

**April 6, 2011**  
**Jubilee Oregon**  
**General Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Westminster Presbyterian**

Attended: Roberta Badger-Cain, Doug Speers, Pat Rumer, Leonard Cain, Nancy Johns, Nancy Hatch, Bob Brown

**1. Evaluation of the Linking our Voices Capstone and event**

Pluses

- + Turnout: the room was full
- + Unaffiliated people were there
- + The concept of Action Tables worked well
- + Starting with the student reports got people's attention
- + The raffle was fun and kept people there.
- + Some teams were very self-motivated: The web-site and DVD teams worked well together

Areas for Improvement

- The papers didn't address impact of debt cancellation adequately. Sources were primarily the IMF and World Bank. Did not use resources from NGOs.
- Not too many members from congregations attended
- Web demo was too short, needed to help people understand how it was to be used
- Outreach to partner organizations didn't happen well. We had tablers but new partner organizations were not integrated into the event
- Event conflicted with EMO event
- More instructions needed to be provided to Action Table people. We didn't get a lot of post cards signed probably because we didn't tell people at the tables that we wanted that.

**2. Book Groups**

- Bob announced that we might have an intern working for us starting May 1<sup>st</sup> for two months. Seile Alemayehu, an Ethiopian student at Lewis and Clark as applied for stipend from her school. If she is approved, she will work with us on organizing and can help with book group formation and other things.
- Pat Rumer will organize the first book group. The book is Stan Duncan's new book, *The GREATEST STORY OVERSOLD-UNDERSTANDING ECONOMIC GLOBALIZATION*. The first meeting of the group will be on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Pat's house. Contact Pat for more info ([activista@yahoo.com](mailto:activista@yahoo.com)). Bob will advertise to the list of book group people and other places.

**3. 1000 Faith Leaders Letter – outreach opportunity**

- We talked about this as a great outreach opportunity to clergy on our list of congregations and interested congregations.
- This is something that Seile can help us with.
- It was suggested that Bob contact Lynn Lopez to see if we can get some support from EMO.

**4. Fundraiser event for the fall**

- We have about \$1000 in our account. We have money going out and not much coming in. So we need to be thinking about a fundraiser event in the fall.

- We need a team to start thinking about what we will do, our goals and start the planning process.
- Michael Colvin volunteered to participate.
- Other potential members: Suzi Paul (Roberta to contact) and Kathryn Moran (Bob will contact).

#### **5. Linking our Voices Next steps: keeping up the connections with Jubilee Zambia**

- Bob discussed the need for a small team of folks to work with Geoffrey and Phoebe in nurturing the LOV project. The suggestion was to have regular (monthly) Skype calls to discuss developing action plans, sharing advocacy initiatives, successes and frustrations.
- We also discussed a potential project that Bob is trying to get going with Jubilee USA, Jubilee Oregon and JCTR around responsible lending and borrowing. This might be a good way to get started. Bob will be discussing this project with Melinda St. Louis and Katherine Phillipson from Jubilee USA.
- Please let Bob know if you are interested in working on the continuation of our LOV project with JCTR.

#### **6. Upcoming Events**

##### **100 Projects for Peace Banquet**

*(This is a project organized by our Ethiopian friends attending Lewis and Clark. If can not attend, consider a donation using the link below.)*

**Date:** April 18, 5:30pm - 8:00pm

**Location:** Smith Hall, Albany Quadrangle, Lewis and Clark College

Join this year's winners of the 100 Projects for Peace Competition for an Ethiopian themed dinner, a silent auction and a cash bar.

**Price: \$20**

Tickets can be purchased at

- The International Student's Office (On the Third Floor of Templeton)
- The Center for Career and Community Engagement (3CE)
- The Campus Bookstore

Donation Website: <http://www.gofundme.com/Water-for-peace?r=74011>.

##### **Witness for Peace Northwest presents...**

##### **Addicted to Failure: US Drug War Policy in the Americas**

Featuring Sanho Tree, Director of the Drug Policy Project at The Institute for Policy Studies

**Date:** Tuesday, April 19th @ 7:30pm

**Where:** Multnomah Friends Meeting House, 4312 S.E. Stark St.

Since the 1960s, the US has squandered about a trillion dollars on a failed drug war. Internationally, much of our "war" has taken place in Latin America where eradication planes have defoliated millions of acres in Colombia, US-trained police have filled prisons, and prohibition has fueled murderous gang wars. Sanho Tree will explore the impacts of our tax payer dollars at work in this system, which has failed to accomplish it's main objectives: curtail the production of illicit drugs and prevent them from reaching our streets. He will also address why, despite negative impacts and unsuccessful results, we continue to support policies that violate human rights and destroy the environment.

##### **May Day March for Immigrants and Workers Rights**

Please encourage members of your community to march at the [May Day March for Immigrants and Workers Rights](#). The event will take place on Sunday, May 1st with a rally at 3pm and the march at 4pm. We will start and end at the SW Park Blocks, at the corner of SW Park and Salmon.

##### **4th Annual PAGAC World AIDS Orphans' Day Event!**

**Date:** Thursday May 12, 2011, 6 - 9PM

**Location:** Mercy Corps

**Keynote:** Barry Childs, Founder, Africa Bridge and 2010 Purpose Prize Award Winner

**Moderator:** Michael Kaplan, Executive Director Cascade AIDS Project

**Panelists:**

- Belinda Beresford, Award Winning South African Journalist and Author
- Laura Peterson, Founder, Hands to Hearts International
- Shelly Krebs, PhD., Developer of Infant HIV Diagnostic Technology

Please join us for an evening of enlightening speakers, conversation, delicious hors d'oeuvres, wine, and sweet treats!

**7. Next meeting planning, May 4th:**

- Reflection: Nancy
- Snacks: Doug