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27th Annual Evening for Peace to Honor  
Mentor of Martin Luther King, Jr. and  
Nonkilling Scholar-Activist

**Santa Barbara, CA** – The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation will honor two extraordinary peace leaders at its 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Evening for Peace: Reverend James Lawson, an innovative leader in nonviolence and mentor to Martin Luther King, Jr.; and Professor Glenn Paige, a pioneering scholar and activist who established a Center for Global Nonkilling.

Both individuals will receive the Foundation's Distinguished Peace Leadership Award on Friday October 29, 2010 at the Coral Casino of the Four Seasons Santa Barbara Biltmore, with a 6:00 P.M. reception and a gala dinner at 7:00 P.M.



**Reverend James Lawson:** On the eve of his assassination in 1968, Martin Luther King, Jr. called Rev. James Lawson "the leading theorist and strategist of nonviolence in the world." Rev. Lawson is a deeply religious man, who served in prison for being a conscientious objector during the Korean War. After serving in prison, he worked with Dr. King – helping to coordinate the Freedom Rides in 1961 and the Meredith March in 1966. While working as a pastor at the Centenary Methodist Church in Memphis, Rev. Lawson also played a key role in the sanitation workers strike of 1968. (Archive photo by Jack E. Cantrell courtesy of Special Collections, Univ. of Memphis Libraries)



**Professor Glenn Paige:** A former soldier in the Korean War who once wrote a book in defense of that war, Glenn Paige went on to do pioneering work in outlining a theory for the progressive eradication of killing. A dynamic speaker, he is a professor emeritus from the University of Hawaii and the founder of a Center for Global Nonkilling. His book on *Nonkilling Global Political Science* has been translated into more than 20 languages.

The Evening for Peace is the Foundation's principal fundraising event of the year. Tickets to the event and sponsorship opportunities are available, including the sponsorship of students to attend the dinner. Ticket or sponsorship inquiries should be made by phone at 805 965-3443.

**For more information or interviews, contact Rick Wayman, NAPF Director of Programs at (805) 965-3443.**

*The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation initiates and supports worldwide efforts to abolish nuclear weapons, to strengthen international law and institutions, and to inspire and empower a new generation of peace leaders. Founded in 1982, the Foundation is comprised of individuals and organizations worldwide who realize the imperative for peace in the Nuclear Age. The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation is a non-profit, non-partisan international education and advocacy organization. It has consultative status to the United Nations Economic and Social Council and is recognized by the UN as a Peace Messenger Organization.*

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