

May 21 Open Space Program: Presbyterian Educator Kathy Drinkard Reports on Virginia Coalition's Efforts to Head-off Unfair Anti-Palestinian Bias in Virginia Public Schools--4 pm, at National Presbyterian Church, just before Presbytery meeting

Dear friends: We'd be delighted to see you at the Israel Palestine Mission Network of the National Capital Presbytery's **May 21 (4-5 pm)** presentation by Kathy Drinkard, "**How the Virginia Coalition for Human Rights is Preventing Pro-Israel Groups from Politicizing K-12 Textbooks in Virginia Schools.**" Kathy's presentation is taking place in the Choir Room at National Presbyterian Church (Nebraska Ave. at Van Ness St. NW) in DC. Admission is free and open to all.



Kathy Drinkard leads the Middle East group at Grace Presbyterian-Springfield. She's also active in the **Virginia Coalition for Human Rights** and its efforts to prevent the publishers of Virginia school textbooks and classroom materials from inaccurately and unfairly slanting their textbooks and other publications toward a biased and inaccurate pro-Israel portrayal of the ongoing Israel-Palestine conflict, at the expense of basic Palestinian rights. The program takes place in the Choir Room 4-5 pm. Enter the church from the rear parking lot, accessible from Van Ness Street. Join us and bring your questions! **Sponsored by the Israel-Palestine Mission Network of the National Capital Presbytery.**

Kathy Drinkard is a retired teacher and elementary school counselor who currently chairs the *Ministry for Middle East Peace and Justice* at Grace Presbyterian Church in Springfield, VA, pictured on the right, of a gathering of **Virginia Coalition for Human Rights** activists. Kathy was one of the speakers featured at the recent (March 22) annual "**Israel Lobby and American Policy Conference 2019**" held at the National Press Club in Washington and broadcast on C-SPAN2 television.



For more information about this timely pro-justice Open Space program, contact Paul Verduin at phverduin@gmail.com or 301-518-5551.