

TAMPA, Fla. (Feb. 15, 2010) - Students and faculty interested in nonviolence training will have an opportunity to explore various nonviolent concepts through a two-part training series hosted by the University of South Florida's Jim Walter Partnership Center. The first Kingian Nonviolence Training Event will take place at the USF Downtown Center on Monday, Feb. 15 from 2 pm to 6 pm and Tuesday, and Feb. 16 from 9 am to 4:30 pm.

The training course will be a comprehensive introduction to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s nonviolence philosophy and strategies and invite Tampa Bay law enforcement, government, and community leaders to learn about Kingian Nonviolence. Additionally, a panel of nonviolence trainers will discuss the purpose and successes of Kingian Nonviolence in other communities and encourage the implementation of its principles in Hillsborough County organizations, schools, and government entities. A follow-up training open to the community will be conducted in May 2010.

Featured speakers include: Dr. Paul Bueno de Mesquita, Psychology Professor at the University of Rhode Island and Director of the Center for Nonviolence & Peace Studies; Rich Tarlian, Retired captain of the Providence Police Department; and Harold Sanchez, Kingian Nonviolence training coach.

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