

The Samuel Tyndale Wilson Center for Campus Ministry presents

2015 FEBRUARY MEETINGS FEBRUARY 24

DANCING AT THE CROSSROADS

Transforming Conflict and Building Peace in Church and Society

1 P.M.

**"On the Far Side of
Revenge: Hope for Peace
in a Divided World"**

7 P.M.

**"Dancing at the
Crossroads – Transforming
Conflict and Building Peace in
Church and Society"**



CANON DAVID PORTER, the Archbishop of Canterbury's director for reconciliation, will be the guest speaker for Maryville College's 2015 February Meetings, scheduled for Feb. 24.

An experienced community relations activist, peacebuilding practitioner and community theologian, Porter served in key roles for promoting reconciliation in Northern Ireland.

His role as director for reconciliation is "to enable the Church to contribute to transforming the often violent conflicts which overshadow the lives of so many, while working to support creative ways for renewing conversations and relationships around deeply held differences within the Church of England and wider Anglican Communion."

An honors graduate in theology from the London School of Theology, Porter earned a master's degree in peace studies from the University of Ulster. In 2006, he was a visiting practitioner fellow at the Center for Reconciliation at Duke University Divinity School in North Carolina.

Porter is an honorary research fellow in peace studies at Coventry University. Previously he worked for 11 years with Interserve, an international mission working in South Asia and the Middle East. His particular interests are: the relationship between religion, politics and national identity; religion as both a source of conflict and a resource for peace; relating community peacebuilding to political processes; handling diversity in multicultural societies; and the theological foundation, moral vision, spiritual formation and practical outworking of reconciliation, particularly in dealing with the deep wounds of historical conflict.

ON WED., FEB. 25 AT 7 P.M., Porter will speak at the Church of the Ascension in Knoxville. His topic is *"Forgiveness, Justice and the Elusive Quest for Reconciliation."*

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HELD ANNUALLY AT THE COLLEGE SINCE 1877, February Meetings have offered the College and local community an opportunity to come together to consider questions of faith and responsible living in the world. In years past, guest speakers and special music have been highlights of the condensed lecture series, which is open to all members of the College community, people in the area and visitors.