

# Peacemaker Congress IX Tearing Down Walls... Restoring Communities

**THEME:** Everywhere walls divide and destroy the bonds of human solidarity. As Martin Luther King Jr. said, our choice is between nonviolence or nonexistence. Explore the power of nonviolence to tear down walls and restore communities broken by violence.

Through worship, workshops, and prophetic public witness, the Congress invites you to "get in the way" of Jesus to bring healing, transformation, and long-term competent strategy to our peacemaking.

## SETTING: Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Toronto is located in the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee, Huron and Mississauga people on the north shore of Lake Ontario. Beginning as a muddy British outpost in 1793, it's now Canada's largest urban centre, and one of the world's most multicultural and live-able cities.

This is the first Peacemaker Congress outside the United States and the first time in Canada, representing the exciting and continuing internationalization of CPT.

## HOST CHURCH ADDRESS

Toronto United Mennonite Church  
1774 Queen E, Toronto, ON, Canada  
M4L 1G7; 416-699-6631; www.tumc.ca

## WORKSHOPS...more to be added...

- Stop Depleted Uranium
- Undoing Racism
- War tax Resistance
- Dancing for Peace
- Catholic Worker Movement
- GLBTQ Rights
- War Resisters: US Soldier Iraq War Resister
- Every Church a Peace Church
- Simple Living in an Urban Context
- Nonviolent Parenting
- Biblical and Faith Basis of Nonviolence
- Peacemaking Between Christians and Muslims
- CPT in Palestine; CPT in Colombia; CPT in Iraq; CPT in Kenora

## PUBLIC WITNESS

All Peacemaker Congress participants are invited to join in a public action supporting CPT's aboriginal justice work in Canada, and bearing witness to our faith in the God of peace and our commitment to the transformative power of nonviolence.

## MAKING CONNECTIONS

Besides worship, plenaries and workshops, there is programmed caucus and unprogrammed social time for you to connect with other peacemakers around shared interests.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

The Congress is a child-friendly event! Indicate on the registration form if you need child care for pre-school and/or elementary school children during plenary sessions and workshops. Parents and others are encouraged to volunteer as assistants. Youth are encouraged to be active participants in the Congress.

## MEALS

Most meals are provided by volunteers from the Congress Local Planning Committee and served at the host church. To cut costs you are welcome to bring a loaf of bread, fruit and a dozen cookies to share. You are also invited to help with meal preparation and clean up. Please note dietary needs on the registration form.

## LODGING

Home hospitality and no charge dormitory style church basement accommodations are available; be sure to indicate your preference on the registration form. Other hostelling accommodations options include:

Hostelling International Toronto  
76 Church: 416-971-4440

Global Village Backpackers  
460 King W.: 416-703-8540 or 3884

Those wanting to stay in a motel/hotel must make their own reservations. A five minute walk away is Days Inn Toronto East Beaches  
1684 Queen E.; 416-694-1177

## PARKING

Free church lot parking and on-street permit parking is limited. We encourage you to take public transit - information will be included in your registration packet.

## REGISTER EARLY!

Please mail your registration form early. Discounts for registrations by August 1st. Additional information will be mailed to those who register before September 10, 2007. If you cancel before September 10, the Congress will fully refund the amount you paid for your registration fees. After September 10, the refund is 50 percent.

## SPONSOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Christian Peacemaker Teams Canada  
25 Cecil St. #307, Toronto, ON M5T 1N1 Canada  
Tel: 416-423-5525; Fax: 416-423-7140  
Email: canada@cpt.org Web: www.cpt.org

## REGISTRATION Individual Plans and Needs

### LODGING

Home hospitality will be arranged for those who indicate this preference. Indicate the number of spaces required: \_\_\_\_\_

- with a local host family (suggested donation: \$5 per night).
- on the floor (bring your own sleeping bag and mat).

### TRANSPORTATION

(Note: the Congress will try to help with transportation coordination but will not make guarantees.)

- I will be driving to Toronto from  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and will have room for \_\_\_ extra passengers.
- I would like to carpool with someone else who is driving.

I am traveling by  bus  train and need transportation to the Congress site. Scheduled arrival:  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

- I will need transportation from the airport.  
Airline \_\_\_\_\_ Flight # \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

### OTHER NEEDS

- I will need help with childcare for \_\_\_ children ages \_\_\_\_\_.
- I am willing to help with childcare.
- I will need facilities to accommodate a physical disability as follows \_\_\_\_\_.
- I/we need meals to accommodate the following dietary needs; list dietary need and number of persons with this need:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Christian Peacemaker CONGRESS IX REGISTRATION

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address or PO Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province/Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Adults** @ US\$100/CAN\$110 per person  
(US\$110/CAN\$120 after Aug. 1) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
or US\$4/CAN\$5 per \$1,000 of your  
income, whichever is higher.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Students/Low Income** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
@ US\$30/CAN\$35 person  
(US\$35/CAN\$40 person after Aug.1)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Daily Rate** @ US\$30/CAN\$35 per person/day  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Children** under 12 @ \$10/child \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**I am unable to attend the Congress....**

\_\_\_\_\_ ...enclosed is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ...I will pray for the Congress

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed registration form with a check in either  
\$US or \$CAN payable to:  
**CHRISTIAN PEACEMAKER TEAMS  
CANADA**  
**25 Cecil St #307, Toronto ON M5T 1N1**

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## SCHEDULE

### THURSDAY, September 20

Afternoon..... 5pm Registration. Soup Supper

Evening.....Gathering, Worship, Singing  
Keynote Speaker: Jim Loney

### FRIDAY, September 21

Morning ..... Gathering, Worship, Singing  
Keynote Speaker: Judy Da Silva  
Public Witness Briefing

Afternoon ..... Public Witness  
Workshops and Caucuses

Evening .....Gathering, Open Space

### SATURDAY, September 22

Morning ..... Gathering, Worship, Singing  
Workshops, Keynote Speaker:  
Ricardo Esquivia

Afternoon.....Caucuses/Open Space, Workshops

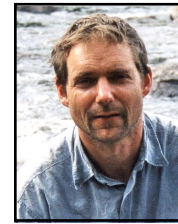
Evening.....Party: Music, Dancing, Food and Fun!

### SUNDAY, September 23

Morning ..... Closing Worship, Blessing  
Commissioning

Noon .....Lunch and Departure

## SPEAKERS



**Jim Loney:** was a member of a CPT delegation that was kidnapped in Baghdad in November 2005. CPT Iraq team member Tom Fox was murdered on March 9, 2006, two weeks before Jim, Harmeet Singh Sooden and Norman Kember were rescued. Jim has been a member of CPT since 2000 and has served on CPT projects in Palestine, Esgenoopetitj/Burnt Church, NB; Kenora, ON, and Iraq. He will reflect on the power of nonviolence to dismantle the walls that divide us and build a new sense of human community and solidarity.



**Judy Da Silva:** Judy is a community member and representative of the Grassy Narrows Environmental Committee. Grassy Narrows is a Treaty 3 Anishnaabe community located in Northwestern Ontario. Since 2002, she has participated in the community blockade of logging roads to the Grassy Narrows Traditional Territories - the longest standing indigenous logging blockade in Canadian history. Judy will describe how the blockade and campaign to stop clearcut logging is an important part of reclaiming dignity by taking a stand in response to the pollution, relocation, flooding of sacred grounds, and other abuses endured by her community.



**Ricardo Esquivia:** Ricardo's involvement in the human rights and peace work of the churches in Colombia is vast and impressive. A member of the Colombian Mennonite Church, he is director of JUSTAPAZ, the Christian Centre for Justice, Peace and Non-violent Action of the Mennonite Church in Colombia. He is also national coordinator of the Commission for Restoration, Life and Peace (formerly the Human Rights and Peace Commission) of the Evangelical Council of Churches of Colombia (CEDECOL). In addition, Ricardo played a key role in opening doors for CPT's work in Colombia and serves as a primary advisor and legal counsel for the CPT Colombia team. Ricardo will reflect on the challenges of peacebuilding in the midst of a decades-long civil war.

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**SEPTEMBER 20-23, 2007**  
**Toronto United Mennonite Church**  
**Toronto, Ontario**  
*Sponsored by Christian Peacemaker Teams*

### SPEAKERS

#### Jim Loney

*...CPTer, former hostage in Iraq,  
on the power of nonviolence to dismantle walls...*

#### Judy DaSilva

*...indigenous Anishnaabe leader and organizer,  
on reclaiming dignity through nonviolent struggle...*

#### Ricardo Esquivia

*...Colombian peace worker and human rights advocate,  
on the challenges of peacebuilding in the midst of  
civil war...*