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COVID-19: A threat that is urging us to change and to act in unison throughout the world

In front of such an unprecedented sanitary crisis in the recent history of mankind, AISA NGO International is reasserting, with strength, the imperious urgency to come back to the founding principles of the Culture of Peace and the unity of the human family.

The sanitary crisis linked to the COVID-19 that is currently shaking all countries over the world is exceptional in many respects.

It has particularly imposed on us to bring the human being, the sacredness of life and the preservation and the survival of our humanity back to the center of priorities.

It has compelled us to leave the culture of selfishness and individualism, by endorsing longsuffering and marginalized people left by society and world governance; sufferings that we would never have thought would reach each of us, within his comfort zone, with full force.

Though such a crisis has revealed the extreme weakness of our socio-economic paradigms, it nonetheless appears as an unprecedent opportunity to grasp in order to rethink and build, together, with one another, tomorrow's world on new bases that are more fraternal and more respectful of the Living.

Besides the scrupulous respect of sanitary orders and the containment rules stated by the authorities, it encourages us to develop long-term new solidarities by moving from the culture of 'I' to the culture of 'We'; to gather around shared universal values, within the respect of unity and the richness of the human family.

With this in mind, AISA NGO International, today more than ever, is restating her call to mobilize for the promotion of the Living and Doing Together in Peace and the education to the Culture of Peace. Indeed, by uniting the efforts of all driving forces, in action and synergy, the universal values of sharing, solidarity and equality... will become experienced realities for all of humankind, with no distinction of culture, religion or social rank.

Throughout history, humanity, has gone through many trials, wars, famines, diseases, prophecy claiming the end of the world, and each time, in a survival reflex, it has managed to face them and confront the challenges.

« Disease is within yourself and you see nothing.
The cure will come but from you and you know nothing.
You think you are no more than a tiny body,
While within you lies the Macrocosm with a capital M. »
Sheikh al-Alawî's aphorism