

**REV. DR. JOSEPH BRENNAN** is the Scholar-in-Residence of *The Salaam Network (TSN)*. He is a prolific researcher and writer who has contributed in a number of ways to provide academic support to *TSN*'s high-quality programs. He has been the Consulting Christian theologian for the multi-part monthly Seminar on Normative Islamic Education for Muslim Women taught by Professor Riffat Hassan at Thomas Jefferson Unitarian Church (TJUC) in Louisville (2019). He has been a co-coordinator of the virtual bi-monthly Book-Movie Club/Interfaith Study Group which was initiated by *TSN* and All Peoples Unitarian Universalist Congregation in September 2020. He has also been intensively engaged in helping *TSN* meet the standards of the Better Business Bureau and in grant-writing work.

Rev. Dr. Brennan has done extensive field work in the slums of Puerto Rico and in its poor rural areas (1970-1975). He has also worked amongst migrant workers in Hollis, Oklahoma (1987) and Southern Florida (2008), as well as in inner cities: Waterbury, Connecticut (1986), Tampa, Florida (1987-1989) and Boston (1989-1990). He has worked as Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities in St. Petersburg, Florida (1984-1989). Since 2010, he has been the Director of the Kentucky Labor Institute.

He is an active member of All Peoples Unitarian Universalist Congregation and deeply committed to social justice issues. He takes parts in numerous local deliberations and actions related to immigrants, refugees, and other marginalized communities. He was a panel-presenter in programs on SB-1 - anti-immigration bill - in February and March 2020 organized by *TSN* and co-sponsored by Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Justice.