Aram Jazab Ferdowsi

By the age of five, Aram Jazab Ferdowsi lived in three continents. She immigrated from Tehran, Iran to Nashville, Tennessee in 1963, soon to learn about the Civil Rights movement and the harsh reality of being an immigrant kid in Nashville elementary schools. The experience had lasting effects. She completed her high school in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and attended Vanderbilt University, where she became Family Nurse Practitioner. Her heart drew her to the subject of one human family, and in 1992 she was part of a team that helped develop and offer a two year diversity training program to the Nashville Metropolitan Police Force. Presently, Aram offers grassroots programs that enable preteens and teenagers to explore the commonality of their human experience and how to be of service to each other and their communities. She lectures on Iran and the Democratic Republic of the Congo at civic organizations, schools and universities, and clubs. She serves on the Regional Baha'i Council of the Appalachian states. Her life's goal is captured in these words: "The earth is but one country and mankind its citizens."