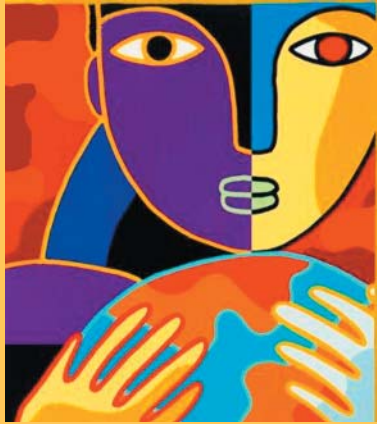


From Empire to Earth Community: Navigating

the Great Turning

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A Leadership Gathering

Working together to advance our understanding of the Great Turning*, strengthen our individual works, foster critical connections, and create Earth Community.

Three inspiring days of small and large group experiences designed to maximize inquiry and dialogue that create rich connections and foster breakthrough ideas! Together we will:

- **Build a sense of shared purpose** and a strategic framework in the midst of “single issue” initiatives.
- **Develop ways** to make our collective movement more visible.
- **Identify framing language** and strategies for the new stories of Earth Community.
- **Develop a strong body of committed individuals** who will generate significant change in their chosen issues/environments as part of a network that will grow and strengthen rapidly.

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**The Great Turning is an inclusive framework that has emerged as a synthesis of thinking and experience arising from the many initiatives that are giving form and substance to a global social movement aligned with the principles of the Earth Charter. “From Empire to Earth Community” frames the integral connections among varied progressive initiatives by drawing attention to the upstream causes of the problems these initiatives seek to address thereby helping us become ever more effective in addressing causes rather than simply treating symptoms.*

PLENARY PRESENTATIONS BY:

David Korten, Best-Selling Author, “When Corporations Rule the World” and “The Great Turning: From Empire to Earth Community.”

David Cobb, Fellow, Liberty Tree Foundation for the Democratic Revolution, organizer with Democracy Unlimited of Humboldt County, and 2004 presidential candidate of the Green Party of the United States.

ORGANIZATIONAL PRESENTATIONS BY:

TENTATIVE: Northwest Earth Institute, Conscious Choice Magazine, YES! Magazine, Democracy Unlimited of Humboldt County, Alliance for Democracy, Sustain Dane, Post Carbon Institute, US Social Forum, Earth Charter, United Church of Canada, The Possibility Place, Unitarians Universalists for a Just, Economic Community, People-Centered Development Forum, Simplicity Circles, and more.

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Identifying Empire Stories, Framing Earth Community Stories
- Small Groups/Circles as Social Change Agents
- Making our Movement Visible
- Engaging Faith Communities
- Organizing Local Alliances to Create Local Earth Communities
- Long-term Strategies for Earth Community
- Organizations as Earth Community Storytellers

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SCHEDULE

Friday, March 30 (4:30-9:30pm)

4:30-5:25pm: Registration
5:30-6:25pm: (Student Lounge) Dinner/Welcome
6:30-6:50pm: (Student Lounge) Getting Acquainted
7:00-8:10pm: (Classrooms) Small Group Getting Acquainted
8:20-9:15pm: (Student Lounge) David Korten/Presentation
9:15-9:25pm: Visioning Process
9:25-9:30pm: Logistics/Adjourn

Saturday, March 31 (8:00am-9:30pm)

8:00-8:55am: (Student Lounge) Continental Breakfast
9:00-9:50am: (Student Lounge) David Cobb/Presentation
9:55-10:55am: (Student Lounge) Small Group Plenary Reflections
11:00-11:45am: (Student Lounge) Facilitated whole-group discussion based on Plenary Reflections
12:00-12:55pm: (Student Lounge) Lunch
1:00-2:30pm: (Classrooms) Session One- Small group Learning/Discussion Groups
2:30-2:50pm: Break/Snacks
2:55-4:25pm: Session Two- Small group Learning/Discussion Groups
4:35-6:05pm: Free Time
6:15-7:15pm: (Student Lounge) Dinner
7:30-9:30pm: Evening Activity

Sunday, April 1, 2006 (8:00-2:00pm)

7:00-9:00am: (Student Lounge) Continental Breakfast
8:00-8:55am: (Auditorium) Interfaith "Great Turning" Service
9:05-10:05am: (Student Lounge) Deepening our Collective Perspectives: Facilitated whole-group discussion based on report backs from Learning/Discussion Groups.
10:05-10:30am: Reflection by the "Assimilators."
10:30-11:00am: Break/Snacks
11:00am-12:30pm: (Student Lounge) What's Next Circles
12:30-1:15pm: (Student Lounge) Facilitated whole-group discussion based on What's Next Circles
1:15-2pm: Adjourn/Networking/Snacks

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Upon registration an informational packet will be sent including directions, lodging suggestions, and other pertinent information.

Registration deadline is March 1, 2007.