

Ecumenical Advocacy Days  
for Global Peace with Justice



Speakers



This is how we know what real love is:  
Jesus gave His life for us. So we should  
give our lives for our brothers and  
sisters...My children, we should love  
people not only with words and talk,  
but by our actions and true caring.  
1 John 3:16-18

If one member suffers, all suffer  
together with it; if one member  
is honored, all rejoice  
together with it.  
1 Cor 12:26

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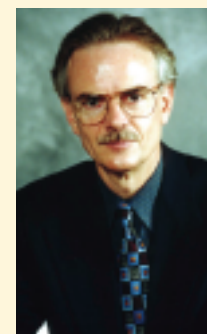


*Challenging Disparity:  
The Promise of God - The Power of Solidarity*



Washington, DC  
March 10-13, 2006

**Rev. Dr. Suzan Johnson Cook**  
is Senior Pastor at the Believers  
Christian Fellowship and is president  
of the 10,000 member Hampton  
(Virginia) University Ministries'  
Conference. Rev. Johnson Cook has  
served as the first woman chaplain  
to the New York Police Department  
and as a Domestic Policy Advisor  
under President Bill Clinton. She is  
currently touring with Bishop T.D.  
Jakes and the God's Leading Ladies  
Conference around the nation.



**Rev. Dr. Michael Kinnamon**  
is widely regarded as a leading voice  
in the ecumenical movement. He  
has served as Executive Secretary of  
the World Council of Churches'  
Faith and Order Commission and  
as General Secretary of the  
Consultation on Church Union.  
He is the current chair of the Justice  
and Advocacy Commission of the  
National Council of Churches.  
Michael currently serves as a professor  
at Eden Theological Seminary.

**E.J. Dionne, Jr.**  
(invited) is a nationally renowned  
speaker and columnist for the  
*Washington Post*. In the fall of 2003,  
Dionne began teaching at the  
Georgetown Public Policy Institute.  
E.J. is also senior advisor to The Pew  
Forum on Religion and Public Life  
and a regular political analyst on  
National Public Radio. Dionne is  
author of *Stand Up Fight Back:  
Republican Toughs, Democratic Wimps,  
and the Politics of Revenge*.



**About the conference:**

- Ecumenical participants from across the nation
- Almost 900 participants gathered in 2005

**Location:**

Fri-Sun sessions are held across the Potomac River from  
downtown Washington, DC at:

**Doubletree Hotel Crystal City**  
300 Army Navy Drive  
Arlington, VA 22202  
Phone: 703.416.4100

Make reservations under the name "Advocacy Days" in order  
to receive the special conference room rate of \$99 (plus tax)  
per night. You are responsible for your own housing  
arrangements. Roomshare information is available on the  
website. The hotel provides free shuttle service to Reagan  
National Airport and Pentagon City Metro Station. Lobby  
Day will be based at the Lutheran Church of the Reformation  
on Capitol Hill.

**Registration:**

Registration Fee: \$140\*

*See website for Young Adult/Student scholarship information*  
Register online at [www.advocacydays.org](http://www.advocacydays.org) with a credit card or  
by mail with a personal check. Please consider giving an extra  
donation to help students attend Advocacy Days.  
\*includes lunches and Sunday dinner

**Schedule:**

**Friday**, an optional dinner buffet can be purchased with  
registration. Dinner is at 5:00 pm; opening session starts at  
6:30 pm.

**Saturday - Sunday** the schedule will be comprised of track  
time during which participants attend comprehensive issue  
briefings and advocacy training workshops in preparation for  
Lobby Day; common times for ecumenical worship and  
denominational networking; challenging keynote addresses  
and a banquet dinner.

**Monday** is Lobby Day. Turn your vision into voice!  
Participants will schedule visits with House Representatives,  
Senators or key policy staff and join an interfaith rally on  
Capitol Hill in Washington, DC.

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## Track Options

(For in-depth track descriptions, please visit our website at [www.advocacydays.org](http://www.advocacydays.org).)



### Latin America

The United States should be a good neighbor to Latin America, with generous development aid, just trade and fair migration policies, and support for peace. This track presents ideas for a positive foreign policy and will have workshops on Colombia, the Andean Free Trade Agreement, US/Mexico border and immigration policies, and increased restrictions on US citizens' freedom to travel to Cuba.

### USA (Domestic)

The USA (Domestic) track will focus on bridging racial and economic disparities and restoring the common good. Plenaries and workshop topics will cover: immigration, civil liberties, budget and taxes, economic inequality, health care, public education, housing, HIV/AIDS, and domestic violence, as well as strategies for outreach, dialogue and messaging.

### Asia-Pacific

As the Asia-Pacific region continues to grow both in population and economic strength, its influence on economic and social policy will be magnified, and areas of friction between China and the United States – such as trade and competition for oil – will grow. The Asia-Pacific Track will address the security issues arising from China's growing influence in the region and the China/Taiwan conflict as well as the repercussions of big-box (Wal-Mart) style business on the region and its impact on the U.S.

### Middle East

Issue experts and Washington insiders will explore U.S. policy on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and on the war in Iraq. Churches for Middle East Peace, Network, and the Friends Committee on National Legislation will prepare participants for effective advocacy on the Hill and from their home communities.



### Global Security

Explore ways that Christians can address issues related to terrorism, security and nuclear weapons, building on the momentum of the successful effort to stop the nuclear bunker buster.

### Eco-Justice

This track will examine environmental concerns through the lens of faith, justice, sustainability, and proper stewardship. Join us for fellowship, skill building, and education about the national policy and regulatory issues surrounding such challenges as climate change, water privatization, energy policy, environmental health, and more.

### Africa

As millions of Africans continue to live and die in grinding poverty, this track will address ways to transform U.S. policy towards Africa, which has been designed to impoverish rather than encourage human development. Using the lens of HIV/AIDS, we will expose myths about the reasons for hunger and poverty. We will assert Africa's right to health, and explore debt cancellation, fair trade, food security, peace, access to safe water and other critical elements that keep Africans from achieving a sustainable livelihood as people created in God's image.

### Jubilee and Economic Justice

The world's poorest countries pay more in debt service than they receive in aid. Meanwhile governments and corporations of the Global North use international financial institutions and free trade agreements to force these impoverished countries to adhere to harmful economic and trade policies. This track examines global economic injustice and highlights ways to build an economically equitable world.

### Sponsors:

- Africa Faith and Justice Network
- American Friends Service Committee
- Catholic Conference of Major Superiors of Men's Institutes
- Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
- Church of the Brethren Witness/Washington Office
- Church World Service
- Churches' Center for Theology and Public Policy
- Churches for Middle East Peace
- Episcopal Church USA
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- Faithful America
- Franciscan Friars-Holy Name Province
- Franciscan Friars, OFM Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation ESC-Council
- Friends Committee on National Legislation
- Interfaith Committee for Nuclear Disarmament
- Interfaith Working Group on Trade and Investment
- Jubilee USA Network
- Latin America Working Group
- Lutheran World Relief
- Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns
- Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate Justice and Peace/Integrity of Creation Office
- National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA
- NETWORK: A National Catholic Social Justice Lobby
- Oikocredit USA
- Presbyterian Church (USA)
- Reformed Church in America
- Sisters of Mercy
- United Church of Christ
- United Methodist Church, General Board of Church and Society
- United Methodist Church, General Board of Global Ministries, Women's Division
- Washington Office on Africa
- Witness for Peace

Please visit [www.advocacydays.org](http://www.advocacydays.org) for updates

### For More Information:

- Contact one of our sponsors
- Call 202.230.2276
- Email Michael Neuroth, Conference Coordinator, at [info@advocacydays.org](mailto:info@advocacydays.org)



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**Ecumenical Advocacy Days**  
c/o Office of Public Life and Social Policy  
United Church of Christ  
100 Maryland Ave NE, Suite 330  
Washington, DC 20002

Make checks payable to "The United Church of Christ" with Ecumenical Advocacy Days written in the memo line.

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Congressional District Number \_\_\_\_\_

(See [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov) to locate the number)

Are you a Young Adult/Student? Yes  No

Please check ONE of the following tracks:

Africa	_____	USA (Domestic)	_____
Latin America	_____	Eco-Justice	_____
Asia-Pacific	_____	Global Security	_____
Middle East	_____	Economic Justice	_____

Registration Fee: \$140 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Fri dinner buffet: \$24 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Optional donation to help a Young Adult/Student attend Ecumenical Advocacy Days \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_