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As COVID-19 takes lives, impacts the markets, affects healthcare and drives a global financial crisis, we the undersigned urge the International Monetary Fund, the G20 and the US Government to:

- Cancel debt payments and expand debt relief for developing countries to bolster healthcare, protect the vulnerable and workers as they confront COVID-19
- Mobilize additional resources to support all countries impacted by the economic and health impacts of the coronavirus
- Improve debt restructuring, issue debt payment moratoriums and create expedient debt reprofiling processes for countries impacted by the coronavirus
- Support all countries to emerge from the crisis with more resilience by encouraging policies and agreements to increase protections for the vulnerable, instill greater public budget transparency, implement financial crisis and market protections, promote responsible lending and borrowing and curb corruption and tax evasion

Sincerely,

**214 Signatories as of 7/16/2020:**

**Denominations and Denominational Representations**

All Africa Conference of Churches

The Episcopal Church

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

The National Council of Churches

The Presbyterian Church (USA)

Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism

The Unitarian Universalist Association

The United Church of Christ

The United Methodist Church, General Board of Church and Society

*The US Conference of Catholic Bishops sent a separate joint letter with Jubilee USA Network (available [here](#))*

*\*Pope Francis delivered a separate statement on Easter Sunday calling for debt relief.*

### **Religious Institutions, Faith Organizations and Denomination Offices**

Jubilee USA Network

Africa Faith and Justice Network

American Friends Service Committee

American Jewish World Service

Bread for the World

Buddhist Association of the United States

Buddhist Global Relief

Church World Service

Church of the Brethren, Office of Peacebuilding and Policy

Disciples Center for Public Witness

Faith in Healthcare

Leadership Conference of Women Religious

Muslims for Economic Justice

National Association of African Catholics in the United States

Pax Christi Aotearoa-New Zealand

Pax Christi International

Pax Christi USA

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Presbyterian Office of Public Witness Washington, D.C.

Sojourners

United Church of Christ, Justice and Witness Ministries

**Congregations, Faith Communities and Religious Groups**

Adorers of the Blood of Christ - St Louis, MO

All Saints Episcopal Church - Salt Lake City, UT

Another Level Ministries LA - Gardena, CA

Ascension Lutheran Church - Thousand Oaks , CA

Athens Catholic Community Peace and Justice Committee - Athens, OH

Bartimaeus Cooperative Ministries - Oak View, CA

Benedictine Sisters of Baltimore - Lutherville, MD

Bernardine Franciscan Sisters

Bethesda Presbyterian Church - Bethesda, MD

Billings Montana Interfaith Network

B'nai Shalom Havurah - Taos, NM

California Lutheran University

Carmelite Sisters of Charity, Vedruna

Center for Spiritual Living Simi Valley - Simi Valley, CA

Christ Church United Methodist - Tucson, AZ

Christ Presbyterian Church - Carlsbad, CA

Christ Presbyterian Church of Rancho La Costa - Carlsbad, CA

Collaborative Center for Justice (Catholic) - Hartford, CT

Columban Center for Advocacy and Outreach

Comboni Missionaries - Newark, NJ

Community Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg, CA

Congregation de Notre Dame - Wilton, CT

Congregation Gates of Heaven - Schenectady, NY

Congregation of Our Lady of the Good Shepherd, U.S. Provinces - Silver Spring, US

Congregations of St. Joseph

Crossroads United Church of Christ - Indianola, IO

Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul Province of the West - Santa Barbara, CA

Dominican Leadership Conference

Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa Peace and Justice Office - Sinsinawa, WI

Dominican Sisters of Springfield, Illinois Leadership Team

Fairmount Presbyterian Church - Cleveland Heights, OH

First Congregational Church of Chicago - Chicago, IL

First Plymouth Congregational Church, UCC - Englewood, CO

First Presbyterian Church - Portland, OR

First Trinitarian Congregational Church, United Church of Christ - Scituate, MA

First Unitarian Universalist Society - Albany, NY

First United Methodist Church - Missoula , MT

Flagstaff Federated Community Church - Flagstaff, AZ

Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement - Garrison, NY

Freedom Road

Friends in Solidarity (Catholic) - Silver Spring, Maryland

Glenmary Home Missioners - Cincinnati, OH

Glenmary Home Missioners - Lakeside Park, KT

Greater Lansing CROP Hunger Walk - Lansing, MI

Holy Cross International Justice Office - Notre Dame, IN

Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters, USA - Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation - Northfield, IL

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church - Akron, OH

Hollywood Lutheran Church - Hollywood, CA

Interfaith Worker Justice - New Mexico

InterReligious Task Force on Central America and Colombia - Cleveland, OH

Jubilee Albany/Capital Region New York

Jubilee San Diego

Jubilee USA Southern California

Jubilee Ventura County

Jubilee Vermont

Justice and Peace Team, Edgewood United Church of Christ - East Lansing, MI

Knox Presbyterian Church - Pasadena, CA

Lutheran Church of the Master - Los Angeles, CA

Mansfield Meeting (Quaker) - Mansfield, PA

Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns

Mira Vista United Church of Christ - El Cerrito, CA

Mission Social Justice Board of Arlington Community Church - Kensington, CA

Missionary Society of Saint Columban - Tokyo, Japan

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church - Santa Monica, CA

National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd

Nevada City United Methodist Church - Nevada City, California

New Hope Collaborative, West Raleigh Presbyterian Church

Office of Peace, Justice, and Ecological Integrity, Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth

Oklahoma Objector Community - Oklahoma City, OK

Oscar Romero Church - Rochester, NY

Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters - Huntington, IN

Pacifica Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Pax Christi - Beverly, MA

Paulist Center - Boston, MA

Pax Christi - Camarillo, CA

Pax Christi Dallas

Pax Christi El Paso

Pax Christi Florida

Pax Christi Illinois

Pax Christi Maine

Pax Christi Massachusetts

Pax Christi Michigan

Pax Christi Memphis

Pax Christi Metro New York

Pax Christi Northern California

Pax Christi Northwest

Pax Christi - Pasadena, CA

Pax Christi Pittsburgh Area

Pax Christi SoCal

Pax Christi SoCal Padre Serra

Pax Christi St. John's Prep - Danvers, MA

Pax Christi Saint Jude - Sandy Springs, GA

Pax Christi St. Maurice, FL

Pax Christi at La Salette Shrine - Attelboro, MA

Pax Christi St. Susanna - Dedham, MA

Pax Christi Seed Planters - Crete, IL

Pax Christi Sister Ita Ford - Brooklyn, NY

Pax Christi Western North Dakota

Pax Christi Western Massachusetts

Pax Christi Western NY

Pax Christi Will County - Joliet, IL

Peace and Justice Advocates Action Team, University Congregational United Church of Christ - Seattle, Washington

Peace Education Center - East Lansing, MI

Peace Lutheran Church - Danville, CA

Provincial Council Clerics of St. Viator - Arlington Heights, IL

Puerto Rico Bible Society - San Juan, PR

Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary New York

Roman Catholic Archdiocese of San Juan de Puerto Rico - San Juan, PR

Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany - Albany, NY

San Dieguito Interfaith Ministerial Association

San Dieguito United Methodist Church - Encinitas, CA

Schenectady Clergy Against Hate - Schenectady, NY

School Sisters of Notre Dame, Justice Peace and Integrity of Creation Office

Seaside Center for Spiritual Living - Encinitas, CA

Sisters of Charity Federation

Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth Office of Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation - Leavenworth, KS

Sisters of Charity of Nazareth Central Leadership- Nazareth, KY

Sisters of Charity of Nazareth Western Province Leadership

Sisters of Charity of New York - Bronx, NY

Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill U.S. Province

Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy - Charleston, SC

Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur - New York

Sisters of Saint Martha, Martha Justice Ministry - Antigonish, NS

Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia - Aston, PA

Sisters of the Good Shepherd - Astoria, NY

Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament of Corpus Christi, TX

Sisters of the Most Precious Blood Leadership Team

Social Action Committee at Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church - Hyattsville, MD

Society of Helpers, US Province

Society of the Sacred Heart United States and Canada

South East Area (UCC) Mission and Justice Committee

St. Augustine's Episcopal Church - Oakland, CA

St. Benedict's Monastery - St Joseph, IL

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church - Missoula, MT

St. John's Episcopal Church - Chicago, IL

St. Luke Lutheran Church - Portland, OR

St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral - Seattle, WA

St. Mary's Episcopal Church - New York, NY

St. Matthew Catholic Community - Baltimore, MD

St. Timothy Church - Lakewood, CA

Temple of Understanding - New York City, NY

The Christian Community - College Park, MD

The Good Table United Church of Christ - El Cerrito, CA

The Jubilee Justice Taskforce of the United Church of Christ - Quincy, MA

The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

The River Church South - Quincy, MA

Tikkun's Network of Spiritual Progressives

Tikkun Olam Committee, Temple Beth Israel - Eugene, OR

Unitarian Congregation of Taos - Taos, NM

University Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)/United Church of Christ - San Diego, CA

Wellsboro Friends Meeting (Quakers) - Wellsboro, PA

Wheaton Franciscans - Wheaton, IL

### **Humanitarian, Development and Labor Organizations**

ActionAid USA

Advocacy Network for Africa (AdNA)

The American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)

Amnesty International USA



American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)

Advocacy Network for Africa (AdNA) COVID-19 Working Group

Africans Rising for Justice, Peace, and Dignity

Association of Concerned Africa Scholars (ACAS-USA)

Amazon Watch

Center for African Studies, Rutgers University

Center for Economic and Policy Research

Center for International Policy

Centro de los Derechos del Campesino/LATINDADD

Earth Evolution - Malibu, CA

East Timor and Indonesia Action Network (ETAN)

Essential Information

Friends of Batiquitos Lagoon - Encinitas, CA

Friends of the Earth U.S.

Health GAP (Global Access Project)

Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

Institute for Policy Studies, Global Economy Project

Making the Road

New Rules for Global Finance

Oxfam America

Prince George's County (MD) Peace & Justice Coalition

RESULTS

RESULTS Ann Arbor, MI

Stand.earth

Texas Fair Trade Coalition

United Steel Workers (USW)

Watch Democracy Grow