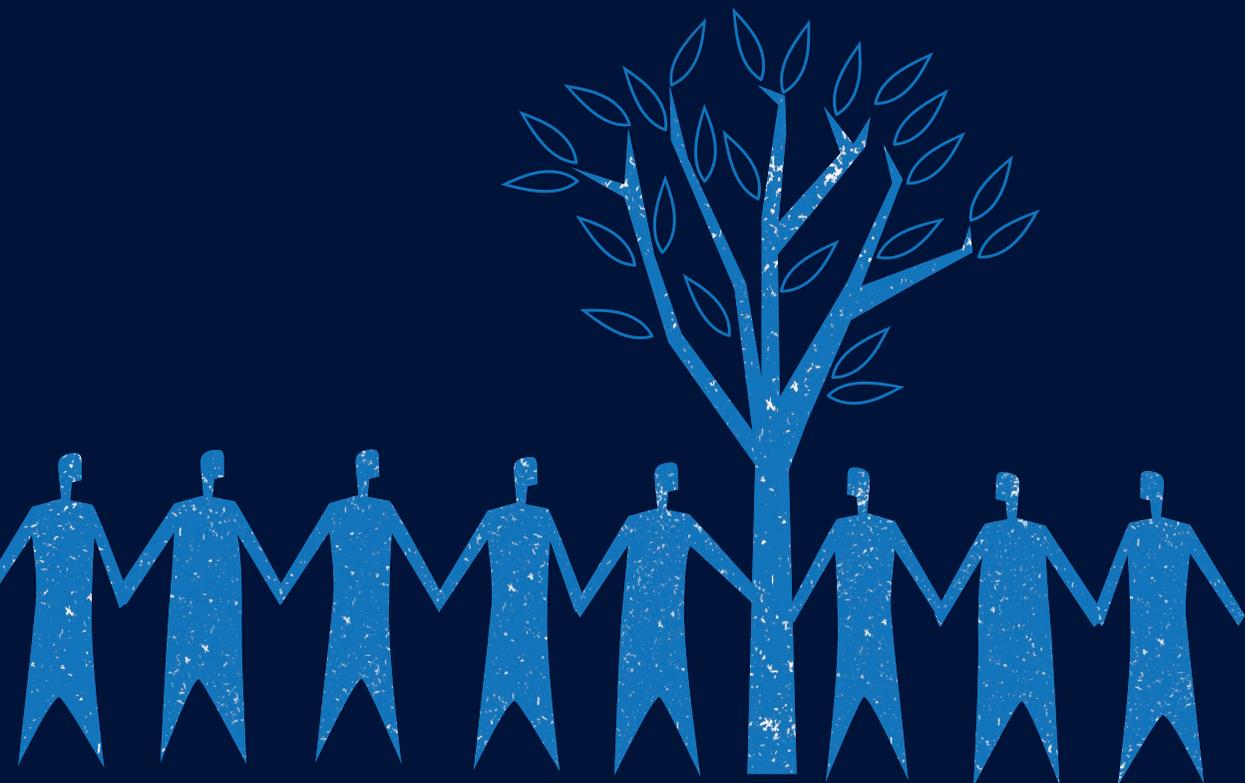




# Annual Report

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*Let's build peace together*

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## President's Message

# The Journey Continues



Looking back to 2020, we see a year mixed with enormous challenges and blessings, we are in awe and gratitude for God's faithfulness, care, protection, and compassion for the last 75 years throughout the Pax Christi International movement. We are grateful to those whose dream brought to birth this great movement and for the generations that have kept this dream alive through their life and spirit. Thank you to all who generously support our mission.

In the reality of the Covid-19 pandemic, we are living through a 'new normal' where we experience, in different and unique ways, pain in the loss of loved ones, loss of jobs, exclusion, fear, anxiety and uncertainty. We also cannot forget the memory of Hiroshima and Nagasaki that has

awakened in us the falsehood of violence, and the reality that violence has no respect for God's creation and can never bring peace.

Equally, we have experienced joy, when we witness our membership grow, solidarity strengthen, and courageous commitment to just peace and nonviolence throughout our global family. This year we celebrated 50<sup>th</sup> ratification the UN Treaty on Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Nations, the young women and men of the Pacific Climate Warriors who fearlessly defend their sacred homes against climate catastrophe. Everywhere we look, we see selfless love and dedication to creating cultures of peace. The list is endless.

As a united family, we have gathered online to share our aspirations, fears and convictions and our dreams for a better tomorrow. In the pages of this report, you will discover how we have lived

Gospel nonviolence across time zones and borders, separated physically but not in spirit. We have acted in solidarity with our sisters and brothers across the globe advocating against extractive industries, injustice and all forms of violence that are a reality in our world today. We brought the voices of the marginalised to the highest levels of global decision making. We worked for just and lasting peace in Palestine and Israel and looked with hope to a world free of nuclear weapons. These shared experiences, as one movement within one human family, have reminded us of our vulnerability and our strengths. May we never lose sight of this—that we all share one Creator and one caring Mother Earth.

As we look forward to a time when we can greet each other in person again, let us walk with hope and courage, to create a new world of care and compassion. Let us strive to rid our world of nuclear weapons and to silence the guns that

leave behind a trail of death, untold pain, and destruction of all God's creation. Let us speak loud and clear against racism, and all forms of exclusion. May we continue to advocate, walk, and embrace nonviolence as our way of life.

We look to a new year as Pax Christi International guided and inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, calling us to a journey of faith and action. I invite each of us, in our communities, to open our eyes, ears, and hearts so that the message and spirit of this encyclical will ignite us to challenge the indifference and systemic violence experienced in our world today. Let us support each other in this journey by sharing the richness of our reflections and activities as we "advance along the paths of hope."

Sr Wamũyũ Wachira, IBVM  
Co-president



# Pax Christi International at 75



Pax Christi International was founded in early 1945, a year that would also see the devastation in Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the birth of the United Nations. With conviction and foresight, Pierre Marie Théas, bishop of Montauban in southern France, gave Marthe Dortel Claudot support to start a Christian movement for reconciliation and peace following the devastation of World War II.

Today, 75 years later, Pax Christi International continues with the same passion and dedication as our pioneers, to extend the message of peace, reconciliation, and nonviolence throughout the world.

Unfortunately, the start of our anniversary year also coincided with the declaration of a global pandemic. We still celebrated, however, by looking to the people who are leading us towards the next seventy-five years of Pax Christi International. We hosted a [series of video](#)

interviews with young peace-builders from around the world. The interviewees highlighted the strengths of young people as peacebuilders and justice-seekers and shared the transformative work that they carry out in their communities.

To celebrate the past, present, and future of our movement, we produced a [short video](#) explaining our origins, our growth, and our ongoing impact around the world. We also received many, many warm greetings in honour of our anniversary, including from the Secretary of State to the Pope. In May we gathered messages of hope from around the world

to honour the time we hoped to spend in Hiroshima at our World Gathering.

We concluded our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year with two global online events in five languages reflecting on the significance of *Fratelli Tutti* for Pax Christi International. We were joined by hundreds of friends—old and new—from around the world. The broad and lively interest in the events were a testament to the strength of our international connections despite the diversity of challenges facing our movement because of the pandemic.





# Staying Connected



The pandemic impacted the people and groups that make up the Pax Christi International movement in different ways. There were new threats to peacebuilders and existing injustices were amplified by the pandemic. We received with gratitude Pope Francis' new encyclical, Fratelli Tutti as it helped us grapple with the realities of an often polarised, violent, and unjust world. We also offered nine essays online reflecting the complexity



of issues relating to the pandemic, emphasising the interconnectedness of all people, communities, and social structures. They were written by former co-president

Marie Dennis in consultation with partners and colleagues.

We leveraged the power of digital connections to join in a call with 170 organisations for the International Day of Peace and our general secretary, Greet Vanaerschot, was among 240 distinguished women leaders calling for action in the face of humanitarian and economic crises. Social media and the internet helped us forge new connections in creative ways and brought different parts of our movement together. We were honoured with a special feature issue of SIGNIS Magazine, highlighting the necessary relationship between communication and peacebuilding.

Online communication has been a powerful ally for us throughout the pandemic, and the numbers show it! Over the course of a year, our Facebook

engagement has tripled, our Tweets have reached 410,000 people, we re-launched our newsletter, and our video messages have gotten tens of thousands of views.

We adapted well to our new Zoom reality and carried out many creative, international projects. These included video messages for our online World Gathering, thematic webinars for our regions in several languages, live streaming the Peace Award ceremony, video testimonials from the Great Lakes Region of Africa, and many social media videos for significant international observances. We look forward to the day when we can meet each other safely again, but until then we rest assured that creative use of technology will keep our movement strong.





In 2020 the COVID-19 pandemic created both opportunities and challenges for Pax Christi International's advocacy work. Our members around the world have been facing limitations in carrying out activities and are confronted by reduced civil society space under the pretext of the pandemic. These restrictions, however, have not stopped their advocacy work as they quickly adapted to online working and picking up new digital skills. In these times of crisis our movement has shown resilience and a dedication to striving for change.

Despite the sudden changes, we have continued in implementing our 2017 to 2020 advocacy strategy together with our members, partners, and representatives through online working group meetings. The far-reaching impact of the global health crisis received

major attention across our advocacy priorities.

The pandemic exacerbated existing inequalities and made clear the need to urgently address structural and root causes. Together we moved towards a just and sustainable world.

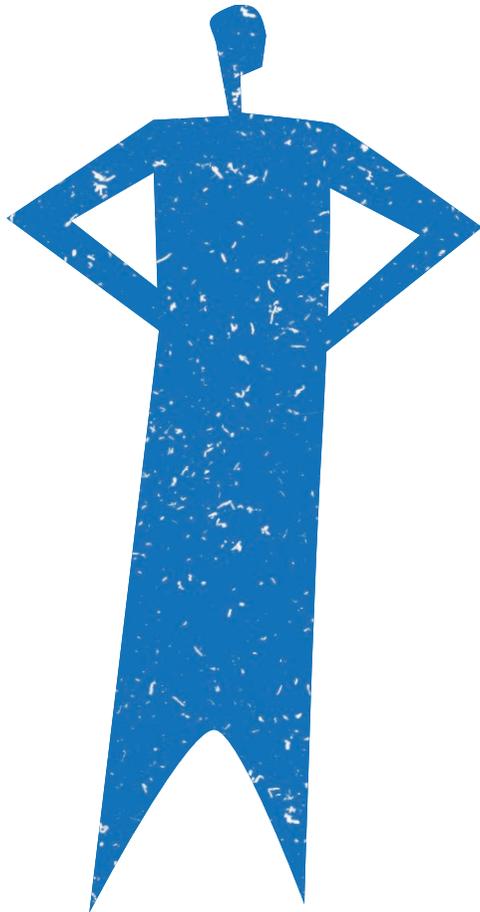


At the end of 2020 we evaluated our advocacy work with our board, members, and representatives at international organisations to work towards a new strategy for the period 2021 to 2024. We received significant feedback from around the world on how to move forward with our substantial advocacy work, including shaping a post-pandemic vision.

In this year of milestones and historic challenges, we also marked the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Nations by spearheading a [statement signed by more than 90 members and partners](#). We called on United Nations Member States to renew their commitment to the UN system through commitment to conflict prevention, pathways to nonviolence, and increasing budgets for the achievement of the SDGs.

## Advocacy

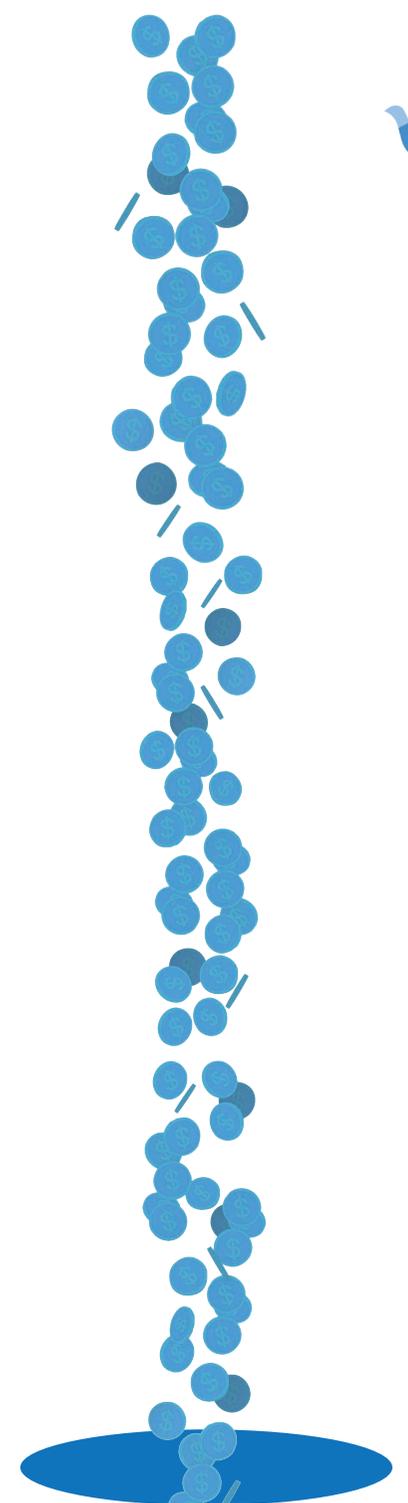
# Nonviolence, a style for politics *for peace*



Total global military expenditure rose to \$1917 billion (USD) in 2019, the largest growth in spending since 2010. Pax Christi International advocates for investing in policies that promote nonviolent approaches to transforming conflict instead of spending huge amounts on wars and weapons that harm both people and the planet. The pandemic makes clear that governments and multilateral organisations need to choose a path of nonviolence towards a world where just and lasting peace, sustainable development and care for our common home are the new normal.

### Highlights

- Conducted research among our membership from a variety of contexts around the world on examples of effective and time-tested nonviolence strategies for policy makers. This will result in a publication in 2021.
- Actively contributed to the security task force of The Vatican's COVID-19 commission and submitted papers with recommendations for church action to promote nonviolence.





# Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty

August marked the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and worldwide commemoration of the destruction of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by atomic bombs. The bombs killed and maimed hundreds of thousands of people and their effects are still being felt today. Despite this, nine nuclear-armed states still possess thousands of nuclear weapons putting our world in danger of nuclear war and accident. Pax Christi International advocated fiercely for the adoption of the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and has asked governments to sign and ratify the treaty. On 24 October the treaty reached the required 50 states parties for its entry into force—a major milestone for our advocacy work!

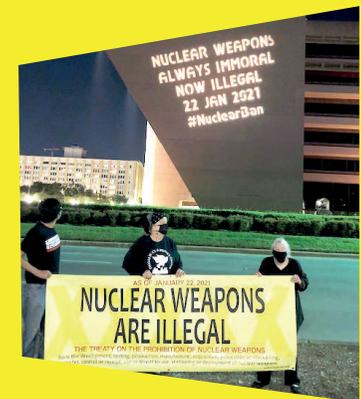
## Highlights

- Endorsed a civil society open letter on COVID-19 and humanitarian disarmament arguing that humanitarian disarmament can lead the way to an improved post-pandemic world.

- Released video comparing the cost of nuclear weapons with the cost of the COVID-19 pandemic response. Seven different language versions were made, reaching thousands of viewers.
- Prepared for the entry into force of the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons by developing campaign materials and resources for members in several languages.
- Our working group wrote letters to bishops and bishops' conferences urging national and regional action on the abolition of nuclear weapons. The letters urged action for the signing and ratification of the UN treaty.
- Presented testimony to the New York City council in support of legislation relating to divestment from nuclear weapons and the reaffirmation of New York City as a nuclear weapons free zone.

## Testimony

"It has been really useful to be part of the Nuclear Weapons Ban working group. Collaborating on actions that can influence at policy level has been important. It is helpful when engaging with my bishops' conference to be able to refer to my part in the international working group. It gives me greater credibility and influence. Social media resources and message ideas have been valuable, too."





## Just Peace for Israel and Palestine



A just and lasting resolution to the long-standing Israeli-Palestinian conflict is critical for peace in our world today. Decades of violence and of occupation of the Palestinian territories has resulted in widespread violations of human



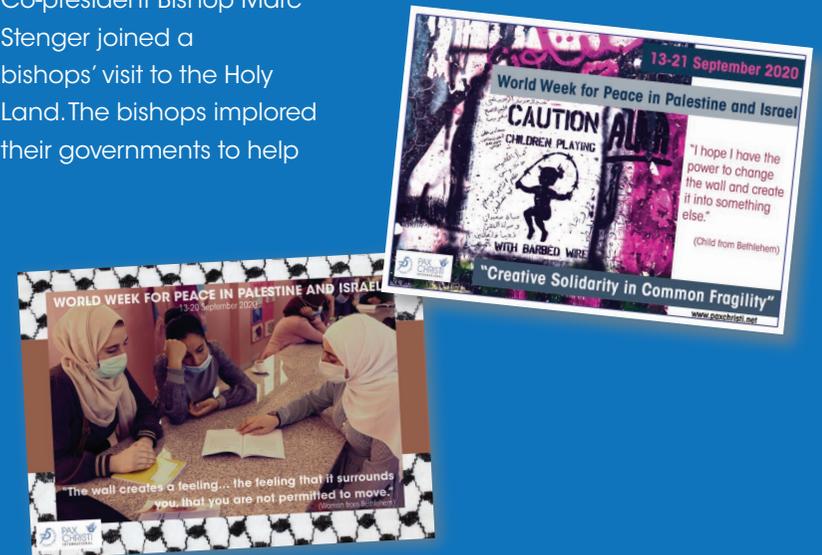
rights. In 2020, Israel's plan to annex parts of the West Bank and the COVID-19 pandemic further worsened the situation. Pax Christi International called for the international community to take a stand on the occupation and international law violations, to support human rights defenders, and help start a renewed Israeli-Palestinian peace process.

### Highlights

- Released statement opposing Israel's plans for annexation and calling on the international community to hold Israel accountable for violations of international law.
- Sent open letter of support to the Christian communities in the Holy Land stating that we will keep calling on and mobilising the Pax Christi network to act in solidarity with Christian communities in the region.
- Co-president Bishop Marc Stenger joined a bishops' visit to the Holy Land. The bishops implored their governments to help

build a new political solution rooted in human dignity for all. While this must ultimately be shaped by the peoples of the Holy Land in dialogue, there is an urgent need for all our countries to play their part.

- To support the World Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel, Pax Christi International developed several social media graphics with pictures from the Arab Educational Institute, our member organisation in Bethlehem.





## Extractivism in Latin America



Many Latin American communities have been heavily and negatively affected by the activities of extractive companies whose activities have continued throughout the pandemic. Workers spread the virus throughout already vulnerable communities, including Indigenous peoples living on their traditional lands. Combatting the pandemic is complicated as extractive activities often deprive communities of access to water essential for hygiene and healthcare. Pax Christi International advocates for the inclusion of extractivism in Latin America on human rights, trade, and development agendas of the international community.



### Highlights

- Organised webinar titled “Extractivism and Resistance in Latin America in a (Post-) Pandemic World” with



participation of the UN rapporteur on the rights of Indigenous peoples and theologian Leonardo Boff. The webinar helped launch our brochure on the [impact of resource extraction in Latin America during the pandemic](#).

- Co-organised a conference debate as part of the European Union Latin America and Caribbean NGO Working Group titled “Human rights and democratic space in Latin America: What can the EU

do in times of crisis?” with participation of EU officials.

- Joined more than 300 organisations from around the world in denouncing multinational mining companies that are profiting from the global COVID-19 pandemic.

### Testimony

“Being a member of the Extractivism in Latin America working group has helped us to get to know the different themes that are of importance in the Latin American region. Also, to learn about actions of others and it has expanded our horizon to the global. It makes it possible to contextualize the extractives situation in the region, articulate actions with other members of the group, and exchange relevant information.”



## International Representatives

### United Nations (New York)

Mary Yelenick, Main Representative  
Marie Dennis, Additional Representative  
Elizabeth Begley, Additional Representative  
Abigail Abysalh Metzger, Additional Representative  
Doug Hostetter, Additional Representative  
Petero Sabune, Additional Representative



### United Nations (Vienna)

Elisabeth Jungmeier, Main Representative  
Helga Tiffinger, Additional Representative  
Franz Schneckenleithner, Youth Representative

### United Nations (Geneva)

Jonathan Frerichs, Main Representative

### UNESCO

Ghislain Le Ray, Main Representative

### Council of Europe

Alfonso Zardi, Main Representative

### We are members of the following coalitions and networks:

- European Peacebuilding Liaison Office (EPLO), Brussels
- European Network for Central Africa (EurAc), Brussels
- EU –LAC NGO Working Group, Brussels
- Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe, Strasbourg
- Forum of Catholic inspired NGOs, Strasbourg and New York
- NGO Security Council Working Group, New York
- NGO Syria Working Group, New York
- NGO Mining Working Group, New York and Washington DC
- NGO Working Group on Israel and Palestine, New York
- Committee of Religious NGOs, New York
- Alliance for Peacebuilding, Washington DC
- Faith Forum on Middle East Policy, Washington DC
- Prevention and Protection Working Group, Washington DC
- International Peace Bureau (IPB), Geneva
- PIEF Core Group World Council of Churches, Geneva



## Pacific Climate Warriors



The Pacific Climate Warriors, the 2020 Pax Christi International peace award recipient, is a vibrant network of young people who live in 17 Pacific island nations and diaspora communities. Their mission is, through nonviolence, to raise awareness of their communities' vulnerability to climate change, to show their people's strength and resilience in the face of extraordinary challenges, and to resist the fossil fuel industry whose activities damage their environment.

Pax Christi Aotearoa New Zealand hosted the award ceremony in Auckland, New Zealand on 10 December, International Human Rights Day. It was livestreamed on the Pax

Christi International [YouTube channel](#).

Upon making their decision, the Pax Christi International board acknowledged the admirable leadership shown by young people on this critical issue. They also want to draw attention to the region of Oceania, a beautiful part of the world which is too often overlooked, and which has endured grave damage due to colonisation and nuclear testing.

Established in 1988, the Pax Christi International Peace Award is funded by the Cardinal Bernardus Alfrink Peace Fund and honors contemporary individuals and organisations who make a stand for peace, justice, and nonviolence in different parts of the world.



# The Catholic Nonviolence Initiative



Since its founding in 2016, the Catholic Nonviolence Initiative (CNI), a project of Pax Christi International, has significantly advanced the conversation and understanding of nonviolence and just peace in the Catholic Church and beyond.



In 2020 we celebrated the publication of *Advancing Nonviolence and Just Peace*, the fruit of the global, participatory roundtable process which CNI facilitated from 2017 to 2018. The book includes biblical, theological, ethical, pastoral and strategic resources that are a significant contribution to Catholic thought on nonviolence. It is available for sale in paperback and as an e-book in English. The Spanish

version will be ready in 2021, and excerpts from the book will soon be available in other languages as well.

We also inaugurated the Catholic Nonviolence Days of Action, which is held from 21 September (International Day of Peace) through 2 October (International Day of Nonviolence, in commemoration of Gandhi's birthday). In 2020, activities included weekly nonviolence study sessions hosted by Pax Christi England & Wales; several webinars related to nonviolence hosted by Pax Christi USA; the Youth for Peace

Network Days for Building Peace and Nonviolence in Mexico; a discussion on Islam and nonviolence hosted by Pax Christi Austria; an interfaith prayer service in observance of the UN International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons, hosted by Pax Christi Metro New York; a bike tour for peace and reconciliation hosted by Pax Christi Flanders; an online video course offered by Pax Christi Germany; a new resource on nonviolence and care for creation created by the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Commission of the Union of Superiors General and International Union Superiors General; and a week of activities on the theme "Making nonviolence a way of life" organised by Pax Christi Philippines.



# The Catholic Nonviolence Initiative



In the spring of 2020, as the pandemic spread around the globe, several members of the CNI steering committee joined the Vatican's COVID-19 response task force working closely with the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. Former PCI co-president Marie Dennis wrote in one of the first essays she submitted to the Dicastery: "The COVID-19 crisis is urgently calling for a fundamentally new understanding of security that is based on diplomacy, dialogue, reciprocity and a multilateral, collaborative approach to solving very real and critical global problems. A globalisation of solidarity rooted in nonviolence will engage diverse nations and peoples in promoting sustainable communities based on economies of "enough" and fostering inclusive human

security based on social, economic and ecological justice."



A special Christmas retreat on Gospel nonviolence was organised by CNI with the close cooperation of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. Approximately 500 people from around the world joined the retreat, where

they heard from Nobel peace prize laureate Mairead Maguire; theologian Fr Emmanuel Katongole; Dr Bernice King, daughter of Martin Luther King, Jr and CEO of the King Center; and several other speakers. The [first in a series of special interviews](#) was previewed during the retreat. The short video featured respected peacebuilders from around the world discussing different perspectives on nonviolence.





In the Great Lakes region of Africa, notwithstanding the challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, our members continued with the project *Empowering new generations through active nonviolence and entrepreneurship in DR Congo, Rwanda, and Burundi*. The project educates young people on creating a culture of peace and active nonviolence and provides them with economic opportunity, by assisting them in the creation of small businesses.

Better understanding the roots of violence and the power of active nonviolence, along with the opportunity to become economically independent, lessens the attraction of militias and gangs that lure young people with the promise of money and food.

We have witnessed a profound personal transformation among these young people, which in turn has affected their whole

communities. They act as peacebuilders, influence and transform behaviours of family, friends, and village leaders.

An additional focus of the project is giving support to religious sisters for skills improvement for the care of women and girls across the country who are victims of violence, particularly in conflict zones. The sisters are trained in the methods of nonviolence—as a life, a force, and a spirit—in trauma healing, for inner healing in the light of the scriptures and accompaniment of victims.

Meanwhile, PCI has been developing closer contacts with the Association of Bishops' Conferences of Central Africa (ACEAC) and looking at possibilities for joint initiatives in the field of nonviolence training, peace weeks and communication across border regions.

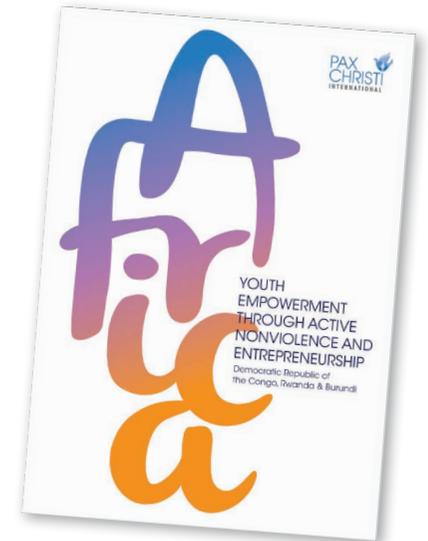
In the Horn of Africa, Pax Christi International has been following with great concern the unfolding of violence in Ethiopia, particularly in the Tigray region. The country's political crisis has developed into a civil conflict between the federal government and the Tigray regional government, which is causing immense violence, the internal displacement of people and the creation of thousands of refugees. Pax Christi International has been calling upon all parties to stop the violence immediately and to take steps towards pursuing the implementation of a well-defined and all-inclusive peace process for a united and stable Ethiopia.





## Highlights

- Organised with the National Episcopal Conference of Congo (CENCO) a training of religious sisters in Goma, DR Congo. The sisters came from congregations working in nine dioceses most affected by violence and war: Uvira, Bukavu, Goma, Kisangani, Bunia, Butembo, Kindu, Isiro, and Isangi.
- Granted small financial support to five new groups of 10 to 15 people (one in Bukavu, two in Goma, and two in Kinshasa) to execute together a small-scale income generating activity. These micro businesses are launched in the presence of parents and local community leaders and accompanied by the nonviolence trainers. Examples include making clothes, running a bakery, operating a motorcycle taxi, and pig breeding.
- Visit of the regional coordinator to the region, accompanied by PCI board member Fr Godefroid Mombula Alekiabo, to bring support to the activities of the local members, despite significant challenges in their local contexts.
- While the COVID-19 disrupted life across the continent, our members and partners in the region turned to pandemic awareness raising through multimedia campaigns, including music and radio spots. They helped local communities protect themselves and apply measures put in place by governments.
- In the DR Congo, our member Africa Reconciled was received by the president of the country to discuss advocacy on active nonviolence, peacebuilding in the DR Congo, and democracy. The president pledged his support for peacebuilding and democracy.
- Published a brochure to present the work on nonviolence in the region.
- Addressed letters to political authorities in Ethiopia expressing deep concern about the violence in the Tigray region and issued a statement urging that the federal government and Tigray regional government work, together with the international community, to find a comprehensive and nonviolent solution to the dispute.



# Latin America



Over the past years, the Latin America and Caribbean network of Pax Christi has been empowering local communities through a series of trainings in nonviolent conflict transformation and legal mechanisms to respond to the impact of extractive industries on local communities. A series of resources on nonviolent strategies and the development of advocacy plans at the local, national, and global levels have been created and promulgated to support this effort.

Our approach is inspired by *Laudato Si'*, the encyclical by Pope Francis, which demands an Integral Ecology that incorporates social and environmental justice. We all have a responsibility to protect creation for the sake of present and future generations. The new encyclical *Fratelli Tutti* supports participating partners and communities, accompanied by Pax Christi International, to build a better, more just and peaceful world.

The pandemic and its ripple effects were a serious obstacle for the continuation of the programme in 2020. Members and partners in the programme, however, continued in solidarity with affected communities.



In Colombia and Mexico, they worked through local radio and social media theatre to draw attention to child abuse. They also organised webinars on emotional recovery in confinement, food sovereignty, and fracking and other extractive industries.

In Guatemala, Peru, and Paraguay we supported the marketing of flowers and solidarity markets with products from rural communities. Training was provided on economic alternatives for communities,

including organic agriculture for urban and community gardens. We joined campaigns in defence of both water and land, including lobbying for the ratification of Escazú Agreement, the first environmental treaty of Latin America and the Caribbean.

In Chile and El Salvador our members and partners carried out training in active citizenship to strengthen local democracy. Advocacy actions were done in defence of territory and life, including access to emergency humanitarian aid, health care and biosecurity, and attention to gender-based violence. We also responded to violence against social leaders and the right for communities to organise soup kitchens to survive periods of confinement.

In Mexico, an appeal was addressed to the government for a moratorium on all large-scale infrastructure projects (considered "essential" by the state) that are affecting

# Latin America



or may affect Indigenous territories without their consent. Finally, we also greeted the assembly for the project of constitution of the ecclesial conference of the Amazon. This new bishops' body is a result of the synod on the Amazon and the post-synodal exhortation "Querida Amazonia" (Beloved Amazon). The new conference reflects the synodality spirit, unity in diversity of the regional church, and includes three Indigenous representatives.

## Highlights

- Our publication "[Between Covid-19 and extractivist policies: Impacts, challenges and alternatives for communities resisting in Latin America and the Caribbean](#)" showed the resistance to extractivism during the pandemic. It also highlighted the need to promote rights like basic income, environmental

justice and advocacy, and the need for equity in communities impoverished both by the pandemic and so-called development.

- Co-signed a statement to express deep concern about the impending threat of COVID-19 in traditional Indigenous territories and communities and to demand integrated, effective, and culturally adequate state responses to this crisis.
- Along with other international organisations working in Latin America and the Caribbean co-sponsored an event "Weaving Networks for Life" in celebration of World Environment Day.
- Developed joint actions with the [Churches and Mining Network](#), including the coordination meetings, training, and dialogue in the [divestment campaign](#) process.
- Contributed to a new coalition that does important public advocacy and

solidarity work, called the [CONVIDA 20 space](#) as a counterpoint to COVID-19. The Latin America coordinator participates in the coordinating committee, as well as in the Land, Housing, Work and Transcendence Commission. See the [founding declaration](#) here.

- Denounced the human rights situation in countries such as Honduras, Mexico and Peru. We [co-signed a letter](#) with other organisations, platforms, and cooperation agencies about the serious crisis against human rights defenders, environmental leaders and ex-combatants in Colombia.





The past year was one of renewed energy in solidarity and coordination within the vast Asia Pacific region. The facilitation team undertook a number of regional activities and developed a new strategic plan that will promote greater cooperation in the areas of nuclear disarmament, climate change, and women, peace, and security. The significance of climate change for the

partners with the international movement, especially through disseminating and translating materials including our popular video on the [real cost of nuclear weapons](#).

## Highlights



- Country webinars from Korea, Philippines, and Australia on peacebuilding issues of concern in their context, attracting hundreds of participants.
- Collaboration on social media video for the 75th anniversary of the Trinity Nuclear Test, resulting in thousands of views.
- Producing a short video message for the anniversary of the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.



We also welcomed Pax Christi Korea as the newest section within our membership.



region was reinforced with the awarding of the 2020 Pax Christi International Peace Award to the Pacific Climate Warriors. The group helped build bridges in the region and connect local Pax Christi members and





Following worrying developments in Belarus, Pax Christi International sent a letter to Archbishop Tadeusz Kondrusiewicz of Minsk,



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expressing deep concern over escalating tensions in Belarus. In the letter, Pax Christi International's co-president conveys the peace movement's message of solidarity with the Belarusian people, hoping for

a peaceful transition in their country, and its admiration for their courageous nonviolent resistance actions.

Pax Christi International, along with 40 other civil society organisations with expertise on peace, human rights and the protection of civilians, warned the European Union that if it adopts the European Peace Facility (EPF) in its current form,



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it will present a fundamental shift towards a more military



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approach in EU foreign policy, and risks causing large-scale civilian harm around the world.

## INTERVIEW WITH ETIENNE DE JONGHE



[Etienne de Jonghe](#) is widely recognised as a peacebuilder at the highest level. After his 30-year tenure as secretary general of

Pax Christi International, the movement had become an international justice and peace network of more than 100 member organisations spread across the world.

In this interview, Etienne traces some of the priorities of Pax Christi International through his

invaluable experiences, from the first fact finding human rights missions in Latin America to the latest event organised in Poland, "Voices of Moderation". Today he's still pursuing this remarkable commitment to justice and peace. His mission in Pax Christi is not yet finished.

# Financial Results

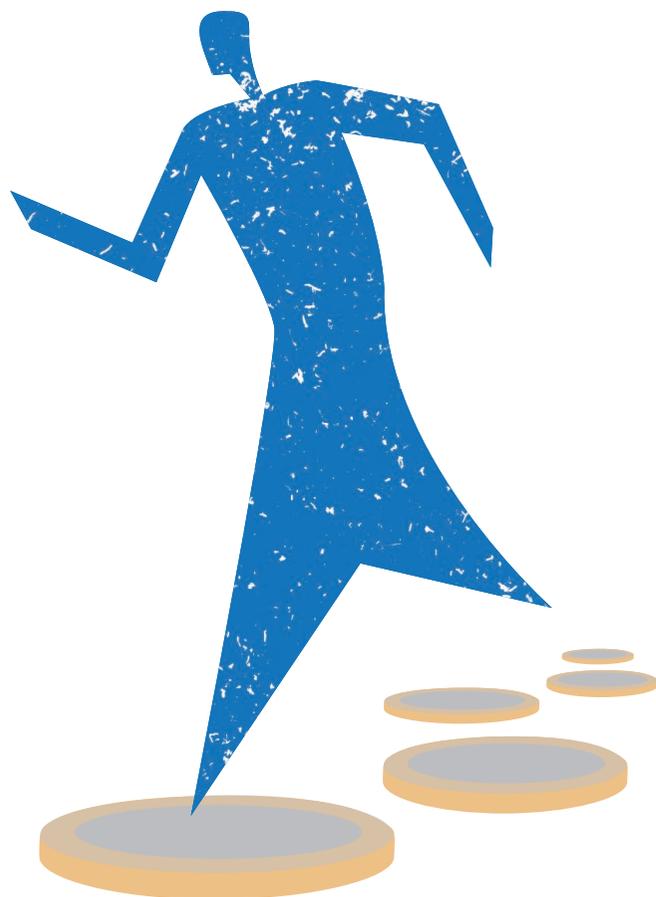


## BALANCE SHEET 2020

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<b>ASSETS</b>		
Material Fixed Assets	5,350.18	6,011.44
Financial Fixed Assets	0.00	0.00
Short Term Receivables	689,821.01	775,079.79
Liquid Assets	209,601.95	235,507.81
Accruals & Deferrals	38,260.29	42,989.09
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>€ 943,033.43</b>	<b>\$ 1,059,588.12</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Reserves	99,477.22	111,772.16
Surplus/deficit	0.00	0.00
Result year	(75,016.18)	(84,287.84)
Provisions	258,321.30	290,248.65
Debts		
Long Term	30,000.00	33,707.87
Short Term	87,851.53	98,709.58
Accruals & Deferrals	542,399.56	609,437.71
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>€ 943,033.43</b>	<b>\$ 1,059,588.12</b>





## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT 2020

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Administration & Organisation	287,176.48	322,670.20
Housing & Utility	60,414.79	67,881.79
Publications, Printing & Campaigns	99,739.85	112,067.25
Advocacy & Representation	38,460.37	43,213.90
Networking with Member Organisations & Partners	230,042.13	258,474.30
Financial & Investment Costs	6,178.81	6,942.48
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>€ 722,012.43</b>	<b>\$ 811,249.92</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Membership Fees	207,750.26	233,427.26
Grants	164,089.10	184,369.78
Donations	267,294.13	300,330.48
Recuperations	7,862.76	8,834.56
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>€ 646,996.25</b>	<b>\$ 726,962.08</b>
<b>FINANCIAL RESULT YEAR</b>	<b>(€ 75,016.18)</b>	<b>(\$ 84,287.84)</b>



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