

# RESILIENCE + RENEWAL

FAITH IN THE HIV RESPONSE

VIRTUAL

## HIV Interfaith

CONFERENCE

22-23-24 | September 2020

Facilitator - Rev. Aquarius Gilmer

# YOUR VOICE MATTERS!!!

MAKE SURE TO SHARE YOUR RECCOMENDATIONS through the **Q&A Function** during the entire Conference

1. INCREASE ACCESS TO SERVICES;
2. PROMOTE HUMAN RIGHTS;
3. ADDRESS STIGMA AND DISCRIMINATION;
4. BUILD BRIDGES OF COLLABORATION AMONG DIFFERENT FAITHS AND FAITH AND NON-FAITH ACTORS.

# OBJECTIVES HIV INTERFAITH CONFERENCE

1. Increase the knowledge base, determination to take action, and positive attitudes of participants in relation to advocacy, challenging topics, and research/evidence
2. Celebrate and get inspired by committed, passionate people engaged in the HIV response
3. Highlight and describe the distinctive roles of faith leaders, faith-based organizations, and faith communities in a multi-sectoral, integrated, and comprehensive response to HIV in local, national, and global contexts.
4. Build collaboration among faith groups and other sectors
5. Launch an Interfaith Platform for learning, capacity building, networking, action, and advocacy as a follow-up to this Interfaith Conference
6. Ensure that the experiences and perspectives of young people, those living with HIV, and members of marginalized communities disproportionately impacted by HIV inform the content and action steps that emerge from this Conference

# PROGRAM HIV INTERFAITH CONFERENCE

<https://www.interfaith-health-platform.org/hiv-interfaith-conference-2020>



The HIV Interfaith Conference, “Resilience & Renewal: faith in the HIV response”, will take place virtually on 22-23-24 September 2020.

Resilience & Renewal will provide a space for sharing, capacity building and advocacy among people of faith involved in the HIV and AIDS response. It will be an opportunity to celebrate and get inspired by the many resilient people engaged in the HIV response. This will be an opportunity for faith leaders, faith-based organizations, and communities of faith to recommit to holistic, comprehensive response to HIV that acknowledges the innate dignity of every human person.

Resilience and Renewal will create a space for dialogue and an opportunity to identify joint actions to address some of the challenges and emerging issues to the achievements of the 2020 and 2030 HIV-related targets.

The event is organized by several faith groups’ representatives from around the world and people living with HIV through the support of the UNAIDS-PEPFAR Faith Initiative.

## Virtual HIV Interfaith Conference Resilience and Renewal: faith in the HIV response

Interactive Programme *Click on each session to see the details of the session.*

Tuesday, 22 September 2020

DOWNLOAD PROGRAMME

OPENING SESSION

SESSION 1: ENSURING THE PROVISION OF HIV SERVICES DURING COVID-19: BEST PRACTICES BY FAITH GROUPS

SESSION 2: STORIES OF RESILIENCE

Wednesday, 23 September 2020

SESSION 3: AIDS 2020 HIGHLIGHTS WITH A FAITH PERSPECTIVE

SESSION 4: USING DATA TO DOCUMENT THE IMPACT OF FAITH MODELS: POSTERS FROM AIDS 2020

Thursday, 24 September 2020

SESSION 5: RENEWAL: RECOMMITTING FAITH TO THE HIV RESPONSE

SESSION 6: REPORTS FROM THE SESSIONS & CALL TO ACTION FOR FAITH LEADERS & COMMUNITIES

CLOSING SESSION

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# EVALUATION HIV INTERFAITH CONFERENCE

- Pre-conference: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FNMNX8J>
- Session 1: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/F52MKFY>
- Session 2: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3SMD8Z9>
- Session 3: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3XZYKJC>
- Session 4: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3G9VHYP>
- Session 5: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3672N92>
- Session 6: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GKFCT3P>

# LINKS TO ACCESS CONFERENCE PLATFORM EACH DAY

## Day 2, Wednesday 23 September

You are invited to the HIV Interfaith Conference Zoom Webinar platform - Day 2,  
Wednesday 23 September

**When: 6:30 am San Francisco / 9:30 am New York / 3:30 Geneva / 4:30 pm Nairobi / 7 pm  
Mumbai / 8:30 pm Bangkok**

Topic: Virtual HIV Interfaith Conference - Day 2

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://unaidst.zoom.us/j/93948687979?pwd=d3FIWGZjVjk3b0Y0K2llcGM0b1Z6UT09>

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## Day 3, Thursday 24 September

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*Be Patient*  
**EVERYTHING  
IS COMING  
TOGETHER**



# Virtual HIV Interfaith Conference

## Resilience and Renewal: faith in the HIV response

### Opening Session - Tuesday, 22 September 2020

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6:30 - 7:30 am San Francisco / 9:30 - 10:30 am New York / 3:30 - 4:30 pm Geneva /  
4:30 - 5:30 pm / Nairobi / 7 - 8 pm Mumbai / 8:30 - 9:30 pm Bangkok

#### Music & Dance:

- **SIYAHAMBA**, Angel City Choral (Los Angeles, USA), Amy Foundation Choir (Cape town, South Africa), Richard Sibakhulu Mbovane (Conductor)

#### Facilitator: Rev Aquarius Gilmer

#### Prayers on Resilience:

- **Archbishop Evstratiy Zorya**, Deputy Head of the Office in the Department of External Church Relations, Orthodox Church, Ukraine
- **Sheikh Yusuf Nasur Abuhamza**, Kenya
- **Rabbi Burton L. Visotzky**, PhD, Appleman Professor of Midrash and Interreligious Studies; Director, Milstein Center for Interreligious Dialogue, Jewish Theological Seminary, U.S.

#### Welcome remarks:

- **Winnie Byanyima**, Executive Director, UNAIDS
- **Amb. Deborah Birx**, U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator & U.S. Special Representative for Global Health Diplomacy, PEPFAR
- **Jesse Milan Jr**, President and CEO, AIDS United
- **Nsofwa Petronella Sampa**, Clinical Psychosocial Counsellor – young people living with HIV and disabilities, Positive Movement, Zambia

#### Music:

- **Mercy Ngina**, Kenya

#### Keynote Speech:

- **The Most Reverend Dr Thabo Makgoba**, Archbishop of Cape Town, Anglican Church of Southern Africa, South Africa: Resilience & Renewal

#### Prayers on Renewal:

- **Pujya Sadhvi Bhagawati Saraswati ji**, Secretary General, Global Interfaith WASH Alliance, President, Divine Shakti Foundation
- **Dr A.K.Merchant**, National Trustee, Lotus Temple & Baha'i Community of India; General Secretary, Temple of Understanding India Foundation
- **Venerable Halyale Wimalarathana THERO**, International Buddhist Foundation (IBF), Sri Lanka

#### Highlights and Recommendations of the Opening Session:

- **Rev Aquarius Gilmer**

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