



We Invite You to Make a World of Difference!



Hearing Each Other, Strengthening Community
At Our Pre-Parliament of the World's Religions Event

Sunday, July 26, 2009 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

First United Methodist Church 18th and SW Jefferson, Portland, OR

Background: The Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions holds a spectacular world-wide gathering every five years. This December, Melbourne, Australia is hosting this international assembly, with an estimated 10,000 people attending. To support and contribute to this gathering, many enthusiastic regions around the globe are hosting Pre-Parliament events.



Join us for the Portland/Vancouver Area's Pre-Parliament Event: Drawing on the hospitality and compassion of the world's religious and spiritual traditions, we will gather in small groups at round tables to share stories of what we deeply care about, what we are doing in our communities and the world, and what gives us hope.

We seek to:

- understand and respect each other
- uncover shared convictions and concerns
- forge relationships and friendships

For more information and to register for this FREE event:

See our website at www.tinyurl.com/portland-vancouver

Please RSVP for complimentary food and beverage planning.

The old meaning of the word parliament is a safe place for civilized dialogue.

*Make a World of Difference:
Hearing each other, Healing the earth*

Parliament of the World's Religions

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