

BREBEUF COLLEGE SCHOOL
SOCIAL JUSTICE SYMPOSIUM
2008



Awareness of Unfairness:
Connecting with the Developing World

Keynote Speaker: Rev. James Webb S.J.
Provincial of the Jesuits of English Canada

December 12, 2008
St. Michael's College
University of Toronto



PROGRAMME

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Mass,
St. Basil's Church

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Social Justice Symposium
Alumni Hall 100

Welcome	Adam Craig, Dennis Lee, Khaalid Gonzales Co-Presidents, Brebeuf Social Justice Symposium
National Anthem	
Prayer	Dr. M. Loranger, Religion Teacher, Brebeuf College
Principal of U.S.M.C.	Dr. Mark McGowan
Keynote Address	Father Jim Webb, S.J. Provincial, Jesuits of English Canada
Special Address	Michael Rutazigwa, LL.B. Presentation on Rwanda
Break	
Documentary Presentation	<i>Young Stars: India's Working Children Speak Out</i> Keith Rodrigues (Brebeuf College)
Special Presentation	"Volunteering in Tanzania" Will Cerre, Matthew Canaran (Brebeuf students) Pauline Flanagan (social worker), Tina Giustizia (parent)

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch	Canada Room, Brennan Hall
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1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Social Justice Workshops (see pages 3-4 for descriptions and room locations)

SPECIAL THANKS

Father Jim Webb S.J.; Dr. Mark McGowan, Ian Jay, and St. Michael's College; Father Jim Murphy C.S.B. and St. Basil's Parish; Brebeuf Administration; Michael Rutazigwa; Pauline Flanagan; Tina Giustizia; Luke Stocking; Kevin Doyle; Sister Georgette Gregoire C.S.J.; Tom McCarty; John Quinn; Elijah Springer, Will Cerre, Sean Canaran, Keith Rodrigues; the Students of the Brebeuf Social Justice Club

SOCIAL JUSTICE WORKSHOPS

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

(1) Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace

Room: Alumni 107

Speaker: Luke Stocking

The official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada and the Canadian member of Caritas Internationalis. It is a membership-based organization founded in 1967 by Canada's bishops, laity and clergy to fight poverty in the countries of the South, and to promote greater international justice. Inspired by Gospel values, particularly "the preferential option for the poor," the goals of DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE are to support initiatives by people in the Global South to take control of their lives and to educate Canadians about North-South issues. Our education, advocacy and fund-raising work here at home is carried out by DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE members from coast to coast.

(2) Cross Cultural Solutions

Room: Alumni Hall 103

Speaker: Kevin Doyle

Cross-Cultural Solutions is widely known as the leading organization in the field of international volunteering. Our volunteer programs are unique in every way. Our global infrastructure supports over 4,000 international volunteers each year and over 250 sustainable community initiatives. More than 250 CCS in-country staff members are working year-round, ensuring that you are volunteering with a project that interests you and contributing directly to the goals of each community. No other short-term international volunteer program has such a global presence and community-centered approach toward volunteering abroad.

(3) Mustard Seed

Room: Alumni Hall 105

Speaker: Sister Georgette Gregory C.S.J.

Mustard Seed / Fontbonne Ministries is a community outreach centre in South Riverdale run by the Sisters of St Joseph. Our programs encourage the development of life skills, creativity, care for the environment and spiritual growth in a welcoming and sacred space. Mustard Seed Programs are open to all and developed with a view to the needs of the neighbourhood.

(4) Volunteer International Christian Service (VICS)

Room: Alumni Hall 204

Speaker: Tom McCarthy

A lay **volunteer** program providing professional and technical personnel the opportunity to assist and work alongside the peoples of developing countries around the world.

(5) Social Justice and the Media

Room: Alumni Hall 100

Speaker: John Quinn

new catholic times sensus fidelium (newcatholictimes.com) is about invitation. It is not rashly bold, but it focuses unwaveringly on the Catholic principles of solidarity with the poor, the common good, the dignity of the human person and the presence of God in all creation. To prize creation in a world in which economic and consumerist values dominate, is often to appear isolated. The publication is informed by a Catholic belief in the goodness of creation, and a commitment to theologize (faith seeking understanding) in the contemporary world.

(6) Me to We / Free the Children

Room: Carr Hall 103

Speaker: Elijah Springer

The primary goals of the organization are to free children from poverty and exploitation and free young people from the notion that they are powerless to affect positive change in the world. Through domestic empowerment programs and leadership training, Free The Children inspires young people to develop as socially conscious global citizens and become agents of change for their peers around the world.

(7) Canadian Jesuits International

Room: Alumni Hall 302

Speaker: Jenny Cafiso

Canadian Jesuits International (CJI), was founded by the Jesuits in English Canada. We proclaim the Good News of justice and peace within the universal mission of the Society of Jesus. We support poor and marginalized peoples struggling for social justice and dignity in developing countries. We carry out educational advocacy in Canada, linked with our overseas work. We support our partners by providing personnel, sharing analysis, giving voice to their hopes and aspirations and by raising funds for their work. We presently work with Jesuit and other partners rooted in the Jesuit tradition in South Asia, Africa, the Caribbean and Eastern Europe in the following areas: education, pastoral care, social services, community development, agriculture, humanitarian assistance, peace-building, human rights, gender equity, children's rights and economic justice.