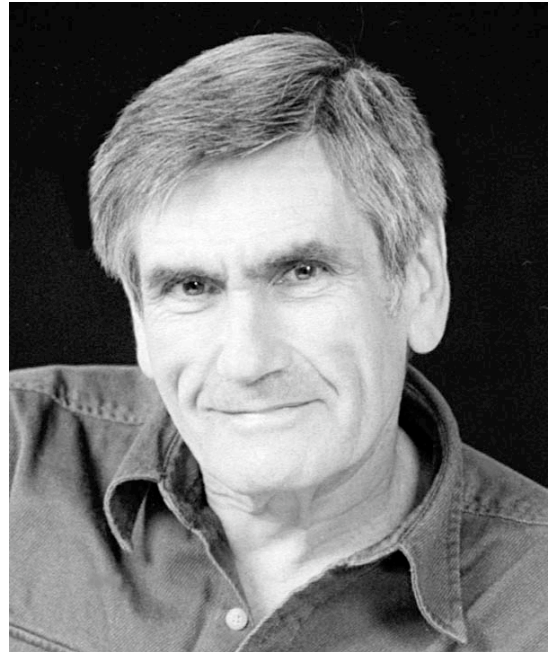


Dr. Marshall Rosenberg
Author of *Speak Peace in a World of Conflict*

Dr. Marshall Rosenberg grew up in Detroit during the city's tumultuous 1930s and 40s. Violence was everywhere around him as the city's racial, cultural and religious factions often spurred riots, raised tensions and tore at the community. Being raised Jewish in these neighborhoods, he was often the victim of violent acts and insults.



Frustrated with the lessons of this tense childhood community, Rosenberg decided to study psychology to learn why certain people detach from their compassionate sides and others don't. He completed his PhD in clinical psychology at the University of Wisconsin in 1961. He then focused his work on reform schools in order to help troubled adolescents. Rosenberg's experiences in this environment led him to question what he had been taught in his formal schooling. As he sees it, clinical psychology trains doctors to see the diagnosis and not the patient, leaving the solutions out of reach of those who need them the most.

Looking for new direction, Rosenberg found humanist psychotherapist Carl Rogers' work with "client-centered therapy" extremely influential. They worked together for several years before Rosenberg set out alone with the goal of teaching people how to interact in ways that weren't aggressive. Rosenberg's theories grew into what is now called the Nonviolent Communication™ (NVC) process.

Rosenberg spends more than 250 days a year teaching NVC in some of the most dangerous countries around the globe including Israel, Brazil, Slovenia, Argentina and Poland, one group of people at a time. With these groups, he seeks to bring about better understanding and peace through the basic principles of: (1) observing the situation, (2) identifying feelings that the situation brings up, (3) digging deeper to identify what need is not being met, and (4) requesting what is needed.

Rosenberg is the author of *Speak Peace in a World of Conflict*, *Nonviolent Communication*, *Life-Enriching Education*, *The Heart of Social Change* and *Getting Past the Pain Between Us*. As the world-renowned founder and educational director of the Center for Nonviolent Communication (www.cnvc.org), Rosenberg continues to bring his life-changing process to communities around the world.

Dr. Marshall Rosenberg is available for interview.

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