



Living in the Balance

March 2018

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BAN *"This cannot be [our] normal. This can be*
BAN *changed and it will be changed. And anybody*
BAN *who tells you that it can't is buying into the*
BAN *facade of this being created by the people*
BAN *who have our blood on their hands,"*

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"The people in the government who were voted into power are lying to us. And us kids seem to be the only ones who notice and our parents to call BS. Companies trying to make caricatures of the teenagers these days, saying that all we are self-involved and trend-obsessed and they hush us into submission when our message doesn't reach the ears of the nation, we are prepared to call BS. Politicians who sit in their gilded House and Senate seats funded by the NRA telling us nothing could have been done to prevent this, we call BS. They say tougher guns laws do not decrease gun violence. We call BS. They say a good guy with a gun stops a bad guy with a gun. We call BS. They say guns are just tools like knives and are as dangerous as cars. We call BS. They say no laws could have prevented the hundreds of senseless tragedies that have occurred. We call BS. That us kids don't know what we're talking about, that we're too young to understand how the government works. We call BS."

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BAN *"To [NRA Florida lobbyist] Marion Hammer and to*
BAN *everyone at the NRA and everyone affiliated at the NRA:*
BAN *We are not afraid of you, we will not be silenced by*
BAN *anything you have to say. We are here, our voices are*
BAN *loud, and we're not stopping until change happens."*

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Calendar considerations.....

Silent Retreat Weekends

March 2 – 4, 2018

June 1 – 3, 2018

Order of Saint Helena, North Augusta, South Carolina

<https://www.osh.org/events.html>

Valle Crucis Conference Center

Mysticism & Mindfulness in the Work of Hildegard of Bingen

Friday, April 13, 10 am - 3 pm

Short Introduction to Centering Prayer

Friday, May 6 - Sunday, May 8

<https://vcconferences.org/programs>

Kanuga Conference Center

Lansing Lee Conference: Civil Discourse in America, March 16 – 18, 2018

Faith, Art and Creative Expression, August 19 – 24, 2018

www.kanuga.org

Southern Dharma Center

Loving-kindness, Compassion, and the Awakened Heart, March 15 – 18, 2018

Liberating the Mind and Heart, A Metta-Vipassana Retreat, March 29 – April 2, 2018

In Nature, Our True Nature, April 7 – 13, 2018

Fueling the Fire of Our Heart's, Deepest Desire, April 17 – 22, 2018

These programs fill quickly!

www.southerndharma.org

Greenville Friends of Jung

Mask Making Workshop with Dr. Deborah Armstrong 9:00 a.m.

until noon, Saturday, April 21, 2018 (CEU's available)

The group also offers a monthly film and discussion.

<https://sites.google.com/site/friendsofjunggreenville/events>

Center for Spiritual Wisdom

Centering Prayer Lakeside Retreat, Lake Norman, April 20 – 22

Enneagram Series, April 27 – May 22, Elk Haven Wellness Center

For more information and for other offerings

<https://center4spiritualwisdom.org/>





Calendar considerations.....

The Sophia Institute, Charleston, SC

Hidden Grace with Andrew Harvey and Caroline Myss, March 9 – 10
The Gift of Deepening and the Radiance of All Things with Mark Nepo, May 18 – 20
See the website for these and other one day events. www.thesophiainstitute.org

St. Mary's Sewanee

Three Day Lenten Centering Prayer Retreat, March 23 – 25
Enneagram Conference, April 6 – 8
Three Day Centering Prayer Retreat, June 1 – June 3
Ten Day Centering Prayer Retreat, June 22 – July 1
St. Mary's Retreat Center, Sewanee, TN
<http://www.stmaryssewanee.org/about/events>

The Anchorage

Greenville, South Carolina
Offering desert days and contemplative events
<http://www.theanchorage.org/>

Cynthia Bourgeault

The Cathedral of St. Philip, Atlanta, Georgia
Saturday, March 17, 2018
<https://www.stphilipscathedral.org/>

A Weekend with Dr. Jerry Wright

September 7 – 9
Lake Junaluska, North Carolina
<http://www.firstlightproductions.org/new-events/>

Anderson Forum for Progressive Theology

Robin Meyers will speak on April 8, 2018
Anderson, SC
<http://astlonline.org/>

Haden Institute Summer Dream and Spirituality Conference

Featuring Jean Shindoa Bolen, Alan Jones, and Pittman McGee
May 27 – June 1 at Kanuga Conference Center
<http://www.hadeninstitute.com/summer-dream-conference>



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- Offers a space and time for you to explore, reflect upon, and deepen your relationship with God.
- Provides a haven from the daily busyness of the outer world and opens a time to be still and to reflect on your inner journey.
- Is a companioning relationship grounded in dialogue and discernment.
- Explores ways you may integrate spirituality into your daily life.
- Is not limited to any one spiritual practice or tradition.
- May involve one or two meetings or multiple meetings over time.

You may wish to consider spiritual companioning if you are —

- Longing for a deeper relationship with the Divine
- Looking for a place to dialogue about spiritual questions
- Seeking ways to connect with the Spirit in a more intentional way
- Discerning ways to live in a more integrated and whole way
- Standing at a crossroads in your life
- Exploring new or fresh ways to be in relationship with God

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