

# Interfaith Perspectives on Middle East Peace

Wednesday, January 17th, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
925 Balour Dr, Encinitas, CA 92024

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| <b>Schedule:</b><br>7-7:30 Panel<br>7:30-7:45 Q&A of panel<br>7:45-8 Sarah/Scott talk about HOP | 8-8:15 HOP Alumni speak<br>8:15-8:25 Q&A of HOP<br>8:25 Thanks and closing |
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Join us for an interfaith panel featuring local religious leaders from Islam, Judaism, and Christianity, who will discuss the role religion plays in conflict and the opportunity to use religious practices to contribute toward peace. Hands of Peace, St. Andrew's Episcopal, and Bethlehem Lutheran are pleased to present in partnership this much anticipated event.

The panel discussion will begin at 7:00 p.m., followed by an opportunity for Q&A, and, then, a presentation by Hands of Peace Alumni, including information about hosting a student in July.

Hands of Peace is an interfaith organization that empowers young people to raise their voices as leaders of change. Through the power of dialogue, Palestinians, Israelis and Americans partner to pursue peace, equality, freedom and justice. Hands of Peace believes the future depends on the leadership of the next generation.

**It takes a small village to run the Hands of Peace Summer Programs in San Diego and Chicago, and they can use our help.**

During their summer programs we will be able to meet the participants and help at the program events. Throughout the year, Hands of Peace relies on the passion and skills of dedicated volunteers. They would love to find a spot that matches our talents and availability and help us become a part of their team.

Volunteers help with the following:

- recruiting host families (Wouldn't it be great to have local families host?)
- providing meals during the summer program
- planning events like the Farewell Celebration and Spring Benefit
- planning and hosting HOPEducation night
- helping in the office with technical support
- writing grants for financial assistance

More info about Hands of Peace can be found on their website: [handsofpeace.org](http://handsofpeace.org).

*Information about Hands of Peace adapted from [handsofpeace.org](http://handsofpeace.org)*