

## CONFERENCE THREE

## WHERE DOES WOUNDING HAPPEN NOW?

### Part One

Table exercise: name those places, situations in which devastating wounds are suffered by individuals, societies, nations.....

Brief sharing of these reflections.

### Part Two

A. How does the “news” take us into meditation on the Passion?

1. We live in a situation of communications overload.
2. Danger of settling for limited sources and viewpoints
3. Discipline is needed to make good judgments
4. Some of our practice of *penance* can bring us to a good stance  
in this regard

B. Some of the situations of suffering are clear—or at least more understandable than others:

1. Ukraine
2. Gaza-Israel

3. Sudan
4. Danger is to retreat to “numbness”—I can do nothing—stance
5. If direct action cannot be taken, prayer must still be present
6. Connection with and support for those organizations,  
individuals working to end conflict  
  
(Franciscan Action Network, Franciscan NGO and UN, Pax  
Christi,USCCB committees)

C. Equally important to recognize the wounding that results from  
social patterns

1. Racism
2. Homophobia
3. Antisemitism
4. Islamaphobia
5. The story of the founding of “Roots” in Israel