



CHARTER FOR
COMPASSION

<https://charterforcompassion.org/>

About the Charter for Compassion

Charter for Compassion provides an umbrella for people to engage in collaborative partnerships worldwide. Our mission is to bring to life the principles articulated in the Charter for Compassion through concrete, practical action in a myriad of sectors.

How many have signed the Charter?

We did not have a recording feature in place to number all those signatures in the early days of the Charter. For example, to capture the *more than 160,000 people who contributed their ideas to what should be in the Charter*. We know that Dublin had a signature campaign early on, and that Pakistan and Australia are running campaigns to collect one million signatures each. We also know that churches, synagogues and mosques, and various organizations from the West Bank to the United Kingdom had been collecting signatures. So when the question is asked, we can only estimate, well over 2 million.

Who has signed the Charter?

Adrian Grenier: actor, director, musician and producer

Alain de Botton: Swiss writer, philosopher, and television personality

Ali Asani: professor of Indo-Muslim Religion and Cultures

Archbishop Desmond Tutu: South African social rights activist and a retired Anglican Bishop

Baroness Julia Neuberger: author and a member of the British House of Lords

Bishop John Bryson Chane: bishop in the Episcopal Church

Bro. Paulus Terwitte: monk and moderator of the parochial show “So Gesehen” on the German TV

Candido Mendes: Brazilian teacher, educator, lawyer, sociologist, political scientist, and essayist

Who has signed the Charter? (continued)

Chandra Muzaffar: political scientist, and an Islamic reformist and activist

Crown Prince Pavlos of Greece: investment consultant and was heir apparent to the Greek throne

Dave Eggers: American writer, editor, and publisher

David Lynch: American film director, visual artist and musician

H.M. Queen Noor of Jordan: President of the United World Colleges movement

H.M. Queen Rania al Abdullah of Jordan: advocate for education, health, and advocate of the anti-nuclear weapons proliferation campaign Global Zero

Ha Vinh Tho: program director of the Gross National Happiness centre of Bhutan

H.H. Dalai Lama: spiritual leader of Tibet

H.H. Sheikh Sultan bin Sooud Al-Qasimi: member of the Supreme Council of the United Arab Emirates

H.R.H. Prince El Hassan bin Talal of Jordan: co-chairman of the Independent Bureau for Humanitarian Issues and member of the Jordanian Royal Family

Isabel Allende: author and journalist

Jean Zaru: Palestinian Quaker who is a founding member of Sabeel

Jody Williams: American political activist known for her work in banning anti-personnel landmines

Karen Armstrong: British author and commentator known for her books on comparative religion, founder of the Charter for Compassion

Kenneth Cole: founder of Kenneth Cole Productions, Inc.

Who has signed the Charter? (continued)

Lauren Bush: CEO, creative director, and Co-Founder of FEED projects

Marti Ahtisari: Finnish politician and a Nobel Peace prize laureate

Meg Ryan: American actress and producer

Melissa Etheridge: singer and musician

Mohammad Ali: retired professional boxer and humanitarian

Mohsen Kadivar: Iranian philosopher, university lecturer, cleric and activist

Muna Abu-Salayman: influential Arab and Muslim Media personality

Paul Simon: American musician, actor and singer-songwriter.

Peter Gabriel: English singer-songwriter, musician and humanitarian activist

Pierre & Pamela Omidyar: French-born Iranian-American entrepreneur and philanthropist

Prince Nikolaos of Greece and Denmark: member of board of the Anna-Maria Foundation, designed to help victims of natural disasters

Prof. Dr .Din Syamsuddin: politician and Chairman of Muhammadiyah

Prof. Robert Thurman: American Buddhist writer

Quincy Jones: American record producer, conductor, arranger, composer and musician

Rabbi Awraham Soetendorp: Rabbi of the Liberal Jewish Community in The Hague

Rabbi David Saperstein: American rabbi, lawyer and Jewish community leader

Rainn Wilson: American actor, best known for his role as Dwight Schrute

Rev. Dr. Joan Brown Campbell: chair of the Board of Trustees and the Global Compassion Council; former General Secretary of the National Council of the Churches



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Rev. Peter Storey: South African Methodist minister

Rose Mapendo: Congolese human rights activist, she founded the Mapendo New Horizons Foundation

Sadhvi Chaitanya: Spiritual director and author

Sakyong Mipham Rinpoche: The head of the Shambhala Buddhist lineage and Shambhala International

Salman Ahmed: Pakistani musician, rock guitarist, physician, activist, and professor at the City University of New York

Seyyed Hossein Nasr: Iranian University Professor of Islamic studies at George Washington University

Shaykh Abdullah Bin Bayyah: president of the forum for Promoting Peace in Muslim societies

Shaykh Hamza Yusuf: American Islamic scholar

Sheikh Ali Gomaa: Egyptian scholar, jurist, and public figure

Shiv Khemka: vice-chairman of the SUN group, and public speaker

Sir Ken Robinson: English author, speaker and international advisor

Sir Richard Branson: English businessman and investor and founder of Virgin Group

Sister Joan Chittister: Benedictine nun, author and speaker

Swami Dayananda: monk of the Hindu monastic order and a renowned traditional teacher of Advaita Vedanta

Tariq Ramadan: Swiss writer and academic philosopher

Tu Wei Ming: ethicist and a new Confucian, professor of philosophy

Vusi Mahlasela: Sotho South African singer-songwriter