



# Congregational Chapter Justice and Peace

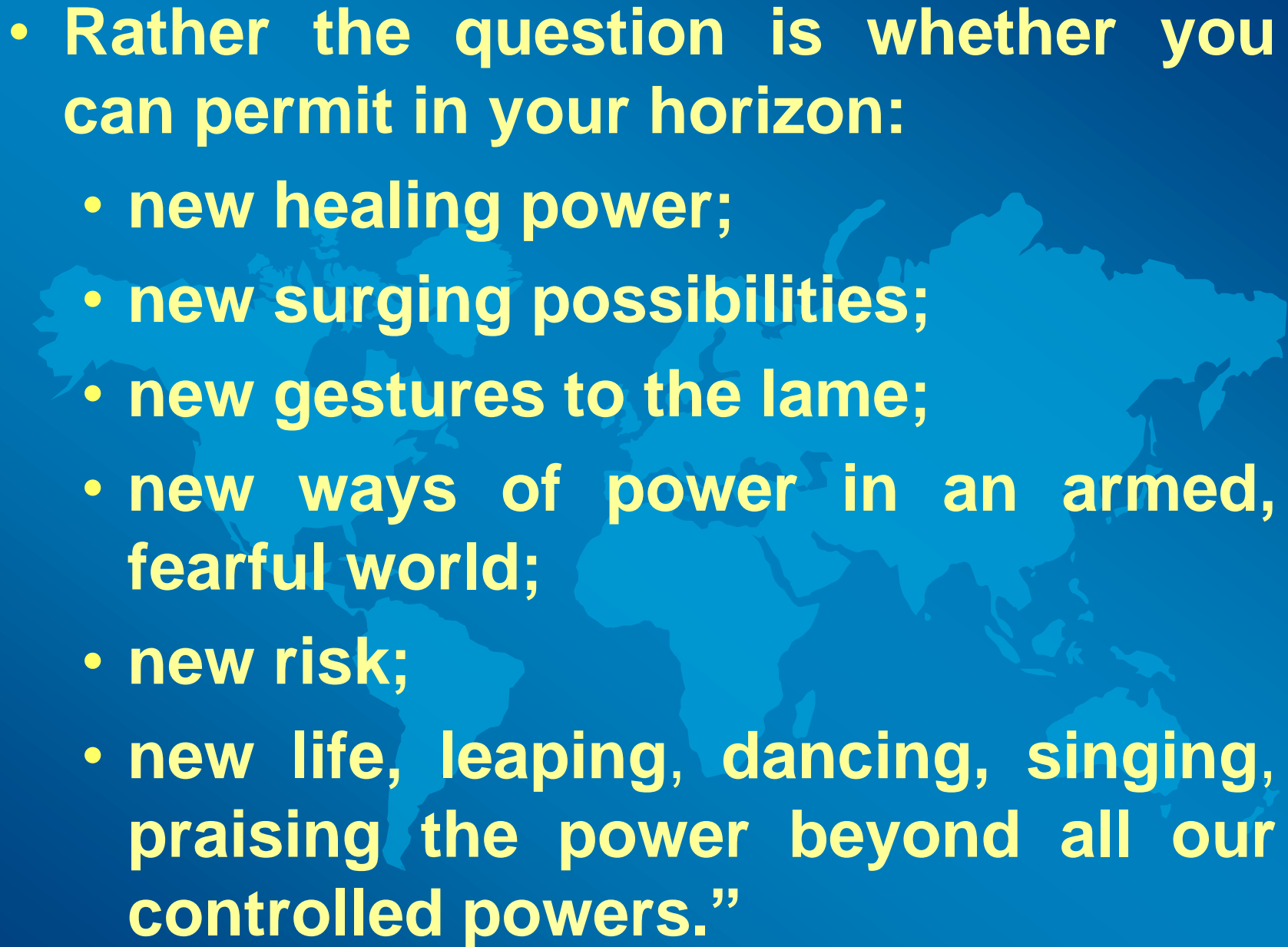
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# Chapter Theme



# The Threat of Life - Walter Brueggemann

- “Easter is not just an ancient oddity.
- Easter is an unsettling way in the world that continues to have socio-economic, political and human implications.
- Easter is not a ‘spiritual’ event, but a surging power that touches all of life.
- The Easter question for us is not whether you can get your mind around the resurrection, because you cannot.

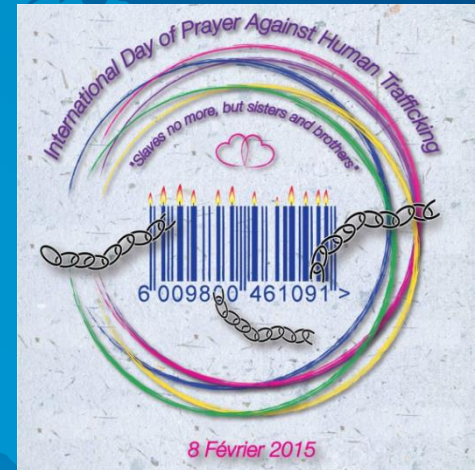
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- Rather the question is whether you can permit in your horizon:
    - new healing power;
    - new surging possibilities;
    - new gestures to the lame;
    - new ways of power in an armed, fearful world;
    - new risk;
    - new life, leaping, dancing, singing, praising the power beyond all our controlled powers.”

## Let's tease it out ...

- **Easter – an unsettling way in the world that has:**
  - **Socio-Economic, Political and Human Consequences.**
- **What has Easter to do with justice, equality, poverty, politics, inequality, violence?**



- **Easter - a surging power that touches all of life – War, Conflict, Suffering, the Environment , Gender Inequality, Human Trafficking, Migration, Poverty...**



- **What are the consequences of ‘an unsettling way,’ ‘the surging power’ of the resurrection touching you, touching me, touching us together, touching all of life?**

# The Challenge

- Will I permit in my horizon:
  - New healing power...
  - New surging possibilities ...
  - New ways of living mission in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century ...
  - New ways of power in an armed and fearful world ...
  - New ways of being in the midst of growing inequality ...

# Energized by the Spirit, will we risk together for Mission?

## What is it that we are being invited to risk?



- "None of us can think we are exempt from concerns for the poor and for social justice."

Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*, 2013, Ch.4, #201



## **2016 – Celebrating 20 years of Justice and Peace Ministry in the Congregation**

- **The beginnings were in the 1973 Chapter – 42 years ago.**
- **“Confronted with the cry of the poor in a world hungry and thirsty for justice, we feel constrained to acknowledge that, as a Congregation, we have failed to measure up to the Gospel challenge.”**
- **Since then, we have made some remarkable advancements responding to the challenges of our times.**

- 20 years ago two offices were established: the Justice, Peace and Solidarity in Mission Office in Rome, and the NGO Office in New York.
- In 2007, the two offices merged to become the Good Shepherd International Justice and Peace Office (GSIJP Office) with the objective of
- Supporting the Congregational Directions for Justice and Advocacy work (NGO) at all levels in the Congregation and within all aspects of congregational life, including Mission and Spirituality.



# Good Shepherd International Justice Peace Office

## Roles                      Organization                      Issues

NGO Representative NY  
Economic and Social Issues

Communications  
Coordinator

Training  
Facilitator

NGO Representative  
Geneva  
Human Rights

NGO Representative  
Vienna  
Human Trafficking



Structural Injustice

Women and Girls

Human  
Trafficking

Migration

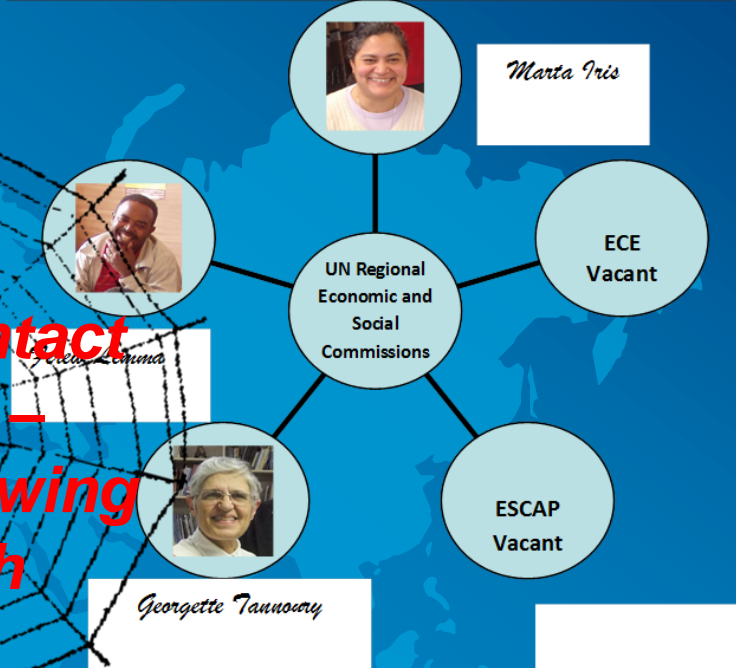
Economic Justice  
Poverty  
Eradication

# Celebrating the Justice and Peace Network

## Good Shepherd International Justice Peace Office



## Good Shepherd NGO Regional Designates Team 2013




**The JP Contact  
Network –  
Web of Growing  
Strength**

Re-organization in process:  
Yolanda Sánchez to Geneva  
Margaret Lynch, 2012 - 2014

Vacancies: Assistant in NY  
and  
part-time Assistant in Geneva

**Thank you for the services given to:**  
Melitta Fragner, Vienna, 2011 – 2012  
Nelly León Corera, 2007 – 2010  
Myriam McLaughlin, 2008 – 2011  
Ferew Lemma, 2012 - 2015  
Suwanee Jairuam, 2008 – 2010  
Sutisa Utalun, 2011 - 2012

# A Journey of Integrating and Learning

- 2009 – 2015 There was a conscious movement towards integration of the international offices of Justice and Peace, Mission Development, Spirituality Center, Communications and Formation, so as to better serve Units and implement grassroots integration of Justice and Peace.
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- From 2015 onward
    - Strong directional thrust to continue the journey of integrating and learning together;
    - Our work, the work of every sister and mission partner is to respond and evolve with this journey.

# Justice and Peace integrating with Mission, Spirituality and Ministries

## 6 Position papers



### Good Shepherd Position Papers with PowerPoints

- **Trafficking of Women and Girls - Page 4**
- **Economic Justice - Page 6**
- **Migration - Page 8**
- **Prostitution of Women and Girls - Page 10**
- **The Girl Child - Page 12**
- **Ecology – Page 14**



# Justice and Peace integrating with the Congregational Leadership Team and the Congregational Offices

- A series of meetings in Bogota and in Rome



# Justice and Peace integrating with Formation

- Training Curricula
- Regional Formation Sessions



Justice Peace (JP) for New Members - Training Curricula Outline, Part 1, 2 and 3

- Go to: <http://www.buonpastoreint.org/jp-en/recursos/good-shepherd-congregational-material->

[Training Curricula outline, part 1](#)

[Training Curricula Outline Part 2](#)

[Training Curricula Outline Part 3](#)





# Justice and Peace integrating with Contemplative Life

- Formation for Contemplative Sisters in three regional meetings in: India, Costa Rica and Chile and at the Contemplative Assembly



# Justice and Peace integrating within Regions, Units and Community Ministries



Bolivia-Chile



Myanmar



DRC

Asia-Pacific

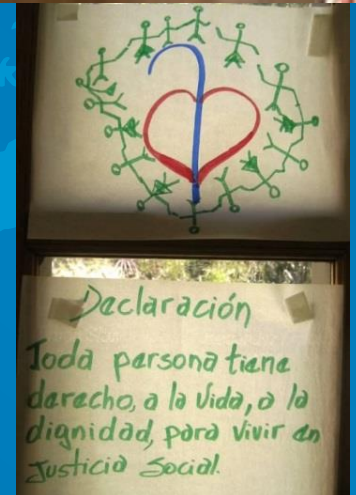


Sri Lanka



# Justice and Peace integrating within Regions, Units and Community Ministries

- Training Sessions:



# Justice and Peace integrating in Leadership Sessions



# Justice and Peace integrating with Unit national and grassroots concerns

- Human Rights  
Geneva

Fabiola - Colombia



Niluka - Sri Lanka

Juliana - Macau



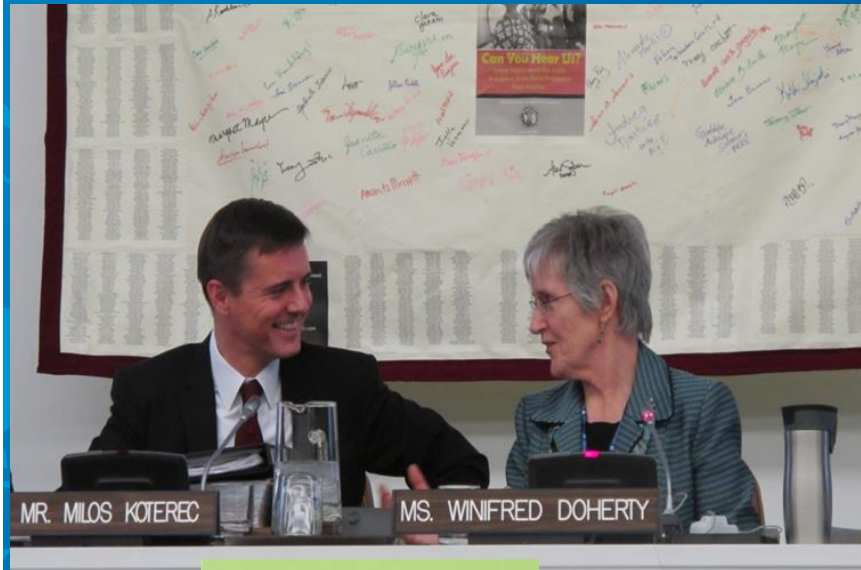
# Justice and Peace integrating with congregational voice at the United Nations

51st Commission for Social Development  
Side Event  
International Labour Organization &  
The NGO Sub-Committee for Poverty Eradication

## 'SOCIAL PROTECTION FLOOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ILO RECOMMENDATION 202 A TOOL TOWARDS EMPOWERMENT'

Date: Friday February 8, 2013  
Venue: Conference Room B, North Lawn Building  
Time: 1.15—2.30

PANELISTS		
Moderator	Vitorius Pinheiro, Deputy Director ILO New York	
ILO	Algodrip Benito-Garcia, Director, Social Security Department, ILO	ILO Recommendation 202 on national floors of social protection and its implementation process
Civil Society	Sergel Zelenev, Executive Director, International Council on Social Welfare	Social Protection Floor implementation: Contemporary opportunities and challenges for civil society
Government	Tuti W. Siman, Minister Counselor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations	Experience of Indonesia in building a social protection floor through an assessment based national dialogue process



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### 'Advocacy and Networking Strategies for Legislative Reform: Ending Prostitution and Human Trafficking'

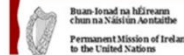
From Beijing to Post 2015 and Beyond.  
CSW 59 Parallel Event

Date: March 10, 2015  
Time: 10.30—12.00 noon  
Venue: Armenian Conference Center  
630 2nd Ave (at 35th Street)

Moderator: Nancy Friche Egan - Founder & President of People Potential

#### Panelists

- Aodhán O'Riordan, Ireland's Minister of State for Justice and Equality
- Taina Brien Aime - Executive Director of CATW (Coalition Against Trafficking in Women)
- Ms Sarah Benson - CEO Rahama & Chairperson of CAP International (Coalition for the Abolition of Prostitution)
- Ms Diane Matte, Director of La Cles Montreal, Canada.



### Ending Violence Against Girls and Women



A Survey of services provided globally by  
Good Shepherd Sisters in 24 countries

January 2013

Good Shepherd International Justice Peace Office (GSJPO)



# Justice and Peace integrating with Chapter Priority areas 2009 - 2015

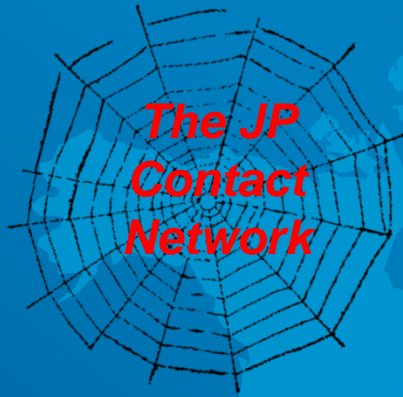


## UN-Vienna Human Trafficking

Vatican Symposium on Human Trafficking in 2013 and in 2014. Youth Delegates: Anne Baltazar, from Malaysia, & Joseph Loh, from Taiwan, who attended in November 2014.



# Justice and Peace integrating with Congregational Communications





# Justice and Peace integrating into the Future

- The United Nations is currently preparing a new development agenda to be adopted in September 2015;
- 17 Goals are going to be proposed bringing together three pillars of sustainable development:
  - the social,
  - the environment and
  - the economic



# Sustainable Development Goals: 2015 - 2030

GOAL 1 END POVERTY

GOAL 2 END HUNGER

GOAL 3 WELL-BEING

GOAL 4 QUALITY EDUCATION

GOAL 5 GENDER EQUALITY

GOAL 6 WATER AND SANITATION FOR ALL

GOAL 7 AFFORDABLE AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

GOAL 8 DECENT WORK FOR ALL

GOAL 9 TECHNOLOGY TO BENEFIT ALL

GOAL 10 REDUCE INEQUALITY

GOAL 11 SAFE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

GOAL 12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION BY ALL

GOAL 13 STOP CLIMATE CHANGE

GOAL 14 PROTECT THE OCEAN

GOAL 15 TAKE CARE OF THE EARTH

GOAL 16 LIVE IN PEACE

GOAL 17 MECHANISMS AND PARTNERSHIPS TO REACH THE GOALS



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- Every country is expected to adopt these goals within national plans, as well as to implement, monitor and evaluate them.
  - It is essential that Units/ministries know what the sustainable development goals (SDG's) are and work for their implementation at national and grassroots level.
  - Values underpinning sustainable development goals: Redistributive Justice; Economic Justice; Gender Justice; Social Justice; Environmental Justice, and Accountability to people.

# Getting the world we want entails:



**THE  
WORLD  
WE WANT**

- **Advocacy, namely:**
  - **Advocating for Sustainable Development Goals and then monitoring their implementation;**
- **Reviewing:**
  - **Congregational Justice and Peace policies, ministries, strategic plans and spirituality, in order to integrate and implement the goals.**



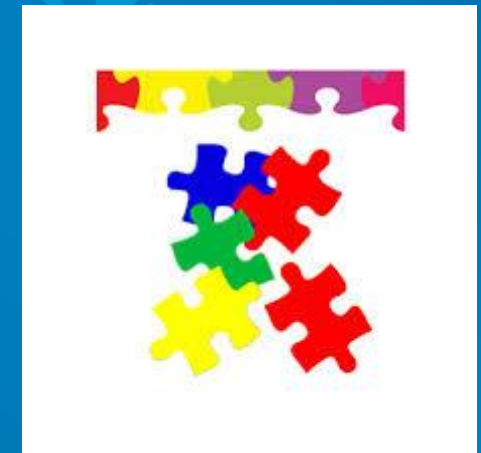
# Recommendations

Towards Chapter Directions

# Continue Evolving with Justice and Peace



- By developing capacities at the grassroots level;
- By preparing sisters and mission partners for transition into new roles through:
  - Education – professional and ongoing
  - Training
  - Foreign Languages
  - Other Skills



Create S.M.A.R.T. Goals



## Continue the journey on the path of integration

- Set common annual goals with the Mission Development Office and the Spirituality Center;
- Enhance communication across all levels;
- Adapt the role of the Congregational Leadership Team for better integration.



# Continue to network at regional level

- Regional Circles of leaders to take Justice and Peace, Mission Development and Spirituality as major themes in their ongoing work;
- To collaborate with International Offices as appropriate;
- Justice and Peace contacts and regional NGO designates to have plans for capacity building and appropriate role authority within their Units and/or region.





# Continue to strengthen the collaboration with the Mission Development Office at congregational level



- To develop strong congregational mission policies (e.g.: child protection) based on congregational values, human rights and international standards.
- To adopt a congregational policy strategy in relation to the new global agenda for sustainable development.



**PLANNING  
IS NOT  
OPTIONAL**



**Good  
Practice**



*Orientation*

- To develop an advocacy plan for every ministry and every Unit overseen by the Congregational Leadership Team with the support from Justice and Peace;
- To support the development of good practices in local ministries;
- To ensure that every ministry has a full staff orientation and training program for congregational values and heritage overseen by the Congregational Leadership Team with the support from Justice and Peace

**Continue to heighten awareness of the prophetic dimension of the congregational voice and ministries.**



- **Each Unit/Region to include strategic planning towards addressing structural and systemic roots of oppression and injustice.**

# Where does the Congregation stand in relation to the world?

- What do we desire?
- What will we risk towards greater solidarity?
- How will we direct resources and engage ourselves towards the transformation of the world?
- Do we believe we can do it?
- Do we believe we will do it?





*Thank You !*

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