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Dear Friend, we [invite you to contribute to a Dialogue on Leadership.](#)

Inspired by our trip to India and the ideas of Debashis Chatterjee, a global thought leader and friend, we have chosen to do more in support of leadership in Canada and around the world. As leaders we are awakening to the increasing frustration of the never ending pursuit of organizational efficiency. Many of us are pre-sensing the erosion of the quality of our organizational and community health. Amidst the clamor and ever intensifying pressure to “perform” we invite you to stand still and reflect with us.

***Who are we? Where are we going? What is our contribution?***

Our first commitment in support of leadership has been the creation of the **Canadian Centre for Leadership and Human Values**. As a not-for-profit organization, the Centre will be a focal point for projects and initiatives that bring people to themselves and together as leaders. The Centre’s first project this past spring has been to publish the Canadian edition of Debashis’ latest book, called “Light the Fire in Your Heart”. We hope that this book will act as an invitation for leaders throughout Canada to engage in and contribute to a place and space where on-going dialogue, innovation and the co-evolution of conscious leadership can emerge and thrive.

We are looking for individuals who share a belief in the possibility that organizations can transform into true communities where human values are at the epicenter of contribution. We believe “leaders” are everywhere in our society, whether their position is formal or not. We also believe **you are one of these leaders** and invite you to come and contribute to a day of dialogue, ideas, discovery and possibility. As there are no age constraints on true leaders, we encourage you to bring a young person you feel is leaderful and has a contribution to make.

**Dialogue on Leadership:**

Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Paletta Mansion, 4250 Lakeshore Rd., Burlington, ON  
RSVP to [leaders@cclhv.com](mailto:leaders@cclhv.com) by August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2003

Perhaps this day is not possible for you. Please know that there are other ways to engage in the Centre’s mission. We hope to resource the Centre to support and launch ongoing leadership initiatives and here are a few suggestions for how you can help:

- Read the book. If you find it meaningful we ask you to consider a \$100 donation to the Centre. If it doesn’t resonate for you, simply pass the book along to someone else you think may enjoy it.
- Use the ideas in the book to create a leadership dialogue in your own community or organization.
- Order books for others! We hope to expand the dialogue and engage people throughout Canada.
- Join us on a return visit to India and the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), in February 2004.
- Sponsor someone to come on the India leadership experience.
- Become a more conscious leader yourself and support others to do the same.
- Or simply tell us how you’d like to contribute. We’re open to the endless possibilities!

As Canadians we have a unique place in the world. As leaders we have a contribution to make and a legacy to leave. Together we can support leadership and make an impact on the world. Join us!

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