

# Peace protested; it must be reality

There is surprising good news for humanity in current tensions in the Middle East. We are started to hear of anti-peace gatherings. A new word makes one jump into new thinking.

In the long sweep of history, we have thought that war or a lull between wars was the only option. A common comment in 1946 was that in the military were going home only for a while. This was not said with despair but as a matter-of-fact assessment of reality.

A new alternative arises in the novel thought that peace is a reality. It has positive meaning in its own right and is not just the absence of war.

New ideas are threatening. The Peace Corps was a bold experiment so daring that it lost its name as political prejudices equated strengthening America with strengthening the military.

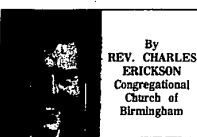
THAT THE OLD order may crumble is a frightening thought. Governments always give top priority to a war department. Economies and governments rise and fall as defense is managed wisely or stupidly.

All of a sudden the final or ultimate act of government is a new question. In today's jargon, what is the bottom line? Where do privileges stop as harsh necessities take command?

Anti-peace activity is the good news that peace is a power significant enough to oppose. One cannot rebel against a sponge. A boy discovering manhood needs to stand up to a father who has backbone. Opposition to peace gives it credibility and authenticity. Peace is legitimized to be respected in tax-based funding, honored in textbooks, and worthy of heroes and heroines.

INTOLERABLE oppression eventually causes change. War has been intolerable for centuries, but the vision of peace didn't become practical reality. Now defenders of the status quo resist peace and give it visibility. Vitality is infused as governments risk their very existence for peace.

Technology which can get men to the moon opens consideration that war is not the most potent defense of civ-



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lization. Anti-peace forces clarify other efforts to try the unthinkable.

Intolerable labor conditions gave rise to unions. Tension legitimizes the industrial system, not the power of owners. Sharing power among all employees changed the system as maturity gave new strength to capitalism. People were liberated to serve common purpose rather than serving hierarchy.

THE WOMEN'S movement proposes to liberate both males and females. Taking a stand against distorted portrayals of masculinity actually affirms male potency while denouncing supposed superiority. Men can drop "machismo" which was a cover for self doubt and a debating effort to prove masculinity.

Arguments about contraception and abortion are skirmishes in the significant confrontation over freedom of choice regarding parenthood. Squabbling legitimizes the role of parent as a chosen option. New awareness of responsibility comes in seeking to be worthy of the selected purpose.

The civil rights struggle popularized the truth that power has to be taken for it will never be given up voluntarily. It is no accident that a civil rights leader received a Nobel Peace prize. Suggesting that war is not inevitable takes power from the military-industrial complex.

How refreshing it is to see peace as an option so viable that some people oppose it.

Anti-peace efforts will multiply as peace becomes a practical goal. It would be exciting to differ about strategies within a peace department securely seated as the final authority in government.

## Religion Calendar

**BEVERLY HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, 2000 W. Thirteenth Mile, will host Church Women United of Birmingham in the group's World Day of Prayer service at 10 a.m. Friday.

The Rev. William Verhelst, pastor of the host church, will speak, and the theme of the service will be Community Spirit in Modern Living. That theme, prepared by Church Women United of Canada, is being used in similar services around the world on the same day.

The offering will go to support intercontinental mission projects of Church Women United. A nursery will be provided for preschoolers.

**TROY FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, 6303 Livorno, will present a program by Jack Cumbe, professor of philosophy at Oakland University, and his wife, Judy, at 6 p.m. Sunday.

The Cumbe's will talk on "Doing With Less to Have More," an explanation of exploring changes in life styles as a way for all to know a greater fullness of life. The talk is open to the public. A finger-food pollock will precede the talk.

**TROY CHURCH OF THE NAZARENES**, 6940 Crooks, is sponsoring a series of performances by the Buckles-Burke Trio, traveling gospel singers, through Sunday. The young musicians will perform at 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. The public is invited.

**BIRMINGHAM CHURCH OF CHRIST**, 3737 W. Big Beaver, Troy, will offer the ninth film Wednesday, March 8, in a 10-part series on "How Should We Then Live?" The film will be shown at 7:30 p.m. and will be followed by a discussion. The series was developed by Dr. Francis Schaeffer and examines the lessons of the past and how to apply them to the present.

**PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 2800 New Market Road, Farmington Hills, will hold a special World Day of Prayer Service at 10:30 a.m. Friday.

A chancel drama entitled "Behold God's People" will be performed by the ladies of the church.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON**, 3312 Grand River, will hold a musical jubilee at 1 p.m. Sunday.

A barbershop quartet called Major Event will be featured, along with the chancel choir, youth choirs, men's quartet and youth band. Admission is free.

**THE LABOR ZIONIST INSTITUTE**, 2850 Middlebelt, Farmington, will feature Eliezer Rafael, director general of the University of Haifa, in a discussion of Combating Arab Propaganda, at 8 p.m. Sunday.

The event is co-sponsored by the Detroit Zionist Federation, and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

**NORTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**, 28275 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, will observe the 75th anniversary of the church on Sunday. Worship service will be at 10:30 a.m. The theme will be Looking Back with Thankfulness—Looking Ahead with Faithfulness. A reception is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. in the narthex and dinner and a program will be at 12:30 p.m.

**TEMPLE BETH EL**, 7400 Telegraph, Birmingham, will host Eugene B. Borowitz, professor of religious thought at Hebrew Union College, as scholar-in-residence Saturday and Sunday. Theme of the weekend will be Reform Judaism Today-A Centenary Perspective. At an 8:30 p.m. Friday service, his topic will be Where have we been—Where are we going?

A Shabbat dinner at 6:30 p.m. will precede the service. Prof. Borowitz will discuss "What We Believe" at 11 a.m. Saturday.

## Adler lecture slated March 12

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, will deliver the annual Rabbi Morris Adler Memorial Foundation Lecture at 8 p.m. Sunday, March 12, in Congregation Shomay Zedek of Southfield.

The lecture is sponsored by the synagogue's cultural commission. Rabbi Schindler's topic will be "Menachem Begin—Anwar Sadat—What does the Future Hold?"

Rabbi Schindler is an advocate of reinforcing the synagogue as "an effective instrument for the preservation and transmission of Judaism." He considers the struggle against Jewish illiteracy—that is, unfamiliarity with the history, lore, with philosophy and religion of Judaism—as of paramount importance.

He succeeded the late Rabbi Maurice N. Eisenstath at UAHC in 1972. The body has 710 member synagogues and more than a million members.

The rabbi was born in Munich, Germany. His father was a poet and an outspoken critic of the Nazis. The family fled Germany in 1932, and six years later, they came to New York City.

As the director of religious education, he headed the Union's publication program.

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