



20th-Annual World Peace and Prayer Day –

Spiritual Leaders Call for a Global Policy of Peaceful Co-Existence with All Our Relations

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The 20th-Annual World Peace and Prayer Day (WPPD) will be held at Howard Prairie Lake in Southern Oregon, June 18-21, 2015. This international gathering of indigenous and traditional leaders from various tribes and affiliations is free to the public, offering four days of ceremony, workshops, and performances. Intended to bring awareness to sacred sites, WPPD is a global call for a return to sustainable and sacred practices.

WPPD was founded in 1995 by Lakota Chief Arvol Looking Horse, 19th generational keeper of the Sacred White Buffalo Calf Pipe Bundle. Recognized as the spiritual leader of the Lakota, Dakota and North Nakota Sioux Nations, Chief Looking Horse has established relationships with world leaders, including Desmond Tutu, President Barack Obama and His Holiness the Dalai Lama.

“We must comprehend in each of our hearts and minds the two ways we human beings are free to follow, as we choose: the good way, the spiritual way - or the un-natural way, the material way. It’s our personal choice, our personal decision - each of ours and all of ours.” – Chief Arvol Looking Horse

Ceremonial leaders will be attending from around the world including founder of WPPD Chief Arvol Looking Horse and Grandmother Agnes Baker Pilgrim. World-renowned speakers will address global issues of peace, justice and environmental concerns. An Elder/Youth conference which enriches young people with the wisdom of the world’s sacred traditions will be held in conjunction with WPPD proceedings.

- **Chief Arvol Looking Horse** – Keeper of the Sacred White Buffalo Calf pipe and founder of World Peace and Prayer Day/Honoring Sacred Sites Day
- **Grandmother Agnes Baker Pilgrim** – Spokesperson for the International Council of Thirteen Indigenous Grandmothers, elder of the Federated Tribes of Siletz, revived the ancient Salmon Ceremony for the peoples of her bioregion
- **Grandmother Flordemayo** – Member of the International Council of Thirteen Indigenous Grandmothers, founder of the Institute for Natural and Traditional Knowledge
- **Eddie Benton Banai** – A Chief of the Midewiwin Lodge (Grand Medicine Lodge), elder and keeper of the Ojibwe oral tradition
- **Chief Dominique Rankin (T8aminik)**, Algonquin hereditary chief and Medicine Man, one of 49 elders representing Canada's aboriginal spiritual leaders, founded with **Marie-Josée Tardif** the NGO Kina8at for the promotion of culture and healing of Indigenous Peoples
- **Rabbi David Zaslav**, Leader of the Havurah Synagogue in Ashland, he will share ancient chants and poetry from the time of King David which speak of the planet as alive, imploring humanity to be grateful partners with the land

“All Nations, All Faiths, One Prayer”

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