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Journeys in the Spirit, issue 11 – January 2008

Issue 11 of Journeys in the Spirit focuses on the work of the Quaker United Nations Office and contains four themed ‘zones’ – children of prisoners and landmines, which relate directly to the work of Adam and Jenny, Quaker peaceworkers at QUNO in 2008–09, as well as conscientious objection and intellectual property.

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A World in Our Hands – 1995

A children’s history of the past, present and future of the United Nations. This was prepared for the UN’s 50th Anniversary and remains an excellent youth introduction to the work of the organization.

ISBN: 1-883672-31-7

Too Much Time: Women in Prison

by Jane Evelyn Atwood

A documentary survey of the experience of women in prison by the award-winning photojournalist Jane Evelyn Atwood. Since 1980 the numbers of women in US prisons have increased tenfold. Similar statistics apply to the nine other countries around the world where Atwood has succeeded in penetrating the prison systems – photographing, interviewing women prisoners and their guards, gathering testimony. The result is a raw and moving account in words and pictures of society’s attitude to the issues of women, crime and incarceration.

ISBN-10: 0714839736 (hardback), price £29.95

Children Imprisoned by Circumstance

by Oliver Robertson, QPSW peaceworker at QUNO in 2004–2005

Drawing on new research, this paper examines the situations and policies which permit children to live in prison and the practices that exist before, during and after imprisonment. It considers variations in policy across the globe and presents recommendations to ensure that the needs and best interests of the children are considered at every step.

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Rebuilding societies



Unlocking Horns: Forgiveness and Reconciliation in Burundi

by **David Niyonzima and Lon Fendall**

foreword by **David P Rawson**

In this book, these Quaker scholars grapple with the challenges that God's plan of peace and the good news of reconciliation pose to the violence and chaos of central Africa. That challenge defies logic and experience. This is a well-written, valuable book containing personal experiences with forgiveness and reconciliation, a Biblical perspective, history and culture of Burundi, and suggested steps forward for the country. At the time of publication, 2001, David Niyonzima was the legal representative of Burundi Yearly Meeting.

ISBN: 0-913342-97-1 (paperback), published in the USA and available from www.amazon.co.uk, price approx. £9.00

From Bloodshed to Hope in Burundi: Our Embassy Years During Genocide

by **Desmond Tutu (Foreword), Robert Krueger (Author), Kathleen Tobin Krueger (Author)**

In 1994, 800,000 people were slaughtered in eight weeks in Rwanda. Arriving as U.S. Ambassador to neighbouring Burundi a few weeks later, Bob Krueger began drawing international attention to the genocide also proceeding in Burundi, where he sought to minimize the killing and to preserve its fledgling democratic government from destruction by its own army. "From Bloodshed to Hope in Burundi" is an eyewitness account of both a horrific and persistent genocide and of the ongoing efforts of many courageous individuals to build a more just society.

ISBN-10: 0292714866, price £19.99

The True Sources of the Nile

by Sarah Stone

Sarah Stone's powerfully romantic first novel about the conflicting claims of duty and love. "A complex novel, clarified by a confident and wonderfully readable language. It's full of energy and place and fact, a romance, a tragedy, and a vital history lesson all in one." —O, The Oprah Magazine

ISBN-10: 0385721838, price £7 - £9

Life After Violence: A People's Story of Burundi (African Arguments)

by Peter Uvin

Farmers, artisans, traders, mothers, soldiers and students talk about the past and the future, war and peace, their hopes for a better life and their relationships with each other and the state. Young men, in particular, often seen as the cause of violence and war, talk about the difficulties of living up to standards of masculinity in an impoverished and war-torn society. Peter Uvin pitches the ideas and aspirations of people on the ground against the theory and assumptions often made by the international development and peace-building agencies and organisations. In doing this, he illuminates both shared goals and misunderstandings.

ISBN: 978-1-84813-180-4 (paperback), price £11

Strengthen peace



Journeys in the Spirit, issue 25 – March 2009

This issue of Journeys in the Spirit looks at belonging, and is relevant to the work of building trust and understanding across communities and faith groups which is being done at St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace.

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Depleted Uranium - Deadly, Dangerous and Indiscriminate: The Full Picture

by Anne Gut and Bruno Vitale

Depleted Uranium projectiles are not only deadly when striking military vehicles. They also remain dangerous long after impact because of their radioactivity and chemical toxicity. In these ways, their effects can be indiscriminate. This book scrutinises the available evidence of the effects of DU on human health and the environment, and makes the case for stopping completely the manufacture, deployment and use of DU munitions.

ISBN: 0 85124 685 0, price £7.99

Poison Dust (2006) DVD

This is a full-length documentary film that takes a close look at the dangers of radioactive Depleted Uranium Weapons to civilians and troops. Could troops serving in Iraq or elsewhere come home severely damaged – even if they avoided getting killed or wounded? Poison Dust tells the story of young soldiers who thought they came home safely from the war, but didn't.

Available on Amazon, price £5 to £11

For an excellent introduction to the issues surrounding depleted uranium, visit <http://www.cadu.org.uk/intro.htm>.

In The Spirit of Wilfred Owen

Edited by Merryn Williams

A new anthology of poems inspired by Wilfred Owen or the Great War, published by the Wilfred Owen Association. It contains work by 53 poets, seven of them anonymous but some very celebrated, like Tony Harrison, Seamus Heaney, Ted Hughes, Michael Longley, Brian Patten, Vernon Scannell and Owen's biographer Jon Stallworthy. The authors are British, Irish, Belgian and include two Germans who died in the First World War.

ISBN: 0-9542302-0-5, price £5 to £11

The Hexham Debates 2007–2008

This book is a record of 'the Hexham Debates' a programme of public talks on the theme 'War, Peace and Democracy' organised by Northumbrians for Peace and Hexham Quakers. Contributors to this book argue that Trident has no relevance to the defence needs of Britain in the 21st century. They examine the threats we really do face and set out realistic nuclear-free defence policies, based on the concept of 'sustainable security'. Available from Friends House bookshop.

ISBN: 9780955751042, price £6.00

Noughts and Crosses (Noughts & Crosses Trilogy)

by Malorie Blackman (Author)

(Suitable for age 11 and over)

Sephy and Callum have been best friends since childhood, and now they are older and they realise they want more from each other. But Callum is a nought – a second-class citizen in a world dominated by the crosses – and Sephy is a cross, and the daughter of one of the most powerful men in the country. The barriers they would have to cross to be together at first seem little more than minor obstacles to the two idealistic teenagers, but soon those barriers threaten not only their friendship but their lives.

Noughts and Crosses is written by an author who has a personal message about the perception of the past, present and future, and Blackman has used the clever device of turning preconceived ideas of racial prejudice upside down to make sure that her point is well and truly made.

ISBN-10: 0552551945 (paperback), price £6.99

The Boy in Striped Pyjamas

by John Boyne

Bruno is nine years old, and the Nazis' horrific Final Solution to the 'Jewish Problem' means nothing to him. He's completely unaware of the barbarity of Germany under Hitler, and is more concerned by his move from his well-appointed house in Berlin to a far less salubrious area where he finds himself with nothing to do. Then he meets a boy called Shmuel who lives a very different life from him -- a life on the opposite side of a wire fence. And Shmuel is the boy in the striped pyjamas, as are all the other people on the other side of the fence. The friendship between the two boys begins to grow, but for Bruno it is a journey from blissful ignorance to a painful knowledge. And he will find that this learning process carries, for him, a daunting price.

ISBN-10: 0552773808, price £6.99

The Road Home

by Rose Tremain

Tremain tells the story of Lev, an Eastern European migrant worker who has travelled to Britain so that he can finance a better life for his mother and daughter. He takes with him his grief for his dead wife.

Lev's London is awash with money, celebrity and complacency – an ugly picture of the way we live now – but there is nothing polemical about the book. Tremain's created world feels real; her characters negotiate it, and make their compromises with it, in a way that is both convincing and poignant. There is also a vein of humour through the book, much of which comes from stories about and conversations with Lev's friend Rudi, who stayed back in the village.

ISBN-10: 0099478463, price £7.99