

Waystations of the Ecumenical Pilgrimage

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1. Station

1983

Vancouver WCC Assembly

Conciliar Process for Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation

2. Station

1988 – 1998

Ecumenical Decade – Churches in Solidarity with Women

3. Station

1989

40 years Church and Peace at Bienenberg

I. Europäische Ökumenische Versammlung/ European Ecumenical Assembly Basel

4. Station

1993

European Mid-Decade Conference in Corrymeela

Team-Visits

5. Station

1997

II. Europäische Ökumenische Versammlung / European Ecumenical Assembly Graz

6. Station

1998

WCC Assembly Harare: decision to launch the Ecumenical Decade to Overcome Violence

AGAPE process : The role of the churches for an „Alternative Globalisation“.

7. Station

2001

Charta Oecumenica

Charta Oecumenica III.8:

'We commit ourselves to work for structures of peace, based on the non-violent resolution of conflicts. We condemn any form of violence against the human person, particularly against women and children. Reconciliation involves promoting social justice within and among all peoples; above all, this means closing the gap between rich and poor and overcoming unemployment. Together we will do our part towards giving migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers a humane reception in Europe. We commit ourselves to counteract any form of nationalism which leads to the oppression of other peoples and national minorities and to engage ourselves for non-violent resolutions...'

8. Station

2001 -2010 Ecumenical Decade to Overcome Violence

9. Station

2006

ÖRK-Vollversammlung/ WCC Porto Alegre

Aufruf zur Neuverpflichtung in der Mitte der Dekade / Call for renewed commitment halfway in the decade

Beschlüsse/Decisions:

- Team-Visits
- Friedenskonvokation (Peace convocation)
- Friedensdenkschrift (Peace memorandum)
- R2P (Responsibility to protect)
- Erklärung zur Abschaffung von Atomwaffen (declaration on prohibition of nuclear weapons)
- Erklärung zu Terrorismus (declaration regarding terrorism)

10. Station

2007

III. Europäische Ökumenische Versammlung/ European Ecumenical Assembly Sibiu

11. Station

2009

C&P Conference Bienenberg: Statement on R2P

12. Station

2011

International Ecumenical Peace Convocation Kingston, Jamaica

- (1) Friede in der Gemeinschaft
- (2) Friede mit der Erde
- (3) Friede in der Wirtschaft
- (4) Friede zwischen den Völkern

C&P Conference St. Antoine: Statement on R2P

13. Station

2013

ÖRK Vollversammlung/WCC Assembly Busan:

Pilgrimage of Justice and Peace (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EmBH9Takioc>)

Prophetic, strategic and missionary dimension.

- a. Celebrating the gifts (*via positiva*)
- b. Visiting the wounds (*via negativa*)
- c. Transforming the injustices (*via transformativa*)

Ecumenical Call to Just Peace

4. TOGETHER WE RECOMMEND THAT THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

- a. Undertake, in cooperation with member churches and specialized ministries, critical analysis of the "Responsibility to Prevent, React and Rebuild" and its relationship to just peace, and its misuse to justify armed interventions;

14. Station

2015

CEC/WCC Pilgrimage to United Nations Climate Change Conference Paris.

15. Station

2018

Arusha World Mission Conference:

Women's Pilgrimage of Justice and Peace (the spirituality of peace building)

Report in Ecumenical Diakonia: Called to Transformative Action

16. Station

CEC Assembly Novi Sad (May/June) – s. Public Issues Statement

WCC Central Committee (June) - Theological Study Group (Fernando Enns):

Pilgrimage Team-Visits of Justice and Peace in Israel/Palestine, Nigeria and Columbia Youth Delegates

Unity, Peace, Justice

see with new eyes, when we walk, see different perspectives

Perspective of the marginalized/ Decolonize our Theology/ Go gently with our God/ Since 2013 – we are today not the same...we touched wounds/ Theology of companionship –those who share the bread on their way

Themes: Land and displacement/Truth and Trauma/Genderjustice and discrimination/Colour and racism/Spiritual and theological challenge/ Walking with the marginalized at Galilee/Speak the truth to the powers at Jerusalem/Transformative journey

17. Station

Church and Peace Conference High Leigh