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Morality

In this changing world humanity's basic moral codes of conduct seem to be undermined. The Ten Commandments as well as other more recent commonly agreed pacts and laws specifying behavioural boundaries, seem unable to hold our societies together. The cloak of decency can no longer hide the many ways people within all stations in life have broken, ignored or circumvented every single moral code for personal gratification.

But these moral codes, which C.S. Lewis has defined as: a) moral standards with regard to behaviour; b) moral responsibility, referring to our conscience; and c) moral identity, referring to consciousness, have nevertheless given us a greater understanding of what is and is not good and taught us much about cause and effect.

Humanity appears to have reached a threshold in its evolution where we as individuals are challenged to open up to a wider view of the whole, and to give serious thought to our moral responsibility to move into the future as one human family and also consider the welfare of the other life forms within our common habitat. And modern technology continues to provide us with new and almost instant ways and methods of communicating, relating and interacting with one another, all of

which will require greater sensitivity, accuracy and honesty from us all as we learn how to use this new medium to inform, help, and connect with each other.

It might be useful to take a look at some of the habitual thinking that could have invaded our minds while grappling with the moral codes of the past, and how people in power, whether heads of state or family, religion or culture, might have manipulated these to keep control over their subjects. The notion that we are incurable 'sinners' or powerless victims of circumstances is still lingering in many places; some still believe that Karma sums up the total of human failures, and that the rebellious spirit within the human being must be tamed and subdued - all of which could have contributed to a general fear of the future, a clinging to the past, and a weakening of our inner strength and sense of purpose.

However, ancient scriptures assure us that karma is not a hard and fast rule; that the aim of the law of cause and effect is not to punish but to teach humanity the consequences of choices made, both good and bad, and to ensure the forward progression as lessons are learnt and greater understanding achieved. We are also told that the human being is not destined to be the helpless victim of circumstances but to become an intelligent, self-conscious arbiter of his or her own destiny and thus become

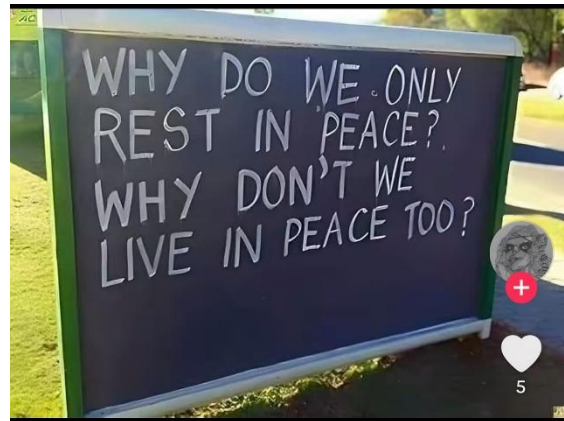
an expression of the inner intent at the heart of all creation.

The rebellious spirit inherent within the human being has since the dawn of history been the driving force behind all progress. The human soul has toiled through the rise and fall of many civilizations and cultures, in its desire to express, through form, that which dwells within. And gradually human conscience and consciousness have been refining the physical vehicle to allow a more adequate expression of the fullness of our being.

Our world today may seem as brutal, selfish and divided as ever, but

‘just when from the earthly point of view everything has been transgressed, it may be that at the same time most beautiful concepts are already being born’ (‘Brotherhood’ 1937). So let us wean ourselves off the old habitual patterns and learn to look for and nurture the good and most beautiful in each other.

Gita Brooke Many to Many, June 2011



International Women's Day 2026



Dear friends,

As we observe International Women's Day (IWD) this year, the global community does so in a time of continuing turbulence, conflicts and uncertainty about the future of our planet.

Such moments remind us once again that women's equality and empowerment are not only issues concerning women; those are relevant for humanity as a whole – for all of us. This crucial point needs to be internalized by every one of us.

- **This year's International Women's Day is special as the United Nations would hopefully and appropriately elect a woman as its next Secretary-General.**

- **Let me underscore here an unacceptable reality: in its eighty years of existence, the United Nations has not yet elected a woman Secretary-General – eight decades, nine men, and not one woman. What an embarrassment – what a shame! How can an institution that speaks of equality at every podium continue to**

model inequality at its pinnacle? The credibility of the UN's advocacy depends on its own reflection in the mirror.

- **A stark and undeniable reality of our world today is that patriarchy and misogyny continue to thrive as scourges pulling humanity away from our aspiration to live in a world of equality, peace and justice. No country in the world has reached full legal equality for women and girls.**

- **In many parts of the world, we are witnessing renewed attempts to undermine the hard-earned gains achieved through decades of advocacy for women's rights and gender equality.**

- **Women's organizations, feminist activists and women human rights defenders remain the courageous voices challenging discrimination and injustice. Their role is indispensable for advancing human dignity and human progress.**

- **My work has taken me to many parts of the world, and time and again I have seen the transformative impact of women's leadership and participation in shaping peaceful, inclusive and resilient societies.**

- **We should always remember that without peace, development is impossible, and without development, peace is not achievable – but without women, neither peace nor development is conceivable.**

- **The theme of IWD 2026 – "Rights, Justice, Action: For All Women and Girls" – is both timely and compelling. It reminds us that**

progress requires not only recognition of rights but also determined action to ensure justice and equality in practice.

- **Let me assert again that feminism is about smart policy, which is inclusive, uses all potential and leaves no one behind.**

- **I am proud to be a feminist. All of us need to be. That is how we make our planet a better place to live for all.**

- **Let me also recall that in the year 2000 on this very day, as the President of Security Council, I had the honor of steering the pioneering statement by the whole Council leading to the conceptual and political breakthroughs paving the way for the consensus adoption of the UNSCR 1325 on 31 October 2000 under the Namibian Presidency.**

On this IWD, let us renew our commitment to building a gender-equal world.

Our individual actions, conversations and mindsets can transform our larger society.

Together we can make change happen!!!

Warmly,
Anwarul K. Chowdhury
Bangladesh

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¹ This message was also published on International Women's Day 2026 as an opinion piece in the Inter Press Service (IPS) Journal on 9 March 2026.



"Mastery is the best goal because the rich can't buy it, the impatient can't rush it, the privileged can't inherit it, and nobody can steal it. You can only earn it through hard work. Mastery is the ultimate status."

Derek Sivers

Source: [How to Live](#)

Women's Day 2026

The link below will allow you to share HE's message.

[H.E Ms. Annalena Baerbock at the GA @United Nations on 2026 Int'l Womens Day #LikeAWoman](#)



Musical Links

Given the present uncertainty in many walks of life, music can play an important part in raising hope and lowering anxiety.

With the theme of the current issue being 'Now is the Hour' and linked to 'Time', the following links may be useful to you.

Feel free to share others with family, friends, colleagues and acquaintances.

Now is the hour [Now Is The Hour \(Maori Farewell Song\)](#)

Blowin' in the wind
[Bing Videos](#)

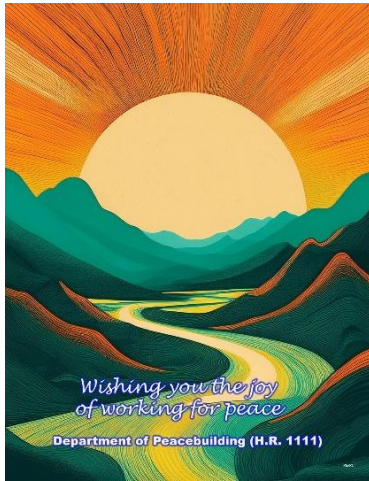
Bono Days of Ash
American obituary (Renee Good)

[Bing Videos](#)
[U2 > News > 'U2 - Days of Ash' New EP Out Now](#)

Harry Styles Sign of the times
[Harry Styles - Sign of the Times \(Official Video\)](#)

Manifestation Meditation

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
PEACEBUILDING



Reading below text from the full Department of Peacebuilding manifestation meditation is a short 1-minute way to spread its message in the world. It was created by Pathways to Peace in collaboration with the Peace Alliance. When read, imagine Tami Briggs of Pathways to Peace playing her harp in the background. Hear Tez Gabriel of Pathways to Peace speak out its tender words crafted by Department of Peacebuilding Campaign members. Or listen to the entire 11-minute video here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hGgeUx1hsvo>

Become aware of your breath and breathe deeply

Connect with your heart space as we open up to the Manifestation Meditation for the Department of Peacebuilding.

The United States strives for its highest potential by weaving peace for all into the fabric of our government and our culture.

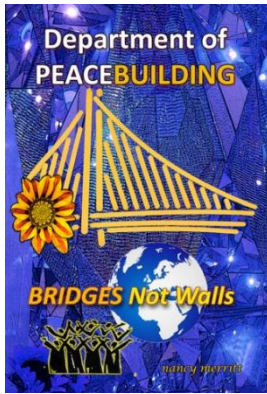
We now have reached a tipping point with a growing number of people involved in the grassroots peace movement.

This abundance of peacebuilders signals to legislators to sign HR 1111. Which establishes the first cabinet-level Department of Peacebuilding, making nonviolence a national priority organizing principle.

An overwhelming number of Congress Members vote yes, making history to create the Department of Peacebuilding.

The president, legislators and citizens are excited to manifest this cultural shift and to model it to the world.

Peace Prevails on Earth. And So, It Is.



Time Is Now

for a United States
Department of
Peacebuilding!

~ *Making Real Aspirations for Peace Through a Governmental Cabinet-Level Department of Peacebuilding (per U.S. Bill HR 1111)* ~

Read full U.S. 2025 Peace Alliance Department of Peacebuilding Campaign Report – *Why HR 1111 Needed in Fierce Urgency of NOW!*

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/DoP2025Report>

NOW is the TIME for passage of bill HR 1111 in the U.S. Congress to establish a Department of Peacebuilding as it has been a long time coming. The recent iteration of this bill was first introduced by then Ohio Representative Dennis Kucinich in July, 2001 (two months before 9/11).

It has been refined, seasoned and reintroduced in each Congressional session since then for the last 25 years, in alignment with the now proven science of nonviolence.

Thus, its seemingly “idealistic” quality has ripened and matured to “practicality” in these desperate times in dire need of new ways to build peace, since our old ways clearly do not work. If this bill had passed 25 years ago, imagine what the world might have looked like today? Would we be in such sad shape - still with never-ending wars?

It is time to THINK BEYOND WAR by making nonviolence an intentional, national governmental priority focus at all levels - inner, local, national, international and planetary.

The Peace Alliance Department of Peace Campaign was founded in 2004 after Rep. Kucinich’s presidential bid. It was devoted exclusively and earnestly to advancing this singular inspirational legislation. The Peace Alliance has since evolved in many other peace directions, while a core group of devoted Department of Peace campaigners continue to carry its founding torch. This report shows the depth and breadth of their accomplishments.

It is time NOW for departments, ministries and other “infrastructures for peace” to be established worldwide to **steer the course of history consciously and wisely towards peacebuilding as a primary human focus.** TODAY it would not be hyperbole to say our planet has never been so close to World War 3, the result of which could be planetary devastation. Visionaries believe these are the end evolutionary times of the age-old belligerent **Peace Through Strength** mentality that humanity has been operating under since the beginning of TIME.

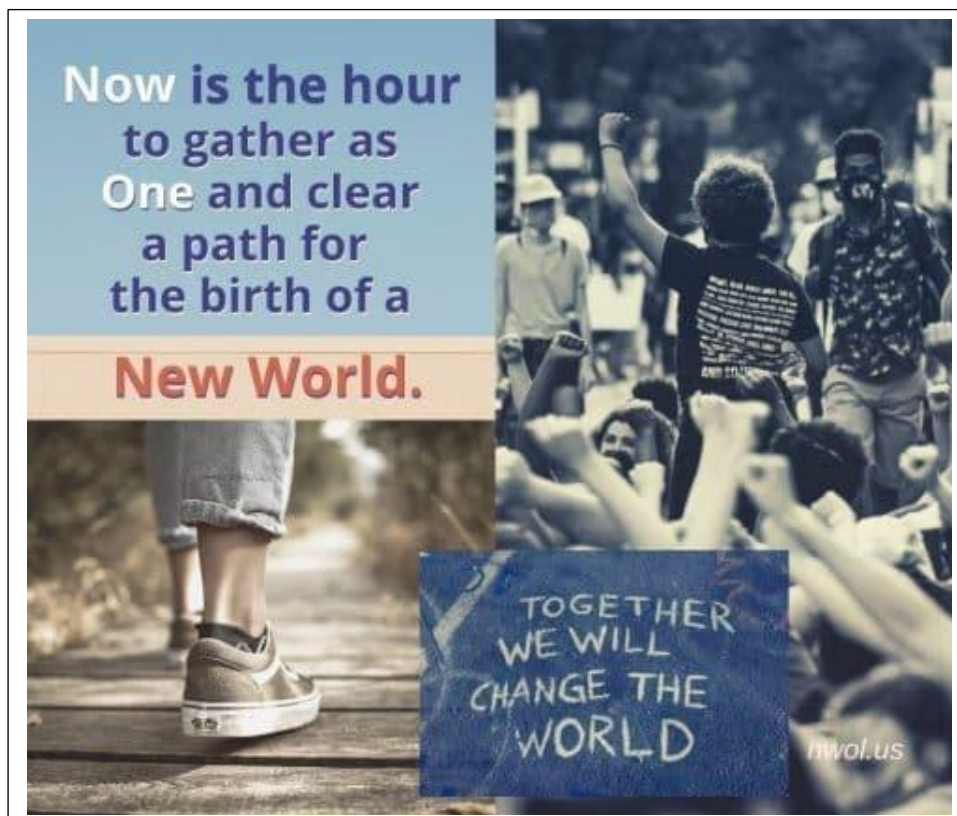
The new pacifist mindset of **Strength Through Peace** is **struggling to be born, in transition with labor pains whose future is yet to be determined! Will it be nonviolence or nonexistence?** Building governmental departments, ministries and other

“infrastructures for peace” worldwide (recommended in the 2023 UN “New Agenda for Peace”) provides a realistic, evidence-based course of action (per UN Culture of Peace Declaration and Program of Action Resolution A/RES/53/243) upon which to build a harmonious and loving worldwide Culture of Peace. So, a Department of Peacebuilding must become MANIFEST NOW.

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Infrastructures for Peace www.gamip.org

“Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired, signifies in the final sense a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed. This world in arms is not spending money alone. It is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children....This is not a way of life at all in any true sense. Under the cloud of threatening war, it is humanity hanging from a cross of iron.”

~ U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower 16 April 1953



Time

Before we were born we were without time,
After we're dead we are without time.
We are here for a time.
Life is time.
Our timelines are just our lifelines,
They can have their guidelines.
Time is of the essence,
I've learnt many lessons,
I'm just tryna take my time,
While they take my time.
Cause if they take my time, they take my life.
It's all about timing. WRONG PLACE
WRONG TIME!
Now they put me in time out,
That's putting me in life out,
That's time to myself, spending life on myself.
It's like I'm forced to be selfish with time.
What a selfish life.
My older brother taught me that you spell love, T.I.M.E.
So time is love, love is life.
They want prison to be a hard life,
doing HARDTIME.
Depriving us of time is depriving us of love.
If isolation is punishment, then giving us time is intended to take us away from love. Having time to ourselves.
Sentencing us to years and years in prison, to reflect over a mistake which only took a moment in time.
Some would say what a waste of time.
I say it's just a matter of time, it's time to matter.

Cause if LIFE is TIME and TIME is LOVE,
Giving us TIMEOUT, so spend with ourselves,
Spend LOVE on ourselves.
I've been incarcerated nearly 13 years now, that's a lot of time on myself.
So I've got to know myself REAL well, and learnt to love myself.
So all that time they took from me, I took straight back by getting to know myself.

I took time to forgive myself
I took time to forgive others
I took time to reflect
I took time to regret
I took time to learn myself
I took time to love myself

CONDITION ME TO LOVE
UNCONDITIONALLY!!

They didn't take no time from me,
They gave my time to me.
So, thank you, judge for my time.

ChuKCy Mayne

When presenting this story the biblical reference: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 was also quoted.

Now is the Time



Dear friends, now is the time.
We shall be benevolent in our thinking
with a unified heart and mind.
We shall raise our spirit to
understanding.
We shall see how the plan for
humanity unfolds.
We shall see how passages of collapse,
Of sad destruction and sorrow, must
be subsumed
Under cycles of evolution, the noble
path of return.
We shall see how experience brings
growth of wisdom.
We shall rejoice, for now is the time.

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Light Is Winning

YOU CANNOT SEE US



BUT WE SEE YOU

There are not weapons nor evil
enough
to destroy the growing army of
lightworkers in the world.
We cannot be defeated by dark forces,
for in us there are no names, no faces.
We have no government to corrupt or
destroy,
no one face that represents us.
There is no known target, for
we are everywhere.
We are unseen faces in a crowd,
quietly going about the business
of living our lives and fulfilling
our mission to shine light
into the corners and crevices of
darkness
to expose corruption and injustice.
You cannot destroy us because you
cannot find us.
How can you annihilate what you
cannot see?
We are your nemesis.
We are invisible. We are invincible. We
are inspired.

We are here, we are everywhere, we
are strong.

We need no organization because
we are guided by the light and love
of Wise Ones who have gone before
us.

You may destroy our form,
but not our spirit, for we shall live on.
When one leaves more will come.
Another and another.

We are fierce warriors of light,
here for the purpose of destroying the
dark.

We will die that others might live.

We see you, we know you.

You can hide no longer,
for our light will expose your evil
misdeeds

and you will flee for your lives.

We are nameless and we are faceless;
we are young and we are old.

We hide in plain sight, everywhere
present.

You cannot see us but we see you.

The earth is our home and we its
custodians.

We will protect it and keep it safe in
the name of love.

We are an army of lightworkers.

We cannot be defeated for we have
already won.

If you are among the fortunate,
our light will transform you
and you will become one with us.

*Written in the name of love by a
faceless, nameless lightworker*

First they came for....

First they came for the socialists, and I did not speak out – because I was not a socialist.

Then they came for the trade unionists, and I did not speak out – because I was not a trade unionist.

Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out – because I was not a Jew.

Then they came for me – and there was no one left to speak for me.

— *Martin Niemöller*

THE GREAT INVOCATION

**From the point of Light within
the Mind of God**

**Let light stream forth into
human minds. Let Light
descend on Earth.**

**From the point of Love within
the Heart of God**

**Let love stream forth into
human hearts. May the Coming
One return to Earth.**

**From the centre where the Will
of God is known**

**Let purpose guide all little
human wills The purpose which
the Masters know and serve.**

**From the centre which we call
the human race**

**Let the Plan of Love and Light
work out And may it seal the
door where evil dwells.**

**Let Light and Love and Power
restore the plan on Earth.**