

Mike Ghouse, A profile

THINKER - SPEAKER - ORGANIZER - WRITER & A PLURALIST PRACTITIONER

Mike's work is reflected at three websites & twenty two Blogs listed at <http://www.mikeghouse.net/>

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Mike Ghouse is a speaker, thinker, writer, optimist, organizer, educator and an activist of Pluralism, Justice, Islam, India, Peace and Civil Societies.

Mike is an organizer of events, conferences, workshops and lectures to impart the values of pluralism at work, places of worship and the society at large. He is a conflict mitigator and a goodwill nurturer and believes that by learning to respect the otherness of others and accepting the God given uniqueness of each one of the seven billion of us, conflicts fade and solutions emerge.

He has dedicated his time to work with the leadership in offering insights and solutions to effectively managing the multi-religious, multi-ethnic, and multicultural societies.

Pluralistic solutions have the power to sustain and take us into the next century with relative security, peace and prosperity.

ORGANIZER

Mike Presides the **Foundation for Pluralism** championing the idea of co-existence through respecting and accepting the otherness of other; he is committed to nurturing the pluralistic ideals embedded in Islam through the **World Muslim Congress**; a board member of the **Dallas Peace Center** and **Memnosyne Foundation**; an Ambassador for peace with the **Universal Peace Federation**. Mike was also a commissioner at the City of Carrollton.

INITIATOR

The following events were initiated, organized and established with the theme of bringing diverse people together to learn and to know about each other.

Annual reflections on **Holocaust and Genocides** since 2007; the mission is to create awareness of the inhumanity in us and find solutions for peaceful co-existence. Mike believes that, "we cannot be safe, unless others around us are not" ([ADD LINKS - TJP - DMN 2009 - DMN 2006 - Survivors - Jewish Post - Fox TV](#))

The annual **Unity Day USA** took root in 2005, on this Unity Day USA, we the people of the United States of America of every faith, race, ethnicity, culture and background will gather to express our commitment to co-existence, Unity, safety, prosperity and well being of our nation with liberty and justice for all. ([Experiment - TV](#))

The Annual **Thanksgiving Celebrations** began in 1993 to bring immigrant, indigenous and born Americans together. The purpose of celebrating this event is to give thanks to the creator for the blessings of precious life while enjoying the cultural heritage of each ethnic group.

EDUCATION

M.B.A., Univ. of Dallas
M.Com. Bangalore Univ.
B.Com, Bangalore Univ.

EDUCATOR

"Wisdom of Religion" - all the beautiful religions of the world was an hourly Radio talk show broadcasted daily. Over 700 hours of educational programming was relayed learning about religious, humanistic and the pluralistic traditions. ([ADD LINKS - DMN_2003](#) - [DMN 1996](#) - [DMN 1999](#))

"Festivals of the World" was a weekly Radio program on Saturdays, where the essence of every festival was shared, so we all can have an idea of how other people celebrate or commemorate their holidays. (more on right panel)

Workshops titled "Understanding Religion – every beautiful religion" were conducted for two years.

Mike's purposeful presence in the media is to foster critical thinking. He is blessed to have been given the time on national and local TV, Radio and Print medium to share pluralistic solutions on the issues of the day.

MEDIA RELATIONS

Mike has appeared on Public Television, Fox News, CNN, ABC, NBC and other channels and has been on NPR, KERA, KRLD, WBAP, Progressive Radio and several other Radio talk shows. The theme is for people to see and value a moderate point of view.

COMMUNICATIONS

One of Mike's talents is communicating precisely what needs to be done each step of the way. He believes in writing down every thing for clear communications.

His thoroughness, simplicity and a calm focus inspires peace of mind and assures a clear sense of direction for the people who come in contact and or do business with him.

He is patient and sees another point of view to finding sustainable solutions.

WRITER

Mike has written over 800 articles on the subjects of Pluralism, interfaith, Islam, Religion, Civil societies, Terrorism, India and Peace have been published in journals, websites and major news papers around the world.

Mike has two books on the horizon; Basic Islam; everything you always wanted to know about Islam, and

Basic Pluralism – everything you always wanted to know about the idea of co-existence among religious communities.

MODERATOR

Mike moderates several discussion groups, seminars and events.

WHOLE HEARTEDLY

Mike says, "No matter what you do in life, do it wholeheartedly." as it brings joy to oneself and the others who will consume the work. "I thank God for blessing me with the passion to do everything with my heart and soul in it. My life has become Pluralism in general and Religious Pluralism in particular."

Mike speaks on at educational, religious and civic organization on Pluralism, Religious pluralism including multiculturalism and Indian Culture”

COMMITMENT TO PEACE

Mike consciously chooses his words and actions to reduce conflicts and nurture goodwill amongst people of different affiliations. He walks the middle path and gets to work with the right wingers as well as the ultra-left. His work for peace and co-existence is reflected through the workshops, radio shows, speeches, discussion forums and writings.

BUSINESS PROFILE

Management consultant, available at website.