



“Seek the peace of the city where I have taken you, and pray to the Lord for it; for in its peace you will **have peace.**”

– Jeremiah 29:7 (NKJV)

This passage is for all who long for the promised future — one of hope and peace. We are partners in bringing that future, and God asks that we respond to those we live near. **Seeking the peace of the city calls us to see what is around us** — who is being cast aside, who is hungry or naked or in prison, who is hurting and who is hurting them. Their justice is our justice and their peace is our peace.

Guided and inspired by the gospel of Christ, On Earth Peace works in partnership with congregations and local leaders to respond to Jeremiah’s call. Here are four examples of this life-giving ministry.

An agency of the
Church of the Brethren

empowering people to

discern the things

that make for peace

The **Agape-Satyagraha Youth Leadership Training** program has opened new project sites serving youth in Illinois, Indiana, and Delaware, for a total of seven sites nationwide.

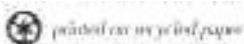


Through the **Ministry of Reconciliation** program of On Earth Peace, congregations and church leaders learn faithful discernment and decision-making steps, as well as constructive ways of addressing conflict.

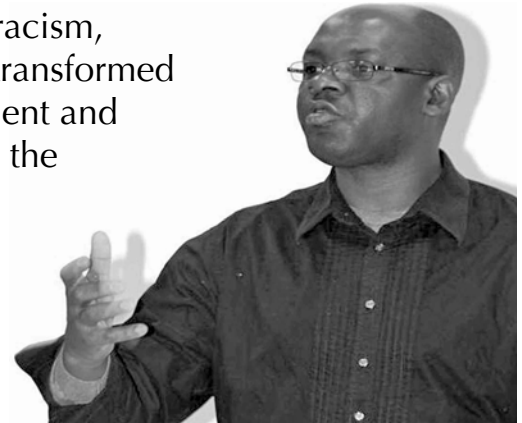
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Rockford Partners for Excellence, led by On Earth Peace staff member Samuel Sarpiya, is addressing issues of racism, poverty, and violence in that Illinois city. They have transformed a middle school which had been one of the most violent and troubled in the city, and are now working throughout the surrounding neighborhood.



The **International Day of Prayer for Peace** campaign supports more than 100 congregations each year in their prayer witness for an end to violence, and in their peace-building work in their local communities.

These are just four examples of the many On Earth Peace programs which serve the church and the world. On Earth Peace continues to prepare and challenge youth, children, families, congregations, and community leaders to receive the peaceful, hopeful future God has in mind for us.

From Lancaster to La Verne, from South Bend to South Africa, church and community leaders are looking to On Earth Peace for guidance, spiritual grounding and training in violence reduction and peace-building. Thank you so much for your partnership in these ministries!

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