

NOT ON OUR WATCH!!!! STOP THE GENOCIDE!

After the Holocaust, people said, "Never again!" When people saw the movie Hotel Rwanda, they cried and said, 'Why didn't we do anything to stop this?' and yet, since February of 2003, the **genocide in Darfur, Sudan**, has already taken the lives of up to 450,000 people. **WHERE IS OUR MORAL OUTRAGE?**

An excellent program was offered at Purdue University Calumet on December 18, 2006, to address the horrific situation in Darfur. The University's Chancellor Cohen, Bishop Dale Melczek of the Catholic Diocese of Gary, and Michael Sparber, of the Jewish Community Relations Council, provided introductory remarks. Joan Crist, from the Office of Ecumenism and Interreligious Affairs of the Diocese of Gary, and Michael Steinberg, from the Jewish Federation, introduced the speakers: Scott LeFevre of Catholic Relief Services and Matthew Emry of American Jewish World Service, who also has experience working in the Peace Corps and for the International Rescue Committee.

Sudanese-backed groups of militia called Janjaweed are systematically wiping out villages, killing men and boys, raping women and girls, and burning homes. Government planes have been dropping car chassis and large appliances on these villages!!! Over 2.5 million people have been driven from their homes and risk starvation and disease. An additional million also rely on aid for survival. It is becoming more difficult to provide humanitarian aid to those in need, and some areas are now inaccessible due to violence.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Learn. Helpful websites: www.SaveDarfur.com, <sudan.crs.org>, <AJWS.org/darfuf>, <SudanTribune.org>, <sudanreeves.org>, <DarfurScores.org>

Read: A Short History of a Long War, by

Act. *Call and/or write government officials often (once a week!)

President Bush 202-4565-1111 comment line

Senator Bayh 202-224-5623

Senator Lugar 202-224-4814

Urge media to provide coverage

Write letters to the editor

Increase awareness – talk it up!

Start a student-led coalition – refer to <www.standnow.org> to get started

Give. To humanitarian aid.

Pray. For an end to the atrocities, for all those displaced by the violence, for lasting peace...

DO NOT FORGET!

*Ask Government Officials to:

- Earmark \$500 million for Darfur peacekeeping and humanitarian aid as part of January Continuing Resolution in 2007 U.S. Budget.

- Increase targeted sanctions on Sudan; prioritize ending genocide over intelligence relationships with Sudan.

•Pressure China, Russia, and the Arab League (who have oil concessions in Sudan) to end genocide in Sudan.

•Strengthen the understaffed and overwhelmed African Union peacekeeping force already in Darfur.

•Push for deployment of a strong UN peacekeeping force.

•Increase humanitarian aid and ensure access for aid delivery.

•Establish a no-fly zone.