



PeaceQuest2016

Personal, Local, Global and Parent/Child
Saturday, May 21 – Olympia, WA

Join us Saturday, May 21 in Olympia, WA, for a day in peace-action training for service and opportunities.

Join peace activists from all over the world to learn and celebrate peacemaking techniques!

Interactive workshops will run in four tracks: Personal, Local, Global and Parent/Child.

Keynote address: “Letting our Lives Speak – Near and Far.”

Nancy Irving, former General Secretary

Friends World Committee for Consultation – World Office

Nancy has had three careers: with business trade associations, as a lawyer, and in management of Friends World Committee for Consultation. She is multi-lingual in Friends’ languages. Presently, she lives in Lacey, Washington and is a member of North Pacific Yearly Meeting and serves as clerk of the 11th Pacific Northwest Quaker Women’s Theology Conference [2016].

Saturday, May 21 at Olympia Friends Meeting

3201 Boston Harbor Rd NE, Olympia, WA 98506

Agenda:

8:00 to 9:00 AM -- Registration, coffee and bagels.

9:00 to 9:30 AM -- Meeting for worship

9:30 to 10:45 AM -- Keynote Speaker, Nancy Irving

10:45 to 11:00 AM -- Break

11:00 AM to 12:30 PM -- First series of workshops

12:30 to 1:30 PM -- Simple lunch included in registration fee

1:30 to 3:00 PM -- Second series of workshops

3:00 to 3:15 PM -- Break

3:15 to 4:30 PM -- Peacemaking panel/Closing



Registration:

Registration fee is \$20. No charge for children up to 16 years of age (and childcare will be provided for those who pre-register them). Scholarships are available, and we will endeavor to assist with accommodations for visitors to Olympia. **To register contact David Zarembka at dave@aglifpt.org**

Workshops:

Ten exciting workshops are being offered in two sessions – see the attached schedule for more information.

PeaceQuest2016 is proud to honor and support the work of Friends Peace Teams, including African Great Lakes Initiative, FPT-Asia West Pacific, and Peacebuilding *en las Américas*



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Workshop Schedule and Details for PeaceQuest2016

Schedule: *Title.* Facilitator(s)

11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

1. *Leadings/Ministry: Discerning, Supporting, Fulfilling and Laying Them Down When the Time Is Right – session I.* Val Liveoak
2. *Spiritual Hospitality and the Power of Visiting.* Nadine Hoover
3. *Water and Peacemaking: The Work of Friendly Water for the World.* David Albert.
4. *Veterans For Peace – Exposing the True Costs of War and Militarism.* Dennis Mills and Zahid Chaudhry
5. *Harnessing the Power of Micro-Credit: Local and Global Connections.* Lisa Smith

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

6. *Leadings/Ministry: Discerning, Supporting, Fulfilling and Laying Them Down When the Time Is Right – session II.* Val Liveoak
7. *Power of Goodness.* Nadine Hoover
8. *Hands On – Building a BioSand Filter.* David Albert and Wayne Medrud
9. *Nonviolence and Jesus.* David Bellefeuille-Rice
10. *Listening – Prelude to Relationships, Negotiation, and Peace.* Nancy Shippen

Details:

1 and 6: Title: *Leadings/Ministry: Discerning, Supporting, Fulfilling and Laying Them Down When the Time Is Right.*

Note: Participants are expected to attend both workshops.

Description:

1. What am I led to do, and How can I do it?
2. How to support an ongoing Leading and how to lay it down when the time is right.

Both workshops focus on discernment and support over the life of a Leading (or Ministry). I have been able to discern, find support for, follow and now am in the process of laying down my leading/ministry. My experience may be of interest to Friends and others who are seeking to hear and follow the call of God/Spirit.

Facilitator: Val Liveoak

Facilitator biography: Val Liveoak is the outgoing Coordinator of Peacebuilding *en las Américas* and a cofounder of Friends Peace Teams. She has also served as Clerk of SCYM, her Monthly Meeting, and worked as an activist all her adult life. She is an AVP facilitator (25+ years.)



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2. Title: *Spiritual Hospitality and the Power of Visiting.*

Description: People of many faith and tribal backgrounds consider spiritual hospitality critical to the preservation of peace. Friends Peace Teams, Asia West Pacific Initiative grounds our “grassroots quite diplomacy” approach on the foundation of spiritual hospitality and principled friendships. We invite Friends to consider visiting around the world for peace and will explain to Friends ways to make this happen for Friends of all ages.

Facilitator: Nadine Hoover

Facilitator biography: Nadine Hoover coordinates Friends Peace Teams' Asia West Pacific Initiative, particularly in Indonesia. A graduate of Friends World College, she lived on Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, then Japan, Korea and Indonesia. She holds a doctoral degree from Florida State University in International Development and Education. She developed Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) special topic workshops for preserving public cultures of peace: empowerment, resiliency, liberation and discernment; and carries forward the former Friends International Library's Power of Goodness Global Story Pool on nonviolence and reconciliation, with the guidance of Peacebuilding UK and FPT-AWP Working Group.

3. Title: *Water and Peacemaking: The Work of Friendly Water for the World*

Description: Friendly Water for the World is now at work in some 12 countries. Friendly Water for the World's mission is to expand global access to low-cost clean water technologies and information about health and sanitation through knowledge-sharing, training, community-building, peacemaking, and efforts at sustainability. We empower communities abroad to take care of their own clean water needs, even as we empower people here to make a real difference. Our vision is of healthy, self-sustaining, empowered, peaceful communities both here and abroad, sharing our knowledge with each other, with life and hope restored through clean water. Learn about our work!

Facilitator: David Albert

Facilitator biography: David Albert, a member of Olympia Friends Meeting, is co-founder and Board Chairman of Friendly Water for the World. He has worked on and off in India for 39 years, and has taken part in BioSand Filter activities in Ethiopia, Kenya, and India. He has also recently taught a college class on “Development and Effective Altruism”. He is an experienced speaker and trainer.

4. Title: *Veterans For Peace – Exposing the True Costs of War and Militarism*

Description: This workshop will share how Peace Quest delegates can be engaged in campaigns to help bring a clearer understanding of the cost of war. We will cover projects to support returning veterans, close the School of the Americas, close Guantanamo Bay,



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oppose drone warfare, and counter military recruitment efforts in schools, and the Vietnam Full Disclosure campaign, opposing the \$65 billion Pentagon campaign to re-write the history of the Vietnam War.

Facilitators: Dennis Mills and Zahid Chaudhry

Facilitator biographies:

Dennis W. Mills, PhD is a member of Olympia Friends Meeting, a former Army veteran (1966-1969), a Friendly Water for the World board member. He is a retired professor of education, a TV producer and an accredited independent VA claims agent.

Muhammad Zahid Chaudhry is a decorated disabled U.S. Army veteran who sustained injuries in the military that have left him in a wheelchair. Despite his military service and despite being married to a US citizen for over 15 years, Chaudhry family, neighbors, friends and concerned citizens of the World are standing firm for Zahid's right to remain home in the community he loves and the country he has served: United States of America.

5. Title: *Harnessing the Power of Micro-Credit: Local and Global Connections*

Description: Fighting poverty is one of the most effective strategies for building peace.

This workshop presents a local initiative that was birthed from The Global Microcredit Summit that launched hundreds of organizations around the world to move people out of poverty through building small businesses. Attendees will learn interactive tools and strategies that demonstrate the richness of listening to, supporting and investing in people with low incomes as they reach their dreams of self-employment. The presenter brings 30 years of experience working with business, academic, governmental, policy, environmental, workforce, tribal and non-profit partners to bridge the income divide through microenterprise development.

Facilitators: Lisa Smith

Facilitator biography: Lisa Smith is the Executive Director of Enterprise for Equity, a non-profit organization that helps people with low-incomes and others start and expand small businesses. Enterprise for Equity has launched over 180 businesses that are up and running today. Lisa serves on national, statewide and regional boards and councils to advance this work. In addition to her these accomplishments, Lisa has had her research and/or writing published in Consumer Reports, Scholastic Magazine, and the American Journal of Public Health.

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7. Title: *Power of Goodness*

Description: Friends Peace Teams, Asia West Pacific Initiative has taken under our care a concern for identifying and collecting stories of nonviolence and reconciliation in collaboration with Power of Goodness and Peacebuilding UK. These stories are illustrated by children, whose artwork is available for exhibition, and teams of college students, teachers, counselors and psychologists use the stories to offer training in nonviolence and reconciliation in the US and Europe. We will do activities from our trainings.

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8. Title: *Hands On – Building a BioSand Filter*

Description: Some of us learn better by doing! Friendly Water technical advisor Wayne Medrud, who has worked in India, Uganda, and Burundi, will work with you to actually build a BioSand Filter, and provide anecdotes about our work around the world along the way

Facilitators: David Albert and Wayne Medrud

Facilitators' biographies:

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Wayne Medrud is a technical advisor for Friendly Water for the World. He has worked in India, Uganda, and Burundi, and has strong interests in clean water access and quality, alternative energy, and in permaculture. He is a Rotarian, and works with other Rotary clubs around the world. And he is great with his hands!



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9. Title: *Nonviolence and Jesus*

Description: First, we'll think together about active nonviolence through short, participatory exercises. Then, I'll present a list of 25 situations from the gospels that remind me of active nonviolence. I'll ask participants, working alone or in small teams, to choose one gospel situation and consider a short written description of it that I'll provide. Their mission: describe to the whole group examples of active nonviolence they notice in their gospel situation and then invite other workshop participants to share what they notice. I hope that time will permit the telling of a few modern stories reminiscent of active nonviolence we've noticed in the life of Jesus.

Facilitators: David Bellefeuille-Rice

Facilitator biography: David is a certified to conduct the Creating A Culture Of Peace training in active nonviolence and has co-facilitated four weekend-long trainings in Oregon and Washington. He currently is researching a book of meditations on Jesus and active nonviolence.

10. Title: *Listening – Prelude to Relationships, Negotiation, and Peace*

Description: We will explore and practice basic and reflective listening using excises and activities from the Alternatives to Violence Project. This is a participatory workshop working to establish listening as a basis for communication and problem solving. This is a skill essential for strong families and healthy work and community environments. These then serve as a basis for widening circles of respect and caring.

Facilitators: Nancy Shippen

Facilitator biography: I am a special needs teacher by training and have been an AVP facilitator for 20 years and have been active locally, nationally and internationally. I have been working under the care of a clearness and support committee from Fresh Pond Meeting which has minuted support of my work in prisons and my development of Our Prison Neighbors.