



James Finley

Renowned leader of retreats and workshops, author of *Merton's Palace of Nowhere*

Gerald May Seminar Speaker 2015

Turning to Thomas Merton as Our Guide in Contemplative Living

April 24, 2015, 7-9PM, \$35

The Spirituality of Healing

April 25, 2015, 10AM-4PM, \$75

Both Friday & Saturday: \$100

A student discount is available; contact Martha@Shalem.org.

Unitarian Universalist Congregation
Rockville, Maryland

On Friday, Finley will explore Thomas Merton's spiritual teachings by drawing on his own experience of Merton as a spiritual director. On Saturday Dr. Finley will look at how our grounding in God's Presence can help us become more tender-hearted and insightful as we experience the suffering in our world today and seek healing for ourselves and others.

James Finley, Ph.D. lived as a monk at the Trappist monastery of the Abbey of Gethsemani, where Thomas Merton was his spiritual director. He leads retreats and workshops throughout the United States and Canada, attracting men and women from all religious traditions who seek to live a contemplative way of life in the midst of today's busy world. He is the author of *Merton's Palace of Nowhere*; *The Contemplative Heart*; and *Christian Meditation: Experiencing the Presence of God*.

*God is our all.
Yet so often
our aggressive
daily routines
shatter the
delicate treasure
of God's presence.
Our habits
are cataracts
that obscure
our vision.*

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Registration and details:

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