

# Kairos Leaders Resource Guide . . . . . Sources for Discussion and Action

Reliable, helpful websites, ♦activities, □articles, and *books* for personal use, and adult and youth groups....

## *Moral Deliberation, Public Church*

ELCA Advocacy, [www.elca.org/advocacy](http://www.elca.org/advocacy) articles and examples of Christian advocacy and participation in public life

♦**What is Christian Peacemaking?** Widely used Biblical activity for an adult forum or group to explore together the full power of Biblical *Shalom*: justice, peace, community, wholeness, [www.lutheranpeace.org](http://www.lutheranpeace.org) (1, 2, or 5 sessions)

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, *Public Church* (AugsburgFortress) brief, eye-opening survey, great for group discussion; Karen Bloomquist and Ronald Duty, *Talking Together as Christians about Tough Social Issues* (AugsburgFortress)

## *Christian Perspectives on Shalom: Justice, Peace, Community, Wholeness* (e.g. paragraph 3)

Journal of Lutheran Ethics, [www.elca.org/jle](http://www.elca.org/jle); Lutheran Peace Fellowship, [www.LutheranPeace.org](http://www.LutheranPeace.org); Sojourners: [www.sojo.net](http://www.sojo.net); Equip4Peace, [www.elca.org/nonviolence](http://www.elca.org/nonviolence); Fellowship of Reconciliation, [www.forusa.org](http://www.forusa.org)

□The Potential of a Distinctly Christian Perspective on Conflict, ♦What Is Christian Peacemaking, [www.LutheranPeace.org](http://www.LutheranPeace.org)

Walter Wink, *Engaging the Powers* (AugsburgFortress); a gold mine of creative insights and examples; Robert Herr and Judy Zimmerman Herr, eds., *Transforming Violence* (Herald), superb essays on peacemaking, local to global; Roland Bainton, *Christian Attitudes Toward War and Peace* (Abingdon), a very helpful, eye-opening survey; John Howard Yoder, *The Politics of Jesus* (Eerdmans), an illuminating exploration of nonviolence in Luke

Jim Wallis, *God's Politics* (Harper SF) insightful perspective on faith and public life; Sharon Welch, *After Empire: The Art and Ethos of Enduring Peace* (AugsburgFortress); Jimmy Carter, *Our Endangered Values* (Simon & Schuster); Glen Stassen, ed., *Just Peacemaking: Ten Practices* (Pilgrim), from threat reduction and conflict resolution to direct action

## *Policy Concerns Raised in the Kairos Statement* (by paragraph number)

*On Ethics and Foreign Policy*: Journal of Lutheran Ethics, [www.elca.org/jle](http://www.elca.org/jle); Sojourners: [www.sojo.net](http://www.sojo.net); Lutheran Peace Fellowship, [www.lutheranpeace.org](http://www.lutheranpeace.org); Fellowship of Reconciliation: [www.forusa.org](http://www.forusa.org)

Walter Wink, *The Powers that Be* (Doubleday), a superb overview for a forum series, class, or personal reading

*paragraph 8. Preemptive War, War on Terror*: ♦**It's Time to Talk** and **Just War** activities and □The Invisible Option, [www.lutheranpeace.org](http://www.lutheranpeace.org); Foreign Policy in Focus, [www.fpif.org](http://www.fpif.org); Sojourners, [www.sojo.net](http://www.sojo.net); Declaration of Peace, [www.declarationofpeace.org](http://www.declarationofpeace.org); Global Policy Forum, [www.globalpolicy.org](http://www.globalpolicy.org); Andrew Bacevich, *The New American Militarism* (Oxford); Chalmers Johnson, *Sorrows of Empire* (Holt); John Howard Yoder, *When War is Unjust* (Augsburg)

9. *Military Spending, Budget Priorities*: ♦**What Brings Security?** computer-based budget priorities activity with leaders guide on a CD or at [www.lutheranpeace.org](http://www.lutheranpeace.org), includes 40 annotated sources/links for further information, including: National Priorities Project, [www.nationalpriorities.org](http://www.nationalpriorities.org); Center for Defense Information, [www.cdi.org](http://www.cdi.org); Arms Trade Resource Center, [www.worldpolicy.org](http://www.worldpolicy.org); Frances Fox Piven, *The War at Home*; Jane Midgley, *Women & the US Budget*

10. *Information Control, Playing on Fears, Media Manipulation, Silencing Critics*: American Civil Liberties Union, [www.aclu.org](http://www.aclu.org); Center for Public Integrity, [www.publicintegrity.org](http://www.publicintegrity.org); Fairness & Accuracy in Media, [www.fair.org](http://www.fair.org); Bill of Rights Defense Committee, [www.bordc.org](http://www.bordc.org); Friends Committee on Nat. Legislation, [www.fcni.org](http://www.fcni.org); Elaine Casel, *The War on Civil Liberties* (Lawrence Hill); David Dudge, *Casualty of War* (Prometheus); Lewis Lapham, *Gag Rule*; Nat Hentoff, *The War on the Bill of Rights and the Gathering Resistance* (Seven Stories Press)

12. *Prejudice, Enemies, The 'Other'*: ♦Inside/Outside Circle Game (LPF) [www.lhra.org](http://www.lhra.org); [www.cair.org](http://www.cair.org); Donald Shriver, *An Ethic for Enemies: Forgiveness in Politics* (Oxford), insightful, lucid exploration with 5 case studies; Daniel Smith-Christopher, *Subverting Hatred* (Orbis) interfaith survey; Chalmers Johnson, *Blowback...*

13. *Torture, Treatment of Prisoners*: Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org); Amnesty Intn'l, [www.amnestyusa.org](http://www.amnestyusa.org); Rachel Meeropol, ed., *America's Disappeared* (Open Media); Jennifer K. Harbury, *Truth, Torture, and the American Way* (Beacon); Mark Danner, *Torture and Truth* (NY Review Books); Peter Uvin, *Human Rights & Development* (Kumarian)

15. *Hunger and Development*: Bread for the World, [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org); The One Campaign, [www.one.org](http://www.one.org); Jubilee USA: [www.jubileeusa.org](http://www.jubileeusa.org); Oxfam, [www.oxfamusa.org](http://www.oxfamusa.org); Food First, [www.foodfirst.org](http://www.foodfirst.org); Interaction, [www.interaction.org](http://www.interaction.org); ♦Hunger Awareness Meal (LPF); Craig Nesson, *Give Us This Day* (AugsburgFortress); Bob Dole, et al, *Ending Hunger Now* (AugsFortress); George S. Johnson, *Beyond Guilt*; Jeffrey Sachs, *The End of Poverty* (Penguin); Stephen Smith, *Ending Global Poverty* (Palgrave)...

16. *International Cooperation*: Global Exchange, [www.globalexchange.org](http://www.globalexchange.org), Global Policy Forum, [www.globalpolicy.org](http://www.globalpolicy.org); US Institute of Peace, [www.usip.gov](http://www.usip.gov); UN Assoc., [www.unausa.org](http://www.unausa.org); Gregory Baum..., *Reconciliation of Peoples* (Orbis),

David Korten, *The Great Transformation* (Kumarian), Michael Edwards, *Future Positive* (Earthscan)

17. *Democracy*: □Bill Moyers, A Culture of Corruption ([www.commondreams.org/views06/0406-29.htm](http://www.commondreams.org/views06/0406-29.htm)); Center for Public Integrity, [www.publicintegrity.org](http://www.publicintegrity.org); Public Citizen, [www.citizen.org](http://www.citizen.org); Common Cause, [www.commoncause.org](http://www.commoncause.org); Public Campaign, [www.publiccampaign.org](http://www.publiccampaign.org); Michael Sifry and Nancy Watzman, *Is That a Politician in Your Pocket* (Wiley)

19. *Economic Justice*: Global Exchange, [www.globalexchange.org](http://www.globalexchange.org); Interfaith Center for Corporate Responsibility, [www.iccr.org](http://www.iccr.org); United for a Fair Economy, [www.ufenet.org](http://www.ufenet.org); Intn'l Forum on Globalization, [www.ifg.org](http://www.ifg.org); Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, *Healing a Broken World: Globalization and God* (Augsburg Fortress); John Kavanagh and Jerry Mander, eds., *Alternatives To Economic Globalization* (Berrett-Koehler); David Korten, *When Corporations Rule the World* (Kumarian)

20. *Environment, Simplicity*: Worldwatch, [www.worldwatch.org](http://www.worldwatch.org); Earth Ministry: [www.earthministry.org](http://www.earthministry.org); Friends of the Earth, [www.foe.org](http://www.foe.org); Michael Schut, *Simpler Living, Compassionate Life* (LIGN), [www.simpleliving.org](http://www.simpleliving.org)

General sources of commentary on public issues: [www.commondreams.org](http://www.commondreams.org); [www.fpf.org](http://www.fpf.org); [www.globalpolicy.org](http://www.globalpolicy.org); [www.truthout.org](http://www.truthout.org); [www.ips-dc.org](http://www.ips-dc.org); [www.thenation.org](http://www.thenation.org); [www.oneworld.org](http://www.oneworld.org)

## Nonviolence, Social Change

Pace e Bene, [www.paceebene.org](http://www.paceebene.org); Fellowship of Reconciliation, [www.forusa.org](http://www.forusa.org); Sojourners, [www.sojo.net](http://www.sojo.net)

Lutheran Peace Fellowship, [www.LutheranPeace.org](http://www.LutheranPeace.org) offers a wide range of nonviolence ♦activities, workshops, and resources; ELCA Equipping for Peacemaking Network, [www.elca.org/nonviolence](http://www.elca.org/nonviolence), view resource links including a page for joining the "equip4peace network" to receive up-to-date information and links on resources, trainings, and support;

Pace e Bene, *Engage* and *From Violence to Wholeness*, ♦curricula geared for small groups, [www.paceebene.org](http://www.paceebene.org); World Council of Churches, [www.overcomingviolence.org](http://www.overcomingviolence.org); UN Culture of Peace site, [www3.unesco.org/iycp](http://www3.unesco.org/iycp)

Paul Loeb, *The Impossible Will Take a Little While* (Basic) 60 inspiring essays on social change and hope; Walter Wink, editor, *Peace Is the Way* (Orbis), fine anthology offering a wide array of insights; Jonathan Schell, *The Unconquerable World* (Holt)

Richard Deats, *Martin Luther King, Jr.: Spirit Led Prophet* (New City), brief, well-written, emphasizes spiritual dimension of King; James M. Washington, ed., *I Have a Dream* (HarperCollins), the best brief MLK anthology; [www.mlkonline.com](http://www.mlkonline.com); Roger Gottlieb, *Joining Hands* (Westview), and Charles Marsh, *The Beloved Community* (Basic) on people of faith acting for justice

## Social Movements, Practical Aspects of Change (e.g. paragraph 23)

♦Wall of Hope activity, exhibit, or project on nonviolence movements throughout history: [www.LutheranPeace.org](http://www.LutheranPeace.org)

William Ackerman & Jack DuVall, *A Force More Powerful* (St. Martin's), PBS series examines successful nonviolent movements on five continents. Book offers additional case studies and analysis, [www.aforcemorepowerful.org](http://www.aforcemorepowerful.org); Robert Cooney and Helen Michalowski, *Power of the People* (New Society), illustrated history of nonviolence in the US

Kim Bobo, et al, *Organizing for Social Change*, and Art Simon, *52 Ways to Make a Difference* – practical manuals; Harry Boyte, *Everyday Politics: Reconnecting Citizens and Public Life* and other books on citizen action; Bill Moyer, et al, *Doing Democracy*, on making social movements successful. [www.LutheranPeace.org](http://www.LutheranPeace.org); [www.paceebene.org](http://www.paceebene.org); [www.forusa.org](http://www.forusa.org)

## Kairos Moment, Kairos Statements

□Larry Rasmussen, The Steep Price, *Sojourners*, 2-06; □Jerry Pedersen, War on Iraq – A Kairos Moment

Robert McAfee Brown, ed., *Kairos* (Eerdmans), an examination of *Kairos* statements from South Africa, Latin America, Asia, and North America with a useful introduction by Brown on the nature and characteristics of such declarations.

Victoria Barnett, *For the Soul of the People* (Oxford), on Protestant opposition to Hitler; Larry Rasmussen, *Dietrich Bonhoeffer: His Significance for North Americans* (AF); see also biographies of Bonhoeffer by Bethge and Robertson; anthologies of his writings by deGruchy, Kelly and Nelson; Charles Villa-Vicencio, ed., *Between Christ and Caesar* (Eerdmans) useful anthology

## Worship and Devotional Resources

Equipping for Peacemaking, [www.elca.org/nonviolence](http://www.elca.org/nonviolence), bulletin insert, links to ELCA worship resources; Lutheran Peace Fellowship, [www.LutheranPeace.org](http://www.LutheranPeace.org), bulletin inserts, peace worship packet; Institute for Peace & Justice, [www.ipj-ppj.org](http://www.ipj-ppj.org)

Bill Kellerman, *Seasons of Faith and Conscience* (Orbis) shalom throughout the church year; Jim McGinnis, *A Call to Peace* (Liguori) 52 meditations; Cindy Pile, ed., *Our Prayers Rise Like Incense* ([www.paxchristi.org](http://www.paxchristi.org)) fifty complete shalom liturgies

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