

# THREE FAITHS FORUM



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## **BATTLE FOR THREE FAITHS FORUM**

Mr John Battle MP, the Prime Minister's envoy to all the faith communities, has joined the Three Faiths Forum as an honorary consultant

Announcing this today, Sir Sigmund Sternberg, a co-founder of the Three Faiths Forum, said he was happy to welcome to his side a man with long experience of working at local, national and international level in intensifying interfaith dialogue and co-operation.

The Forum was entering an exciting new period in its development, taking its highly-praised Tools4Dialogue programme to young people across the country and establishing a parliamentary mentoring programme for university students. Mr Battle's wise counsel would be a major asset at this time.

Mr Battle, who is MP for Leeds West and a Privy Councillor, has been faiths' envoy for Mr Blair since 2001. He has served in government as Minister of State at the Foreign Office and at the Department of Trade and Industry.

He is a member of the International Development Select Committee and chairs the all-party parliamentary groups on poverty and overseas development.

Before being elected to Parliament, Mr Battle was national co-ordinator for Church Action on Poverty.

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