

Chicago Baha'is share Peace day

On Sunday, Sept. 15, members of the Baha'i Faith in 4,761 American cities, towns and villages will observe World Peace day.

The purpose of World Peace day is to spread the recognition of America's spiritual destiny to raise the standard of peace in the world. Inaugurated in 1959, the day is sponsored annually by the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States.

A public meeting sponsored by the Chicago Baha'i Community will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14, at 8 p.m. at the South Commons Community Theatre, 2831 S. Michigan ave. The public is invited. Sam Jackson, a noted Baha'i teacher, will speak on the subject of world peace and how the Baha'i Faith unifies mankind.

The Baha'is feel that because of its fruitful experience in federation and its great spiritual capacities and blessings, America can be a prime leader in bringing about world peace and world order. Baha'u'llah, Prophet-Founder of the Baha'i Faith, foretold the elimination of war and of racial, religious and class prejudices, and proclaimed the coming union of all peoples in one common Faith inspired by allegiance to one God and a love for all mankind.

The Baha'i Faith originated in Iran (then Persia) in 1844. Its teachings revolve around three basic principles—the oneness of God, the oneness of religion, and the oneness of mankind. Baha'is believe that in each age, God sends a new prophet to renew religion and to provide the spiritual and social teachings for that age. They see Baha'u'llah as the Prophet for this age.