



World Peace Day  
Interfaith Worship

October 3, 2010  
2:00 pm

# Louisiana State Capitol - World Peace Day

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Welcome

Rev. Robin McCullough-Bade

*Interfaith Federation of Greater Baton Rouge  
Executive Director*

*Leader(L):* We gather on this day because of our hope for peace. Our prayers are inspired by those who pray for peace and dream of a world at peace. We assemble from diverse backgrounds, but are united in our desire for peace.

Let us recommit to follow a path of peace.

*L:* We remember people of every country. Help us to see others not as enemies or outsiders, but rather as sisters and brothers.

*R:* Let us tear down walls which separate us.

*L:* We remember those in positions of leadership in government, in world economics, and in military callings. Help them make decisions with a spirit of justice and mercy.

*R:* Let us encourage our leaders to seek peace with justice.

*L:* We remember victims of violence and pray for healing.

*R:* Let us be instruments of healing and hope.

*L:* We remember the challenges of everyday conflicts and disagreements.

*R:* Let us be ones to initiate reconciliation.

*L:* We ask God to guide, inspire, and bless us in the ways of peace.

## Scripture, Prayer, and Lighting of Candles

*(Representatives from countries will read a verse of scripture from their faith tradition, offer a brief prayer, and light a candle for peace.)*

India Pinki and Ravi Diwan  
*Hindu*

Nigeria Khadija, Yasmeen & Hasfah Mohammed  
*Islam*

Vietnam Ilhan, Kiet, Khoi, & Khiem Traoung  
*Buddhism*

United States Diane Brussard, Mia Minor, & Patrick Garrett  
*Baha'i*

Josh, Jessica, Matthew & Rebekah Yellen  
*Judaism*

Victoria Smith, Angie & Ari Guillory  
*Buddhism*

Rev. Dana Krutz  
*Christianity*  
*Louisiana Interchurch Conference*  
*Executive Director*

## In Thanksgiving and Remembrance

Leader (L): We remember visionaries who cast a vision of peace and invite us to do the same.

Response (R): May the hope and vision of peace guide our lives.

L: We remember writers, speakers, and poets who name peace and invite us to do the same.

R: May we use our words for peace.

- L: We remember photographers, graphic designers, and artists who create images of peace and invite us to do the same.  
R: May our eyes be open to the beauty of peace.
- L: We remember dancers, singers, and musicians who create harmonies of peace and invite us to do the same.  
R: May our ears be open to the harmonies of peace.
- L: We remember those who use their hands to bring peace to our world and invite us to do the same.  
R: May our hands become instruments of peace.
- L: We remember cooks and chefs who give people opportunities to come together to share a meal and invite us to do the same.  
R: May shared meals be the beginning of shared lives.
- L: We remember those in this community who daily work towards peace.  
R: May we be inspired to do the same.
- L: Blessings to all who gather in peace.  
R: Blessings to all who work for peace.