



Universal Peace Federation

Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace



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Dear Ambassadors for Peace and Religious Leaders,

On behalf of the founders of the Universal Peace Federation and the Ambassadors for Peace initiative, the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, it is our pleasure to invite you to join a special "Peace Mission" in the Middle East, from October 20 - 25, 2006. The UPF's Middle East Peace Initiative, led by Dr. Chang Shik Yang, Dr. Michael Jenkins and leading Ambassadors for Peace in the region, is recognized by leading figures in government, religion, civil society and faith-based NGOs, as well as by leading Jews, Muslims and Christians both in Israel and Palestine. We will be going at a most important time in the peace process.

The crisis that has occurred due to the recent conflict this past summer dramatically increases the need for peacemakers and people of faith to come to Jerusalem and demonstrate a vision of conflict resolution through faith and service based on dialogue and understanding. Ambassadors for Peace from Europe, the U.S. and Canada, as well as representatives of all the continents of the world will be joining us. They are Members of Congress, NGO directors, religious leaders, veterans, women of influence and people of various professions. You will be joining prestigious colleagues in the work for peace. The American Ambassadors for Peace have led the way in this effort, and over 12,000 have now visited the Middle East as Ambassadors for Peace with MEPI.

During our time in the Middle East, we will conduct a series of symposia for peace; one in Jerusalem and possibly one in Ramallah (pending security concerns). We will consider the theme, "Peacebuilding and Human Development in the Middle East." The symposia will allow for dialogue with key civic and religious leaders from the "family of Abraham" and will provide the opportunity to directly support their efforts for understanding, reconciliation and cooperation. We can make a difference.

Our journey will also take us to historic holy sites of Jerusalem, Gethsemane, the Sea of Galilee and the Mount of Olives. In addition we will meet and work with the Ambassadors for Peace in the Holy Land – our colleagues and brothers and sisters---- and will hear their testimonies of tears and triumph in the work for peace.

All participants are to make their own travel arrangements, landing in Tel Aviv and arriving in Jerusalem as early as possible on **Friday, October 20th** with departures **anytime after breakfast on Wednesday, October 25th**. *Our attached information sheet will have the prices of our group rates for all accommodations, meals and tours. Also attached is a draft schedule for this historic journey.*

God bless you. We look forward to seeing you in the Holy Land. Let us join together in building a world of lasting peace.

Sincerely yours,

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