



## International Ecumenical Peace Convocation

Kingston | Jamaica | 2011

***Please help make the IEPC a truly inclusive event!***



***Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above ...” James 1:17***

### **Ensuring the diversity of participation**

Plans are well underway for the International Ecumenical Peace Convocation (IEPC) which will take place from 17 to 25 May 2011 on the campus of the University of the West Indies. Some 1,000 persons will gather in Kingston, coming from the four corners of the earth representing the rich diversity of the WCC member churches and other peace-related partners. In order to make this a truly well balanced event, financial assistance for some of our sisters and brothers from the global south is being sought.

### **The need for action now**

From the community to the international level, WCC member churches face a crisis of violence that is religious, communal, ethical, social, ecological, economic, political and military in nature and poses serious threats to life on earth. The vision of the IEPC is for WCC member churches and their partners to engage enthusiastically in creating a world where relationships in communities and the marketplace, with people of other faiths and to creation itself are shaped by an ecumenical just peace theology and practice.





## International Ecumenical Peace Convocation

Kingston | Jamaica | 2011

### The importance of sharing

*“Through Christ, people are enabled to turn in praise to God and in service to their neighbours. In Christ they find the source of new life in freedom, mutual forgiveness and love. Through Christ their hearts and minds are directed to the consummation of the Kingdom where Christ’s victory will become manifest and all things made new. God’s purpose is that, in Jesus Christ, all people share in this fellowship”*

Ministry 2, Baptist Eucharist and Ministry (BEM)

### Appeal to enable 250 persons to come to the IEPC

The available funds and consequent budget for the IEPC allows for 500 self-paying participants and 250 persons receiving financial assistance for their participation in the event. This appeal is to garner resources to allow for the participation of another 250 persons from the global south. The average cost for one person is CHF 3,000 (equivalent to € 2,100/\$ 2,800/£ 1,800) and includes international travel, board, lodging and registration fee.

### What can be achieved with this participation?

Through your support we will engage a full range of leaders, theologians and peace practitioners from across all WCC member churches, peace networks and beyond. We will equip participants with the necessary skills to provide leadership in just peace action and spirituality within their constituencies. Participants will develop ecumenical just peace networks that support and strengthen each other’s work which will lead to a broad faith-based response to key global challenges.



Contact details for further information: [iepc@wcc-coe.org](mailto:iepc@wcc-coe.org) or the IEPC website: [www.overcomingviolence.org/iepc](http://www.overcomingviolence.org/iepc)

By supporting the IEPC you will strengthen the churches’ position on peace, provide opportunities for networking and deepen our common commitment to processes of reconciliation and peace. Please respond to this appeal **by 30 March 2011**. Thank you for your consideration



***Together another world is possible!***