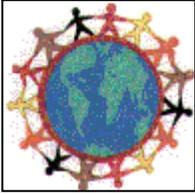


A Prayer Vigil for the Earth



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Multi-Cultural Prayer, Drumming and Ceremony 18th Annual Prayer Vigil for the Earth

Fri-Mon, October 8-11, 2010 by the Washington Monument

Washington, DC – Experience a heart-felt, mindful and joyful celebration of life as people from all over the world and from a great array of traditions come together to share prayers and ceremonies in celebration of the Earth. The gathering focuses on co-creating a place, our peace village, where the assembled multi-faith, multi-cultural community can share harmony with self, each other, and our Earth. May Peace Prevail on Earth and may all the children of all the species for all time know respect and love.

The 18th Prayer Vigil for the Earth is proud to announce its partnership with Turtle Women Rising for our October gathering, replacing the originally scheduled Labor Day weekend Prayer Vigil. All are invited! Come by for awhile – or stay.

Participate in the lighting of the sacred fire and the ritual of sharing of peace pipes at sunrise. Honor the Earth through Native American and other cultures' prayers and ceremonies. The gathering will be anchored by Turtle Women Rising's magnificent drum, Kiya's (Grandmother's) Heartbeat. The drum vibration is a form of healing that allows our spirits to speak to each other's hearts. Turtle Women Rising knows that peace cannot be given; it must be created in the hearts of the living, and the drum is one vehicle for making such connections.

The host tradition of this amazing event is Native American, joined by spiritual leaders and representatives from major faiths and many spiritual beliefs and anyone who wants to be part of this magical experience. Participants include indigenous traditions from North and South America and Africa, the 13 Indigenous Grandmothers, Buddhists, Christians, Jews, Hindus, Muslims, Shinji Shumeikai, Hari Krishnas, members of the Yoruba tradition, and other faiths and cultures.

We are thrilled to share and co-create the 2010 Prayer Vigil for the Earth with Turtle Women Rising (www.turtlewomenrising.com) and the 13 Indigenous Grandmothers (www.grandmotherscouncil.com). Please join us for this extraordinary gathering.

Experiences and events during the Vigil include:

Native American Sunrise Ceremonies

The Turtle Women Rising Drum, Kiya's (Grandmother's) Heartbeat

The 13 Indigenous Grandmothers with their teachings and ceremonies

Children Singing Peace

Honoring John Lennon's "Imagine Peace" on his 70th birthday, Oct. 9, 2010

Honoring Those Who Serve, welcoming home all military personnel, inviting them into our sacred circle

Shumei Taiko Drums

Dancing and Singing with Rabbi David Shneyer

Tibetan Prayers

Sufi Offering with Osmanli Naks-i'bendi Hakkani Dergahi

Christian Communion

Buddhist Chanting

Hindu Music

Walking the Labyrinth

Children's Blessing

African Teachings, Music, and Ceremonies

... and so much more

Program highlights for the 2009 event: <http://oneprayer.org/2009.html>

Click here for photos: http://oneprayer.org/Photo_Gallery.html