

# ORGANIZING THE REAL SUPERPOWER

## PEOPLE OF THE WORLD CHOOSE PEACE

Fellowship of Reconciliation **2004 National Conference**  
August 5-9 ■ Occidental College ■ Los Angeles, California

### The time to organize the Real Superpower is Now.

Join the oldest and largest interfaith peace organization in the United States in voicing the urgent call for world-wide peace and justice. Keynote speakers—including builders of the Beloved Community, war resisters and civil rights activists—will lead us in expanding the movement that changes our world. Join us for reflection, discussion, meditation, prayer and training as FOR celebrates its 90th year of working for nonviolence and justice. **The time is now to choose peace!**

#### Speakers include:

**Donzaleigh Abernathy** is an accomplished actress and a founding member of New Road Schools, which promote cultural, racial and economic diversity. The daughter of Ralph and Juanita Abernathy, she grew up in the civil rights movement. This year she toured the nation upon the release of her book, *Partners To History: Martin Luther King, Jr., Ralph David Abernathy and the Civil Rights Movement*.



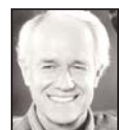
**Rabbi Leonard I. Beerman** is the founding rabbi of Leo Baeck Temple. A past president of the Board of Rabbis of Southern California and of the Pacific Association of Reform Rabbis, he has lectured widely in a number of academic institutions, synagogues, churches and mosques. The recipient of numerous honors and awards for his work on peace and justice, he is also the vice president of the Jewish Peace Fellowship.

**Cindy and Craig Corrie** lost their daughter, Rachel Corrie, when she was killed by an Israeli bulldozer in the Gaza Strip while attempting to prevent the demolition of a Palestinian home. Since then, the Corrie family has been speaking around the country to lawmakers, local community groups, university students and concerned citizens about the tragedy of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.



**Dorothy Cotton** is a popular speaker, workshop and song leader throughout the country. As Director of the Citizenship Education Program for SCLC and the United Church of Christ, she pioneered work in voter registration and education in the South. She worked at the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change and went with Dr. and Mrs. King to Oslo when he received the Nobel Peace Prize.

**Mike Farrell** currently serves as co-chair of Human Rights Watch in California, president of Death Penalty Focus, and as member of the advisory board of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. He is also co-founder of Artists United Win Without War (AUWWWW), a coalition of artists gathered in opposition to the invasion of Iraq. The actor and humanitarian is a well-known champion of human rights.



**Kathy Kelly**, a three-time Nobel Peace prize nominee, helped initiate Voices in the Wilderness, a campaign to end the UN/US sanctions against Iraq. In October 2002, she and Iraq Peace Team members maintained a presence in Baghdad throughout the invasion, bombardment and occupation. She has taught in Chicago area community colleges and high schools since 1974, is widely published, and has won many awards.

**The Rev. James Lawson**, one of the great leaders of the civil rights movement since its earliest days, was an FOR staff member when he led the Nashville movement and taught nonviolence throughout the South. Now retired from the United Methodist ministry, he continues to work in the forefront of the struggle for peace and justice. He served as national chairperson of the FOR and hosted "Lawson Live" weekly for 11 years in L.A.

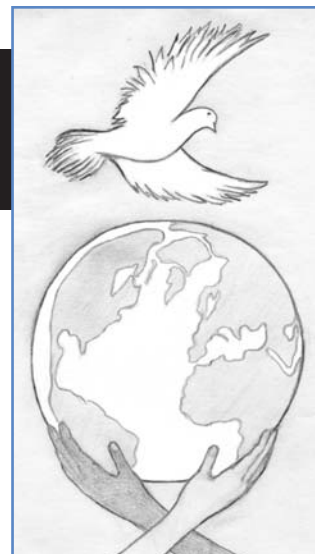


**The Rt. Rev. V. Gene Robinson** was elected Bishop Coadjutor of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire in 2003, an historic watershed in the movement for the civil rights of gays and lesbians. His ministry has focused on conflict resolution and mediation. He has been an advocate for anti-racism training as well as debt relief for the world's most impoverished nations.

On March 27, 2003, **Fernando Suarez del Solar** was speaking against the war in Iraq when his only son, Marine Lance Corporal Jesus A. Suarez del Solar Navarro, 20, stepped on a landmine and became one of the first U.S. servicemen to die in the war. A member of Military Families Speak Out, a national advocacy group of over 600 families, Suarez travels around the country speaking out against the invasion and occupation of Iraq.



**Leah Wells**, 2003 National Peace Corps Foundation Peace Educator of the year, was noted in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* in 2002 for her exemplary efforts in teaching nonviolence. Wells has written a curriculum to be used in coordination with the Solutions to Violence course from the Center for Teaching Peace, and her writing has been published nationally and internationally.



### Program

Plenary Sessions and Workshops will cover a wide variety of issues such as:

- The Legacy and Mission of FOR
- Nonviolence Education and Training
- World Reconciliation and Peace
- Antiracism and Multiculturalism
- Focus on International Armed Conflict in Iraq, Colombia, Israel and Palestine
- Disarmament
- Conflict Resolution and Mediation
- Interfaith Unity and Cooperation
- Muslim-Jewish Relations
- Spiritual Meditation and Healing
- The Civil Rights Movement
- Protection of Civil Liberties and Legal Rights
- Rights of Gays and Lesbians
- Criminal Justice Reform
- Workers' and Immigrants' Rights
- Economic Development
- Environmental Protection

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