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[Human Rights Day Celebrated in Vancouver Church](#)

Tuesday, December 12, 2006

Vancouver, 11 December 2006: The Youth for Human Rights International B.C. Chapter held an event to mark the 58th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Rights. Reverend Susan Kerr, Human Rights Director for the Church of Scientology hosted the evening at the Scientology church. Guests included church members and religious leaders from other faiths and Students for Darfur.

Rev. Kerr briefed on the Youth for Human Rights program and what this means to everyone. Sharon Werner read a message on human rights published by Prime Minister Harper on December 10th. Keynote speaker, Clement Apaak, chairman for the Canadian Students for Darfur and president of the Student Council for Simon Fraser University 2005/2006, talked about his history in Ghana where he was raised and how he became an advocate for the peoples of Darfur. He is committed to installing human rights not only into the Sudanese area, but to all people. The Youth for Human Rights presented a "Hero Award" to Apaak for his tireless work on human rights for Darfur. They also presented him with a donation to Oxfam to be used for Darfur. Apaak was surprised and honoured to receive this award and vowed to continue with the cause.



Estelle Brown, Chapter leader in the Vancouver area briefed the crowd on actions she is doing in the high schools and how excited the teachers are to use the YHRI tools. The YHRI Public Service Announcements were shown followed by the "United" music video.

The evening was a success with funds raised for Darfur and guests coming forward with ideas on how to make human rights a reality for everyone.

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