

# THE POET FROM THE M

Some build walls  
others build bridges..  
Practice Nonviolence..  
Don't go by what is,  
go by what can be..  
One Global human family

When folks get caught up  
in the rat race,  
the dollar stakes chase replaces  
their priorities,  
values like compassion & integrity  
go out the window like  
a caramel cappucino,  
it happens everyday..  
Bring it back to what  
it's all about -- family.

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go by what can be..

Family is all the people  
living in the same house  
from common ancestors..  
In this case we all live  
in the same house:  
Planet Earth!

A culture of vision  
starts with cooperation,  
hard work is love in action..  
Planning, foresight  
& vision..  
Respecting others & figuring  
how to nurture peaceful,  
equal & full development



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for all people..  
Paint the piece, plant the  
seed & push for peace,  
Communicate, contribute,  
cooperate, come together to operate  
an apparatus that'll shake the core  
of many into one solid frenzy  
impacting the hearts of minds  
of the world..  
Hearts, hands, community  
family, friends, unity  
working together fluidly  
it's easier than we think..  
Seperatists need to  
get with the program..  
You have to know when to be  
a follower & when to be a leader,  
Know when to listen,  
Your economic status  
doesn't automatically  
make your consciousness elevated,  
the most compassionate people  
have the deepest spiritual pockets.

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go by what can be..  
Safety is censorship  
in these days of false patriots  
& lost atheists..  
The only salvation comes from  
the creator  
faith & belief produce power  
yes it's the conviction  
of our collective consciousness  
that will divide the flames of fire,  
devotion to truth takes us higher,

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Mike Sonksen, also known as, "Mike the Poet," is a Los Angeles-based writer spoken word poet widely acclaimed for his live performances and frequent contributions to national publications. For over a decade, Mike has performed at numerous venues: bookstores, museums, nightclubs, art galleries, churches, you name it. After graduating from UCLA in 1997 he's been published in the Los Angeles Times, Anthem, WAV, L.A. Weekly, L.A. Citybeat, L.A. Record, L.A. Alternative Press, O.C. Weekly, Long Beach Business Journal, etc. His poem "I've Seen the Best Minds of My Generation," was licensed by Scion to appear on the mix CD: "From the Basement: the Best of Unsigned Artists." Rock & Rap Confidential says that Mike's 2004 spoken word album, "I Am Alive in Los Angeles!", "glories in the melting pot that is today's Los Angeles with a spy satellite's eye for detail, yet doesn't shy away from describing all who get boiled to death on that stove." The book of the same title drops in January 2006. He hosts 3 monthly events @ 33 1/3rd Books, Blue Chips & Blue Nile Cafe, holla @ him 'cuz he likes people.. mikethepoet@comcast.net



it's our commitment to what's  
righteous that might just ruffle a few feathers  
of post patriot act America..

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others build bridges..  
to build a bridge is an  
essential human relationship  
organized action actualizes the potential  
for transformation & metamorphosis  
cooperation will make the world yours,  
build community by communicating unity  
an advanced humanitarian morality  
makes harmony a reality  
humble yourself to the most high  
the sooner you do, the sooner  
the truth comes home..  
Respect God .. Respect the force,  
love is the source..  
Universal bodhisattvas teach  
enlightenment by admitting  
they don't know anything..  
Some call it God fearing,  
call it hearing,  
by staying behind  
the wise one  
stays ahead..  
What are your goals?  
Depart from evil, do good,  
seek peace & go for it!  
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