

# TEXAS JOURNEY 2017 SPEAKING TOUR

## HOUSTON TOUR DATES OCTOBER 13 - 19



### *The Journey of Hope...From Violence to Healing*

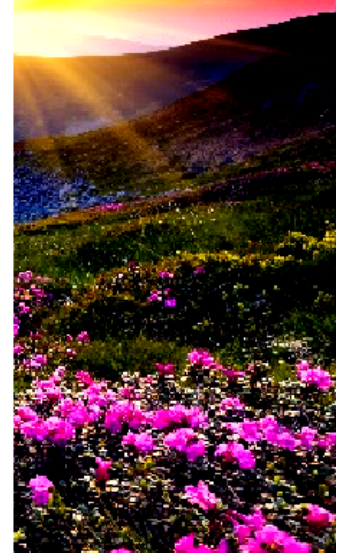
puts human faces on the issue of the death penalty. Led by murder victim family members joined by death row families, the exonerated and others impacted by the failed promises of a broken system. Our unique personal stories touch people's hearts and change people's minds on this vitally important issue. We advocate for alternatives to the death penalty, we encourage forgiveness as a way of healing and endorse restorative justice as a way of life.

*"the answer is love and compassion for all of humanity"*  
**Bill Pelke, Founder**

**Journey Storytellers** come from all walks of life and represent the full spectrum and diversity of faith, ethnicity and economic situation. We have experienced the insanity and horror of murder and its tragic aftermath. We reject the death penalty as a failed public policy and as a solution to ending our pain.

**Presentations** can be adapted to the needs of the inviting venue but our preferred program opportunities feature the teaming of a murder victim family member with a death row family member, an exoneree, a death row survivor, a family member of the executed, or others impacted by the failed promises of a broken system.

**Many Venues** such as high schools, colleges and universities, churches and religious settings, community, civic, and professional organizations offer opportunities to open dialogue on how the death penalty prolongs suffering and prevents healing. Our speakers share their stories about the process of healing through forgiveness and reconciliation. They call for alternatives to the death penalty and an end to the cycle of violence that creates more murder victim family members.



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