

## Mission Toolkit: Christian-Muslim Relations

How to use this toolkit



If you've come upon this toolkit, you (or your congregation) are probably on a journey of learning. Our prayer for you is that you will find stories of inspiration and practical resources that will help you along the journey. May your path lead you to learn more about Islam, go deeper in your Christian faith and discover how God is calling you and your congregation into authentic and mutual relationships with Muslim brothers and sisters in your community and around the world.

### Where am I on the journey?

The first step in using this toolkit is to understand who you are and how God is calling you on the journey of Christian-Muslim interfaith learning and relations. Some questions for prayerful reflection include the following:

- Who in your church would like to be involved in Christian-Muslim relations? What does this mean to them?
- What do you hope your congregation will gain or learn? What do you hope to achieve?
- How do you believe God is calling you on this journey?

#### What's in this toolkit? How do I use it?

There are four sections:

Learn—Connect—Worship—Act

From the toolkit homepage, click on one to find resources.

#### Learn: Find facts, stories, policies and curriculum

- 1. Read facts and study policy statements.
- 2. Enrich learning by including stories from the U.S. or a mission co-worker.
- 3. Use the Christian Education studies.
- 4. Choose a book for small-group study.

#### Connect: with others

- Call or write Presbyterian Mission Agency staff to learn about additional resources and contacts.
- Connect with PC(USA) mission co-workers serving in countries around the world to learn about expressions of Islam in their contexts. Invite mission co-workers to visit your congregation.



# **Worship:** Bring Christian-Muslim relations into religious services

- Pray for Muslims during special holy days.
- 2. Join in worship services once you've established a relationship of deeper knowledge and trust.

#### Act: Go deeper in relationships, learning and advocacy

- 1. Engage in small-group Christian-Muslim fellowship and study.
- Participate in global learning through study tours and invited speakers.
- Learn about opportunities to stand with Muslim neighbors in the U.S. and around the world.