

Kim Bobo, Kendall, Max, **Organizing for Social Change**,* fine manual (Seven Locks, '92); Katrina Shields, **In the Tiger's Mouth** (New Society, '94); Marshall Rosenberg, **Speak Peace in a World of Conflict** (PDP, '05); Si Kahn, **Organizing**;* Keshavan Nair, **A Higher Standard of Leadership**, Gandhian insights; Margaret Wheatley, **Turning to One Another**; Lee Staples, **Roots to Power**; George Lakey, **Grassroots and Non-Profit Leadership**; Stephen Covey, **Principle-Centered Leadership**;* www.trainingforchange.org www.avpusa.org www.cnvc.org

10. spirituality and peace with justice

Walter Wink, **Engaging the Powers**,* exceptionally insightful, helpful exploration of non-violence (Fortress, 1992), a briefer version: **The Powers That Be*** (Doubleday, '98); Jim Wallis, **God's Politics** (Basic, '05); Charles Marsh, **The Beloved Community**; www.kairosaction.org

Dorothee Soelle, **The Silent Cry, On Earth as in Heaven**, many others (Fortress, 2001, '94); John Howard Yoder, **Politics of Jesus*** (Eerdmans, '94); Roland Bainton, **Christian Attitudes Toward War and Peace**,* an eye-opening survey (Abingdon, '60); Donald Shriver, **An Ethic for Enemies*** solid, thoughtful (Oxford, '95); Ronald Sider, **Nonviolence** (Word, '89)

Henri Nouwen, **Road to Peace** (Orbis, '98); Oscar Romero, **Violence of Love** (Harper, '98); Swartley, ed., **Love of Enemy...**(WJKP, '92); Thistlethwaite, Engle, eds., **Lift Every Voice*** Boff, Brown,* Buttry, Chittister, Dawn,* Dear, Douglass, Loeb,* McGinnis,* Merton,* Neal, Smedes,* Stassen, Tamez, Thurman www.sojonet.net www.ipj-ppj.org www.afsc.org www.lutheranpeace.org

Daniel Smith-Christopher, **Subverting Hatred**, nonviolence in 9 religions (Orbis, '98); Murray Polner, Naomi Goodman, eds., **Challenge of Shalom** (New Soc., '94) www.JewishPeaceFellowship.org and www.shalomcenter.org; Bawa Muhaiyaddeen, **Islam and World Peace** (Fellowship, '92), www.cair-net.org Morihei Ueshiba, **The Art of Peace**, Stephen Mitchell, trans., **Tao Te Ching*** (Harper, '88)

Bernie Glassman, **Bearing Witness: A Zen Master's Lessons in Making Peace**, inspiring (Bell Tower, '98); Kenneth Kraft, **Wheel of Engaged Buddhism*** (Weatherhill, '99); Thich Nhat Hanh, **Love in Action**,* others, by the revered teacher (Parallax, '93); www.bpf.org ... Easwaran,* Eck,* Heckler, Palmer, Aitken, Chodron, Epstein, Kotler, Macy,* Salzberg,* Watts

11. the arts and social change

Pete Seeger & Bob Reiser, **Everybody Says Freedom:...Civil Rights Movement in Song and Pictures*** (Norton, '89); Kerry Kennedy Cuomo and Eddie Adams, **Speak Truth to Power**, global human rights (Crown, '00)...Denisoff, Felshin, O'Brien, Little, Wye, www.syrulturalworkers.org

Carolyn Forché, ed., **Against Forgetting**,* wide-ranging global anthology (Norton, '93), Sam Hamill, **Poets Against the War** (Nation, 2003)... Espada, Gersmehl,* Gittlin,* Kiernan, Lowenfels*

Carol Bly, **Changing the Bully Who Rules the World**, literature on ethics (Milkweed, '96); Michael True, **An Energy Field More Intense Than War: The Nonviolent Tradition and American Literature**, very helpful (Syracuse, '95)...Berger, Kome and Crean, Street

Achebe, Baldwin,* Bambara, Barker,* Butler,* el Saadawi, Faqir,* Gordimer,* Lester,* Naipaul, Oz,* Paley,* Shange,* Tan,* Walker, Wiesel,* Woolf... Angelou,* Berry, Bly,* Brutus, Giovanni,* Harjo, Hughes, Jordan,* Levertov,* Lorde,* Milosz, Neruda,* Piercy,* Rich,* Snyder, Stafford, Szymborska*

12. biography and autobiography

Hanan Ashrawi, **This Side of Peace**,* John Baliban, **Remembering Heaven's Face**,* Larry Rasmussen...Edwin Robinson...Eberhard Bethge, **Dietrich Bonhoeffer**,* Robert Coles, **Dorothy Day**,* Robert McAfee Brown, **Gustavo Gutierrez** and **Elie Wiesel**; Eva Kriskova, **Vaclav Havel**,* David Halberstam, **The Children*** (on Nashville sit-ins); Myles Horton, **The Long Haul**,* Sr. Chan Khong, **Learning True Love**,* John Lewis, **Walking With the Wind**,* Paul Monette, **Borrowed Time**,* Helen Prejean, **Dead Man Walking**,* James Brockman, **Romero**,* Andrew Young, **An Easy Burden***...also: Angelou,* Aung San Suu Kyi, Berrigan,* Chavez,* Dellinger,* duBois,* Hamer, Kielberger,* Mairs,* Mandela,* Seo, Steinem, Sivaraksa, Tubman, Watterson,* Weil

So what are your favorite books on the key topics of today? Share your ideas with us!

Transforming Our World

The most useful books, manuals, and web sites, selected by PJRC teachers, researchers, parents, and activists.

1. nonviolence

Walter Wink, editor, **Peace Is the Way*** is the best anthology on nonviolence we've seen: endlessly insightful (Orbis, 2000). **Engage** and **From Violence to Wholeness**,* are outstanding study and activity manuals, esp. for religious groups (Pace e Bene, '98, '05 www.paceebene.org); AFSC, **Help Increase the Peace**, is a great manual of engaging activities to teach youth peacemaking skills (www.afsc.org). **Leadership Training in Peacemaking and Peacemaking in the Real World*** workshop and manual for organizers, speakers, teaches (LPF, PJRC, '07; 206.720.0313).

Peter Ackerman and Jack DuVall, **A Force More Powerful**,* successful nonviolent efforts worldwide (St. Martin's, 2000, PBS series, www.aforcemorepowerful.org); Robert Cooney and Helen Michalowski, **The Power of the People**,* a wonderful illustrated history of nonviolence in the US (New Society, '87); Bill Moyer, **Doing Democracy**, insight on social movements (New Society, '01); Stephen Zunes, et al, eds., **Nonviolent Social Movements**, a superb global survey... also: King,* McCarthy, Muste, Nagler, O'Gorman,* Prejean,* Schell, Sharp,* Sibley* www.forusa.org

Pam McAllister, ed., **Reweaving the Web of Life**,* an illuminating anthology on women and nonviolence by the author of **You Can't Kill the Spirit*** and **This River of Courage**,* terrific stories of women and nonviolence (New Society, '82, '88, '91); Elise Boulding, **Cultures of Peace**, wonderful essays (Syracuse, '00)...also: Day,* Deming,* Eisler,* Enloe,* Lester, Ruddick... Paul Loeb, **The Impossible Will Take a Little While**,* 50 hopeful essays by a who's who of activists (Basic, '04)

2. king and gandhi

Richard Deats, **Martin Luther King, Jr.: Spirit Led Prophet**, brief, well-written survey that does justice to King's nonviolence and spiritual roots (New City Press, 2003) ...see also accounts by Ansbro, Branch,* Carson,* Cone,* Dyson,* Garrow,* Harding, Oates, Schulke and McPhee*...

Martin Luther King, Jr., **Where Do We Go From Here**,* his prescient last book; James M. Washington, ed., **I Have a Dream**,* the best brief MLK anthology, and **A Testament of Hope**,* a major collection (HarperCollins, 1995, '86); **The MLK Companion**,* King quotations (St. Martin's, '93); a wealth of material is available at: www.mlkonline.com and www.stanford.edu/group/King

Eknath Easwaran, **Gandhi the Man*** (Nilgiri, 1997) and R. Deats, **Mahatma Gandhi** (New City, '05) two fine illustrated overviews; Stanley Wolpert, **Gandhi's Passion**, full-length biography (Oxford, '01)... also studies by Brown, Fischer, Iyer www.mkgandhi.org and www.GandhiInstitute.org

Thomas Merton, ed., **Gandhi on Nonviolence**,* brief quotations on many topics (New Directions, 1964); Homer Jack, ed., **The Gandhi Reader*** (Grove, 1994)...also Fischer anthology

Joan Bondurant, **Conquest of Violence**,* clear, penetrating look at Gandhi's genius (Cal., '65); Gene Sharp, **Gandhi as a Political Strategist*** (Porter Sargent, '79)...Harak, Iyer, Nair, Power

In the late 1990s, lists were compiled of the 100 best novels, films, songs... of the 20th century. We decided to ask: "What are the 100 books of the 20th century that would be the most useful if we actually read them in the 21st century!" Suggestions came from many teachers, activists, scholars, parents, and previous PJRC book lists... We read them all, eventually selecting about a dozen books in a dozen categories. Other especially useful authors are listed at the ends of sections, and we've added 60 web sites. We keep updating the list and welcome your comments and suggestions.

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3. international and defense issues

Robert and Judy Zimmerman Herr, eds., *Transforming Violence*, excellent (Herald, '98); **People Building Peace: Inspiring Stories Around the World*** (ECCP, IFOR, '99, www.ifor.org); Gregory Baum and Harold Wells, eds., *Reconciliation of Peoples* (Orbis, '97); John Paul Lederach, *Journey Toward Reconciliation* (Herald, '99); Robert Burrowes, *The Strategy of Non-violent Defense* (SUNY, '96)...Beer, Mahoney and Eguren, Moser-Puangsuwan and Weber, Griffin-Nolan,* Schirch, Stassen, Taylor, www.nonviolentpeaceforce.org www.peacebrigades.org

Desmond Tutu, *The Rainbow People of God** and *No Future Without Forgiveness*, reconciliation in S.Africa (Doubleday, '93, '99); Bill Sutherland & Matt Meyer, *Guns and Gandhi in Africa* (AWP, '00); Philip McManus & Gerald Schlabach, eds., *Relentless Persistence*, Latin America (New Soc., '91); Eknath Easwaran, *Man to Match His Mountains*, nonviolence in Islam (Nilgiri, 86) deGruchy, Gourevitch, Hallie, Soyinka,* Tooley, www.fpf.org www.amnestyusa.org www.oneworld.org

Chalmers Johnson, *Sorrows of Empire* (Metro, '04), Thomas Ricks, *Fiasco* (Penguin, '06); Lloyd Gardner & Marilyn Young, eds., *The New American Empire* (Norton, '05); Nicholas Mills & Kira Brunner, eds., *The New Killing Fields*, Graham Allison, *Nuclear Terrorism*; Greider, Hartung, Klare, Markusan, Nye, O'Hanlon, Power, Roy www.cdi.org www.clw.org www.kairosaction.org

4. environment, development, simplicity

Lester Brown, et al, *State of the World* and *Vital Signs* (Norton, annuals, www.worldwatch.org); Daniel Faber, *Struggle for Ecological Democracy* (Guilford, '98); Carl Pope and Paul Rauber, *Strategic Ignorance* (Calif. '04); Michael Klare, *Blood and Oil*...Bullard, Capra, Durning, Gelbspan, Hayes, Lynas, Spretnak, www.sierraclub.org www.ucsusa.org www.foe.org

Jeffrey Sachs, *The End of Poverty* (S&S, '04) Dieter Hessel, Larry Rasmussen, eds., *Earth Habitat* (Fortress, '01), www.earthministry.org; David Beckman and Art Simon, *Grace at the Table* (Paulist, '99, www.bread.org) Frances M. Lappe, *World Hunger: 12 Myths** (Grove, '98, www.foodfirst.org)... Hallman, Moe-Lobeda, Ruether, www.jubileeusa.org www.InterAction.org

Michael Schut, ed., *Simpler Living, Compassionate Life* (LIGN, 1999); Goldian Vandenberg, *Less is More* (Inner Trad., '96)...Andrews, Elgin, Nearing, Sider, www.SimpleLiving.org

5. economic, social, and political justice

Paul Krugman, *The Great Unraveling*, *NY Times* economist (Norton, 2003); Mike Prokosch and Laura Raymond, ed., *Global Activists Manual*, readable, inspiring intro (Nation Books, '02, www.ufenet.org); Kevin Danaher and Roger Burbach, ed., *Globalize This!* 26 brief and helpful essays (Common Courage, 2000) www.globalexchange.org; Neva Welton and Linda Wolf, *Global Uprising*, esp. youth views (New Society, '01)...Alperovitz, Danaher, Hold, Kuttner, www.iccr.org

David Korten, *When Corporations Rule the World*, must-read indictment by a respected economist (Kumarian, '01); Naomi Klein, *No Logo*, brilliant expose of marketing (Picador, '02); Francis Fox Piven, *The War at Home* (Norton, '04); Lori Wallach and Patrick Woodall, *Whose Trade Organization?* on WTO (New Press, '04); Michael Moore, *Downsize This!*... Birch, Frank; www.ifg.org

Barbara Ehrenreich, *Nickel and Dimed*, on working poor (Holt, '01); Demos, *Inequality Matters* (New City, '05); Michael Sifry and Nancy Watzmann, *Is That a Politician in Your Pocket?* on money in politics (Harper, '02, www.publiccampaign.org); Howard Zinn, *People's History of the United States*, history from below (Harper, '03)... Chomsky, Dowd, Hightower, Ivins, Sklar; www.publicintegrity.org www.fair.org www.bordc.org www.nationalpriorities.org www.pfaw.org

6. re-imagining race and ethnicity

Patricia Raybon, *My First White Friend: Confessions on Race, Love, and Forgiveness** well-written and helpful (Viking, 1996); Paul Kivel, *Uprooting Racism*, insightful, practical manual (New Society, '96); Clyde W. Ford, *We Can All Get Along** (Dell, '94); Paul deYoung, *Reconciliation* (Judson, '97); Barndt,* Collum, Friedman, Gonzalez, Law, Park, West,* www.lhra.org

stimulating alternative perspectives: www.commondreams.org www.truthout.org www.zmag.org www.sojo.net www.thenation.org www.forusa.org www.citizen.org www.globalpolicy.org

Ronald Takaki, *A Different Mirror*, history of multicultural America (Little Brown, '93); M. Annette Jaimes, ed., *The State of Native America*, a superb collection (South End, '92); Juan Gonzalez, *Harvest of Empire*, latino/a history (Viking, '00); William Wei, *The Asian American Movement* (Temple, '93); Juan Williams, *Eyes on the Prize** PBS series companion volume (Blackside, '87), Vincent Harding, *Hope and History** (Orbis, '90)...also: Banks,* Berger, Coleman, Katz, Marable,* www.civilrights.org www.avpusa.org www.cair.org www.nclr.org www.apala.org www.adc.org

7. gender

Riane Eisler, *The Chalice and the Blade** (HarperCollins, 1988); Cynthia Enloe, *Maneuvers: ... Militarizing Women's Lives** (Calif., '00); Susan Griffin, *Chorus of Stones** (Doubleday, '92), provocative, influential; Barbara Deming, *We Are All Part of One Another** (New Society, '84); Harriet Alonso, *Peace as a Women's Issue* (Syracuse, '93); www.wilpf.org

Mel White, *Stranger at the Gate** by the nonviolent "Soul Force" leader (Penguin, '95) www.soulforce.org; Mark Thompson, ed., *Long Road to Freedom**, a well-illustrated history of the gay and lesbian movement (St. Martin's, '94); Barry Adam, *Rise of a Gay and Lesbian Movement* (Twayne, '95)...also: Bawer, Boyd,* Heyward,* Marcus,* Schulman, Sullivan, Wink*

Flora Davis, *Moving the Mountain**, a fine history of the US women's movement (Simon & Schuster, 1991); Elise Boulding, *The Underside of History*, an enlightening survey (Westview, '93)...hooks,* Lerner, Nelson, Ruether,* Spender,* Steinem, www.now.org www.feminist.org

8. children, parenting, youth

FAVAN, *Families Creating a Circle of Peace**, Family Pledge of Nonviolence, videos, curricula, school packages etc: www.ipj-ppj.org Dave Grossman and Gloria DeGaetano, *Stop Teaching Our Kids to Kill*, call to action on media violence (Crown, 1999); www.medialit.org Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer, *Families Valued** (Friendship, '96)... www.childrensdefense.org

Patty Wipfler, *Listening to Children, Quality Time, Playlistening...* unusually insightful booklet series (www.handinhandparenting.org); Myla and Jon Kabat-Zinn, *Everyday Blessings** (Hyperion, '97); Stephen Covey, *Seven Habits of Highly Effective Families* (FranklinCovey, '97); William Martin, *Parent's Tao Te Ching...* also: Kohn, Edelman,* McGinnis,*

K. Louise Schmidt, *Transforming Abuse*, nonviolent responses to abuse of women and children (New Society, '95); Paul Kivel, *Young Men's Work* (Hazeldon, '95) www.paulkivel.org Michael Paymar, *Violent No More*, (Hunter House, '93); Mary Pipher, *The Shelter of Our Families,* Reviving Ophelia** (Putnam, '94, '97); Paul Loeb, *Generation at the Crossroads,** activist youth (Rutgers, '94)... also: Levine, Pollack, Schor, Shur, Silverstein and Rashbaum

9. conflict transformation, education, leadership

Marshall Rosenberg, *Nonviolent Communication; Speak Peace in a World of Conflict* insightful, practical approach; *Life Enriching Education* (PDP, 2003, '05), great workshops and resources: www.cnvc.org; John Paul Lederach, *Little Book of Conflict Transformation;* Alternatives to Violence, excellent workshops: www.avpusa.org

Deborah Tannen, *You Just Don't Understand,** on communication and gender (Ballantine, 1990); Carolyn Schrock-Shenk and Lawrence Ressler, *Making Peace With Conflict*, well-grounded, practical (Herald, '99); Roger Fisher and William Ury, *Getting to Yes** and Ury, *The Third Side*, well-written, widely-used (Penguin, '94, '00)... also: Bartel, Halverstadt

Susan Fitzell, *Free the Children*, fine conflict ed. manual (New Society, 1997); other good manuals: Fran Schmidt and Alice Friedman, *Peacemaking Skills for Little Kids, Fighting Fair*, etc. (Peace Ed. Fndn, www.peace-ed.org); Sarah Pirtle, *Discovery Time for Cooperation and Conflict Resolution*, (CCRC, '99); Alan Creighton, *Helping Teens Stop Violence* (Hunter, '94), *Help Increase the Peace* (www.afsc.org)...also: Amow,* Hampson & Whalen, Judson, Lantieri and Patti,* McGinnis, Prothrow-Stith www.esrnational.org www.rethinkingschools.org