



Connect 2012

Shared Visions for Change

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Call Flow:

Welcome

Invocation

Overview of Connect 2012

- General process
- Mapping the “Positive Core”
 - Occupy Cafe
 - Occupy Movement
 - Global Heart
- Shared visions for change

Readings from C2012 Interviews

<http://sharedpurpose.net/interviews/interviewanswers.cfm?tq=579408&ssv=1#vw>

Mapping the Positive Core==>Shared Vision

Notes:

- Vision from Scott Krabler: let us create conversations that can take the world by storm in order to replace “representative democracy” where the individual voices are often drowned out with a system where:
 - the people working with/are affected by the issues are the ones who solve it
 - it is an ecosystem of self-governance
 - it is life serving
 - artificial political boundaries disappear
 - *Jim: Yes!*
 - *Peter Block’s work aligns with this. Local action in Cincinnati, with which he is involved*
 - *Use stories as another key element. Narratives are very valuable.*
- No need for big plans to make something practically effective.
 - Simple local actions.
 - Make them visible.
 - Build schools for children in developing countries.
 - *Jim: Yes. AND a concern about actions being powerful enough to create the scale of change we need*
- Renovating a building to house a work camp
 - three bedrooms
 - volunteers live there and do work--2-3 weeks international work camps, e.g.
 - paint a church
 - pick up garbage
 - start a community garden
 - have fun

Themes/patterns for positive core:

- Cities where powerful action is taking place
 - Cincinnati & Philadelphia came up during this call
 - Locations that emerge as leaders/models/inspiration/centers for dynamic thinking/action
- People taking things into their own hands
- How do we do things together? What structures do we need? How do we get all the voices heard?
 - Letting go of the notion that we know better than someone else.
 - NVC

- Sociocracy
- Urgent desire for action
 - What are the most important and impactful things we can do?
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- This is not a monolithic “one world government” approach. Distributed solutions. How can we be advocates for an agile and peaceful transition.
 - “Glocal” action/ecology. Actions that are localized and are also plugged into a global network that allows them to be part of the greater transition/solution
- A passion for alternative currency/new economies