

MPT - What we do

Michigan Peace Team (MPT) trains ordinary citizens in creative, nonviolent conflict intervention. Since MPT's inception in 1994, we have trained hundreds of people, many of whom volunteer for MPT peacemaking teams. These teams are deployed at home and abroad to regions of hostility and warfare, reducing violence and thus creating a safe space for the local community to work out their conflicts.

MPT has worked in solidarity with the people of Iraq, Haiti, Bosnia, Mexico, and along the U.S./Mexico border. We are currently fielding international teams to Palestine/Israel. At the invitation of the local community, we also place domestic peace teams at regional events (i.e., within the US borders) such as hate group rallies, death row executions, and Gay Pride Day parades.



MPT team members at the U.S./Mexico Border.

Michigan Peace Team works collaboratively with peace and justice groups around the world, including *Christian Peacemaker Teams*, *Women in Black*, the *International Women's Peace Service*, *No More Deaths/No Mas*

Muertes, and the *International Solidarity Movement (ISM)*. We are proud to be an active member of *Nonviolent Peaceforce*.



Apartheid Wall—the entrance to Bethlehem

Mission

We work to actively create a just world grounded in nonviolence and respect for the interconnectedness of all people and all things. We pursue peace through active nonviolence in places of conflict.

Peace Team Opportunities

We work in teams. Our training and commitment to each other allows us to function effectively and creatively in war-torn, violence-ridden situations.

Team members return to their hometowns with first-hand knowledge of the effects of systemic violence. We help personalize the issues of global violence by sharing the stories of people affected by the conflicts we have witnessed. Through speaking engagements, articles, lobbying and other creative avenues, team members share the vision and practice

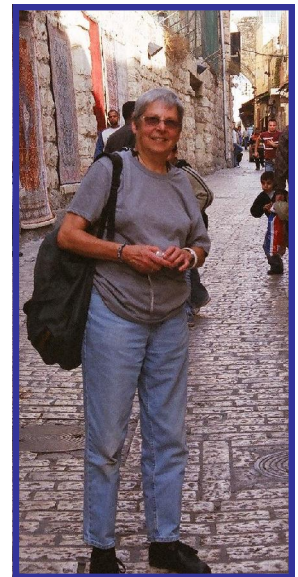
of active nonviolence. We seek to affect systematic change in our nation and the world.

For those eager to deepen their personal involvement in peacemaking, we are excited to announce these on-going projects:

- Training in creative, active nonviolence
- Speaker availability
- Internship positions
- Quarterly teams to Palestine/Israel
- Exploring other international team placements
- On-call Domestic Peace Teams
- Protective accompaniment

How to become a part of Michigan Peace Team:

- Invite an MPT speaker to do a presentation for your community or group.
- Attend or arrange an MPT nonviolence training for your school, workplace, church or community group, etc.
- Join one of our domestic or international violence reduction teams.
- Make a generous gift to help us continue in our work for a peaceful world. All donations are tax deductible.



MPT Team Member in Jerusalem

**Find out more by exploring our website:
www.michiganpeaceteam.org**