

**INTERFAITH SERVICE**  
**IN COMMEMORATION OF THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER AND ACTION FOR CHILDREN**

**18 NOVEMBER 2009 | NEW YORK**  
**12:00 pm to 1:30 pm**

TILLMAN CHAPEL AT THE CENTER TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
777 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (CORNER OF 1<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE AND 44<sup>TH</sup> STREET)

**PROGRAMME**

- 12:00 Noon**      **Welcome**  
*Rev. Kathleen Stone, Chaplain, Church Center to the United Nations*
- 12:05 pm**      **Opening Remarks**  
*Dr. William Vendley, Secretary General, Religions for Peace*
- Special Message from Rev. Keishi Miyamoto, President, Arigatou International**
- 12:10 pm**      **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child at 20: Global Challenges for Implementation and Action**  
*Ms. Ann M. Veneman, Executive Director, UNICEF*
- 12:20 pm**      **Musical Interlude**
- 12:30 pm**      **Religious Reflections on Children in Each Others Presence**
- Help our Children: Sharing from the “Supplications for the World’s Children”  
*Rev. Gregor Henderson, Central Committee, World Council of Churches*
- Prayer or Meditation  
*H.E. Celestino Migliore, Apostolic Nuncio, Holy See Mission to the United Nations*
- Protect our Children: Sharing from the “Supplications for the World’s Children”  
*Mrs. Judith Hertz, Chairperson for Interreligious Freedom, Union for Reform Judaism*
- Prayer or Meditation  
*Imam Shamsi Ali, Imam, Islamic Cultural Center of New York*
- Care for our Children: Sharing from the “Supplications for the World’s Children”  
*Rev. Dr. Grace Chung Lee, Executive Director of United Nations and Interreligious Affairs, Won Buddhist International*
- Prayer or Meditation

*H. Swami Parameshananda, Director, Bharat Sevashram Sangha*

**12:50 pm Musical Interlude**

**1:00 pm Voices of Children**

**1:10 pm Expression of Commitment Letters from Religious Leaders to UN Missions with Appeals for the Advocacy and Protection of Children**

*V. Rev. Leonid Kishekovsky, Moderator, Religions for Peace*

**1:20 pm Closing Remarks: Moving Forward**

*Ms. Meg Gardinier, Director, World Day of Prayer and Action for Children and Director, Arigaton International—New York Office*

**1:30 pm Reception in the Drew Room, C Level, CCUN**