

# Consistent Life 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference

## *Embracing the Consistent Life Ethic*

March 9-11, 2012 - National 4-H Youth Conference Center, Chevy Chase, MD

- Meet a diverse group of national/international Consistent Life Ethic (CLE) supporters for mutual support and encouragement, and to consider ways to forward the CLE message
- Hear speakers who embody the CLE message
- Learn how to actively engage CLE in your group or religious body
- Families welcome! Peace camp and child care for children

### Some Program Highlights

- Workshops addressing a historical retrospective, looking at future foundations with educating our children and outreach to youth, direct action, nourishing the CLE in today's political climate, early Christians and the CLE, relationships with other issues, winning conservatives to the anti-war cause, and reconciliation after such events as murders.
- Catholic and Protestant worship services on-site Sunday morning
- Public witness action on the CLE in downtown DC 12-3 PM Friday (optional)

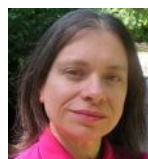
### Plenary Speakers

**Rev. Dr. Johnny M. Hunter** is National Director of the Life Education And Resource Network (LEARN, Inc.) and President of Global Life & Family Mission. He also serves as Pastor of Praise and Worship at Cliffdale Community Church in Fayetteville, NC; and is a consultant specializing in goal-oriented racial diversity training and organization. He is winner of numerous awards including the Dr. Martin Luther King Religious Leadership Award, Sojourner Truth Award, and Defender of Life Award.



**Dr. Catherine Meeks** is retired as Clara Carter Acree Distinguished Professor of Social Science and Professor of Socio-Cultural Studies at Wesleyan College. Dr. Meeks' books include *Standing on Their Shoulders: A Celebration of the Wisdom of African American Women* and *Bears and Butterflies: A Way to Listen to Your Hearts*. She writes regularly for *The Huffington Post*. Dr. Meeks has won numerous awards, including NAACP Outstanding Community Service Award, W.E.B. Dubois Award for Outstanding Service to the African American Community, and Georgia Sociologist of the Year.

**Aimee Bedoy** is a 2011 graduate of Carnegie Mellon University. She served as President of the CMU Life Matters Club for two years. In August 2011, she founded *Life Matters Journal*, and currently serves as its Executive Editor. This quarterly journal is dedicated to opening a forum for discourse on all issues related to human life and dignity. Ms. Bedoy seeks to unify the movement for all human life across boundaries of religion, politics and lifestyle. She will speak on reaching the younger generation about the CLE.



**Rachel MacNair** is CL Vice President and Director of our research arm, the Institute for Integrated Social Analysis. She also serves as President-Elect of the Peace Psychology Division of the American Psychological Association. She is a past President of Feminists for Life of America, and the founder of the Feminism and Nonviolence Studies Association. She has written or edited, alone or with others, a number of books, including *Consistently Opposing Killing: From Abortion to Assisted Suicide, the Death Penalty and War*, and *Perpetration-Induced Traumatic Stress: The psychological consequences of killing*.

### Additional Conference Information

**Registration:** \$150, students/low income \$60.

**Meals & Lodging:** All meals and lodging are available at the Center

**Conference Web site:** <http://cl25conf.wordpress.com/>

**Opportunities for Organizations:** Exhibit space, packet inserts and program ads available

**For more information:** See the Web site, email [cl25@consistent-life.org](mailto:cl25@consistent-life.org) or call 1-866-444-7245. We welcome volunteer assistance, and additional ideas for workshop topics and leaders.

# About Consistent Life

***We are committed to the protection of life, which is threatened in today's world by war, abortion, poverty, racism, capital punishment and euthanasia. We believe that these issues are linked under a 'consistent ethic of life'. We challenge those working on all or some of these issues to maintain a cooperative spirit of peace, reconciliation, and respect in protecting the unprotected. We serve the anti-violence community by connecting issues, building bridges, and strengthening the case against each kind of socially-approved killing by consistently opposing them all.***

## Member Groups

As a network, we have about 200 member groups. These include groups working on one or more of our issues, faith groups, and groups representing other constituencies. A few of these groups are:

Archdiocese of Cape Town, South Africa – Justice & Peace Commission	Disabilities Perspectives	National Council of Catholic Women
Augustinian Peace & Justice Office	Evangelicals for Social Action	Orthodox Peace Fellowship in North America
Benedictine Sisters of Erie	Feminists for Life of America	Pax Christi, USA
Catholic Peace Fellowship	Franciscan Center for Social Concern	People of African Interest & Descent
Catholics Against Capital Punishment	Friends (Quakers) Witness for a Prolife Peace Testimony	Pro-Life Alliance of Gays and Lesbians
Center for Action and Contemplation	Jubilee Partners	Respect Life (United Kingdom)
Conference of Major Superiors of Men	Koinonia Partners	Secular Prolife
Crusade for Life (Nigeria)	Los Angeles Catholic Worker	Sojourners
Democrats for Life of America	Maryknoll Office of Global Concern	

## Endorsers

We also have many distinguished individual endorsers. A few of these are:

Joan Andrews-Bell, <i>pro-life activist</i>	Nat Hentoff, <i>Cato Institute</i>	Dr. David Reardon, <i>Elliot Institute</i>
Rev. Dan Berrigan, SJ	Rev. Johnny Hunter, <i>LEARN</i>	Rev. Samuel Rodriguez, <i>President, National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference</i>
Wendell Berry, <i>University of Kentucky</i>	Dr. P. Jayaraman, <i>Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, USA (Institute of Indian Culture)</i>	John D. Roth, <i>Editor, Mennonite Quarterly Review</i>
Sidney Callahan, <i>psychologist, author, speaker</i>	Patrick Mahoney, <i>Christian Defense Coalition</i>	Martin Sheen, <i>Actor</i>
Sr. Joan Chittister, OSB	Brian D. McLaren, <i>Emergent</i>	Glen Harold Stassen, <i>Fuller Theological Seminary</i>
Shane Claiborne, <i>The Simple Way</i>	Don Mosely, <i>Co-Founder, Habitat for Humanity</i>	Jean Vanier, <i>L'Arche International</i>
Mairead Corrigan Maguire, <i>Nobel Peace Prize Laureate</i>	Adolfo Pérez Esquivel, <i>Nobel Peace Prize Laureate</i>	Jim Wallis, <i>Sojourners</i>
His Holiness, The Dalai Lama	Sr. Helen Prejean, CSJ	Rt. Hon. Rev. Rowan Williams, <i>Archbishop of Canterbury</i>
Richard Foster, <i>Renovaré</i>		
David P. Gushee, <i>Christian Ethicist</i>		
Stanley Hauerwas, <i>Duke Divinity School</i>		

## Peace & Life Connections

We publish a free weekly email newsletter, *Peace & Life Connections*. Subscribe at <http://www.consistent-life.org/>

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