



December 2009

MADRE

= Economic & Environmental Justice = Women's Health: Combating Violence Against Women = Peace Building

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<u>This Month's Focus:</u> Afghanistan: The Afghan Women's Survival Fund Nicaragua: Filtering Water, Saving Lives Palestine: The Safe Birth Project			1 World AIDS Day	2 16 Days of Action Against VAW	3 International Day for the Abolition of Slavery	4	5 International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development
6	7 UN Conference on Climate Change (Copenhagen)	8	9 International Anti-Corruption Day	10 Human Rights Day	11	12 Global Day of Action on Climate Change	
13	14 Watch Eve Ensler talk about violence against women	15	16 Anniversary of 1st Aristide Election (Haiti, 1990)	17	18 Anniversary of CEDAW Adoption in UN General Assembly (1979)	19	
20 International Human Solidarity Day	21	22 Watch a UNFPA video on the importance of Indigenous Women's Rights	23	24	25	26	
27 Anniversary of Start of Attacks on Gaza (2008)	28	29 Anniversary of Guatemalan Peace Accords (1996)	30	31			

For more information on how to become a MADRE activist or to get MADRE materials, reach email us at organizing@madre.org or call us at 212.627.0444.

DECEMBER CALENDAR DETAIL

December 1:

World AIDS Day

Learn about how by being married women can become more susceptible to HIV: <http://www.populationaction.org/silentpartner/>

December 2:

16 Days of Action Against VAW

Watch a short film about the connection between Violence Against Women and HIV/AIDS: <http://ymex.org/video/view.html?ID=53>

December 3:

International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

Learn about modern day slavery from the “Not for Sale” campaign: <http://www.notforsalecampaign.org/about/slavery/>

December 5:

International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development

Check out the World Volunteer Website and volunteer in your area: <http://www.worldvolunteerweb.org/take-action/be-a-volunteer.html>

December 7:

UN Conference on Climate Change (Copenhagen)

Read about why climate change policy should be addressed through a human rights framework: <http://www.bicusa.org/en/Article.11669.aspx>

December 9:

International Anti-Corruption Day

Watch a video of last year’s International Anti-corruption Conference: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Yp5tsudF_g

December 10:

Human Rights Day

Watch British Prime Minister Gordon Brown speak about wiring a web for global good: http://www.ted.com/talks/lang/eng/gordon_brown.html

December 14:

Watch Eve Ensler, writer of *The Vagina Monologues*, talk about violence against women: http://www.ted.com/talks/lang/eng/eve_ensler_on_security.html

December 16:

Anniversary of 1st Aristide Election (Haiti, 1990)

Read an article written by Naomi Klein about Aristide and the Haitian people: <http://www.thenation.com/doc/20050801/klein>

December 20:

International Human Solidarity Day

Watch Desmond Tutu and Bill Clinton discuss the concept of Ubuntu: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6YswUI-yqXo>

December 22:

Watch a UNFPA short video on the importance of Indigenous Women’s Rights: <http://208.112.10.235/?v=9958938765105418572007>

December 27:

Anniversary of Start of Attacks on Gaza (2008)

Read the press release of the UN Fact Finding Mission on the Gaza Conflict: <http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/specialsession/9/FactFindingMission.htm>

December 29:

Anniversary of Guatemalan Peace Accords (1996)

Read about the status of human rights in Guatemala: <http://www.nytimes.com/2000/11/05/world/rights-in-guatemala-at-risk-still.html?scp=1&sq=rights%20in%20guatemala:%20at%20risk%20still&st=cse>