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Last Night I Had the Strangest Dream

Last night I had the strangest dream

I ever dreamed before

I dreamed the world had all agreed

To put an end to war

I dreamed I saw a mighty room

The room was filled with men

And the paper they were signing said

They'd never fight again

And when the papers were all signed

And a million copies made

They all joined hands and bowed their heads

And grateful prayers were prayed

And the people in the streets below

Were dancing round and round

And swords and guns and uniforms

Were scattered on the ground

The above verses were written in 1950 by Ed McCurdy, an individual who was a major contributor to the revival of folk music in the U.S. during that time. The song's vision of a world free from war—a vision so resonant in the lines about ...

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Charter for Compassion News, Programs, and Webinars



Harmony Of Humanity: Exploring Common Ground Through Music with Marilyn Turkovich

Every Wednesday, at 8am PT / 11pm ET / 4pm GMT / 9.30pm IST

Music has been an integral part of every culture throughout history, reflecting the unique characteristics and traditions of different societies. From the rhythmic beats of African drums to the intricate melodies of Indian ragas, music provides insight into the lives, histories, and identities of people around the world. By studying various musical traditions, we gain a deeper appreciation for the diversity and richness of global cultures.

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Grounding Ourselves in Nature: A Meditative Experience with Jennifer Wilhoit, PhD

Tuesday, November 12, at 8am PT / 11am ET / 4pm GMT / 9.30pm IST

This ninety-minute global gathering will offer gentle, nature-inspired experiences to help us touch in with our innate capacity for compassion and gratitude, particularly in changeable and uncertain times. We will provide meditation, readings, reflection, and more.

There will also be space for small and large group conversation. This promises to be a soothing and slowly unfolding balm for our hearts. Please bring to the Zoom gathering: pens, a journal, and a nature object (or nature image) that you love.

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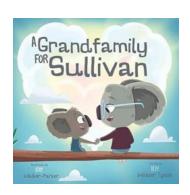


EdNet Forum: "Learning from Cultural Renewal" with Jenny Finn from Springhouse

Thursday, November 14, at 7.30am PT / 10.30am ET / 3.30pm GMT / 9pm IST

In this session, Jenny will share about her experience in fostering vitality through cultural design and education, including what she has learned from the 10-year experiment at Springhouse. She will introduce the five principles of our cultural design that we call Sourced Design, and share a unique educational model that puts Life at the center and supports people and communities as they learn how to come alive.

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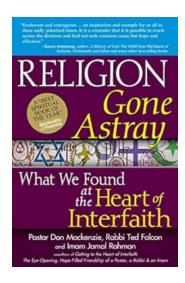
Global Read for Kids + Co: "A Grandfamily for Sullivan" by Beth Tyson

Illustrated by Adam Walker-Parker

Saturday, November 16, at 9.30am PT / 12.30pm ET / 5.30pm GMT / 11pm IST

Are you caring for a child with BIG emotions related to loss and childhood trauma? A Grandfamily for Sullivan is a therapeutic story, designed with soothing imagery and sensitive language to help children cope with life after adverse childhood experiences (ACES).

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Global Read: "Religion Gone Astray" by Pastor Donald Mackenzie

Wednesday, November 20, at 9am PT / 12pm ET / 5pm GMT / 10.30pm IST

Welcome to the deeper dimensions of interfaith dialogue—exploring that which divides us personally, spiritually and institutionally.

Expanding on the conversation started with their very successful first book, the Interfaith Amigos—a pastor, a rabbi and an imam—probe more deeply into the problem aspects of our religious institutions to provide a profound understanding of the nature of what divides us.

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Compassion Circle: The Charter Sangha

Saturday, November 30, at 9am PT / 12pm ET / 5pm GMT / 10.30pm IST

On the last Saturday of every month, the Charter for Compassion offers a 90-minute practice of people coming together to be in a Circle, a Sangha.

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From our Partners



Our Pride: 2024 Shorts & Arts Fest

EXTENDED UNTIL NOV 30!

The Global LGBTQIA+ Festival for Filmmakers, Content Creators, Artists, Young Adults & Teen Students

Learn more about this virtual fest by reading a blog entry by John Boswell, Lead of the LGBTQ+ sub-sector for the Charter for Compassion.

Read Entry and Buy Tickets Here



GoldenRuleism Resources

Many school children are returning to schools and education centres across the world this week in the Global South and North! We have two relevant and practical children's and educators/parents resources that have been designed by the GoldenRuleism Team, to be fun, interactive and functional ways to ease children back into their education environments and assist in navigating some of the completely rational nerves and excitment that comes with starting or restarting school again!

Check Resources Here!









Save the date! *Wednesday, November 20, 2024*

This summit is an incredible opportunity to connect, learn, and be part of the compassionate initiatives happening worldwide.

Event highlights:

- International panel featuring global experts
- Diverse range of topics with a focus on experiences
- Interactive conversations and group formation based on the proposals received

<u>Interested in Attending? Click/Tap here!</u>

Interested in Presenting? Click/Tap here!



GLOW 2024

November 20 & 21, 2024

Learn more about the 3rd Annual Global Learning for an Open World Conference.

The GLOW Conference highlights important work in developing global competencies and experiential learning. One of its chief goals is to present practical, actionable steps that all attendees can take in their own contexts to implement innovative educational approaches. This emphasis distinguishes the GLOW Conference from many other educational conferences: we want to showcase effective educational approaches and make it easy for others to try those approaches in their own teaching and learning contexts.

Proposals can be submitted from July 1, 2024, until midnight (UTC-5) on October 20, 2024.

For additional details and to submit a proposal, visit this document.

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