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Urge Members of Congress to attend an important briefing on Israeli settlement expansion

**INTERFAITH PARTNERSHIP CALLS ON US POLITICAL LEADERSHIP  
TO ADDRESS CONSEQUENCES OF SETTLEMENT EXPANSION  
*A Briefing on the Village of Wadi Foquin***

Tuesday, February 23, 2016  
12 Noon to 2 p.m.  
B338 –Rayburn House Office Building

**Panelists**

Ahmad Sokar, Mayor of Wadi Foquin  
Kifah Manasra, PhD Al Estiklal University  
Shukri Radaaydeh, Director, Bethlehem Local Governorate  
Rev. Dr. Susan Henry-Crowe, General Secretary, United Methodist Church General Board of Church and Society

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For more information: <http://www.friendsofwadifoquin.com/>

While the Israeli/Palestinian situation is often deemed intractable, concern for neighbor compels people of faith to act in hope. Take action today to raise awareness about the suffering in the region and what the US can do about it. Urge your members of Congress to attend this important briefing spotlighting one West Bank village – Wadi Foquin-- as an example of how the Israeli occupation affects ordinary people.

**Contact your [senators](#) and [representative](#) today and ask them to:**

- Attend this important briefing to learn about the consequences of Israeli settlement expansion and how US policy can play a constructive role in promoting a just peace for Israelis and Palestinians
- Speak and act for an end to the Israeli occupation of all Palestinian land

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**Sample Letter:**

Dear Senator/Representative,

I am writing to urge you to attend an important briefing spotlighting one West Bank village – Wadi Foquin-- as an example of how the Israeli occupation affects ordinary people. **The briefing will be held Tuesday, February 23, 2016 from noon to 2 PM in B338 of the Rayburn House Office Building.** More information can be found at <http://www.friendsofwadifoquin.com/>. Featuring panelists from the village, the briefing will be an opportunity to learn about the suffering in the region and what the US can do to address it.

As a person of faith, I believe in the importance of working to preserve life and to prevent further suffering and that Congress can play a constructive role in this regard by supporting policies that foster a just peace for Israelis and Palestinians.

I hope that you will be able to attend the briefing to learn about the consequences of Israeli settlement expansion and what the US can do. In addition I urge you to speak and act for an end to the Israeli occupation of all Palestinian land.

With gratitude for your service,