

PC(USA) General Assembly Resolutions on the Middle East

Since 1948 Presbyterian General Assemblies have repeatedly addressed issues of relevance to the Middle East, particularly Israel and Palestine. The Presbyterian position has consistently been to:

- Affirm the right of Israel to exist as a sovereign state within secure, internationally recognized borders;
- Affirm the right of Palestinians to self-determination, including the right to the establishment of a neighboring independent, sovereign state;
- Condemn in no uncertain terms acts of terrorism and other acts of violence against innocent people by either party to the conflict.

UPCUSA:

- *Minutes*, 1969, Part I, p. 595;
- *Minutes*, 1974, Part I, p. 584;
- *Minutes*, 1976, Part I, p. 218;
- *Minutes*, 1977, Part I, pp. 430, 484
- *Minutes*, 1984, Part I, p. 338;
- *Minutes*, 1986, Part I, p. 877;
- *Minutes*, 1988, Part I, p. 365-66; (Xtn.-Jewish & Xtn.-Muslim relations)
- *Minutes*, 1989, Part I, p. 585; (Xtn.-Jewish & Xtn.-Muslim relations)
- *Minutes*, 1990, Part I, pp. 105; 106;
- *Minutes*, 1995, Part I, pp. 688, 718.

**209th General Assembly (1997): Resolution on the Middle East

**213th General Assembly (2001): Statement to reaffirm previous resolutions

**214th General Assembly (2002): Resolution on urging sustainable peace between Israelis and Palestinians

**215th General Assembly (2003): Resolution on Israel and Palestine: End the Occupation Now

**216th General Assembly (2004): Resolution on Israel and Palestine: Initiating divestment and ending occupation

**216th General Assembly (2004): Resolution on the construction of a wall by the State of Israel

**216th General Assembly (2004): Resolution on confronting Christian Zionism

**216th General Assembly (2004): Resolution on a Palestine Mission Network

**216th General Assembly (2004): Resolution on violence, religion, and terrorism.

**Find these at <http://www.pcusa.org/worldwide/israelpalestine/gastatements.htm>