~ UPDATE *and* IMPORTANT CHANGES ~

Quick Start: How to Read and Post to Geotrees.Com

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FOREWORD: Welcome to Geotrees.Com or "the Tree," a multicultural toolkit for bridgebuilders, educators, students, and others committed to growing pluralism, community, culture, and civilization throughout the Baltimore-Washington, DC region. Use the information and links below to read and post to our three main public message forum lists as well as our individual leaders' lists, open to all and free of charge. For background on our mission and fundamental values, click here:

http://www.geotrees.com/#IW

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UNDER ORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES, Geotrees.Com shares your "news, notes and knowledge" across the DC-Baltimore metro region in four basic ways: 1) Over our own open e-mail forums and message groups on Yahoogroups; 2) to the more than 13,150 members of our local Nextdoor.Com message forum in Northern Virginia; 3) to message groups of selected DC communities and local leadership organizations; and 4) to clusters of individual leadership activists in interfaith, social justice, civics, peacebuilding, and other areas of human upliftment. "The Tree" can now send its messages - and yours - out to some 30,000-plus readers.

THE URGENCY OF OUR EXTRAORDINARY TIMES has raised the volume of traffic beyond our capacity for sending individual leadership mails. We're beginning to divert most of that traffic to our three main open message forums: The **Geotrees** flagship group, the **Interplan** interfaith group, and the **DeeSeeds** social justice group. This will enable us to share more messages. To see all of our messages, please visit those groups.

At the same time, we'll continue to send certain selected announcements over our leadership lists, and also to post items of special value on the **Apples n' Oranges Intercultural Cafe** page at **http://www.geotrees.com/cafe.html**. Please contact us if you'd like to join a leadership list.

These are open groups. Anyone can read their messages, and anyone can post to them, without any subscriptions, memberships, profiles, etc. simply by using the links and addresses below. Please visit them regularly to stay informed, and post your announcements and other information to them directly to reach others.

WHERE TO READ AND POST

To read, first go to the group of your choice. The list of messages will appear. Simply click on the message subject, and then on "Show Message History" in the resulting display. (You may also subscribe to them, to receive messages automatically.)

1. GEOTREES, the Comprehensive Group: https://tinyurl.com/geotrees

   To Post: Send to geotrees@yahoogroups.com.

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2. INTERPLAN, the Faith and Interfaith Group: https://tinyurl.com/interplan1

   To Post: Send to interplan@yahoogroups.com.

3. DEESEEDS, the Social justice Group: https://tinyurl.com/deeseeds

   To Post: Send to deeseeds@yahoogroups.com.

TIPS FOR POSTING YOUR MESSAGES

- To raise your own visibility throughout our region, please share these guidelines and their link with your correspondents and audiences.
- Note that while open and welcoming to everyone, these groups are all moderated.
- We do not post commercial or exclusively fundraising appeals, and reserve the right to edit such appeals out of otherwise informative messages. You can read or subscribe to our mails with confidence that you will not be routinely solicited or dunned.
- Please proofread, compose, and format your messages carefully, as you intend them to appear to the reader, since we cannot edit or reformat them for you.
- Remember to include your contact information in the body of your message.
- Increasingly, organizations are turning to HTML-friendly or rich text message format, and we will post most of these messages "as is." We recommend that you use an appropriate mail program to take full advantage of this development.
- Whenever possible, please send us an electronic file copy of your announcement, which we can put on line with its own link, for retrieval from anywhere on the planet.
- Once you've posted your message, we invite you to visit its group's page and see how that message appears to your readers.

We look forward to helping you share your messages of inclusion, reconciliation, justice, empowerment, and peace in these challenging times.

Geotrees' Home: http://www.geotrees.com

The Cafe: http://www.geotrees.com/cafe.html

This Guide, On Line: http://www.geotrees.com/ftp/ReadAndPost.pdf

Contact Us: admin@geotrees.com

Post to the Leadership Lists: events@geotrees.com

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