



When the Saints Go Marchin'

The civil rights movement as a model of social transformation

Worship and Bible study



Keynote speakers

Rosemarie Freeney-Harding and Vincent Harding have been involved in civil rights, peace and justice, and social transformation since the 1950s when they started the Mennonite House in Atlanta, Ga. Currently Vincent

currently teaches Religion and Social Transformation at Iliff School of Theology in Denver, Co. The Hardings are both involved in the Veterans of Hope Project, a video series of interviews documenting the stories of civil rights leaders.



Bible study leader

Ruby Sales became involved in the civil rights movement with the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee at the age of 16. She is currently Director of SpiritHouse in Washington, D.C., a church-based social justice center.

Music leaders

Revelation 7:9, a multiethnic musical ensemble, with Drumming for Peace, will lead music for praise and worship. Members are Michelle Armster, Director of Mennonite Conciliation Services, MCC U.S., Conrad Moore, Co-director of Damascus Road Antiracism program, Dionicio Acosta, Service Program Administrator, MCC East Coast, Iris de Leon-Hartshorn, Director of Peace and Justice Ministries, MCC U.S., and Leo Hartshorn, Minister of Peace and Justice, Mennonite Mission Network.

Youth and children

Youth program

Heidi Beth Wert is Co-director of Drumming for Peace, a rhythmic, peacebuilding organization. She will lead the youth in "A Joyful Noise," a program which teaches the biblical background of percussion instruments, peace principles and practices through rhythm and stories.

Children's program (ages 6-12)

Les and Gwen Gustafson-Zook will be leading the children using fun music, games and activities designed to encourage tolerance, peacemaking, and working together.

Babies, toddlers, and young children are welcome.

Please bring needed equipment (crib, baby food, high chair, toys—and money). We appreciate your donations to make possible children's activities.

Scholarships

Scholarships of up to \$100 are available to help you and your family attend the peace gathering. Please check first with your congregation and conference for funding help. To apply, send information about your work for peace, your reasons for coming, your total family expenses for this gathering, other aid you've pursued, and request for a specific dollar amount. Requests are due in to Leo Hartshorn, Minister of Peace and Justice, by May 2, 2003. You will be notified by May 16 concerning how much you have received in scholarship funds. Scholarships are made possible through your donations. For those who may not attend the gathering, please consider sending a donation to make it possible for others to attend.

Seminars

1. Damascus Road Antiracism (a three-hour workshop)

Racism is a complex issue which cannot be resolved in a three-hour workshop. This brief introduction will, however, provide a glimpse of an analysis of racism within U.S. society and the Mennonite church. We will introduce a working definition of racism, explore the difference between individual and systemic racism, establish the need for a common, faith-based analysis, and provide resources to continue addressing racism in the days and years ahead. Led by Conrad Moore and Brenda Zook-Friesen, Co-directors of Damascus Road Antiracism program, MCC U.S.

2. Taking a WiderStand

In a country where racism continues to lurk and thrive, white Anabaptists committed to anti-racism are taking the stand of resistance, the wider stand. This seminar will look at ways that white anti-racists can work in accountable ways on issues of white privilege and white identity. WiderStand is an Anabaptist white anti-racist action and reflection community in Lancaster, Pa. Led by Tina Hartman, Administrative Assistant, MCC U.S.

3. Restorative Justice: Prophetic, Pastoral, or Perpetuating

This workshop will outline the framework and principles of restorative justice within a biblical context and look at some of the hopes and challenges of the philosophy, as well as how it impacts our mission as a church. Led by Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz and Michelle Armster, Director of Mennonite Conciliation Services, MCC U.S.

4. Becoming a Peace Church (or synagogue, mosque, or community)—John Stoner

Ways to weed violence out of our roots and branches, our holy writings and histories, by engaging in a challenging communal process of self-examination, critique, and transformation.

Look at history, contemporary right wing ideology, and a future of nonviolent struggle based on the model of Jesus. Led by John Stoner, Director of Every Church a Peace Church.

5. Christian Peacemaker Teams

Peacemaking is a set of beliefs and skills that we learn and develop through ongoing practice, action, and reflection. We believe that we learn by doing and reflecting (praxis). This workshop will involve a series of participatory "role plays"—an acting out of engagements—drawn directly from CPT's violence-reduction projects. Each role play will highlight a "learning" from CPT's experience, followed by group debriefing and reflection.

6. Second Mile Peace Journey

Looking for fresh new material to inspire your congregation to act for peace and justice? Come and learn more about the Second Mile journey. Second Mile materials include Bible study, stories, probing questions, suggestions for action, and worship aids. Take a sneak peek at www.gosecondmile.org, then come to the workshop and try it out yourself! Led by Titus Peachey, Peace Educator, MCC U.S.

When the Saints Go Marchin' Schedule

Time	Tuesday, July 1, 2003	Wednesday, July 2, 2003	Thursday, July 3, 2003
7:00		Morning meditation	Morning meditation
7:30		Breakfast	Breakfast
8:00			
8:30			
9:00		Worship ❖	Bible study ❖◆
9:30			
10:00		Break	Break
10:30		Workshops ❖	Closing worship
11:00	Set up displays		
11:30			
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12:30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00			
1:30	Registration	Workshops ❖◆	Atlanta 2003 registration
2:00			
2:30			
3:00	Opening meeting	Singing with Rev. 7:9	
3:30	Worship ❖◆	Free time	
4:00			
4:30			
5:00	Supper	Supper	
5:30			
6:00			
6:30		PJSN general meeting	
7:00			
7:30	Singing and Bible study intro. ❖	Variety show	
8:00			
8:30	Break	Break	
9:00	Evening meditation	Evening meditation	

Lodging and meals

Georgia Baptist Conference Center

8496 Lake Louise Road
Toccoa, GA 30577
706-886-3133

Located about 70 miles north of Atlanta, this conference center is nestled amid the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains on more than 900 acres, including a 200-acre lake with fishing docks, a sandy beach with lake swimming, rental canoes, nature trails, tennis and basketball courts, ping pong tables, an open field for soccer, football, and softball. Their facilities can accommodate up to 1,000 overnight guests and includes two hotels, a dormitory-style lodge, two group cabins, lakeside campground, and amphitheater-style chapel. All buffet-style dining in the lake-view dining hall. A map will be included with your registration materials along with information about transportation from the airport. Please write your special needs and concerns on the registration form.

Costs

Registration fees

Registration fees are the same for adults, youth, and children (age 6 and older) to help to cover costs for speakers, youth, and children's program leaders and other costs for the gathering.

- Before May 1—\$70.00
- After May 1—\$80.00
- Children 2 and under—free (please bring crib)

Meals

Meals are cafeteria style and are non-negotiable for those staying at the conference center. The cost is \$41.00 for six meals. For vegetarians there is a salad bar and vegetable options for most meals.

Lodging options for the two nights are:

- Single room—\$102.00
- Double room (Two double beds and sofa bed)—\$56.00 per person plus \$15.00 extra per child (3–12 years old)
- Camping site—\$32.00

Variety show

Please bring music, skits, jokes, etc. to share during our Wednesday evening sharing time. Stories and songs related to peace and justice are especially appropriate.

Atlanta 2003

Plan to stay for the Atlanta 2003 Mennonite Church USA assembly and participate in these peace and justice-related happenings:

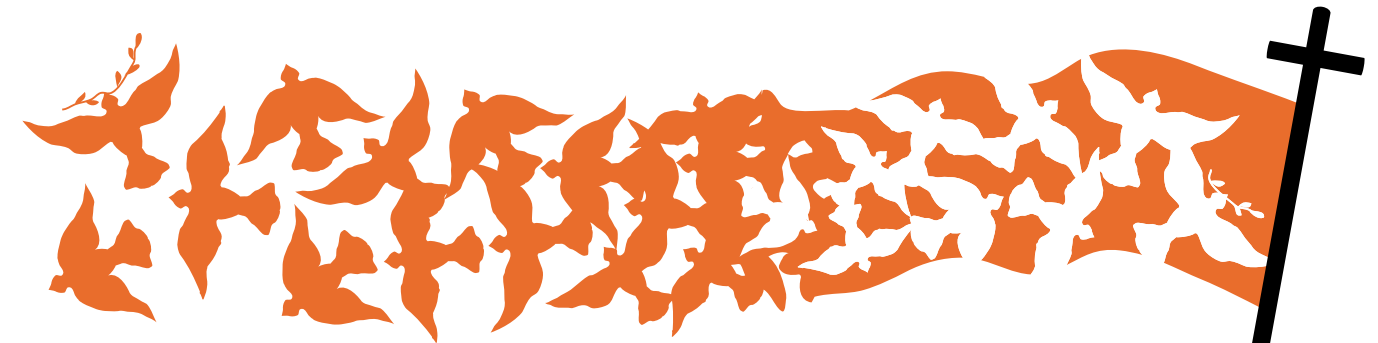
- Peace and Justice Support Network exhibit
- Peace and Justice Support Network evening event
- Peace and Justice Support Network seminar

Gathering planned by

Peace and Justice Support Network

Leo Hartshorn, Minister of Peace and Justice, Mennonite Mission Network, Dick Davis, pastor of Peace Mennonite Church, Dallas, Texas, and Yvonne Diaz Keeler, Director of MCC Great Lakes.

For information registering for Atlanta 2003, contact: Mennonite Church USA, Executive Board, Office of Convention Planning, P.O. Box 1245, Elkhart, IN 46515-1245, 574-294-7523, info@Atlanta2003.org.



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July 1–3, 2003

Held in conjunction with Atlanta 2003
Georgia Baptist Conference Center
Toccoa, Georgia

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When the Saints Go Marchin' Registration Form

Address information

Names: include any allergies or special needs, and ages/most recent grade of children. Please include babies.

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 Conference _____
 Organization _____

Seminar choice

List two seminar choices or one seminar in two parts:
(Damascus Road intro covers two sessions)

- First person:
- _____
 - _____
- Second person:
- _____
 - _____

Other

- I prefer a vegetarian diet.
- I have included a scholarship application.
- I am willing to help care for young children among us.

Travel arrangements

I/we will likely travel by:

- car van train bus airplane
- I plan to rent a car at the Atlanta airport.
- I will make arrangements for transportation from the airport to Toccoa.
- I am willing to offer rides in our vehicle to others from our area.
- I am willing to transport people from the Atlanta airport.
- I will need transportation between the airport and the conference center.

Costs

Adult registration costs (everyone 6 years and older)

_____ Number of persons x \$70 \$ _____
 _____ Number of persons x \$80 (late fee) \$ _____

Meal costs: non-negotiable

_____ Number of persons (six meals) x \$41 \$ _____

Housing/Camping costs

Hotel room for two nights:

Double occupancy: \$56 per person \$ _____
 (two double beds and sofa bed)
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 _____ number of children x \$15 \$ _____
 (3-12 years old)

Camping: two nights in a tent or RV

Camping pad: \$32 \$ _____
 Donation toward scholarships and children's activities \$ _____

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Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Please mail form with payment (make checks payable to Peace and Justice Support Network) to:

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