The details of the weekend

Who can come to this training?

The training is open to young adults ages 17-25 who are interested in exploring active non-violence from a Christian perspective. You do not have to be a Lutheran to participate.

How much will the training cost?

Due to support from LPF members, the cost is lower than similar trainings: \$60-\$175 on a sliding scale. Scholarships and fundraising assistance are available. Many participants are sponsored by a school or church organization.

When and where will the training be held?

The training will be in St. Paul, Minnesota, over the weekend of June 25-27, 2004. If these dates aren't feasible, LPF can work with you to organize a similar training in your area.

LPF led an exceptionally helpful, interesting, and practical workshop. We were especially pleased at how well the presenter was able to engage people coming from differing points of view." Barbara Raschke, Edina

Why Nonviolence? Why Now?

By exploring the spirituality and practice of active nonviolence, you will gain the confidence to bring the gospel vision of *shalom*, peace with justice, to the conflicts we all face.

During this extended training, we will have an opportunity to examine the experience and dynamics of violence and nonviolence in-depth and from a Christian perspective.

As a participant you will learn skills to address violence -- in your life and in the life of the world -- in new, creative ways. We will also spend a significant amount of time developing our leadership skills as facilitators and organizers.

Participants will leave with skills to lead your own short workshops and forums and organize campaigns on your campus. You will also have an opportunity to strengthen your network of peers committed to peace and justice.

From the weekend you will...

- Gain a better understanding of nonviolence, how it works and how to apply it to your life
- Techniques in conflict transformation and nonviolent communication
- A chance to meet and learn with other students working for and learning about peace and justice

"I have learned to open my eyes and I will try not to shut them when I know I should keep them open." Aubrey Thonrold, student

Registration form

__ Sign me up for Summer Leadership training in St. Paul, MN. June 25-27 2004.

Name_______

City_______
State______ Zip Code______
Phone_______
E-mail_______
I've enclosed my deposit of \$25

Mail or email form to LPF by May 10

"LPF presentations have, without exception, been both lively and clear, insightful and practical. Participants not only get a handle on the issues but also leave the session feeling they can make a difference." Lily Wu, NYC, ELCA Church Council member

Grace Hanson, LPF Youth Trainer and Program Coordinator, joins LPF after completing her degree in Justice and Peace Studies and Political Science from the University of St. Thomas in MN. While at LPF she has facilitated workshops and trainings at Gustavus Adolphus and Concordia colleges as well as at national conferences such as the ELCA Youth Leaders Extravaganza and Nobel Peace Prize Forum. Before coming to LPF she was the coordinator of St. Thomas' Student Coalition for Social Justice which focuses on students' education, activism and reflection for social change.

Other LPF facilitators have experience in youth work and teaching, are trained in public policy and theology, and often write for ELCA and secular publications. Their peace and justice work has been featured in *The Lutheran, Lutheran Woman Today*, NBC-TV News, and NPR's All Things Considered. They have conducted workshops for such audiences as the ELCA Youth Gathering, Bread for the World, Global Mission Events, national Lutheran Youth Organization meetings, Holden Village, the United Nations, and a White House Conference.

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