

# Guatemala Breaking the Silence Delegation

Oct. 22 - Nov. 5, 2011

**What's it all about?** Tatamagouche Centre's Maritimes-Guatemala Breaking the Silence Network invites you to learn about the struggle for social and economic justice and human rights in Guatemala. You will spend time with Mayan community groups working for peace, justice and reconciliation, including:

**The New Hope Foundation**, which has established a high school for students whose families experienced genocide; **the Rabinal Legal Aid Clinic**, which supports human rights cases, including genocide cases, and women's rights, **women's cooperatives** connected with **the Kaqchikel Presbytery**, and **the Small Farmers' Committee of the Highlands**, from whom Just Us! coffee purchases the beans used in Breaking the Silence coffee. You will also visit organic agriculture and perma-culture projects and communities affected by the activities of Canadian mining companies. Although this delegation is physically and emotionally demanding, it can also be life-altering.

**Fee \$2200** This covers registration, all trip costs (airfare and travel in Guatemala, carbon offsetting, room and board, translation), airfares and honorariums for trip leaders, honorariums to organizations we meet with, two orientation sessions and a re-entry session. Full participation in orientation and re-entry sessions is required. Many participants successfully fundraise all or part of their costs. We provide advice on fundraising methods at the first orientation.

## Application Deadline: May 27, 2011

The Application Form is on the Tatamagouche Centre Website, [www.tatacentre.ca](http://www.tatacentre.ca). Click on Partnership, then Breaking the Silence. The application and information is also available on the Breaking the Silence Network Website, [www.breaking-the-silence.ca](http://www.breaking-the-silence.ca).

## Orientation date: June 3-4, Friday 5 pm – Saturday 4 pm

Attendance to the orientation is required. this is also an opportunity for you to discern your readiness for this experience.

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