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**TALKING POINTS**

*Agape International Spiritual Center*  
*All Saints Episcopal Church – Pasadena*  
*American Friends Service Committee*  
*Baptist Peace Fellowship  
of North America*  
*California Peace Action*  
*Calvary CME Church*  
*Center for the  
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*City of Angels URI-LA*  
*Clergy and Laity United  
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*Coalition for Justice  
in Hawaiian Gardens and Jerusalem*  
*Coalition For World Peace*  
*Coalition LA*  
*Environment Justice and Peace –  
United Methodist/Interfaith*  
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Los Angeles*  
*Immaculate Heart Community –  
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*Jovenes, Inc*  
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*Pax Christi – Los Angeles*  
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Los Angeles*  
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*Southern Christian Leadership  
Conference of Los Angeles*  
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for Pastoral Care*  
*St. Phillips Episcopal Church*  
*The Regas Institute*  
*United University Church –  
Peace Centre, USC*  
*ZCLA Buddha Essence Temple*

WHO WE ARE

A broad spectrum of people of faith — representing most of the world's great religions— who are deeply concerned that the cries for retaliation for the terrorist acts of September 11 have led to war, draining our resources and distracting us from the work of justice at home.

WHY WE EXIST

To be an alternative voice to the current “war on terrorism.”

To proclaim that we will not bless war.

To declare that we will not be silent in the face of an escalating spiral of violence and a voracious war-making system.

To promote justice at home and around the world.

WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE WAR ON TERRORISM

Although it may destroy the Taliban, Osama bin Laden and other terrorists, it will kill tens of thousands of innocent people.

It has devastated an already impoverished and desperate country.

It will lead to further conflict with Arab Muslims, now with the threat of biological and nuclear weapons.

It does not address the root causes of the terrorists' desperate acts, which are poverty, injustice, and wrongheaded U.S. policies in the Middle East, Central Asia and elsewhere.

It has eroded civil liberties here at home and human rights abroad.

As a solution to problems, war is preposterous.

SEVEN STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Stop the bombing

Support international peacekeepers and a world court

Rid the world of weapons of mass destruction

Ensure economic justice in all nations in the name of human solidarity

Ensure economic justice for all in the U.S., especially children and workers

Protect civil liberties

Guard human rights