## RMS Sumud presents

## Who Is My Neighbor? Alongside Jewish and Palestinian Neighbors

**November 19 & December 3** | 6:30 p.m. MST | Zoom

Join RMS Sumud for two conversations, “From Tribal Identity to Common Humanity: A Spiritual Awakening Through the Israel-Palestine Tragedy,” featuring Colorado author Richard Forer. Drawing on his personal journey and experiences in Israel and Palestine, Forer will explore how faith, compassion, and our shared humanity can shape our understanding of the ongoing conflict.

As a former member of AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) with orthodox relatives living in settlements in the West Bank, Richard Forer has been to the West Bank a few times as well as to the Gaza Strip in November 2012. For his entire life, he supported Israeli policy, believing the Jewish State an innocent nation eager to make peace with its neighbors. Everything changed in 2006 when he underwent a spiritual awakening in which he recognized his common humanity with all people. Profoundly affected by this new Reality and wanting to share his newfound wisdom with others, he devoted himself to years of intense daily research culminating in *Breakthrough: Transforming Fear into Compassion—A New Perspective on the Israel-Palestine Conflict* (2010) and the New York City Big Book Award Winning *Wake Up and Reclaim Your Humanity: Essays on the Tragedy of Israel-Palestine* (2020).

Each session will offer opportunities for reflection, learning, and questions as we consider what it means to accompany our Jewish and Palestinian neighbors.

**Registration information coming soon.** We anticipate that both sessions will be recorded.

Learn more about Richard Forer through his **articles and interviews**.