



In Community

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The Interfaith Federation of Greater Baton Rouge

to pursue unity, justice, and peace through interfaith cooperation

Pray: We pray for unity, justice and peace

The Federation provides opportunities for the community to come together for dialogue and prayer. In a world at war, we pause to pray and to meet each other, a process which can transform strangers into friends. May God open our hearts and spirits to those around us.

World Peace Week

- ★ Kick-off Celebration at the Capitol Building, Sunday, Sept. 27, 2:00 pm. Activities promoting peace include an interfaith worship, global musicians and dancers. Children's art will be featured in the rotunda as well as an exhibit on Martin Luther King Jr., Ghandi & Ikeda.
- ★ Interfaith Dialogue and Dinner on Tuesday, September 29, 2009, 6:00 pm at St. James Episcopal Church (Bishop's Hall), 205 N. Fourth St. Baton Rouge. The theme is "Peace: Roots and Fruits". After the meal, there will be a panel discussion with representatives from a variety of faith traditions. Guests are asked to bring a vegetarian or dairy covered dish to share with others. RSVP by Sept. 25.
- ★ Forum on Peace on Thursday, October 1, 2009, 6:00 pm at Southern University (Smith-Brown Memorial Student Union).

Annual Community Prayer Breakfast

The Federation began gathering the Baton Rouge community together for a prayer breakfast in 1987. The tradition continues today. You are invited to our Annual Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009 at St. George Catholic Church, 7808 St. George Dr, Baton Rouge. Interfaith Dialogue and Gulen Movement specialist Dr. Muhammed Cetin is our featured speaker.

Doors open for breakfast at 7:00 am with the program from 7:45 -8:45 am followed by an optional dialogue at 9:15 am. Cost is \$15. Tickets are available at the Federation office and from many member congregations. There is limited seating, so get your ticket early. Some have made it a tradition to purchase tickets for their staff to attend. What a marvelous idea!

Operation Red Stick: Help Your Neighbor

Thanks to a grant from the Baton Rouge Area Foundation, we are able to add to the Federation staff a short-term, part-time Operation Red Stick coordinator. This will greatly enhance the Federation's efforts to help our neighbors who are still recovering from Hurricane Gustav. Operation Red Stick matches skilled and unskilled volunteers with those who have unmet needs as identified by professional Gustav case managers from Catholic Charities, Islamic Circle of North America, and St. Vincent de Paul. Call the Federation office if you have a work team or financial resources to assist your neighbor in need.

Christmas Gift List

If you or your faith community would like to provide gifts for families in need at Holy Grill, Mt. Carmel and Cadillac Park Kids Café, contact the Federation office. Lists will be available by Oct. 19. For more info, call the Federation office.

Interfaith Site Visit

The Federation continues to visit faith community sites in the Baton Rouge area. Next visit: University United Methodist Church on Nov. 15, 2:00 pm. Topic: "Seasons of Our Souls".

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