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European Ecumenical Peace Network

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Being "living letters" of encouragement –
please support us so we can strengthen our network of Christian pacifists in Europe

Dear friends,

Our board members are planning to **visit Albania and Lithuania** to build up our network in these regions, encourage Christian peacemakers and prepare for future conferences in these countries.



We can only do this with your financial support!
Networking trips cost money. Our board members work as volunteers, but these trips can't be carried out if we don't have enough funds. **Please donate!**

At a time when there are seemingly intractable conflicts in many parts of the world, it is cheering to see the peaceful transition of power taking place in Serbia after two years of non-violent protests. There have also been peaceful protests in Albania. The resilience and peaceful commitment of citizens in these countries give us all hope.

In his music lessons, my son has been learning John Lennon's 'Imagine'. The words **'Imagine all the people / Living life in peace'** came back to me when I was thinking recently about our conference in Milton Keynes in England in April. We had gathered together with our partners Fellowship of Reconciliation UK, the Anglican Pacifist Fellowship, Pax Christi UK, and Christian International Peace Service (CHIPS) for a joint conference on the theme 'Healing after Conflict'. I was struck again by the call in Jane Kinninmont's keynote talk for **'a people's movement for peace'.** This is exactly what we are seeing at the moment in Serbia and Albania. For this reason, we are planning our 2028 European Conference in Albania.

We can show **by our actions** how important peace is to us. We can strive as as much to **create the conditions for peace** as some people prepare for war, at all levels: from the interpersonal to the national and the international.

Please support our work with a donation!
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For me, the 2026 conference was a special occasion at which I met members of Church and Peace in person. It was inspiring to meet Christians who are passionate about peace. We can all learn from each other.

I invite you to take part in our next Church and Peace conference, in Strasbourg 29-31 October next year!

Warm wishes and many thanks,

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