

# Interfaith Darfur Activism Group

## What Is Happening? Why Should We Care?

For the past three years, the Sudanese government sponsored militia, the Janjaweed, has been cutting a path of murder, rape and destruction in Darfur. **As many as 400,000 people have already died from the violence.** Both Congress and President Bush have unanimously declared the crisis a “**genocide.**” Although this is one of the most completely documented genocides and it has elicited more of a public reaction than those in the past, more needs to happen!



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## What Can You Do?

Believing that you are powerless is a big step towards making that belief a reality.  
Everyone can do something to help.

Come to an educational event at the Forest Hills Jewish Center in Queens, 106-06 Queens Boulevard, (718)-263-7000 for directions. On September 5<sup>th</sup> at 8pm, Ruth Messinger, President of the American Jewish World Service will be speaking about her trip to Darfur on a panel with Sudanese refugee Daowd Salih and others.

### Some Participating Organizations

Forest Hills Jewish Center, Church in the Gardens, Committee on Conscience of NJ, Reform Temple of Forest Hills, Westchester Darfur Coalition...



"In Washington D.C., the issue is never 'Are you for or against it?' .. The issue is always. 'How high is it on the agenda?' ... the phones weren't ringing on Rwanda ... We have to keep the phones ringing."

-Allen Hertzke, Professor, University of Oklahoma

To learn more about the situation visit: [ajws.org](http://ajws.org), [savedarfur.org](http://savedarfur.org), or [genocideintervention.net](http://genocideintervention.net).

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