

# PEACE out of CHAOS - a Pandemic





Rotary



District 5300

Garbis Peace Institute  
31st Annual Peace Conference

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Saturday, October 24, 2020 / 9:00 am—1:00 pm  
VIRTUAL — Free via Zoom

**FEATURING KEYNOTE  
SPEAKER**

**Mark Daniel Maloney**  
President, Rotary International  
2019-2020



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Opportunities of Working  
Together"

**Dr. Quentin Wodon**  
Lead Economist, World Bank  
"The Long Term Effects of  
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Human Capital, and How  
Rotarians Can Help"



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Founder-CEO, Blue Dragon  
Children's Foundation  
"The Impact of Covid-19 on  
Children and Women"

**Dr. Siobhan Nash Marshall**  
Professor and Chair of Christian  
Philosophy and Philosophy Depart-  
ments, Manhattanville College, NY  
"The Spiritual Response to Covid-19"



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Visit our webpage for information and updates:

[www.district5300.org/peace-conference/](http://www.district5300.org/peace-conference/)

**Registration is Free**  
Must Register to obtain Zoom Link

Art for Peace Student Contest "Cash Prizes"

Email Denise Wadsworth [denise.wadsworth@qmmail.com](mailto:denise.wadsworth@qmmail.com) for entry forms and information



**Rotary District Governor**  
Greg Jones



**Conference Chair**  
Dr. Garbis Der-Yeghian,  
PDG



**Conference Emcee**  
Michael D. Driebe

# The 2020 Virtual Peace Conference Flyer.

## Saturday – October 24<sup>th</sup> from 09:00- 13:00 (1:00 PM)

### Virtual – Via – Zoom

## Must pre-register via District 5300 Web-site

## No-Cost



# District 5300 Peace Conference – 30 Years of Forums

Our District's Peace Conferences were launched in 1990. As the eldest grandson of survivors of the Armenian Genocide, I have pledged to my grandparents to serve humanity as a peacemaker. I don't harbor hate in my heart, just the opposite — love and goodwill towards all. I wanted our District to be recognized as the Home of Peace Conferences by organizing quality annual peace forums. We have attracted distinguished speakers — public servants, scholars, ambassadors, community and religious leaders, authors, etc.

Our records show that more than 10,000 Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors. and community members have attended these events enjoying the impactful presentations of 150 speakers.

Last year, 410 registrants attended the 30th annual peace conference in Las Vegas.





# The Garbis Peace Institute & Peace Conference(s) - Objective

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To engage both adults and youth in active dialogue with a focus on community building and promoting global peace through peace conferences, workshops, seminars, lecture series, research, public diplomacy sojourns, web site youth forums, and multicultural events.



**“The difference between what we  
are doing and what we are  
capable of doing is persistence.”**

**Mahatma Gandhi**



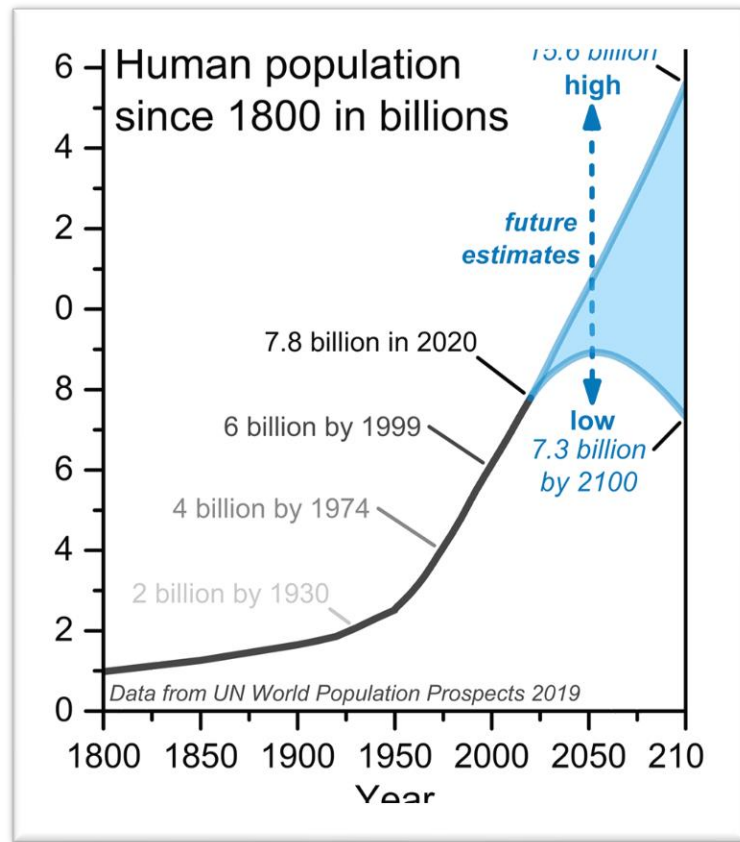
# Our Planet....in 200 Years 0.98B to > 7.0 Billion People

*Rotarians Serve Across the Globe.....*

*World Peace Remains a Challenge...*

**By 2100, five of the world's 10 largest countries are projected to be in Africa**

*Countries with largest population, in millions*



	1950		2020		2100
China	554	China	1,439	India	1,450
India	376	India	1,380	China	1,065
U.S.	159	U.S.	331	Nigeria	733
Russia	103	Indonesia	274	U.S.	434
Japan	83	Pakistan	221	Pakistan	403
Germany	70	Brazil	213	D.R. Congo	362
Indonesia	70	Nigeria	206	Indonesia	321
Brazil	54	Bangladesh	165	Ethiopia	294
UK	51	Russia	146	Tanzania	286
Italy	47	Mexico	129	Egypt	225

Note: Countries are based on current borders. In this data source, China does not include Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwan.

Source: United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, "World Population Prospects 2019."

PEW RESEARCH CENTER



# The 31<sup>st</sup> Peace Conference *Agenda.....Michael Driebe, MC*

**9:00 AM** OPENING MC, FLAG SALUTE,  
INVOCATION, DG GREG, PDG GARBIS

**9:15-9:35** PRESIDENT - MALONEY

**9:35-9:45** Q/A

**9:45-10:05** DR. QUENTIN WODON

**10:05-10:15** Q/A

**10:15-10:35** DR. NASH-MARSHALL

**10:35-10:45** Q/A

**10:45-11:05** BROROWSKI

**11:05-11:15** Q/A

**11:15-11:35** WHITLOCK

**11:35-11:45** Q/A

**11:45-12:05** GUTIERREZ

**12:05-12:15** Q/A

**1. MARK DANIEL MALONEY**

PRESIDENT, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL, 2019-2020

"HOW HAS COVID - 19 IMPACTED ROTARY'S PRIORITIES  
AND OPPORTUNITIES OF WORKING TOGETHER"

**2. DR. QUENTIN WODON**

LEAD ECONOMIST, WORLD BANK

"THE LONG-TERM EFFECTS OF COVID -19 PANDEMIC:  
EDUCATION, HUMAN CAPITAL, AND HOW ROTARIANS CAN  
HELP"

**3. DR. SIOBHAN NASH-MARSHALL**

PROFESSOR AND CHAIR OF CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY AND  
PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENTS, MANHATANVILLE COLLEGE,  
NEW YORK

"THE SPIRITUAL RESPONSE TO COVID -19"

**5. MICHAEL BROROWSKI**

FOUNDER-CEO, BLUE DRAGON CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

"THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON CHILDREN AND WOMEN"

**4. EUGENE WHITLOCK, J.D.**

ASSISTANT VICE CHANCELLOR FOR PEOPLE AND  
CULTURE; CHIEF PEOPLE AND CULTURE OFFICER, UC.  
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

"CREATING A CULTURE OF BELONGING IN A VIRTUAL  
WORLD"

**6. SHEILA GUTTIEREZ, MA, LMFT & ANTHONY J. HILL, ESQ**

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST

"HARMFUL EFFECTS OF COVID-19 ON THE FAMILY"



# The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual District 5300 Peace Conference ***‘Peace Out of Chaos’***

How wonderful our Rotary International President is taking time to be the keynote speaker this year.....

***Rotary is closely monitoring the pandemic of COVID-19, the illness caused by the novel coronavirus, and continuously assessing the potential impact on Rotary operations, events, and members.***



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International 2019-2020



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**Dr. Quentin Wodon**  
Lead Economist, World Bank

**"The Long Term Effects of Covid-19 Pandemic: Education, Human Capital, and How Rotarians Can Help"**



Dr. Wodon is a Lead Economist at the World Bank. Previously managing the unit on Values and Development; Lead Poverty Specialist for Africa; Senior Economist for Latin America. Also he taught at the University of Namur, American University and Georgetown University. Dr. Wodon is a writer with more than 500 publications, his research has been covered by major news outlets. Served as Associate Editor for journals and as President of two economics associations (the Society of Government Economists and the Association for Social Economics).

- ✓ A lifelong learner, he holds four PhDs in economics, environmental science, health sciences, and theology
- ✓ Conducted market research as Laureate of the Prize of Belgium's Secretary for Foreign Trade.
- ✓ Rotary, where he has served in leadership positions with his club, his district, and globally. He also tries to remain (barely) fit with occasional marathons and triathlons, finishing at the end of the pack.

**Dr. Siobhan Nash Marshall**

Professor and Chair of Christian Philosophy and Philosophy Departments, Manhattanville College, NY

**"The Spiritual Response to Covid-19"**



Siobhan Nash-Marshall holds the Mary T. Clark Chair of Christian Philosophy at Manhattanville College. Author of many academic books and articles on metaphysics and the problem of evil, she has also written books and articles for the general public—*Joan of Arc: A Spiritual Biography* and *What it Takes to be Free: Religion and the Roots of Democracy*. In recent years, Nash-Marshall has devoted a lot of attention to genocide and genocide negationism. Her most recent book, *The Sins of the Fathers: Turkish Denialism and the Armenian Genocide* (New York: Herder&Herder, 2018), which was released in Italy (*I peccati dei padri: negazionismo turco e il genocidio armeno* - Milano: Guerini e Associati, 2018), and in Armenia (*Մեղքերը հայրերի թուրքական ժխտողական եւ հայերեն Հայոց ցեղասպանության* - Stepanakert: University of Artsakh Press, 2018) is her first book-length treatment of the topic.

After the breakout of the war in Syria, Nash-Marshall and some friends founded CINF USA, through which they attempt to help the ancient Christian cultures of the world which are presently in peril.



# The 31<sup>st</sup> Peace Conference *Speakers*

## **Eugene Whitlock, J.D.**

Assistant Vice Chancellor for People and Culture; Chief People and Culture Officer, UC Berkeley, CA

**"Creating a Culture of Belonging in a Virtual World"**



Eugene Whitlock has served as Vice Chancellor, Human Resources, General Counsel, San Mateo County Community College District, serving 45,000 students across three colleges. In his human resources role, Eugene led the District's equity-focused recruitment resulting in increased hiring of staff and faculty from underrepresented backgrounds. As a passionate advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion, Eugene has been invited by the California Community Colleges State Chancellor, community colleges, and K-12 school districts throughout California to deliver training to Board members, administrators, faculty, and staff. In 2017, Eugene's work was recognized by his peers who selected him for the "Progress in Diversity" award given for "Outstanding Achievement in Support of Diversity in the Higher Education Community."

In his role as General Counsel, Eugene advised the District on general litigation, privacy and data security, wage and hour rules, disability, accommodations, leave policies, contracts, the Brown Act, the Education Code, and the Labor Code. Eugene also led the District's International Student Program, focusing on growing the program's enrollment of students from Africa and South America.



## **Michael Brosowski**

Founder-CEO, Blue Dragon Children's Foundation

**"The Impact of Covid-19 on Children and Women"**

Michael (CNN Hero & Member of the Order of Australia) grew up in Sydney. In 2002, Michael moved to Vietnam and established Blue Dragon Children's Foundation in response to overwhelming needs of street children. With no experience or funding, the early days were extremely difficult, Blue Dragon now serves the needs of over 1,500 highly disadvantaged children, including children and youth who have been trafficked; street children; and children with disabilities. Many Blue Dragon children are in conflict with the law or are victims of crime.

### **To date (August 2020), Blue Dragon has:**

- ✓ Rescued 961 people from trafficking
- ✓ Represented 106 people in court cases
- ✓ Sent 5,097 kids back to school & training
- ✓ Provided shelter to 989 girls & boys
- ✓ Placed 329 teens in jobs
- ✓ Served 591,780 meals
- ✓ Built 110 homes for families
- ✓ Reunited 583 runaways with their families
- ✓ Obtained legal papers for 13,504 people
- ✓ Played 2,953 games of soccer!



# The 31<sup>st</sup> Peace Conference *Speakers*



**Sheila Gutierrez, MA, LMFT**  
Marriage and Family Therapist

**“Harmful Effects of Covid-19 on the Family”**

Sheila Garrett Gutierrez is a Marriage and Family Therapist in private practice in Glendora, Ca. She has advanced training in Collaborative Divorce and serves as a Divorce Coach, Therapist, Child Therapist, and Reunification Therapist in both Collaborative Divorces and Litigated Divorces. She is an Expert Witness in Child Custody cases when testifying in court.

With a 30-year history of doing this work, Sheila has seen the benefits of a more peaceful divorce process on divorcing adults and their children. Additionally, Sheila taught at the University of La Verne Graduate School of Psychology for ten years as an Adjunct Professor. She is honored to have received the San Gabriel Valley YWCA Women of Distinction Award. As a member of the Glendora Rotary Club for many years, she has served as Club President and various Board Member positions throughout that time, and she founded the club's 18-year Focometer Project which provides eye exams and eyeglasses to children in Tijuana and Rosarito.

## Supporting Sheila Gutierrez...

### **Anthony J. Hill, Attorney at Law**

Law Degree from Southwestern University School of Law, LA; BA Degree, Psychology Major, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada

Solo practitioner, exclusively Family Law, Committed to making the difficult process of divorce as amicable as possible; After 10 years of practice, transitioned from litigation cases to settlement only; Practice thereafter mainly mediation, as well as collaborative divorce and occasionally representing just Wife or just Husband, for settlement purposes only.





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# As Rotarians.....How Can We Get Involved in Peace Projects?



***“BE THE CHNGE YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD” – Mahatma Gandhi***

- ❑ Rotary International District 5300 is recognized as the Home of Rotary’s Peace Conferences.
- ❑ **GOALS – Support the Peace Conference & related International projects**
- ❑ Organizing annual peace conferences, conflict resolution workshops, peace concerts, youth art exhibitions, multicultural festivals, and youth peace walks.
  - Encouraging the youth to conduct research on “hot spot” regions of the world where intolerance, lack of mutual respect and understanding are ruining the great potential of youth.
  - Organizing public diplomacy and international peace mission trips to enrich dialog locally and internationally.
  - Promoting the “Peace City” project in each and every community in RI District 5300.
  - Appointing District Peace Ambassadors.
  - Presenting the “Peacemaker of the Year” award to prominent world leaders as well as “Salute to Young Leaders” award to young men and women who are actively engaged in promoting local and global peace.,

❑ ***Yes, the Conference does depend on your financial support.....***

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# Another Word about Rotarian – PDG Dr. Garbis Der-Yeghian

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Dr. Garbis Der-Yeghian has founded and organized 30 peace conferences for Rotary International District 5300. He is the immediate past chair of Rotarian Action Group for Peace and organized a peace mission to the Holy Land in March, 2019 with the participation of RAGFP Board Members. Chair the Middle East Initiative Council established by RAGFP. He is a visionary and dynamic peacemaker and is actively involved in promoting goodwill and better understanding between Armenians and Turks. He serves as President of Mashdots College in Glendale, California and as Senior Professor teaches Organizational Leadership and Public Diplomacy.

Dr. Der-Yeghian is tireless in his peacemaking efforts - working on so many fronts – as we start Autumn he is fully engaged in peacemaking efforts regarding:  
Armenia-Azerbaijan war, Lebanon, Israel and Arab countries. Going days without sleep trying to help all the parties to resolve their conflicts peacefully.





# Support ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS COMMITTEE & Student Exchange...

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**“Rotary Fellowships are groups of Rotarians, Rotary spouses, and Rotaractors who join together to:**

1. Share a common interest in worthwhile recreational activities
2. Further their vocational development through acquaintance with others in the same profession
3. Make new friends around the world
4. Explore new opportunities for service
5. Have fun and enhance their experience in Rotary

## **How Rotary Fellowships Operate**

1. Each fellowship is operated independently of Rotary International, with its own rules, due requirements, and administrative structure.
2. Membership in fellowships is open to Rotarians, spouses of Rotarians, and Rotaractors.
3. Fellowship must be international in nature with active members in at least three countries.
4. Each fellowship elects at least three officers to oversee the group’s administration.
5. Fellowships are expected to facilitate communication among their members and maintain regular communication with RI.



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**Registration for District 5300 Rotarians**

October

**24**  
Saturday

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**Registration**



**Rotary District Governor Greg  
Jones**



**Conference Chair  
Dr. Garbis Der-Yeghian, PDG**



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