

A SERBIAN YOUNG WOMAN APPEALS FOR PEACE

In the April 2 SGI-UK Bulletin, Sasha Radoja, young women's leader for Gloucester Road District, Chelsea and South Kensington Chapter, appeals to all SGI members in the United Kingdom:

With the bombing of Serbia, I cannot even begin to describe how I feel. As a Serbian who has been living in the UK for almost seven years, and SGI member for five years, I am trying to find ways to help my people and carry out my determination for kosen-rufu in the world. This is a decisive moment which must bring about fundamental change in the world.

Conflict cannot be resolved by conflict. I am chanting for the Yugoslav peoples' safety and process of profound human revolution in their lives that will bring about utmost humanity and desire to create value through peace. I am also chanting for the awakening of the world in which we are not going to be governed by power, but by freedom and peaceful dialogue. We must turn a new page in the history of the world at the brink of a new century and turn poison into medicine.

I think I am grasping the concept of kosen-rufu at the most profound level and keeping close to SGI President Ikeda's heart. I can feel his support. I would welcome the support of SGI-UK members. I would like all of us to meet with our hearts instantaneously, to abandon small, almost self-obsessive, worries and open our hearts for the whole world. Only when we do that will we be committed to kosen-rufu. I want all of us to grow in our faith and take responsibility for the state of the world we live in. We do not only chant for kosen-rufu, we fight for kosen-rufu. We must make a difference. There is no other way.