The Peace Islands Institute organized a panel discussion to honor the 10th anniversary of September 11th. The discussion, which was titled "Into The Light: A Multifaith Conversation on 9/11", was held at Princeton University on September 8th 2011. The program was co-sponsored by Fellowship In Prayer and Princeton University Muslim Life Program in the Office of Religious Life. Matthew Weiner, Associate Dean of Religious Life at Princeton University, and former Director for the Interfaith Center of New York, moderated the panel.

A long summary of the presentations is below the pictures. Please roll down the page to read it.

Speakers:

- Valarie Kaur - Sikh American writer/producer; executive director of Groundswell.
- Rabbi Justus Baird - Director of the Center for Multifaith Education at Auburn Theological Seminary, NYC.
- Sohaib Sultan - Muslim Life Coordinator/Chaplain at Princeton University, lecturer and author on Islam.
- Rev. Krystin Granberg - Interim Pastor from Broadway Presbyterian Church; member of General Assembly Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations

Pictures from the Event:
more people who claimed to be “religious” than those who claimed to be “spiritual. Now, 10 self-identification in terms of religiosity and spirituality. Before 9/11, she stated that there were concludes.

Another concern that became strong in the Christian community is the fear. How do we transform that fear into hope? She also informed the audience of the change in people’s 9/11 certainly changed Americans’ attitude toward religion. But “I am very faithful”, she was the one moment, in the last 10 years, that really sticks with her, and that inspired her about Riverside Church, in New York City. A preacher was actually talking about safety and security people listed on plaques - Hindu names, Christian names Jewish names, and Muslim names -, and how indiscriminating this attack had been, and what an interconnected world we live in.

The worst is that, 10 years later, over 50 percent of the country has a negative look on the people - a paper at a library at the University of Indiana as an undergraduate student. Almost immediately, without skipping a beat, people said this looked exactly like what an Islamic Sahoib Sultan

In any event Valarie Kaur Sikh is hopeful. She says, “We are still living in the shadow of 9/11, but there is hope for peace. I am really hopeful about this 10th year anniversary of 9/11”. Further, the mass murderer of Norway cited anti-Muslim American ideologies in his manifesto to community.

Second speaker from 90 different countries died on 9/11. That means that we have to acknowledge the kind of interdependence that we are dealing with. Rabbi Justus Baird also thinks this event reminds him that we are a deeply interconnected. People

were familiar with throughout history. Jews have the narrative of being a minority who has not they were moved by the individuals’ stories and faces they saw on the screen. These young NY has a program for teens called “face-to-face, faith-to-faith” where they bring teens from International participants were also taken to the ground zero. The staff and the counselors were people, the future leaders of the world, will never know the pre 9/11 world. It is a part of who they are, and the fear and anxiety that this event generated is something they deeply and fathers, and to capture their pain, fear, and their grief at being subject to such hate. She decided to capture the unseen impacts of 9/11 and sat with mothers and daughters, sons to California from India, she has felt deeply American. When the attack happened, she felt what had to protect themselves.

As a young person, whose grandfather had come with a steamship, almost 100 years ago all Americans had felt; a deep assault, a deep violation, confusion and shock. She said, “Just believes that her community had been marked automatically suspect, perpetually foreign and had been like for a Sikh in American society. She was a young college student when September 11th. The discussion, which was titled “Into The Light: A Multifaith Conversation on September 11th. The discussion, which was titled “Into The Light: A Multifaith Conversation on 9/11” and was at a multifaith breakfast on homelessness and housing at Rev. Krysten Granberg

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Valarie Kaur Sikh

Rabbi Justus Baird

Rabbi Justus Baird, the first speaker on the panel started with Jewish community’s response Office of Religious Life. Matthew Weiner, Associate Dean of Religious Life at Princeton University, and former Director for the Interfaith Center of New York, moderated the panel.