

# THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES



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To all the Churches in the ICRC,

## Ukraine Crisis

We are all appalled by the brutal aggression the dictator Putin is displaying in Ukraine, causing the senseless deaths of civilians, Ukrainian and Russian and more soldiers, as well as causing millions of refugees leaving Ukraine.

As Christians it is our Biblical calling to reach out to those in need, first to our fellow believers and also to others (Galatians 6:10).

We are convinced that in all member churches the distress in Ukraine and surroundings is brought before God's throne at this moment with earnest supplications. As Diaconal Committee of the International Conference of Reformed Churches (ICRC) we also call on all member churches to give to this dire cause in a generous way. Let our fellow believers of Ukraine tangibly experience the care of Christ through their worldwide brotherhood, as well as enabling them to reach out in mercy to those around them.

As Diaconal Committee it is not our task to collect funds. We have a networking task, especially amongst the ICRC churches and their organisations. We can confidently recommend using the following channels (listed in alphabetical order):

- Canadian Reformed World Relief Fund  
Website: [www.crwrf.ca](http://www.crwrf.ca)  
Address: PO Box 85225, Burlington, ON, L7R 4K4
- CGK Diaconaat (Netherlands).  
Email: [diaconaat@cgk.nl](mailto:diaconaat@cgk.nl). Website: [www.cgk.nl](http://www.cgk.nl). Tel: +31 318 582367.
- Come Over and Help (Canada & USA).  
Email: [greg@coah.org](mailto:greg@coah.org). Tel: +1-888-844-COAH (2624).
- Orthodox Presbyterian Church Diaconal Ministries (USA).  
Email: [OPCDisasterResponse@opc.org](mailto:OPCDisasterResponse@opc.org).  
Website: <https://opcdisasterresponse.org/opportunity/ukraine-crisis-fund/>.  
Tel: +1 (215) 935-1007.
- Verre Naasten (Netherlands).  
Email: [info@verrenaasten.nl](mailto:info@verrenaasten.nl). Website: [www.verrenaasten.nl](http://www.verrenaasten.nl). Tel: + 31 38 427 0410.

- Word and Deed (Canada & USA).  
 Email: [office@wordanddeed.org](mailto:office@wordanddeed.org) & [usoffice@wordanddeed.org](mailto:usoffice@wordanddeed.org).  
 Website: [www.wordanddeed.org](http://www.wordanddeed.org).  
 Tel: + 1 877-375-9673 (Canada) & +1 519-633-2333 & +1 866-391-5728 (USA).
- World Witness (USA).  
 Website: <https://www.worldwitness.org>.  
 Address: 918 South Pleasantburg Dr. Ste 218, Greenville, SC 29607.

We fear that the situation in Ukraine as well as the ensuing refugee crisis will take a long time. Support will be needed not only in the coming weeks, but probably in the years to come. As churches we therefore will have to plan and prepare for that. A one-time donation on the short term will perhaps be less helpful than support in the longer run. The above-mentioned organisations can give the churches proper advice about when and where help will be needed, and of what nature the help should be.

Our prayers are with our fellow believers as well as all others who have become and perhaps will still become victims of this senseless war.



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