



Interfaith Opportunities Network (ION)
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**Invitation to
UNITE IN PRAYER FOR PEACE
to celebrate ION's 10th anniversary**

Dear Faith Community Leader:

October 2015 will mark the 10th Anniversary of the establishment of the Interfaith Opportunities Network. ION now has seventeen participating faith communities from Amherst and surrounding areas, with the aim of fostering unity in diversity among people of all traditions.


As a faith-based lay network, ION members recognize the dignity of each person and respect the unique characteristics of each one's ethnicity, race, religious persuasion, gender and sexual orientation. ION welcomes every opportunity to collaborate in promoting lectures, films, and art forms that foster understanding by opening hearts and minds to the harmony created by unity in a world of diversity.

We wish to designate the weekend of October 2-4, 2015, to prayerfully unite our hearts and our voices in keeping with our respective faith traditions.

In observance of our 10th anniversary, members of the Interfaith Opportunities Network invite your faith community to join us in exercising the most effective instrument at our disposal – **the power of prayer** – building a world of unity in diversity. As communities of faith, let us fill our surroundings with prayer rooted in faith, hope, and love, to bear the fruit of peace in our world.

We thank you for considering this invitation, and hope you will join with ION and other faith communities, praying with confidence and trust for the gift of peace.

Shalom, Peace, Salaam,


Naz Mohamed, ION Convener