

Peace on Earth

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How can we establish a peaceful earth? There have been leaders like John Lewis who have inspired us. Obama's eulogy was so thoughtful and inspiring. He praised John for changing the world to make it a better place.

The Buddhist monk Tich Nhat Hanh is another leader of Peace. He inspired many spiritual leaders like Martin Luther King and others who believe that peace must be who we are and we can change the world for the better.

A Nobel Peace Prize winner, Wangrari Maathai (1940-2011), encouraged us to "think globally and act locally."

Gandhi thought that nonviolence is the greatest and most active force in the world. The more you develop it in your own being, the more infectious it becomes till it overwhelms your surroundings and might just over-sweep the world.

This Black Lives Matter movement started out pretty peaceful. Let's hope with many of us helping, things will change. I have become aware of how much negative treatment has affected black folks. I grew up before 1960 and had no idea what was happening. But I lived in Michigan and I didn't know any black people except the women who helped my mom with a variety of duties.

These ideas are how we can start building bridges.