



ICNY
Interfaith Center of New York

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Black History Conversation on Faith & Safety at Praise Tabernacle Church: February 26th, 2022

Dear Friends,

Tomorrow is Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of the season of Lent for Christians around the world. After the Russian invasion of the Ukraine, [Pope Francis called for a day of fasting and prayer for peace](#) on this day saying, "I invite everyone to make March 2, Ash Wednesday, a day of fasting for peace. I encourage believers in a special way to devote themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on

that day. May the Queen of Peace protect the world from the folly of war.” See ICNY’s statement [here](#).

Also on March 2nd here in NYC at 7 PM, [the Cathedral of St. John the Divine will hold an Ash Wednesday service](#) with the imposition of ashes and prayers for the people of Ukraine and Russia. Finally, as you can see in the announcement below, a multi-faith service of prayers for the Ukraine co-sponsored by the Parliament of the World’s Religions will be held on Thursday, March 3rd at noon the Chapel at 777 UN Plaza and streamed live on [Zoom](#), [Youtube](#) and [Facebook](#).

Local elected officials Council Member Gale Brewer and Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal both reminded New Yorkers this week that the largest concentration of Ukrainians living outside of the Ukraine is right here in NYC. Thus, in addition to [supporting international refugee agencies](#) in Europe, we can also contribute to local non-profits like [Ukrainian Congress Committee of America](#) (headquartered in the East Village). They have set up a #SupportUkraine [donation page here](#).

This past Saturday, ICNY’s [Hanadi Doleh spoke on a panel about combatting Gun Violence and the role of faith leaders](#) (pictured above) organized by new City Council Speaker Adrienne Adams. As follow-up to the successful December 2021 Rabbi Marshall Meyer Retreat: New York Faith Communities Respond to Gun Violence, Hanadi and others at ICNY are continuing the work of involving faith leaders more in this critical community issue. Thank you for supporting us in this important work.

In this e-newsletter, you will find information on the 66th UN Commission on the Status of Women side event that ICNY is co-sponsoring with the Micah Table on the impact of the pandemic on domestic and intimate partner violence and the role that faith leaders can play in combatting this violence. We hope that you will join us.

Sincerely,



REV. DR. CHLOÉ DREYER
Executive Director

ICNY COSPONSORED PROGRAMS



ICNY
Interfaith Center of New York

Co-Sponsored By

 **PARLIAMENT**
OF THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS.

 Committee of
Religious
NGOs
of the UNITED NATIONS



— **GLOBAL PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE:** —
a multi-faith service for peace and freedom in a hurting world

Thursday, March 3, 2022 | 12:00 noon ET

Join Us in Person at
the United Nations Church Center Chapel

777 UN Plaza,
New York, NY 10017

Stream Live via [Zoom](#), [Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#)

— **In Partnership With** —

The Association of Global New Thought, the Baptist World Alliance, the New York Board of Rabbis, the Unitarian Universalist UN Office, Unity World Headquarters, The Interfaith Center of New York & Others

Global Prayers for Ukraine: A Multi-Faith Service for Peace and Freedom in a Hurting World

Thursday, March 3rd, 12:00pm EST

Join in person at the United Nations Church Center Chapel: 777 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017

[Click Here to Register for the Zoom](#)

[Click Here to Access the Event Via Facebook Live](#)

[Click Here to Access the Event Via Youtube](#)



**MICAH INSTITUTE
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**
March 14-15, 2022

Join us for a two day conference where a coalition of New York women faith leaders from diverse faith traditions share how their communities are responding to the rise of domestic violence during the pandemic. A key proponent of the conference will be addressing faith rooted informed techniques in gender equality and the empowerment of women that have been victims of domestic violence. This conference is in partnership with the United Nations CSW NGO Forum 66.

VIRTUAL EVENTS (sign up at right):
Join us for one or both days!

Monday, March 14, 2022
4pm - 6pm

A Distinguished Interfaith Panel

Addressing The Global Pandemic of Domestic Violence. UN CSW66 parallel event.

RSVP: <https://bit.ly/micahdvconference>

Tuesday, March 15, 2022
10am - 2pm

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Coralanne Griffith-Hunte

Global Pandemic of Domestic Violence:

Advocacy & Faith-Rooted Action.

Keynote address followed by workshops.

REGISTER & SIGN UP FOR WORKSHOPS:
<https://bit.ly/micahdvconference>



Micah Institute Women's Conference

Domestic Violence and The Pandemic: An Interfaith Response

Monday, March 14th: 4:00 - 6:00 pm EST

Tuesday, March 15th: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm EST

[RSVP Here](#)

In response to the dramatic increase of domestic violence during the pandemic, the Micah Institute and the Interfaith Center of New York are hosting a two day online conference with [CONNECT](#), Genesis 2 Ministries Ink, [WARM Inc.](#), [New York Board of Rabbis](#), [Turning Point for Women & Families](#), African American Clergy and Elected Officials, and New York Recovery Community Coalition that will support both international and national diverse faith leaders as they address this unprecedented public health crisis.

In partnership with the United Nations CSW NGO Forum 66, a coalition of New York women faith leaders from diverse religious traditions share how their communities are responding to the rise of domestic violence during the pandemic. A key proponent of the conference will be addressing faith rooted informed techniques in gender equality and the empowerment of women that have been victims of domestic violence.

The Zoom link and meeting ID you will need to participate in the conference will be found in the thank you message once you RSVP (above button).

Please contact micahconference@gmail.com with any questions about the conference or the registration process.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS



KHALIL CENTER

NYC Mayor's Office of
Community Mental Health



The Bereavement Initiative: Coping with Grief & Loss In The Muslim Community

A workshop + support group designed for Muslim New Yorkers who have suffered grief and loss and who may be experiencing emotional distress related to bereavement.

1. Bereavement Workshop for Muslim New Yorkers



Thursday, March 3, 2022



12:00 - 1:30PM EST

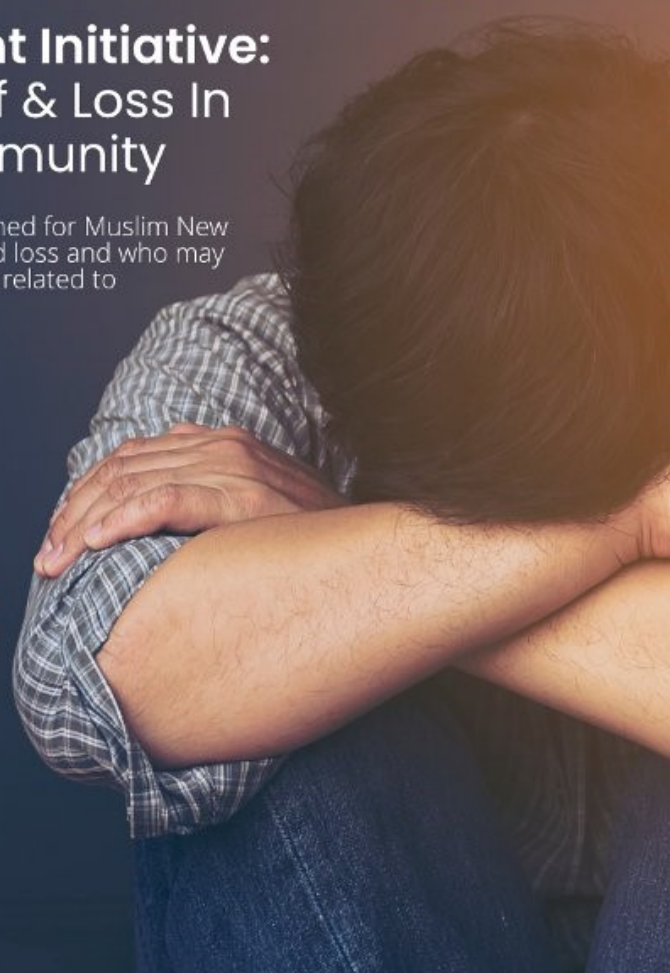
2. Support Group for Muslim New Yorkers



April 2nd, May 7th, June 11th, 2022



11:00 AM EST



Mental Health Virtual Workshop

Bereavement Workshop for Muslim New Yorkers

Thursday, March 3rd, 12:00-1:30 pm EST

[Click Here to Register for Event](#)

Join the Khalil Center, in partnership with the NYC Mayor's Office of Community Mental Health and the Heal Collective NY, for a workshop and support group

designed for Muslim New Yorkers who have suffered grief and loss and who may be experiencing emotional distress related to bereavement.

Bereavement is associated with numerous mental health challenges, poor quality of life and difficulty connecting with others. For individuals who have lost a loved one unexpectedly – as many have due to COVID-19 – informal support and connection to peers can aid in recovery.

This initiative will build knowledge about grief and the grieving process, teach supportive communication strategies and coping skills, and create a space for healing and connection to care.

**SEACHANGE
COLLECTIVE**

CROSSING LINES

**3/9 and 3/15
10:00 am – 1:00 PM EST**

**Anti–Oppression
Dialogue Facilitation**

Facilitation is one tool of many in our fights for justice. This workshop will incorporate awareness of power dynamics and positionality, especially when connecting people (virtually or in-person!) from different political, cultural, national, linguistic or other backgrounds. Our approach aims to move beyond “just talking,” to concrete behavior change and actions for social justice. Facilitators: Brienne “BC” Colston and Sulafa Zidani.

GROUNDING PROGRAM DESIGN

**3/28, 3/30, 4/1
10:00 am – 1:00 PM EST**

**Incorporating Anti–
Oppression Approaches to
Social Justice**

How can we ensure that our good intentions aren’t reinforcing inequality and injustice? This interactive 3-part workshop will introduce you to the 6 steps of Grounding Program design and give you tools to build programs based in community needs and justice – to make sure our work has the impact we need. Facilitators: Promiti Islam and Hannah Weitzer.

More info & registration: www.seachangecollective.org/workshops

Open Workshops with Seachange Collective

Crossing Lines: March 9 and 15, 10:00am - 1:00pm EST

Grounding Program Design: March 28, 30 and April 1, 10:00am - 1:00pm EST

[Click Here to Learn More](#)

The Seachange Collective is excited to share dates for their first Open Workshops of 2022! These spring offerings allow participants to build tools & community that may help keep justice at the core of your work.

Crossing Lines: Anti-Oppression Dialogue Facilitation

Registration closes March 3rd!

How can we use facilitation in our fight for justice? This interactive, 2-part workshop will examine the uses of facilitation as a tool in the fight for justice. Together, we will learn how to make space for challenging conversations, both virtually and in person. We will explore how we may use our own positions to transform oppressive power dynamics.

Scheduled Facilitators: Brienne "BC" Colston & Sulafa Zidani

Grounded Program Design: Incorporating Anti-Oppression Approaches to Social Justice

Registration closes March 23rd!

How can we ensure that our good intentions aren't reinforcing inequality and injustice? In this interactive, 3-part workshop, you will be introduced to the 6 steps of Grounded Program Design and learn tools and frameworks to build and assess programs based in community needs and justice. We'll examine how we can make sure our work has the impact we need.

Scheduled Facilitators: Promiti Islam & Hannah Weitzer

Please note: All of these workshops have sliding scale prices.



SEXUAL HEALTH AND THE WHOLE SELF

A Holistic Perspective on Sexual Health in Clinical Practice



with Dr. Bat Sheva Marcus, LCSW, MPH, PhD

Mental/Sexual Health Virtual Workshop

Sexual Health and The Whole Self: A Holistic Perspective on Sexual Health in Clinical Practice

Wednesday, March 9th, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm EST

[Click Here to Register for Event](#)

The Psychotherapy & Spirituality Institute invites you to join certified sex therapist and author, Dr. Bat Sheva Marcus, for Sexual Health and the Whole Self, a workshop on strategies for addressing sexual health in clinical practice. Dr. Marcus is the clinical director of Maze Women's Sexual Health in New York, the largest independent sexual health center in the country, and the author of *Sex Points: Reclaim Your Sex Life with the Revolutionary Point System*.

It has been said that therapists are more comfortable talking to their clients about death and money than sex. For many therapists, inquiring about sex can feel invasive, voyeuristic, or taboo, especially if there are religious or cultural considerations. And yet, sexual health is an integral part of a person's sense of self and well-being.

This half-day virtual workshop will offer an overview of sexual health, exploring such topics as why therapists don't talk about sex and why it's important. It will also offer

best practices and practical techniques for sexual inquiry and interventions in clinical practice.

4 CECs available to NYSED certified LMFTs, LMHCs, LCSWs, LMSWs, & LCATs.

Clinical Objectives

At the conclusion of this course, participants will be able to...

- Articulate an understanding of sexual health in the context of psychotherapy as essential to treating the whole person;
- Identify three primary issues around sexual health that clients bring to treatment;
- Engage in at least three clinical techniques for addressing the sexual health of clients in the therapy setting.

Cost - \$140

Celebrating International Women's Day
Inspirational Women

MARCH 10



Debora Kayembe

Humans rights campaigner, Lawyer, Linguist,
Refugee, Rector of Edinburgh University (3rd
Woman and first Black person)



Lama Zangmo

Tibetan Buddhist Nun and Teacher



Olivia Marks-Woldman

Chief Executive of Holocaust
Memorial Day Trust

6:00 - 7:30 PM

ZOOM EVENT

Religions for Peace **EI**
UK WOMEN OF FAITH NETWORK **FA**

International Women's Day

Celebrating International Women's Day: Inspirational Women

Thursday, March 10th, 6:00-7:30 pm EST

[Click Here to Register for Event](#)

Religions for Peace UK Women of Faith Network in partnership with Edinburgh Interfaith Association for International Women's Day are honoured to have three inspirational women to talk about their groundbreaking work, and what has inspired them to create change.

Join this event to hear the stories of **Debora Kayembe**, first black female Rector of Edinburgh University, **Lama Zangmo**, Tibetan Buddhist Nun and Head Teacher of of Kagyu Samye Dzong and **Olivia Marks-Goldman**, Chief Executive of Holocaust Memorial Day Trust.

Please register in advance for this webinar via the above button.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Change of email address for events: Please note that information about Religions for Peace UK Women of Faith Network events will be sent from the email address programme.manager@rfpuk.org.

CONNECT WITH THE NYPD

For any questions, or to speak with a recruiter, please visit NYPDRECRUIT.COM, or call **212-RECRUIT** seven days a week, 7am to 8pm.

For more information about a career with the NYPD visit the NYPD website at NYPDRECRUIT.COM.



Facebook:
NYPD Recruit



Twitter:
@nypdrecruit



Instagram:
@nypdrecruit



LinkedIn:
NYPD

BE THE CHANGE



Be the Change: NYPD Recruitment Registration Ends March 11th

[Click Here for Full Recruitment Pamphlet](#)

Looking to become a part of the change in your community? Join the NYPD and bring your own experience and culture to this important public service.

The NYPD is currently recruiting their next Police Officer class. Registration is required and is open through March 11, 2022.

To register for the exam, visit www.nyc.gov/oasys. For more information, contact 212-RECRUIT or visit the [NYPD's website](#).

The Interfaith Center of New York (ICNY) works to overcome prejudice, violence, and misunderstanding by activating the power of the city's grassroots religious and civic leaders and their communities.

Donate



ICNY
Interfaith Center of New York



© 2021 The Interfaith Center of New York

Interfaith Center of New York
The Interfaith Center of New York
475 Riverside Drive, Suite 540
New York, NY 10115