

# CHURCH, STATE & WAR

## STUDY DAY



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**Speaker 1. The Reverend Canon Dr Paul Oestreicher**, formerly parish priest, former Director of Centre for International Reconciliation, Coventry Cathedral, former Chair of Amnesty International, former Vice President Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, present Counsellor Anglican Pacifist Fellowship

### **"When war is abolished, is that the end of the armed forces?"**

Paul will outline why he believes war can and needs to be abolished, rejecting the Augustinian theory of the just war that one can kill in love. However, just as murder is no longer acceptable, when war is finally seen as collective murder it needs, like murder, to be policed. How?

**Speaker 2.** Dr Richard Jackson, formerly Professor of International Politics, Aberystwyth University, now Deputy Director at the National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Otago, Editor Critical Studies on Terrorism.

### **"An Ethical Response to Terrorism, Counter-terrorism and the War on Terror".**

Richard will explore first the nature and threat of terrorism and the global war on terrorism which followed the 9/11 attacks. He will then outline some of the key principles which he believes should guide an ethical response to terrorism, including humanity, social and political justice, dialogue and nonviolence, legitimacy, effectiveness and proportionality. He will argue that many of these principles can be rooted in the prophetic tradition and the politics of Jesus.

**Speaker 3. Stephen Tollestrup**, Executive Director of TEAR Fund NZ, Director for the World Evangelical Alliance Peace and Reconciliation Initiative, Board member of the Integral Alliance an international coalition of Christian Aid and Relief agencies, Board of Reference member for New Zealand Christian Network.

### **"Poverty and Conflict: mainstreaming peace-building into community development."**

Stephen will focus on conflict and poverty in the developing world. He'll provide background, case studies and suggested remedies from the experience of those with whom he is working.

**Speaker 4. Thomas Noakes-Duncan** is a member of the Order of Urban Vision as well as being a PhD candidate at Otago University. Acknowledgment for the time and financial investment given to this paper belongs to Victoria University of Wellington and the supervision of Christopher Marshall.

### **"How Should We Understand Paul's Relationship to the State?"**

Thomas will survey various approaches to the apostle Paul's witness to the State in the New Testament, and then ask what this might mean for the church's politics today.

*This Study Day has been arranged by the New Zealand Christian Network in conjunction with the Anglican Pacifist Fellowship New Zealand Branch.*

**Fee** \$20, to be paid on the day.

Lunch and morning and afternoon tea provided

**Registration:** barfoots@xtra.co.nz or 09 575-6142