



Gun Violence Prevention James Atwood Institute for Congregational Change Ghost Ranch | August 22-25, 2024

With every event of gun violence, does the Spirit tug at you to **do something**? Yet *what*? And *how*? Or... I've been working on this –*how do I become more effective*? If these questions call to you, the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship invites you –and perhaps others from your church—to attend the inaugural **James Atwood Institute for Congregational Courage** at Ghost Ranch in Abiquiu, NM on August 22-25, 2024. Honoring the late Presbyterian prophet of gun violence prevention James Atwood, the Institute will offer continuing education for clergy and lay leaders on educational, pastoral and action steps for gun violence prevention mission in the local church.

On Thurs. Aug 22 at 7pm MT, internationally-known biblical scholar, Nobel Peace Prize nominee and Catholic priest **Father John Dear** will open the Institute with a keynote speech on the faith basis for courage to prevent gun violence. Local area churches are invited to the keynote address. The Institute is ecumenical, hands-on and designed for congregations. Bring a team from your church! Find a news story with background info at: presbyterianmission.org/story/james-atwood-institute

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