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WINK WORKSHOPS; BIBLICAL PATHWAYS, PRAYING THE POWERS

Walter and June Wink are leading two workshops at the start of October organised by the Corrymeela Community. 'Praying the Powers' is a two-day non-residential workshop in Belfast on Wednesday and Thursday 2 - 3 October; this will focus on Biblical resources for renewing prayer in the face of the struggle to be human in the face of evil leaving us spiritually exhausted; the fee for this workshop is £12. 'Biblical Pathways to Peace' is a residential weekend at the Corrymeela Centre, Ballycastle, Friday - Sunday, 4 - 6 October; loving the enemy has become the key both to human relations and personal transformation. The fee for this weekend is £40. Both workshops will include work with Biblical texts and art or movement. Walter Wink is author of, among numerous other books, the acclaimed "Engaging the Powers: Discernment and Resistance in a World of Domination". Further details and a booking form are available from: Doug Baker, Corrymeela House, 8 Upper Crescent, Belfast BT7 1NT, phone 01232 - 325008.

NONVIOLENCE - THE PATH TO PEACE

This is the title of series of 5 meetings organised by Pax Christi, taking place at Avila Spirituality Centre, Morehampton Road, Dublin 4, weekly beginning on Tuesday 1st October at 8 pm. Those providing input include: Carmel Niland on Peace and nonviolence from a Jewish perspective; Bronagh Hinds on Women for peace and political progress; Andy Pollak on The Media, peacemaking and Northern Ireland; Enda McDonagh on The emergence of a new culture of violence in Irish society; and Rob Fairmichael on Exploring nonviolence. The fee is £20 waged for the series, £5 unwaged. Further details from: Pax Christi, 52 Lower Rathmines Road, Dublin 6, Phone 01 - 496 5293; Fax 496 5492.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION COURSE - Canada

STOP '96 (Solidarity to organise peace) has 25 - 30 places for a conflict resolution course in Canada which will take place the first two weeks of November. All programme and accommodation in Canada is free; participants would have to pay their own flight out (and back!); the course would be provided by Canadians professionally involved in the field, and would be based in Lethbridge, Alberta. It is aimed to get representatives from various groups in Ireland...so that may include you? The trip may include a 3-day negotiation course, a 3-day group activity in the Rocky Mountains, and a 5-day conflict resolution process for creating options. Participants will stay in local homes. For further information contact: Paul Burton, Coordinator STOP '96, 1 O'Hagan Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10. Phone 01 - 626 5280.

INNATE SEMINAR; CONFLICT, CAMPAIGNING, COMMUNICATION

Saturday 19th October (10 - 4.30) sees another INNATE seminar in Belfast, this time with three parallel workshops taking place: Children resolving conflict (peer mediation) facilitated by Jerry Tyrrell, Campaigning nonviolence; Northern Ireland with Rob Fairmichael, and Nonviolent communication with Brenda Blair. People choose one workshop to follow through the day, and the fee is £5 including lunch, or £3 unwaged. Further details and booking form from INNATE, 18 Ravensdene Park, Belfast BT6 0DA, Phone/Fax Belfast 01232 - 647106. The information leaflet is enclosed for those receiving Nonviolent News as a mailing.

TRANSFORMING CONFLICT

The Mediation Network for Northern Ireland are running a training programme on Transforming Conflict with 3 x 2-day sessions: Conflict awareness (26 - 27 September), Mediation skills (24 - 25 October) and Mediative behaviour (28 - 29 November). All sessions will take place 9.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m. at their Dublin Road premises and the fee for the 3 sessions is £50 for individuals and £150 for organisations. The trainers involved are; Joe Campbell, John M Lederach, Brendan McAllister and Barbara Corkey. The course will be repeated on weekends in early 1997 (10 - 11 January, 31 January - 1 February, 28 February - 1 March). Details and bookings: Mediation Network, 74 Dublin Road, Belfast BT2 7HP. Phone 01232 - 438614; Fax 314430.

75:25 - Ireland in an Increasingly unequal world

This excellent resource on world justice and development issues is now available, produced by Dóchas, the Assembly of Irish Non-Governmental Development Organisations. This 3rd edition is completely revised and updated. 296 pages, A4, for £7.50! Postage £1.83 extra within Ireland ordered from Dóchas. Containing valuable information on many aspects of the situation including what development is about, the environment, women, human rights, population, debt, transnationals, arms, etc., it also focuses on issues in relation to Ireland and Britain. Available from Dóchas directly - Dóchas, 59 Deerpark Road, Mount Merrion, Co Dublin, Phone 01-288 6141 - or from many of its member agencies which include: Action from Ireland (AFRI), Christian Aid, Church Missionary Society Ireland, Church of Ireland Bishops Appeal, Comhlámh, Concern Worldwide, Development Education for Youth (DEFY), Gorta, Irish League of Credit Unions International Development Foundation, Interculture Ireland, Irish Commission for Justice and Peace (ICJP), Irish Council for Overseas Students (ICOS), Irish Foundation for Co-operative Development (IFCD), Irish Missionary Union (IMU), Methodist World Development and Relief Committee (MWDRC), One World Centre for Northern Ireland, Refugee Trust, Self Help Development (Carlow), Support for Afghan Further Education (SAFE), Trócaire, Voluntary Service International (VSI) and War on Want.

WHITE POPPIES

Once more we're near that time in this part of the world when those who died in the world wars are remembered in various ceremonies. The Peace Pledge Union (PPU) in Britain produces white poppies for peace and use the slogan 'remember and disarm'. They will sell anything from boxes of 100 at £30, through to 25 at £10, 10 at £5, 5 at £2.50, or single poppies at 50p (minimum order £3 and postage and packing charged at £1.50). They also have other resources available looking at the background and the human cost of war. PPU, 41b Brecknock Road, London N7 0BT. Phone 0171 - 424 9444; Fax 0171 - 482 6390. An information leaflet is enclosed for most of those receiving *Nonviolent News* as a mailing.

EAST TIMOR SOLIDARITY

The office address of the East Timor Ireland Solidarity Campaign is now Room 13, 24 - 26 Dame Street, Dublin 2; Phone/Fax 01 - 671 9207; E-Mail etisc@indigo.ie. There are local groups in Galway (17 Sea Road, Galway), Laois (Cremorgan, Timahoe, Co Laois), Clare (Connie O'Halloran, Doonan, The Burren, Co Clare), Kilkenny (Sean Butler, Ballyhendricken, Ballycallan, Co Kilkenny), Carlow (SU Office, Carlow RTC, Kilkenny Road, Carlow Town), Waterford (Catherine Maher, St Angela's Secondary School, Ballytruckle Road, Waterford), Belfast (4 Lower Crescent, Belfast BT7 1NR), and Derry (Craig Smallbone, ETSC Derry, c/o Derry Development Education Centre, 13A Pump Street, Derry). Meanwhile, Rebecca Winters, a recent visitor to East Timor, found the situation as oppressive as ever, "Mere words cannot possibly express the stark reality of life in East Timor under Indonesian occupation" she said. Most youths she met had been imprisoned and all those imprisoned had been beaten and tortured; "If you can manage to get away from the Indonesian spies, you can look into the eyes of the old people, the eyes of the young people, children who know they cannot even mention the name of their country; East Timor."

KNOCK, KNOCK, NACCAN ON HEAVEN'S DOOR

The British-based National Association of Christian Communities and Networks (NACCAN) is organising a regional meeting in Northern Ireland, to enable more people to participate given the prohibitive cost of travel to England. A meeting is scheduled for Saturday 26th October in Friends Meeting House, Marlborough Park North, Belfast from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. (bring a packed lunch; tea & coffee available). The fee to cover expenses is £5 waged, £3 unwaged. The aim is to share experiences and support and encourage each other. A programme will be sent out nearer the time to those coming. Details and bookings; Isobel McDonagh, 22 Bannvale, Coleraine, Co Derry, BT51 3JD. Phone 01265 - 43465.

INTIMIDATION OF FAMILIES

A report on a meeting looking at issues in relation to families intimidated from their homes during and following civil unrest over the July holiday period is available from Women Together, including ideas to prevent the same disastrous gaps in services happening again. Women Together, 62 Lisburn Road, Belfast BT9 8AF. Phone 01232 - 315100; Fax 01232 - 314864.

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INNATE has available on request Rob Fairmichael's report on the International Fellowship of Reconciliation Council (quadrennial) in Sweden in August. Likewise the War Resisters International Council (annual meeting) minutes from Belgium in July.

Nonviolent News is produced about 11 times a year by INNATE, an Irish Network for Nonviolent Action Training and Education, 16 Ravensdene Park, Belfast BT6 0DA. Phone/Fax 01232 - 647108; your news welcome. Deadline for next issue; 1st October. Subscriptions: £5 or enquire for further details. Enquiries welcome about resources available on nonviolence.

Finally, introducing an occasional feature; "Fun with the Spell Check", I mean "Spell Chuck", No. 1; The *Nonviolent News* spell check refused to recognise the word "facilitators" earlier this year and as an alternative suggested "viciators" - how did it make that connection?