

Global Peace Tour

One Family under God: I New Vision for Peace in the 21" Century

Global Peace Festival

Sunday, March 15, 2009: Van der Valk Pier Scheveningen Strandweg, 2508AC The Hague / Scheveningen 15:30 – 18:00 Conference and 20:00 – 22:00 Peace Tour Gathering

### Invitation

Amsterdam, February 27 2009

Dear Sir / Madam

You are invited to attend the Global Peace Tour 2009 conference and peace tour gathering in The Netherlands, part of a worldwide speaking tour by the Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF). The purpose is to bring together people of religions, cultures and backgrounds around the theme of World Peace. We wish to celebrate what binds us together and consider how we can contribute to solving serious problems in society and help fulfil the Millennium Development Goals. We hope to encourage each other in our continued striving towards a peaceful world, based on shared Universal Values, interdependence and mutual prosperity, to which we feel more and more people are committed.

UPF considers humanity as One Family under God, the Creator. We respect different cultures and life philosophies and see them as a starting point from which to work together for world peace. Our world wide family is connected by the principle of Living for the Sake of Others with the help of the Power of True Love, guided by Universal Values, which we find at the core of the World Religions. In the gatherings, this theme is discussed, deepened, celebrated and demonstrated by people who are moulding this into concrete form.

The conference and peace gathering will reflect the theme of the tour: "One Family under God: A New Vision for Peace in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century"

#### The conference, from 15:30 to 18:00, will feature:

- -The vision of the UPF: Dr. C.H. Kwak, UPF Co-Chairman, lawyer, philosopher & theologian.
- -The EU, a model for peace and prosperity: **Dr. W.F. van Eekelen**, former Minister, State Secretary, member of Parliament & Senate, active in particular with the Dutch Committee for Advice about European Integration.
- -Education, especially of character and family values, Drs. L.A.C. Baroness Van Tuyll.
- -Service Projects in Ghana, Mrs. M. Bos, CPYWD Foundation.

The peace gathering in the evening will feature invocation, inspiring speeches, alternated with nice music, video-presentations and presentation of awards. More details can be found in the enclosed documents. We would be very honoured to be able to welcome you.

Please inform us about your participation for one or both events by telephone or e-mail (daily 8-20hrs).

Sincerely yours,

Drs. W.A. Koetsier Secretary - General UPF NL

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## Conference Programme

Van der Valk Pier Scheveningen, Piet Hein Hall Sunday March 15, 15:30 – 18:00



### 15:30 Reception

#### 16:00 Word of Welcome

### 16:10 A Vision for Peace in the 21st Century, Dr. C.H. Kwak

Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak is Co-Chairman of the Presiding Council of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) and Chairman of the World Association of Non-Governmental Organizations (WANGO). He has served and continues to serve as the head of a number of international organizations and academic institutions, including the Professors World Peace Academy, the World University Federation, Sun Moon University, the University of Bridgeport, the International Religious Foundation and the International Relief and Friendship Foundation. He has served as Vice Chairman of the Korean daily newspaper, Segye Ilbo (World Times), and is Chairman of the Board of United Press International. He has published numerous articles and books on a wide range of topics, many of which have been translated into several languages. Rev. Dr. Kwak has lectured widely throughout the world. He holds advanced degrees in Law, Western Philosophy and Theology.

#### 16:40 The European Union, a Model for Peace and Prosperity, Dr. W.F. van Eekelen

Dr. Van Eekelen has represented the Dutch Foreign Office in India, the UK and Ghana, has been member of the Parliament, State Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Defense, Dutch Minister of Defense, Secretary General of the West European Union (WEU) and fulfilled many other important functions. Dr. Van Eekelen is a strong advocate for the Atlantic co-operation and EU. He is very active in support of the European Union, in particular in connection to the Netherlands Advisory Committee on European Integration.

### 17:10 Education of Character and Family Values, Drs. L.A.C. Baroness van Tuyll van

**Serooskerken.** Mrs. Van Tuyll is a child psychologist and child therapist. She has become renowned as an expert in the field of adoption of children from abroad and has been working as a senior adoption consultant (Triade Consultancy). Her knowledge about and experience with children and adoption has given her valuable insights in the important role of family values. Baroness Van Tuyll lives next to the castle "Slot Zuylen", where her ancestors lived for about 300 years. Recently she became president of the "Foundation Slot Zuylen", which has become a famous museum.

**17:30 Service Projects in Ghana, Mrs. M. Bos.** Mrs. Bos is a member of the "Foundation Ghana Haarlem", a partner of the "Community Partnership for Youth and Women Development" in Ghana. Western and African knowledge are combined to improve education and living circumstances in Ghana, especially for women and youth. The organisation in Haarlem is preparing volunteers from The Netherlands to work in Ghana and accompanies them and Ghanese volunteers in community activities.

### **18:00 Closing Remarks**

# Peace Tour Gathering

Van der Valk Pier Scheveningen, Piet Hein Hall Sunday March 15, 20:00 – 22:00



### Programme

19:50 Welcoming Music Hans Campman, keyboard and Giancarlo Dragonetti, guitar

- 20:00 Word of Welcome
- 20:05 Interfaith Invocation
- 20:10 Song of Peace, Eleanor Klerkx-Flowers

20:15 Opening Remarks

- 20:20 Address of Mrs. J. van Eekelen-Wentink
- 20:30 Video Presentation: Global Peace Festivals
- 20:40 Address of Professor M.K. Gautam and Introduction of Dr. C.H. Kwak

20:50 Keynote Speaker: Dr. C.H. Kwak

- 21:30 Ambassador of Peace Presentation and Call to Action
- 21:45 Songs by Mrs. Milly Scott, renowned singer, actor and therapist

22:00 Closing Remarks