

A NEW YEAR

As we bid farewell to 2002, and welcome the challenges of 2003, we are all aware that peace is not the absence of war. We need to wage peace, to make peace as we make love: fruitfully, passionately, steadily.

I had today the joy of seeing an advertisement for our new book *Dialogue Education* on the Jossey Bass/Wiley [website](#). Please go to it, and get an examination copy when you can, if you can.

That book took more than a year in the making. There are twenty four chapters, with about thirty-two writers involved. It was a management task as well as a writing and editing task!

I am deeply moved by my own need to write. The leisure of retirement gives me time to read and prepare for further writing that will appear on this web site, or in some future publication.

With a fracture in my right foot this holiday, I have more quiet time than usual. I wrote to friends: "I am condemned with this stress fracture to sit by my fire, near the sparkling Christmas tree, with a glass of wine at my elbow, to read good books, enjoy visits from friends, listen to beautiful music... Woe is me!"

Let's wage peace together in 2003!