

**Oregon-Idaho
Annual
Conference**

**The United
Methodist Church**



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Greetings and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ.

In June 2017, the Oregon-Idaho United Methodist Annual Conference adopted a standing resolution that opposes any state or federal legislation that seeks to restrict the right to address injustice through boycotts, divestment and sanctions (BDS), such as any efforts by elected officials to stifle the movement toward justice for Palestinians through anti-BDS legislation.

In addition, the Oregon-Idaho United Methodist Annual Conference, through this legislative action, urges all United Methodist congregations and church members to contact their local, regional and national elected officials to communicate this resolution to advocate against anti-BDS legislation appearing anywhere in their state or country.

The Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church consists of 180 churches and approximately 45,000 congregants.

We urge you to join us in opposing legislation that would limit free speech—and to support freedom for the Palestinian people.

Sincerely,

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