

## A Note to the Reader:

Greetings, and thank you for your interest in our venture in interfaith youth storytelling! We are indebted to the National Storytelling Network for making it possible for us to share the “nuts and bolts” of our project with you in this way, and we hope you will find looking through these files both enjoyable and informative. We also very much hope that you will be motivated to put some or all of these ideas to use yourselves. *Please* contact us if we can be of further help in that regard. We would like nothing more than to see Children at the Well replicated by others in other communities, and to help that come about.

You’ll find that some of these files tell the story of our project as it unfolded, and as we reflected on it, and were included here largely for that reason- particularly the “Notes to Students and Parents”, the “Evaluations”, and the “Insights and Difficulties” sections. In putting together those sections, we aimed for narrative completeness. Please forgive us if we occasionally stray towards tedium in pursuit of comprehensiveness there!

Although our project in 2006 included all the elements you will read about, you may wish to implement only a portion of what we have done...or, you may even use our project as a starting point, and go further.

Please feel free to adapt for your own uses...and please send feedback- we’d truly love to hear from you!

Sincerely,

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