



# Canadian Friends Service Committee

## E-Newsletter



### Our Work



#### Criminal Justice

Penal Abolition & Restorative Justice  
Children of Incarcerated Parents



#### Indigenous Peoples' Human Rights

Truth & Reconciliation  
UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples



#### Peace

Civil Liberties  
Climate Change  
Refugees  
Africa  
Israel/Palestine



### Check out our new website!

After more than a decade with the old look, we're thrilled to launch our new website! The site is now easier to navigate and it's mobile friendly. You can expect a better browsing experience with more videos and visual content.

We've reduced clutter to help you focus on what you're interested in. And we've added some nice features like improved menus and a list of all the site's pages in the footer. These are just some of the ways that we're making it easy for you to find and engage with the content you love. Have a look at the freshly designed [QuakerService.ca](https://www.QuakerService.ca)!

# YOUR VOICE MATTERS



COME JOIN OUR YOUTH ADVISORY GROUP AT CFSC



**Join our youth advisory group**

Are you a youth or young adult with the lived experience of growing up with an incarcerated parent? Would you like to meet others with similar experiences and work to improve conditions for children and youth with incarcerated parents? We would like to hear from you. Please [consider joining our youth advisory group](#).



Masafer Yatta, 2021, credit השגמ פיצ/Wikimedia Commons CC-BY 4.0



## Open letter calls for Canada to speak out about Masafer Yatta

Over 1,000 residents, many of them children, living in eight Palestinian villages in the Masafer Yatta area of the West Bank face imminent eviction from their homes and because Israel has claimed the area as an army firing zone. A new letter signed by CFSC Clerk Vince Zelazny argues that it is imperative that Canada speak out on this issue. The letter requests that Robin Wettlaufer, Canada's representative to the Palestinian Authority, travel to Masafer Yatta as soon as possible and report on the situation there. It notes,

"Canada's voice could make a difference." [Read the open letter](#). Learn about CFSC's hopes for a [just peace in Israel/Palestine](#).



## Skills for Peaceful Communication Workshop at Lake Erie Yearly Meeting

CFSC's Matt Legge was at the recent session of Lake Erie Yearly Meeting where he delivered a presentation, Q&A, and interactive practice on communication skills. You can [watch a recording](#). To practice these skills yourself, [get on the wait list](#) for the next round of our workshop series [Are We Done Fighting?](#)