When I give food to the poor, they call me a saint.

When I ask why the poor have no food, they call me a communist.

Dom Helder Camara

### Three Themes

- Changing the world with technology
- Surviving as bicultural in a colonialist world
- Finishing the work of the past

few drives, complex trajectory

### Two things you should know

- Changing the world takes 15 years
  - "Structure of Scientific Revolutions" Kuhn

- Identity is mutable
  - David Bowie is all of those people

persistence (Wells), formlessness (SunTzu)

## Enough philosophy, let's talk tech

- The Hexayurt Project
  - ((let's see some pictures))

- Simple Critical Infrastructure Maps
  - Conceptual tech, perhaps embodied as software

pieces of a system, pieces of a vision

#### A hard truth

 Who's job is it to help people after a natural disaster? Could somebody call them and ask about Haiti?

 and climate, and poverty, and dangerous runaway technology, and nuclear power, bombs, asteroid strikes and the rest.

# What I have learned is that no-one is in charge, nobody is at the wheel

• The world you are inheriting looks like that because nobody is steering it towards a better future.

- Ruthless self interest is making it worse for everybody, increasingly quickly.
- Whatever we are doing, it is not working

# Unlimited possibilities, infinite emergency

Something is wrong

 It broke around WW2, nukes or the holocaust, and flowered into the Cold War.

 10 years of world peace (1990-2000) followed by the Long War.

# A response: you are free, but you feel powerless

- The illusion of adulthood
  - The omnipotence of the Father
  - The omniscience of the Mother
  - Projected en-masse to form The State

 Art and mystical religion both lead to a realization: we are it.

### The coming breakout

- It can't go on like this
- In fact, for the poor, it's *never* been like this
  - And never will be
- Justice will transform the world, and computers bring empowerment (and spying)
- Are you willing to do your part to create a better world?

#### The Future We Deserve

• is this the future we deserve? is an **empowering question** 

http://thefuturewedeserve.com

The seed of a new kind of collective action?

### Four simple steps

- Stop smoking (+10 years of life)
- Stop watching television (+ 20 hours/week)
  - If you like being alive, you owe yourself this

- All the smart people are anarchosyndicalists
- The more talented you are, the more responsible

#### **Pointers**

- About me
  - http://hexayurt.com/plan
- Hexayurt Project
  - http://Hexayurt.com
- Resilience
  - http://butteredsidedown.co.uk
  - Search my blog for "AIAC" there's a video