

December 2012

Happy New Year!

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Information and Important Events

Interfaith Harmony Breakfast
Guadalajara, Mexico, hosts
Universal
Multicultural Dialogue
International Academy for
Interfaith Studies - Founders
Coming Next Year



FOUNDERS:

Rev. Dr. Tom Lynch retired from a 34 year career as a Professor in 2008. In that career, he served on the faculty of Syracuse University, Mississippi State University, Florida International University, Florida Atlantic University, and Louisiana State University. He is Professor Emeritus from LSU. His research and teaching area was public administration. In that capacity he wrote or edited approximately 100 articles and book chapters as well as 15 books. His service included being national President of the American Society for Public Administration in 1992/1993 as well as editor of the Public Manager (1972 to 1982) and Global Virtue Ethics Review (1998 to 2003).



Interfaith Harmony Breakfast - February 2011 - 2012

Last February 2nd., Drs. Thomas and Cynthia Lynch hosted the Second Annual Interfaith Harmony Breakfast as part of a coordinated worldwide effort to host such breakfasts to bring people of different faiths (or no faith) together for a meal during World Interfaith Harmony Week (the first week in February), and to reaffirm the 21 October 2010 unanimous call of the United Nations General Assembly for "A

In 2003, Dr. Lynch was ordained an Interfaith Minister. He has presented several sermons and talks in Orlando, Florida; Baton Rouge, Louisiana; McAllen, Texas; and San Miguel de Allende, GTO, Mexico. They are posted here under Talks and Sermons.

In 2010, he started the Academy as a training institution focusing on Interfaith Studies. The Academy is a recognized nonprofit corporation by the State of Texas and the Mexico.



Rev. Dr. Cynthia Lynch has an active career as a Professor since 2002. She has served on the faculty of Southern University and A & M College in the Nelson Mandela School of Public Policy and Urban Affairs and is currently an Associate Professor in Public Administration at the University of Texas Pan American. She wrote or edited about 30 articles and book chapters as well as co-authored/co-edited three book. She is active in the American Society for Public Administration.

In 2008, Dr. Lynch was graduated from the New Seminar in New York City and was ordained an Interfaith Minister. She has presented several sermons and talks in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, McAllen, Texas, and San Miguel de Allende, GTO, Mexico. They are posted here under Talks and Sermon.

In 2012, she will start the Academy's operations in South Texas. The Academy is a

Common World," as introduced by the King of Jordan. The event took place at the Real de Minas Hotel in San Miguel de Allende, with the attendance of more than 32 representatives of local churches.

The first Annual Interfaith Harmony Breakfast in Mexico, was held on February 2011 at the Real the Minas Hotel, also in San Miguel de Allende, and opened the door to make of this event an annual get together supporting the World Interfaith Harmony Week.

The International Academy for Interfaith Studies is getting ready to host one more time, the Annual Interfaith Harmony Breakfast 2013. We will you posted as the date and place in San Miguel de Allende. If you would like to attend please contact Drs. Thomas and Cynthia Lynch.

Guadalajara Hosts Universal Multicultural Dialogue Event

The "Universal Multicultural Dialogue" is an international forum, converging the various ways of thinking and beliefs regardless of race, creed or social status. This event is planned to be held biannually, giving the opportunity to different people involved, to share their vision for issues that are common to everybody and allow to bring collective ideas to solve problems we all face. It is the purpose of this Dialogue Event, to meet and open the path to make our planet a home where we can live in peace and harmony in an environment of respect and understanding. This year the Event took place in the city of Guadalajara, Mexico, and the Interfaith Academy was represented by one of our Mexican students, Letty Gonzalez.

recognized nonprofit corporation by the State of Texas.

Her courses at the Academy are:

- *Grant Writing, Fund Development and Becoming a Nonprofit.
- *Nonprofit Leadership, Management and Planning.
- *Ethics and Religion.
- *Ethics for Nonprofit Organizations.
- *Introduction to: Hinduism, Buddhism, Ingenuous Religion, Confucianism, Daoism,
- *The Service
- *Other Ceremonies and Services



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Coming Next Year:

Ordination of our First Interfaith Minister trained in Mexico - January 13th, 2013

Third Annual Interfaith Harmony Breakfast - February 2013

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