This is an area where there is a huge number of organisations campaigning on single issues or a raft of matters. Many of them produce factsheets and other information about their particular area(s) of interest. Almost all run campaigns that seek to involve others.

There are many local situations in the world where Peace and Justice issues dominate the agenda so keeping up-to-date with issues through the internet, newspapers and campaigns is useful.
The issues around warfare and deterrence are also changing. For some, the issue of nuclear disarmament has been superseded while for others it is still central. Some Christians oppose war at any cost while others look to seek ways to support the armed forces when they are called to do a difficult task on behalf of others. Thus, it is essential to recognise that Christians can hold opposing views on pacifism, animal testing and many other issues with integrity.

You may wish to try the following:

- pray for peace and justice in the world: locally, nationally and internationally
- consider joining a peace and justice organisation as an individual, congregation, group etc and participating in their work
- join Amnesty International and help campaign for justice
- watch Amnesty TV at www.amnestytv.co.uk
- consider the work of CND or Scotland 4 Peace
- use your LOAF when buying food: Locally produced, Organically farmed, Animal friendly, Fairly traded
- observe the World Council of Churches’ World Week for Peace in Palestine Israel in June

**PRAYERS**

**O Christ the light,**
illuminate and cleanse the dark corners of the world where hang the cobwebs of apathy and the dust of neglect;
shine on faces made grim by poverty and war;
melt the icicles of despair and the hard frozen wastes of selfishness;
and let your searching rays enclose the whole in one great radiance.
In Your name we pray.
AMEN

**Love of Jesus,** fill me,
Joy of Jesus, surprise me,
Peace of Jesus, flood me,
Light of Jesus, transform me,
Touch of Jesus, warm me,
Strength of Jesus, encourage me.
O Saviour, in your agony, forgive me,
in your wounds, hide me,
and in your risen life take me with you,
for love of you and of your world.
AMEN
Angela Ashwin

**You continue to call us**
to work for peace.
Our world is broken and wounded by injustice, violence and indifference.
Alone, we would be overwhelmed by the challenges that face us.
But together, supported by your Spirit, we can do more than any one of us can dream or imagine.
AMEN
Written for the 50th anniversary of the Pax Christi International Movement

**Give us, Lord God,** a vision of our world as your love would make it:
a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor;
a world where the benefits of civilised life are shared, and everyone can enjoy them;
a world where different ethnic groups, nations and cultures live in tolerance and mutual respect;
a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love;
And give us the inspiration and courage to build it, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN
From a prayer by Trevor Williams