

Forgiveness for the Future

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Rev Dr Marcus Braybrooke: World Congress of Faiths

Marina Cantacuzino: The Forgiveness Project (TFP)

Jo Berry

Brian Frost: Forgiveness and Politics Study Project

2pm-6pm Saturday 8th September, 2012 – Refreshments at 1.30pm
43 Lancaster Gate, London, W2 3NA

You are cordially invited to an afternoon seminar entitled '**Forgiveness for the Future**' on **Saturday 8th September**. The memory of past conflicts casts a long shadow, which embitter relationships in the present. How can we today heal past hurt so that it does not blight the future? We shall reflect on the contribution individuals can make to this and also how symbolic acts can free the way for a new relationship between divided communities.

This is the seventh in a series of seminars and conferences we have held to both share and hear personal experiences of forgiveness and reconciliation. These have been chaired by **Rev Dr Marcus Braybrooke** who has consistently supported the organizing committee with his wise counsel and substantial contributions to the programmes. On this occasion we are very pleased to have **The Forgiveness Project (TFP)** to help us organize the programme. **Marina Cantacuzino**, CEO of TFP brings a fresh perspective to our audiences and with new stories to share.

In the first session we shall hear from Jo Berry, on her personal story in which she came to forgive those who killed her father in the Brighton Bomb. We shall also hear from Brian Frost, who worked for nine years for the Notting Hill Ecumenical centre and was Director of the Forgiveness and Politics Study Project. His many books include *Struggling to Forgive*. He will reflect on the symbolism of forgiveness and healing during the Queen's visits to Ireland.

We are aiming to encourage and facilitate the opportunity for deeply moving stories by people of different backgrounds. We hope very much that you will put the date in your diary and be able to attend this important event. For an updated programme and to register. ***Do not hesitate to contact us should you***

have a story or know of someone who has a story to share. RSVP

We look forward to your favourable reply.

Yours sincerely,

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Programme

1:30 pm Registration and Refreshments

2:00 pm 1st Session Chair Rev Dr Marcus Braybrooke
Jo Berry
Brian Frost

3.45- 4.15 p.m. Break for Refreshments and Personal Sharing

4.15 - 5.0. p.m. 2nd Session Chair Marina Cantacuzino,

5.0 - 5.45 Group Discussion

5.45 - 6.0. Plans for a Forgiveness Charter