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Chairman's Message



The year of 2016 was certainly one of challenge and change. We are at a major inflection point in the history of our nations, and have reached a crossroads amidst changes of leadership from Asia to the Americas, and around the world.

Global trends

and technological advances have resulted in the closer engagement of peoples, cultures and economies. That affords us great opportunity for positive development, but also can pose significant challenges in forging cohesion amongst diverse peoples.

Now, more than ever, what is needed is a unifying vision that encapsulates the essence of our common humanity, and provides the basis for surmounting the divisiveness and polarization of our time. Such a vision has guided the work of the Global Peace Foundation since its inception, that beyond our differences of nationality, ethnicity, race, or religion, we are all part of "One Family under God." That ideal hearkens to the transcendent principles and shared values, found in every creed, that define our shared heritage within the human family. It also upholds and honors the

most cherished bonds that are manifest within the family, the first and most important social institution.

Today the Global Peace Foundation has initiatives and projects in 23 nations, working with our many partners to address the most pressing issues facing the human family. GPF is committed to advancing innovative educational and entrepreneurial models, promoting ethical leadership and good governance, building coalitions among faith traditions and civil society stakeholders to counter extremism, and promoting women and youth leadership. Our many projects and initiatives advance values-based solutions to what are, ultimately, values-based problems.

This annual report showcases innovative models of peacebuilding and development across GPF chapters that are the result of shared vision in action, motivated by compassion and concern for all of our human family. They include: applications of GPF's unique interfaith platform to effectively address identity-based conflict and extremism in hotspots in West and East Africa, and to build cohesion among diverse communities in urban settings; the growing global campaign for peace and security on the Korean peninsula based on the roadmap of the Korean Dream; GPF's Character and Creativity Initiative, now introduced in school systems in six nations; youth leadership development and service alliances; and effective models of community development.

Our commitment is to build on these significant outcomes and promising models, joining with our many partners to make comprehensive impact on these critical issues. Together let us generate greater momentum toward the ultimate goal of genuine peace and prosperity for the entire human family.

Hyun Jin Preston Moon
Founder & Chairman, Global Peace Foundation

Global Leadership Council

The Global Leadership Council is comprised of internationally recognized leaders in business, philanthropy, government, and faith-based social action who share the vision of One Family under God as a model for peace. Members of the Global Leadership Council play an active role in strategic planning, resource development and assessment of performance in relation to the Foundation's objectives of facilitating intercultural and interfaith cooperation, strengthening families, and fostering a global culture of service.



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Sir James R. Mancham KBE (1939-2017) was the founding President of the Republic of Seychelles and a founding member of the Global Leadership Council. His many honours and decorations include Knight of the British Empire and Officier de La Legion d'Honneur of France. His support and leadership have been pivotal in many GPF's milestones, including the establishment of the Latin American Presidential Mission and the the African Leadership Mission on Peacebuilding, Youth Leadership and Service.

Executive Summary

This Global Peace Foundation 2016 Annual Report highlights projects and initiatives that apply GPF's values-based approach to building peace and social cohesion. We collaborate with multi-sector partners to develop innovative solutions to critical problems facing the human family.

Despite the many challenges around the world, everywhere we find examples of heroic men and women striving to uplift their communities, nations, and indeed the entire human family. Such examples remind us that when we join together for the greater good, we can overcome even the most daunting circumstances.

At GPF, we believe a shared future of genuine peace and prosperity for all is achievable, and that our shared identity and common aspirations as members of the human family can establish the basis for that genuine peace. Our work builds broad awareness of the importance of universal principles and shared values as the basis for social cohesion and peacebuilding. Along with our diverse stakeholders, we implement programs that apply this vision and demonstrate the efficacy of this values-based approach.

Peacebuilding and Countering Violent Extremism

NORTHERN IRELAND

The Global Peace Leadership Conference Belfast 2016 engaged experienced peace practitioners from all over the globe to examine best practices and build new synergies. Drawing on the experience of lead partner Co-operation Ireland and other stakeholders from peacebuilding efforts in Northern Ireland since the 30-year conflict period known as “the Troubles,” participants gained important insights for application in other regions of conflict.

UNITED STATES

In partnership with Co-operation Ireland, GPF USA launched the Cross-Community Engagement (CCE) pilot program in Jersey City, New Jersey, focusing on youth and peacebuilding. Also partnering with the U.S. Administration for Children and Families as well as state, city and community entities, the program is leveraging a robust stakeholder network to build bridges across often insular communities in a diverse, urban setting.

NIGERIA

GPF Nigeria and partners continue building the ‘One Family under God’ Campaign in strategically vital Kaduna State, a focal point of conflict in the “middle belt” of Nigeria. The campaign begins with peacebuilding workshops engaging faith leaders and traditional rulers, as well as community, women and youth leaders. That is followed by practical applications to change attitudes, and concrete action plans to change behaviors.

KENYA

Amid heightened political and tribal tensions leading into the 2017 Kenya general election, GPF Kenya launched the One Nation under God campaign as a platform for coordinated efforts to curtail violence and work toward peaceful elections in 2017.

TANZANIA

GPF Tanzania works with community and faith leaders to advance youth development and opportunity. The Vijana Na Amani peace campaign (“Youth for Peace” in Swahili) was launched to counter youth radicalization through education and leadership development.

Peace and Security

One Korea Global Campaign: A Plan for Peace

- GPF Korea as a lead partner in the alliance Action for Korea United (AKU) announced the One Korea Global Campaign at the UN General Assembly Hall in New York during the International Young Leaders Assembly.
- The Global Peace Leadership Conference held in Seoul drew multi-sector leaders and cultural trendsetters to develop a platform to advance Korean Unification. Multi Grammy-award winning producers Jimmy Jam

and Terry Lewis and two-time Grammy-award winning singer Peabo Bryson joined participants to lend their support for unification through the powerful medium of music and the arts.

Global Peace Women Leadership Exchange

- Women leaders from Korea, Japan and the Philippines convened in Seoul for the Global Peace Women Leadership Exchange, which addressed the ongoing division on the Korean peninsula while highlighting the contribution of women's leadership in peacebuilding.

Transforming Education

Character and Creativity Initiative (CCI)

GPF is working with school systems in Kenya, Uganda, Brazil, Paraguay, United States, Malaysia, Philippines and Nepal to provide innovative values-based education. The Character and Creativity Initiative (CCI) program works to transform school culture and make education more relevant for the 21st century workplace.

Leap Hubs

Leap Hubs are incubators in public secondary schools for highly motivated students to launch business or social enterprises. Currently 120 business and social enterprise ideas are in development in schools across Kenya.

WebRangers

GPF partnered with Google Kenya for a Child Online Safety campaign called WebRangers. Twenty percent of students reported contact by violent extremist groups while online. When given the skills, students and teachers were empowered to counteract invites and maintain responsible citizenship.

Moral and Innovative Leadership

International Young Leaders Assembly

- 1,500 student leaders and young professionals from 120 countries convened at the International Young Leaders Assembly (IYLA) Global Summit at the United Nations to explore moral and innovative leadership as applied to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.
- In partnership with embassies, the World Bank Youth2Youth, the Wilson Center, IBM, George Washington University and others, IYLA 2016 convened attendees for a 10-day leadership program in New York, Philadelphia and Washington, DC.

Latin American Presidential Mission

The Latin American Presidential Mission (LAPM), an association of democratically elected former heads of state, was established in Atlanta in 2012 as a project of GPF and other key partners.

- Seven former Latin American presidents joined international scholars and political leaders to advance proposals for effective governance at two conferences in Uruguay.
- Five former Central American presidents and LAPM representatives held meetings at the Organization of American States, on Capitol Hill and at the International Trade Center in Washington, D.C. to examine an integrated regional approach to tackle organized crime, drug trafficking, and rising income inequality.

Service and Development

- Global Peace Women hosted forums supporting the extended family and commemorating the UN International Day of Families, underscoring the family's "unique role in ensuring health and well-being of children."
- Many other projects—such as All-Lights Village initiatives to support community development, entrepreneurship and self-sufficiency in rural regions; water filtration systems for remote areas in Malaysia; tree planting to counter desertification in Mongolia—are being implemented by GPF volunteers and partners to address both immediate needs for a clean environment and the enduring dream of all people for a world of peace and prosperity.

The initiatives summarized in this annual report convincingly demonstrate the power of the human spirit—with perseverance, diligence, and ingenuity—to overcome obstacles, to solve problems, and to aspire ceaselessly for change.

With the support and engagement of our partners and through our work on every continent, we strive toward a future that is peaceful and prosperous for all, based on our vision of One Family Under God.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James P. Flynn".

*James P. Flynn,
International President,
Global Peace Foundation*



Global Peace FOUNDATION

an innovative, values-based approach to peacebuilding, guided by the vision of One Family under God

The Global Peace Foundation's unique approach to peacebuilding includes three essential aspects: interfaith leadership, strengthening families, and building a culture of service.

Interfaith Leadership

Most people understand and discover meaning in life through various spiritual paths. While there may be great differences in religious doctrines and liturgies, how one lives every day is a measure of how those beliefs have taken root in one's character.

Basic human values—respect and compassion for all people, honoring the family, living with integrity—are vitally important to people of all faiths and backgrounds. Thus it is essential that faith leaders stand together and publically affirm the shared principles and values that faith traditions individually advocate.

Addressing the most critical problems facing humanity, including conflict and extreme poverty, requires fundamental change in heart and spirit. Faith leadership, which appeals to the highest ideals and aspirations of human beings, is needed to help bring about such change.

Because faith traditions address the larger questions of life—who we are and how we should live—religious identities are often more fundamental than nationality or ethnicity.

Recognizing that many conflicts are attributed to religious causes, people of faith must show by example that they can transcend differences based on our common heritage and shared values as One Family under God.



Strengthening Families

The family is the “school of love and virtue” in which the character and heart of each individual is formed at the deepest level. The ideal institution for teaching and learning values is a healthy family headed by a father and mother.

The family is meant to be the most intimate environment in which every child comes to know his or her intrinsic value through the unconditional love of parents. The vital relationships in the extended family help to shape the child’s larger sense of identity through imparting the essence of culture and tradition.

Relations within the family, between husband and wife, parents and children, and among siblings are instrumental for developing the virtues that underlie all positive social relations. People learn to relate with all of humanity in the extended family.

Future citizens with clear ethical values and an active sense of social responsibility are cultivated within strong families and vibrant communities. From the immediate family to the extended family model, and carrying forth to the entire human family, “family” is at the heart of One Family under God.



Building a Culture of Service

The values formed in the family are meant to be practiced through a lifestyle of serving the greater good. A culture shaped by citizens who live in this way is naturally ethical, inclusive, prosperous and truly free.

Service provides tremendous opportunities for experiential learning which can cultivate leadership and good character. Through international and cross-cultural service, we engage in meaningful ways with others, forming deep bonds of heart that transcend all differences. We learn in profound, personal and often life-changing ways that we are, in fact, one family under God.

The insight gained that we are one family makes us aware that the world is our common home. Thus we are responsible to respect, protect, and live in harmony with the natural environment.

Serving the greater good fosters a social environment in which our innate creativity can flourish, enabling us to create value, solve problems, and build a world where all people can have a meaningful and fulfilling life.

Through initiatives in 23 countries, the Global Peace Foundation:

- Builds broad awareness of the central importance of universal principles and shared values as the basis for social cohesion and peacebuilding.
- Develops a multi-sector movement of moral and innovative leaders who work in partnership to address the critical issues of conflict and underdevelopment in communities, nations, and regions.
- Empowers families as the primary means of instilling values and promotes an education culture that fosters character and creativity, to guide youth to become ethical global citizens.
- Builds comprehensive, collaborative models of sustainable community and national development that enable all to achieve fulfillment and material well-being.





GPF-Nigeria engages local faith leaders and traditional rulers in grassroots peacebuilding efforts.

Social Cohesion & Peacebuilding



The world has changed dramatically within just a few decades. Technology and globalization are revolutionizing modern life, yet persistent poverty, political repression, and waning ties of family and community present daunting challenges to the dream of peace and shared prosperity.

The Global Peace Foundation believes that all people, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity or station in life, share a common essence and heritage, and that the simple yet powerful vision of One Family under God can inspire a common effort to build a world of sustainable peace.

Social Cohesion & Peacebuilding

As divisions between nations, religions, and political affiliations have increasingly polarized the human family, there is urgent need for leadership with moral authority to bridge divides and build solidarity that can foster peace and prosperity for all humanity. Political and civil society leaders, and leaders of the world's faith and wisdom traditions, have a shared responsibility to transcend religious divides and work collaboratively to build ethical, just and cohesive societies. As Dr. Hans Kung, co-author of *Towards a Declaration of a Global Ethic*, noted, "There will be no peace among the nations without peace among the religions."



Northern Ireland Global Peace Leadership Conference Advances Values-Based Approaches to Building Social Cohesion

Stakeholders from Africa and Asia Seek Lessons from Northern Ireland Experience

Peacebuilding stakeholders including government, civil society, faith and youth leaders from East and West Africa, South Asia, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, as well as other international participants, convened on September 10-13, 2016 in Belfast, Northern Ireland to explore the complex challenges facing increasingly diverse populations and rising threats of extremism and identity-based conflict.

The Global Peace Leadership Conference Belfast 2016, "Ethical Leadership amid Global Crisis," sought to gain perspective from peacebuilding efforts in Northern Ireland since the period of "Troubles," a 30-year conflict between Catholic and Protestant factions that cost the lives of nearly 4,000

people. Through a process of dialogue and compromise, both sides came to a settlement to end the violence with the Good Friday Agreement, signed in 1998. The Global Peace Foundation partnered with Co-operation Ireland, a leading peace building organization, to host the three-day conference.

Over three days of sessions, experienced peace practitioners from South Africa, Nigeria, Tanzania, Israel, and Northern Ireland offered moving insights on reconciliation and forgiveness from their respective regions. Many diverse voices contributed to presentations and discussions on the essential role of ethical leadership in addressing the urgent challenges of proactive peacebuilding, mitigating

conflict, and providing sustainable post-conflict support.

Following the conference, 3,500 young people from schools across Northern Ireland celebrated their role in peacebuilding with performances from local talent, as well as international contributions from across the globe. The youth program, "Amazing the Space," was sponsored by Co-operation Ireland and international partners including Generation Global, the Global Peace Foundation and the United Nations.

International peace builders explore global challenges at the Global Peace Leadership Conference in Belfast, Northern Ireland. Opposite bottom: Participants at the Cross-Community Engagement program in Jersey City.



Global Peace Foundation, Co-operation Ireland Launch ‘Cross Community Engagement’ Pilot in Jersey City

One-Year Project Supports ‘Proactive’ Peace Building

With commanding views of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island in New York Harbor, Jersey City was recently named the most diverse city in the United States. An urban “melting pot,” Jersey City draws strength from its diversity, but it also confronts challenges of violent crime, gang violence and other economic and social stresses.

To address urgent urban challenges shared by many cities, Global Peace Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Administration on Children and Families and Co-operation Ireland, launched the Cross-Community Engagement (CCE) pilot program in Jersey City during a four-day training program on July 17-21, 2016. The program is a proactive approach for prevention of conflict and extremism, with an emphasis on youth leadership development.

CCE engages small groups of Latino, African American, Asian, Caucasian and Arab youth. It fosters long-term peacebuilding and positive youth leadership development. Over the course of 9-12 months, youth participate in a series of workshops, field trips and activities designed to build cross-cultural relationships. Through a facilitated community mapping process, youth will design and implement a community service or social enterprise project as a solution to a need in their own community—putting their acquired leadership skills into practice. By the end of the project, youth gain resume-worthy training, community development expertise and real-life entrepreneurial experiences in implementing a social enterprise project.

The CCE approach in Jersey City is based on Co-operation Ireland’s 30-year history working with Protestant and Catholic youth and encouraging interaction, dialogue and practical collaboration within Northern Ireland and between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. Locally, GPF has engaged additional stakeholders including the New Jersey Attorney General’s Office, New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Jersey City Police Department, Board of Education and others, to tailor the program to a diverse, urban American setting.

“We want more prevention and less crisis intervention,” said Cat Lockman, Director of Organizational Development for the Global Peace Foundation.





One Korea Global Campaign Announced at UN Youth Assembly, Seoul Leadership Conference

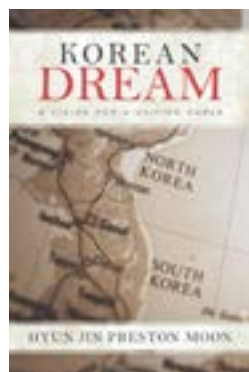
Emphasis on shared values and multi-sector coalitions in peacebuilding is reflected in GPF's continuing work to advance the unification of the Korean peninsula based on the ancient ethos of Hongik Ingan, or "living for the benefit of humanity." A lead organizer of Action for Korea United (AKU), a coalition of more than 800 civil society organizations, the Global Peace Foundation has worked for unification since 2009 through convening international conferences of Korea experts and supporting diverse public education and humanitarian campaigns.

In 2016 AKU co-chairman Inteck Seo, on behalf of the One K Global Campaign organizing Committee, announced the launch of the One Korea Global Campaign at the UN General Assembly Hall in New York during the International Young Leaders Assembly. In Seoul, the Global Peace Leadership Conference, "The Era of a Great Turning Point - A Search for a New Way of Forming a Global Consensus on One Korea," drew experts, civil society leaders, and cultural trendsetters to develop a platform for global engagement to advance Korean Unification and Northeast Asian Peace. Multi Grammy-award winning producers Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis and two-time Grammy-award winning singer Peabo Bryson joined scholars and political leaders to lend their support for unification through the powerful medium of music and the arts.

Other initiatives this year include a forum and Congressional

Briefing featuring North Korean defectors, co-hosted by the Johns Hopkins University in Washington DC, which urged greater exposure of human rights abuses and more robust deployment of IT resources to penetrate North Korean society; ping pong tournaments and other support programs to integrate North Korean defectors into South Korean society; and engagement of leading K-pop stars to raise public awareness of the positive implications of unification for peace and regional prosperity.

The Unification Leadership Academy is an ongoing program for Korean leaders in government and civil society that explores the implications of a unified Korea. The Unification Talk Concert is a lecture series and dialogue forum for high school and college students. And



in Japan, the North East Peace Student Forum held in February drew forty Japanese and Korean students and leaders in the fields of Korean unification and peacebuilding to raise awareness and active engagement with peacebuilding efforts in the Northeast Asia region. The One Dream One Korea campaign was introduced as one such effort.



Top left: Action for Korea United cochair Inteck Seo announces the launch of the One Korea Global Campaign at the International Young Leaders Assembly at the United Nations in New York. Right: Multi Grammy-award winning producers Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis and two-time Grammy-award winning singer Peabo Bryson joined scholars and political leaders at the Global Peace Leaders Conference on Korean Unification in Seoul.

Above: Korean Dream: A Vision for a Unified Korea, by Global Peace Foundation Chairman Dr. Hyun Jin Moon, was published in English and Japanese translation in 2016.

Left: Cultural tours, signature campaigns, ping pong tournaments and other activities are building support for unification.

International Women Leadership Exchange Raises Awareness and Support for Korean Unification, Regional Peace

Five-Day program joins women from Philippines, Japan and Korea

More than 100 women from Korea, Japan and the Philippines, including civil society leaders, government representatives, lawyers, educators and business executives, convened in Seoul, Korea for a five-day Global Peace Women Leadership Exchange entitled “Korea Unification and Peacebuilding in Asia.”

The exchange sought to build regional cooperation to address the ongoing division on the Korean peninsula while highlighting the unique and indispensable contribution of women’s leadership in peacebuilding and social development.

Global Peace Women Philippines representative and former Philippine commissioner for higher education, Dr. Nona Ricofort, said, “Women are vital players in creating

innovations and proposing new ways of intervention.” Dr. Soonok Kang, Secretary-General of Global Peace Women, the women’s division of the Global Peace Foundation, also underscored the multi-leveled role women play from public policy and community building to the most basic social unit of the family.

The Unification in the Family campaign was launched by Global Peace Women Korea in 2015 to encourage women, especially mothers, to educate the next generation to empathetically connect to their northern brethren and understand the importance of Korean unification in regional stability and world peace.

Global Peace Leadership Exchange engaged women leaders from Korea, Japan, and the Philippines in wide-ranging activities to promote Korean unification and peacebuilding in East Asia.



Speech Contest Encourages Youth Participation in Northeast Asian Peace

Global Peace Foundation Mongolia highlighted Mongolia’s unique role in securing Northeast Asian Peace during its fourth annual speech contest for young researchers and university students.

As one of the only countries in the world with open diplomatic ties with both North and South Korea, and a nation who peacefully transitioned into a democratic open

market economic nation, Mongolia has much it can contribute to the resolution of the ongoing conflict on the Korean peninsula and fostering regional and global cooperation and understanding.

Every year the number of participants have increased, and informal think-tanks and task forces have formed among current and past participants.

Global Peace Foundation Organizes Campaign to Build Community Resilience Ahead of the 2017 Balloting In Kenya

Stakeholders Advance Coordinated Efforts to Prevent Election Violence

Amid heightened political and tribal tensions leading into the 2017 Kenya general election, the Global Peace Foundation has rolled out the One Nation Under God campaign as a platform for coordinated nation-wide efforts to curtail violence, encourage youth to be agents of peace and secure an orderly election. The peace initiative was inaugurated in Nairobi on September 26 at a luncheon hosted by Global Peace Foundation Kenya patron and businessman Dr. Manu Chandaria.

Addressing leaders from various government agencies, CSO's and international organizations—including Brand Kenya Board, Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD-CEWARN), European Union, Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, U.S.

Embassy, DANIDA, Sweden Embassy, National Cohesion and Integration Commission and National Counter Terrorism Centre, and Administration Service Police—Dr. Chandaria called the One Nation Under God Campaign timely. “Elections do not just happen to be peaceful,” he said. “We have to plan and make them peaceful. We do not want to witness another ugly side similar to that of 2008.”

Violent outbreaks following the presidential election killed thousands, displaced hundreds of thousands and left millions of dollars of property damage in its wake. Global Peace Foundation was among first responders to counter identity-based conflict and build a culture of peace in hard-hit regions. The Global Peace Foundation was recognized

with a commendation by the United Nations Office in Nairobi in 2013, citing among other projects GPF's Rift Valley Peace Initiative, which promoted peaceful coexistence among the different ethnic groups following the 2007/2008 post-election violence.

In 2012 and 2013 the Global Peace Foundation worked with partners including Brand Kenya and IGAD to promote peace during the election process through programs like the National Youth Summit. The efforts were later directly credited for contributing to a peaceful election.

Below: GPF-Kenya initiated a platform for coordinated, nation-wide efforts to secure peaceful elections in 2017. Opposite top: A forum in Washington DC on Israeli-Palestinian peacebuilding efforts. Right: GPF-Tanzania supports positive youth development through the Vijana Na Amani (Youth for Peace) program.





Global Peace Foundation USA Co-Hosts Israeli-Palestinian Forum for Dialogue and Engagement at U.S. Capitol

A Palestinian peace activist and Jewish cleric and settler brought powerful personal stories of awakening and reconciliation to a forum, “Painful Hope: Understanding, Transformation, and Non-violence,” at the U.S. Capitol on October 11, 2016. Hosted by the Global Peace Foundation USA in partnership with the Sustained Dialogue Institute, Roots, Friends of Taghyeer Movement, Oakbrook Church, Churches Middle East Peace, and Church Women United, the forum highlighted two important grassroots initiatives that are working to build trust and engagement between the separated communities.

When we become strong enough we can create justice, not by killing others but by the moral actions that we do. Because when we speak the truth without hatred, without anger, then maybe peace can start.

ALI ABU AWWAD

Rabbi Hanan Schlesinger, founder of Faiths in Conversation and director of Roots, opened the forum with a startling and candid admission: “For 33 years I’ve lived my life in an area where there are nine Palestinians for each Israeli,” Rabbi Hanan Schlesinger said. “But I’ve never met even one Palestinian. Their story passed before my eyes.”

Palestinian activist and founder of Taghyeer [Change] Ali Abu Awwad described his own starkly different journey to embrace non-violence and recognition of the experience of the “other.” Awwad was born as a refugee, arrested at 17 years old and tortured for refusing to give information about his mother. “What do you do if you grow up with no identity, and you want to grow up as a human being, what do you do?”

Their immense and courageous journey to learn each other’s story and work together for a peaceful homeland is a profound lesson that speaks to the essence of the Global Peace Foundation’s vision and mission.

Tanzania’s ‘Youth for Peace’ Campaign Engages Rising Young Professionals

Providing opportunity and vision for youth is critical in responding to the appeal of extremism. GPF Tanzania representatives met with 37 community and faith leaders in July 2016 to support youth development and opportunity in the East African nation.

In September, more than 500 Tanzanian leaders and youth commemorated International Day of Peace in a program organized by United Nations Tanzania in collaboration with the government of Tanzania, Youth of United Nations and GPF Tanzania. The 2016 International Day of Peace theme focuses on the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals as a roadmap for peace.

GPF Tanzania’s ongoing peace campaign, *Vijana Na Amani* (“Youth for Peace” in Swahili) has sought to counter youth radicalization and violent extremism by raising peace ambassadors through education, sensitization, and leadership and entrepreneurship development in communities and universities.



Kenya Campus Peace Forum Highlights National and Personal Values to Counter Radicalization

As part of Global Peace Foundation's effort to instill an ethos of respect for religious and ethnic diversity in higher-learning institutions through the Campus Peace Initiative in Kenya, Global Peace Youth and Peace Ambassadors Integration Organization held a Campus Peace Forum on Saturday, Feb. 6, 2016, at Chuka University on the eastern slopes of Mount Kenya.

The forum brought together 500 young people from around the Chuka area, including youth from three high schools and students from Karatina University, Egerton University, Laikipia University and Mt. Kenya University-Nkubu. The facilitators were drawn from the National Cohesion and Integration Commission, Administration Police, Peace Ambassadors and Integration Organization and Global Peace Youth.

The forum sought to increase the commitment of university students to national cohesion and peaceful civic engagement, strengthen the resistance of university students to radicalization and violent extremism, and increase awareness, knowledge and understanding of youth entrepreneurship.

Following the Peace Forum a National University Peace Forum with selected students of other university peace clubs convened on the UN designated International Day of Peace. Through this broader forum, organizers seek to send a message of peace to the country in preparation for the 2017 general elections.

*Top: Supporting conservation in Kenya.
Opposite: GPF-Nigeria's grassroots peacebuilding initiative in Nigeria. Far Right: Faith leaders round table in India.*



Kenya Interfaith Youth Forum on Peace and Environment Challenges Young People to Transcend Differences, Support Conservation Measures

The Kenya Interfaith Youth Forum is an annual event which started in the year 2014 that brings youth from diverse religious backgrounds and walks of life to discuss their responsibilities as young people on issues of environment and peace.

This year, the forum focused on peacebuilding, sharing knowledge of the world's religions and universal principles in the context of a global ethic. Young people learned the essentials of interreligious dialogue, coexistence, tolerance and the danger of radicalization. The environmental component of the forum fostered awareness among the youth about the issues in the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change negotiations in Paris and what a young person can do to curb global warming through environmental conservation.

The forum brought together over 800 young people from high schools, universities, and local communities, and young professionals from different regions around Nairobi. Hosted at the Catholic University of Eastern Africa, the forum presented appeals by Christian and Muslim clerics to learn about different religions and holy scriptures, and develop tolerance and respect for different paths.

The forum is a project of Global Peace Foundation Kenya, hosted this year with partners including JPIC Franciscans Africa, the Centre for Social Justice and Ethics of the Catholic University of Eastern Africa, Mother Earth Network, Kenya Interfaith Network on Environmental Action, United Religions Initiative, Ecumenical Centre for Justice and Peace, and TOTAL Eco Challenge.

Peacebuilding Workshops Encourage Nigerian Faith Leaders to Emphasize Common Ground

Global Peace Foundation Nigeria has been hosting a series of peacebuilding workshops in Kaduna State to promote community cohesion with the support of traditional rulers and government and religious leaders. The One Family under God Campaign workshops foster a shared commitment transcending tribal and religious divisions to build communities of peace and shared prosperity. With an emphasis on universal principles and shared values across religious traditions, the campaign works to transform attitudes and behaviors of individuals and groups.

Kaduna State presents a demographic cross-section of the West African nation, almost evenly split between Muslims and Christians. Particularly in recent years, the religious communities have stood segregated, often fueling stereotypes and suspicion. Workshop participants are nominated by local leaders to represent their religious communities and in turn work with the GPF staff to facilitate similar programs in their local communities. Thus far the workshops have reached 16 communities in Kaduna and have begun to expand to new communities in the state.

“The Qur’an tells man that God created mankind into different tribes and nations so that they may know each other,” reflected a recent Muslim graduate. A Christian counterpart wrote, “The stereotype I carried about Muslim men and women was that they are wicked... This belief changed after I joined the campaign. I began to see fellow Muslims as members of the same family with me, without any suspicion.”



Indian Interfaith Leaders Examine A 'Global Ethical Framework'

Forty top interfaith leaders, academics, youth leaders and diplomats gathered at the India International Centre in New Delhi for a roundtable exploring the ancient Indian philosophy of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, or the “world is one family,” and its practical applications to local, regional and global challenges. The discussion focused on the important influence of moral leadership in engaging principles in the public sphere.

The roundtable, held on December 20, is part of ongoing efforts to develop a Global Ethical Framework that began during the Global Peace Leadership Conference in 2013 in India that has become a point of positive intersection of global and local concerns, contrary to the common narrative that pits global against local. The efforts are a part of Global Peace Foundation’s values-based approach to peacebuilding that has heightened relevance as a response to the growing threat of regional, religious and identity-based conflicts.

“By practicing and living with the universal values common to all humankind embodied in India’s rich spiritual heritage, practical steps can be made to step up peace across Asia and the Pacific,” said Dr. Markanday Rai, Senior Adviser to UN HABITAT and Global Leadership Council member.

In addition to input from faith leaders, Yuvsatta (Youth for Peace) reported on its activities as the key organizer of the Global Youth Peace Fest for the past decade. The youth fest is noted for its joint Pakistan-Indian youth-driven service projects.

A program outcome was a working group committed to working on the Global Ethical Framework as a platform for interfaith efforts for peace in hotspots in Asia and Africa.



USA Safe Haven Campaign to Combat Human Trafficking Expands in Churches and Universities

The Global Peace Foundation USA's Interfaith Alliance to Abolish Human Trafficking Safe Haven Campaign plays a vital role in raising awareness and educating local communities about the growing problem of human trafficking in the United States. An estimated 100,000 children are at risk for commercial sexual exploitation according to the National Center for Missing and

Exploited Children.

In 2016, the Safe Haven Campaign conducted 11 programs in churches and organizations, including a major training session at the University of Maryland with 150 students. The training presents an overview of federal human trafficking law and national strategy to combat this modern form of slavery. Participants also receive training on how to

recognize and assist potential victims, develop strategies to educate the broader community, and strengthen families as a proactive approach. Eight fraternities and sororities were certified as Safe Havens at the University of Maryland training.

Left: GPF-Japan's annual Multicultural One Family Festival Right: Support for Safe Havens at the University of Maryland.



Global Peace Foundation Celebrates Japan's Growing Diversity at Multicultural Festival

The Global Peace Foundation and its partners are addressing the growing need for social cohesion in Japan by promoting shared values that tie together native Japanese and international communities. In October, the Global Peace Foundation joined with partners to host some 1,500 people at the Multicultural One Family Festival 2016 in Tokyo.

In addition to panel discussions on Japan's growing diversity, the festival included exhibitions and performances highlighting different national cultures, traditions and popular entertainments. The event was supported by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government; embassies of Indonesia, Bolivia, Guatemala, Nigeria, Palau, Philippines, Nepal, Uzbekistan, Mongolia, Azerbaijan, Kenya and Viet Nam; and other organizations.

Brazilian Faith Leaders Emphasize 'Unity in Diversity' at First Interfaith Social Forum

Some fifty Brazilian faith leaders, human rights experts and lawmakers collaborated to define a clear platform of common values to address pressing social challenges at a forum in Goiania, Brazil on June 25, organized by Global Peace Foundation Brazil. The first Interfaith Social Forum, "Unity in Diversity," initiated a dialogue among leaders of nine different religious communities to affirm shared values and uphold the perspective of faith in the civic square.

A majority Catholic country, Brazil is home to diverse Christian communities as well as Buddhist, Jewish, Baha'i and indigenous faiths. The country has one of the highest rates of income inequality in Latin America, as well as high crime rates and political instability. The forum is the first of a series that aims to foster interreligious cooperation and take practical steps to tackle complex challenges in Brazilian society, such as identity-based conflict, poverty, and protecting basic human rights and dignity.



GPF Philippines Interfaith Initiative Convenes Diverse Faith Leaders to Address Pressing Social Issues

The GPF Philippines Interfaith Initiative, a monthly gathering of faith leaders, health and social service professionals, and civic leaders, addresses issues ranging from peacebuilding, countering identity-based conflicts in Mindanao, youth education and family strengthening and community development. The forum has provided a platform for leaders of diverse religious backgrounds to address common concerns and identify universal principles and shared values.

Global Peace Youth Interfaith Assembly in Indonesia Supports Next-Generation Leadership and Sustainable Peace Through Shared Values

Seven hundred youth participants from different religions and cultures explored ways in which social entrepreneurship, culture, and media can promote peace in the region and world at the Global Peace Youth Interfaith Assembly held in Surabaya, Indonesia on March 8, 2016.

The event theme, “Raising Moral and Innovative Young Leaders: the Key to Lasting Peace,” aimed to inspire youth to become future ethical leaders in government, the private sector, faith communities and homes and neighborhoods.

Indonesia, a vast archipelago made up of more than 17,000 islands and the fourth most populous country in the world, is a multicultural society. Indonesia’s national motto, Bhineka Tunggal Ika (Unity in Diversity), encourages citizens to value the country’s cultural, ethnic, religious and linguistic diversity as a source of strength and national identity.

Another initiative, GPF Indonesia’s Peace!Project, engages youth in substantive service programs in the local community. By working together, youth build social cohesion and ongoing relationships with others from diverse backgrounds, helping to spread a message of peace beyond religion, organization, and government.

GPF-Indonesia’s interfaith projects like the annual Global Peace Youth Interfaith Assembly and the Peace!Project promote Indonesia’s national motto Unity in Diversity.

Although I am Muslim believer, the forum brings me closer to my brothers and sisters who belong to other faith-based organizations.

DELFIN G. WALO, JR.





International Day of Peace

Established by the United Nations in 1981 in a unanimous resolution, the International Day of Peace was set aside to commemorate and strengthen the ideals of peace among all nations and peoples. “Since wars begin in the minds of men,” the resolution states, “it is in the minds of men that the defense of peace must be constructed.”

In 2016 the Organizing Committee for the UN International Day of Peace with support from the Tomorrow

Together Campaign, the Global Peace Foundation, and Service For Peace promoted a platform for other organizations around the world to link the congressionally designated September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance with the International Day of Peace and the Eleven Days of Global Unity, an initiative launched by We, The World and global partners in 2004 which begins on September 11 and concludes on September 21.

This year’s International Day of Peace theme, “The Sustainable Development Goals: Building Blocks for Peace,” underscores the importance of service in securing the basic welfare of all people as a precondition for advancing and sustaining peace. Projects and observances during the eleven days focused on service as a bridge across cultural differences and on the shared aspirations for peace of the entire human family.

United States

The year 2016 marks the fifteenth anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks. Despite the searing attack that cost 3,000 innocent lives, the days and months that followed exemplified how Americans, and diverse people around the world, came together and uplifted humanity’s noble qualities of compassion, faith, resilience, service, and unity.

This year GPF USA in partnership with Service For Peace, Corporation for National and Community Services and the Compassion Games launched an 11-day campaign from September 11 to September 21, the International Day of Peace, to honor victims, their families, and first responders through programs of service. Projects were held in Georgia, New Jersey, New York and Montana.

On September 11, Global Peace Youth USA volunteers joined some 2,000 volunteers in New York City and 5,000 volunteers in Washington DC to prepare and distribute more than 500,000 meals to the poor and homeless. The “Tomorrow Together” campaign, which brought together volunteers from many organizations, seeks to counter growing divisions and tensions across the country and around the world by emphasizing service and shared values.

Philippines

Students were challenged to consider their personal contribution to achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals and promoting peace at a Peace Symposium held at the National University in Manila, Philippines on International Day of Peace. The symposium was organized by Global Peace Foundation and Global Peace Youth Philippines in partnership with the National University’s Community Extension and NSTP Departments, ComEx Brigade, Supreme Student Government, and Council of Presidents.

Northern Ireland, UK

Marking fifteen years since the events on 9-11 and honoring those who have lost their lives to violent extremism around the world, the Global Peace Foundation and Co-operation Ireland held a special commemorative banquet during the Global Peace Leadership Conference in Belfast, Northern Ireland on the eve of September 11. An interfaith invocation and candle lighting opened the event followed by a message of remembrance and resolve from International President Global Peace Foundation James P. Flynn.



Global Peace Foundation Commemorates International Day of Peace, September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance Partnerships Expand Support for Service and Peace Projects in U.S. and Internationally

5,000 Youth Rally for Peace

Global Peace Foundation branches from Kenya, Korea, Tanzania, Indonesia, Brazil, United States, Mongolia, Nepal and India sent video messages of peace, joining the voices of over 3,500 of youth from 470 schools in Northern Ireland at the “Amazing the Space” event on International Day of Peace. Hosted at the Eikon Exhibition Centre, the former grounds of a prison in Northern Ireland, another 1,500 students joined from satellite locations throughout Northern Ireland.

Brazil

In commemoration of International Day of Peace, Global Peace Foundation Brazil organized a program exploring Brazil’s potential as a peacebuilding agent locally and internationally entitled, “The Path to Peace.” The program hosted at the School of Human Rights in Goiânia, drew academics, public officials, civic leaders and international peacebuilding experts to examine successful conflict resolution models with area youth and community leaders.

Nepal

Global Peace Foundation Nepal hosted special projects in commemoration of the International Day of Peace for the students of Bidhya Mandir Secondary School, drawing together partners including Hydropower Investment and Development Company Ltd., Swoyambu Community Learning Center and the faculty and staff of Bidhya Mandir Secondary School.

Global Peace Women Nepal hosted a special panel discussion on International Day of Peace. Women leaders, including psychologists, educators and local community leaders from diverse cultural and religious backgrounds discussed current challenges facing women and strategies for progress focused on the theme “Peace Begins at Home: Uplifting the Innate value of Women in the Family and in the Society.”

Kenya

Global Peace Foundation Kenya joined with the One Nation under God Campaign and the County Government of Mombasa to commemorate the International Day of Peace. The event drew hundreds of local volunteers and families to raise awareness of the 2030 SDGs in coordination with this year’s theme, “The Sustainable Development Goals: Building Blocks for Peace.” The event included a community cleanup, emphasizing the importance of local action to reach longer-term goals.

Tanzania

Faith and civic leaders, public officials and UN representatives, and university students representing the cultural and religious diversity of Tanzania convened at the capital city of Dodoma to commemorate the International Day of Peace. The event, “Building Peace: End Corruption, Preserve Peace,” placed special emphasis on the Sustainable Development Goals. The Global Peace Foundation Tanzania joined other organizers that included the United Nations office in Tanzania and UNDP.





Moral & Innovative
Leadership



Moral and innovative leadership is essential for transformational change. A moral leader is guided by an ethical framework, and acts with integrity. On this foundation, an innovative leader can adapt to the needs and requirements of the society and draw upon the rich human resources of creativity and altruism to address even the most intractable social problems.

The Global Peace Foundation promotes a model of moral and innovative leadership to bridge ethnic, racial and religious divides and tap the power of human creativity to uphold and achieve the promise of a world of peace.

Moral & Innovative Leadership



Former Presidents Call for Renewed Regional Co-Operation, Integration to Meet Central America's Challenges

Five former Central American presidents representing the Latin American Presidential Mission, a project of the Global Peace Foundation, proposed an integrated regional approach as the only way to tackle the endemic problems of organized crime, drug trafficking, violence, and rising income inequality. “No nation can be an island of democracy in a sea of conflict,” said former Guatemalan president Vinicio Cerezo.

The presidents met at the Organization of American States (OAS) in Washington, D.C., at a forum to mark the 30th anniversary of the Esquipulas agreements that supported peace in Central America after decades of civil conflict that cost hundreds of thousands

of lives. The agreements marked the beginning of democratic governments in the region.

Since then, new problems have arisen. Forty percent of the population are under 20 and 57 percent of them live in poverty, fueling gang violence that produces the world’s highest murder rate. “We have exchanged the ideological conflict for the drug-trafficking conflict,” said former Guatemalan president Alvaro Colom. “There are more bodies today than during the war,” added former president of El Salvador Armando Calderon.

The presidents agreed that more robust economic and social policies were needed to reach marginalized groups who fed the violence. These

included housing, jobs, and better education, including the “need to instill values and principles” to counteract the gang culture. These should be addressed jointly on a regional level.

Other former presidents attending were Laura Chinchilla of Costa Rica and Nicolas Ardito of Panama. The forum was organized by the Latin American Presidential Mission with support from OAS, the Global Peace Foundation, the Esquipulas Foundation, and Guatemala’s Foreign Ministry.

Above: Members of the Latin American Presidential Mission visit lawmakers at the U.S. Capitol.

Colombia's Unique Peace Process Offers Lessons to Central America

Latin American Presidential Mission Hosts Guatemala International Conference

Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos urged collective action and a “victim-centered” approach to resolving conflict in Latin America in an address to 1,200 government and civil society leaders in Guatemala City on April 4, 2016.

Speaking at an international conference organized by the Latin American Presidential Mission and the Esquipulas Foundation for Peace, Democracy, Development and Integration, a Guatemalan-based research and advocacy organization, the president cited progress achieved during Colombia's current peace talks with the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia that many believe provide the most hope for success for the country in decades.

The conference was held to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the signing of the Central American peace agreement Esquipulas I (1986), and Guatemalan peace agreement Initiative 30/20 (1996), which sought intergovernmental collaboration to lower crime and violence in Central America. President Santos was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize later in 2016 for his efforts to end the 52-year conflict that has cost more than two hundred thousand lives and displaced some five million people.



Above: Colombian President and 2016 Nobel Peace Prize laureate Juan Manuel Santos speaks at a Guatemala conference organized by the Latin American Presidential Mission and Esquipulas Foundation. Right: Former presidents discuss pressing Central American issues at a forum at the Reagan Building in Washington D.C.

Central American Leaders Urge Broader Partnerships to Advance Development and Opportunities for Youth

A panel of experts joined five former Central American Presidents at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, DC on March 16 to examine regional solutions to address challenges of economic opportunity, high crime and migration with new partnerships in the Americas.

Regional challenges include extreme poverty and income inequality that fuel high levels of violence and drive illegal immigration to the U.S. The Esquipulas approach calls for an integrated strategy among all the region's nations with U.S. support.

The group of former Central American presidents also met with representatives of civil society, think tanks, and business. They provided updates on current dynamics in the region and proposed partnerships across the Americas focused on innovative, values-based solutions.

The group offered a civil society channel for dialogue to the bipartisan Central America Caucus and House Speaker Paul Ryan's office, and to diplomats at the Organization of American States. They represent the Latin American Presidential Mission, a non-partisan, civic association of over twenty democratically elected former heads of state established in 2012 with support from the Global Peace Foundation, the Esquipulas Foundation of Guatemala, and other partners.



Miami Forums Address Challenges and Opportunities in the Americas

The Latin American Presidential Mission hosted two significant forums in September in Miami, USA.

The first, “Evolving Relationships between Cuba, the USA and Neighboring Countries in the Americas” at Miami Dade College, addressed changing U.S. policy towards Cuba. Former Latin American Presidents Luis Alberto Lacalle (Uruguay), Carlos Mesa

(Bolivia), Álvaro Colom and Vinicio Cerezo (Guatemala) with other experts presented an analysis of the changing relationships between Cuba, the United States and other countries in the Americas in light of the historic opening of relations between the U.S. and Cuba.

The second forum, “Venezuela: Challenges and Solutions,” addressed ongoing challenges in Venezuela and

proposed solutions. The forum urged dialogue between the opposition and government and encouraged democratic values. The former presidents were joined by several noted Venezuelans including Claudio Fermín, First Mayor of Caracas; Gerver Torres, Senior Scientist at Gallup in Washington DC; and Kennedy Bolívar, a young Venezuelan leader.



Latin American Presidential Mission Participates in One Young World Global Summit

Latin American Presidential Mission (LAPM) representatives were invited to join One Young World’s annual Global Summit in Ottawa, Canada in late September. Former Guatemalan President Vinicio Cerezo, former Bolivian President Carlos Mesa, LAPM executive director Thomas Field, and co-director Olinda Salguero attended.

The former presidents addressed some 1,300 young people from around the world during the plenary “Transformation and Innovation in Latin America.” They shared their insights on democracy, regional cooperation and social and economic development of the region and provided keen analysis on sensitive situations such as Venezuela and Brazil.

One Young World’s annual summits bring together the most diverse representation of young people, second only to the Olympics. Summits seek to provide tools for young leaders to develop solutions to the world’s most urgent issues.

Above: Former presidents representing the Latin American Presidential Mission discuss policy issues relating to the changing status of Cuba and Venezuela in the Americas. Opposite right: Former Zanzibar President Amani Abeid Karume speaks to international peacebuilding representatives in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

IDPPS, Heritage Foundation Release Economic Freedom Indicators

What is economic freedom? What aspects determine the freedom score of a country? These and other questions are answered in the second edition of the “Indicators of Economic Freedom and Prosperity in the National Transformation of Paraguay,” published by the Instituto de Desarrollo del Pensamiento Patria Soñada (IDPPS), a GPF-supported research institute that brings together leaders from all sectors to provide relevant research and guidance on public policy in Paraguay and beyond to advance political reform and good governance.

The latest Economic Freedom publication was prepared in collaboration with the Washington, DC-based Heritage Foundation to develop a comparative analysis of Paraguay’s economic freedom with other countries of the region. The official release of the publication was held at Paraguay’s Ministry of Defense on August 25.

IDPPS has hosted a number of significant international conferences that address issues from press freedom, good governance to international trade and investment. IDPPS was instrumental in founding the Latin American Presidential Mission, a network of former democratically elected heads of state in Latin America who pledge to use their experience and example to navigate the region forward. IDPPS has also advised government officials towards transparency and efficiency. Its ongoing programs and research have set the bar for the moral and ethical standards of national leaders.



Diverse Leaders Seek Collaborative Solutions to Social Problems at Montana, USA Forum

Political and civic leaders, Native Americans, clerics, and nonprofit leaders gathered for the 2nd Annual Northwest Global Peace Foundation Forum, “Overcoming Barriers and Conflict, Building Trust, Discovering Solutions,” in Billings, Montana, USA on October 8. The one-day event provided a space for diverse community leaders to voice shared concerns such as substance abuse intervention, human trafficking prevention, education and race relations.

Panelists addressed the importance of working together beyond barriers, including age, encouraging leaders young and old to embrace the creative innovation of youth and the wisdom of experience.


African Leadership Mission on Peacebuilding, Young Leadership and Service

An outcome of the Global Peace Leadership Conference in Abuja, Nigeria in 2013, the African Leadership Mission on Peacebuilding, Young Leadership and Service seeks to engage Africa’s leading statesmen and corporate leaders in efforts to moderate conflict, provide opportunity through youth service, and address the continent’s most pressing development challenges. In 2015 the Leadership Mission re-convened in Zanzibar to address East Africa interfaith and youth strategies to prevent conflict at a Global Peace Leadership Conference hosted by former Zanzibar President Amani Abeid Karume. In 2016 President Karume brought the voice of the Leadership Mission to the Global Peace Leadership Conference in Belfast, Ireland.

The Global Peace Foundation notably recognizes the leadership of Sir James R. Mancham KBE, a founding member of the African Leadership Mission, the founding President of the Republic of Seychelles, and a long-serving member of GPF’s Global Leadership Council. Sir Mancham passed away at his home in Seychelles on January 8, 2017. His support and leadership have been pivotal in establishing many of GPF’s key initiatives and milestones.

His many honors and decorations include Knight of the British Empire (KBE) UK and Officier de La Legion d’Honneur of France, the 2010 International Jurists Award from the Vice President of India at the Indian Parliament, and the Gusi Peace Award for statesmanship in 2011.





*Over 1,200 students, young professionals,
and international dignitaries and business
leaders convened at the International Young
Leaders Assembly Global Summit at the UN
General Assembly Hall.*

Empowering Families and Youth



The Global Peace Foundation is committed to empowering youth to be a force for progress. In 2016 there are some 1.2 billion youth aged 15-24 years globally, accounting for one out of every six people. Youth and the emergence of communications technologies represent an enormous resource for progress.

Support and guidance of youth also requires a renewed commitment to the family, where the foundation of character is formed and the fabric of healthy communities and societies is woven together.

Recognition of the unique contributions of women and advocacy for women's leadership in public life and civil society is also critical in advancing peace and human welfare in the twenty-first century.

Global Peace Women

In every society, women play a central role in building and maintaining harmony within the family and strengthening social cohesion within communities. Affirming that “peace begins in the home,” Global Peace Women, the women’s division of the Global Peace Foundation, seeks to engage women and other stakeholders to create a supportive cultural environment to strengthen the extended family and empower women’s leadership as an essential resource in advancing peace and development.

Let us put our hearts and minds together to find ways to protect and uplift the sanctity of family, the essential role of women in the home and the important contributions women make in the greater community, nation, and in our world today.

DR. JUN SOOK MOON, CHAIRWOMAN, GLOBAL PEACE WOMEN



Global Peace Women Uruguay Calls for Support for the Extended Family



Distinguished women leaders in Uruguay urged greater recognition and support for the extended family as an important means of tackling complex social challenges at a forum, “The Importance of the Extended Family for the Transmission of Values,” on September 3 in Montevideo. Hosted by Global Peace Women (GPW) Uruguay, the forum included GPW Uruguay board members as well as ambassadors, civic leaders, social workers, academics and community volunteers.

Former first lady of Uruguay and noted international humanitarian Ms. Maria Julia Pou de Lacalle spoke on the important role the family plays in cultivating basic values such as trust, loyalty, solidarity and honesty that uphold a society.

In support of the extended family, Global Peace Women Uruguay has been helping single mothers with family values education, and after the event, GPW Uruguay members visited the Hogar Paulina Luisi Shelter to donate gifts and spend time with the vulnerable young girls.

Global Peace Women Nepal Forum on International Day of Peace

Educators and professionals examine the importance of the family and role of women in supporting a peaceful society. Sociologists, psychologists, teachers and business and community leaders shared their expertise and experience as mothers and parental partners at a forum hosted by Global Peace Women Nepal on International Day of Peace.

The forum, “Peace Begins at Home: Uplifting the Innate Value of Women in the Family and in the Society,” examined the unique contribution of men and women in building healthy, stable families that contribute to lasting peace. The forum was part of Global Peace Nepal’s ongoing efforts to uphold the value of women and their unique role in the family, as well as encourage cooperation between men and women to raise healthy, peaceful families that contribute to global peace. The International Day of Peace was established in 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly.



Women leaders at forums in Uruguay (above) and Nepal (right) on the importance of the extended family. Opposite: Global Peace Women Kenya and St. Thaddeus School provide positive mentorship to support disadvantaged girls. Opposite above: GPW Nepal’s “Forum Theater” is an effective tool in raising awareness about and preventing gender-based violence. Opposite right: Ms. Keiko Kobayashi with audience members during screening of her film Jun-Ai in Seattle, USA.

Countering Gender-Based Violence in Nepal and Mongolia

Global Peace Women Nepal is opening the conversation on important but often overlooked topics related to women and families through an innovative program that uses drama to broach sensitive subjects. GPW Nepal's "Forum Theater" is an effective tool in raising awareness about and preventing gender-based violence (GBV).

These forum theater classes focus on three subject areas: strengthening families, uplifting the value of women, and promoting complementary relationships between men and women. During each forum theater class, participants act out scenes on these topics, using speech and movement to express their daily inner struggles and desires. In monthly classes, parents, teachers and students discuss topics related to GBV, marital relations, the role of women in the family and society, and parent-teacher cooperation in nurturing a child.

Many women and children in the cities and villages of Mongolia are also victims of gender-based violence with a recent estimate by the National Center against Violence that one in three women were victims of domestic violence. Global Peace Women Mongolia is supporting greater awareness and prevention of GBC through trainings on preventative measures, family values, the importance of women's contributions in the family, and volunteerism. To provide substantial assistance for victims of GBV, GPW Mongolia hosted professionals at workshops to link women and families with organizations that will provide further support for vulnerable women and youth.



Global Peace Women Kenya Supports Mentoring of Girl Students

For a teenage girl from the slums in Nairobi County, attending secondary school is a difficult challenge. She often must overcome poverty, broken families, abuse and social stigma to gain access to an education.

But the most important factor to a student's success is her personal determination and social support. To strengthen positive relationships and build on the innate strengths of students, Global Peace Women Kenya launched a mentoring program for girls at St. Thaddeus School in early May 2016. St. Thaddeus School is supported by St. Thaddeus Child Care Society, which rescues girls who have been orphaned, been victims of early marriages or gender-based violence, and assists them to get an education.

Throughout the year, students connect with women role models and follow a curriculum to cultivate character skills and values that will help them navigate through adolescence and young adulthood. The yearlong mentorship program educates the girls on various topics ranging from women's leadership, core values, personal hygiene and stress management. In addition, students and mentors design and implement local service projects.



JUN AI World Peace Foundation Bring Message of Peace to U.S. Campuses

The arts and popular media are powerful instruments to break down barriers and affirm shared values. In Seattle, USA, Global Peace Women and other partners hosted screenings of *Jun Ai*, a moving film about overcoming language, nationality, race, faith and all other differences.

The film follows the story of Japanese refugees in China at the conclusion of the hate-inducing world war in 1945. In a powerful rendition of the complexity of love and forgiveness, the film describes the survival and unwavering acceptance of displaced refugees in a remote Chinese village that suffered at the hand of their Japanese enemies.

Ms. Keiko Kobayashi, lead actress of the 8-time international award-winning film, was a special guest at screenings at Edmonds Community College, the University of Washington, and the Japanese Culture and Community Center. Students, staff, faculty, and community leaders gathered in the greater Seattle area and discussed how one woman reconciled her community and national conflict through the power and strength of her unconditional love.



Global Peace Women Hosts Health Clinics for Nepalese Women

To stress the importance of prevention and early treatment of common health issues with women in Nepal, Global Peace Women and Sustainable Healthy Nepal are hosting ongoing health classes.

During the most recent series of classes in March, twenty-three women from the outskirts of Kathmandu received blood pressure readings and advice on how to maintain a healthy level. Participants also learned how to prevent Uterine Prolapse, a painful and deadly condition common in Nepalese women laborers, through practicing Kegel pelvic strengthening exercises. Uterine Prolapse remains the leading cause of morbidity in women of remote areas in Nepal.

The classes also provide a safe space for women to bring up important questions on health topics including nutrition, hygiene, prenatal and post-natal care and medical conditions.

Ongoing Global Peace Women Nepal programs include livelihood workshops for women, "Forum Theatre" on gender issues in schools and communities, family values education; and women's empowerment, and gender and youth based awareness programs.



Global Peace Women Paraguay Congressional Forum Honors UN International Day of Families

Commemorating the 23rd International Day of Families, a special forum at the Bicameral Chamber of the Congress of the Republic of Paraguay examined the central role of the family in society. More than 200 senior officials and advisors from 33 governmental institutions attended the event organized by Global Peace Women Paraguay on May 17.

International Day of Families, an official designation by the United Nations, recognizes the family as the center of social life, a place of care and protection for young and old, and the primary source of education and socialization. "This day reflects the significance that the international community gives to the family as the basic unit of society," said Ms. Jae Soon Cristina Field, International Director of Global Peace Women for Latin America. "The family is at the heart of socio-cultural transformation."

As part of their ongoing efforts to support and empower women, Global Peace Women Paraguay organizes monthly seminars focused on various issues related to women. Topics range from economic empowerment of families, women's role in building equitable societies, the social implications of domestic violence, entrepreneurial capacity building, self-esteem building and conflict resolution skills.



Left: GPW Nepal has hosted a number of programs for women including health screenings, livelihood trainings, and forums on families and gender issues. Above: GPW Paraguay hosts a forum on the International Day of Families. Opposite above: Eighth Annual 'Living for the Sake of Others' Awards honors exemplary Paraguayan women. Opposite below: Uruguay women are recognized for public service in areas of health care, education, and charitable support. Opposite far right: GPW Korea is providing practical skills training to help North Korean defectors integrate into South Korean society and become self-supporting.



'Living for the Sake of Others' Awards in Paraguay Honor Outstanding Women

Six outstanding women leaders were recognized for their contribution to Paraguayan society at the eighth annual "Living for the Sake of Others" awards held at the Bicameral Chamber of the National Congress on December 1. The annual award seeks to acknowledge the unique contribution of women leaders in various sectors of society.

Mrs. Jae Soon Cristina Field, Global Peace Women Director for Latin America, emphasized the importance of women leaders. "Women must be genuine leaders to bring about reconciliation and peace from the family to the world, being able to embrace those who are divided and unite them."

This year's awards were given to: Alicia Puchetta de Correa, the first woman Minister of the Supreme Court of Justice; Sister Josefina Yamada, who has served the elderly living in solitude, disease, and extreme poverty since 1967; teacher and mother Dolly Espíndola, Claudia Kress, Executive Director of Paraguay's most prestigious packaging company for natural juices and water; Carina Daher Pacuá, President of the Chamber of Manufactured Exported Goods; and Maria Sixta Marecos de Vera, Caazapá state representative for the Advisory Council of Agriculture and Rural Women in Paraguay.

The awards were organized in partnership with the Legislative Office of Senator Lilian Samaniego, the Culture Department of the Honorable Chamber of Deputies, the Ministry of National Defense, National Police, and the Command of Paraguay's Military Forces.

Global Peace Women Uruguay Honors Women Leaders at First 'Living for the Sake of Others' Awards

Global Peace Women Uruguay also launched the first "Living for the Sake of Others" Awards at an evening program on May 4 in Montevideo. The event honored five exemplary women who have demonstrated the qualities that women bring to leadership in areas of healthcare, education and charitable support for vulnerable women and girls.



Global Peace Women Korea Provides Humanitarian Support for North Korean Defectors

Some 30,000 North Korean defectors are currently living in South Korea, 70 percent of whom are women. While free from political repression and life-threatening privations, defectors experience poverty, differences in language and culture, prejudice and isolation, a crisis of identity, and the pain and loneliness of being separated from their families. These factors make it difficult for them to establish themselves as members of society.

This social issue is one of the obstacles that stands in the way to the unification of the peninsula. To move the nation toward unification, Global Peace Women Korea has developed three approaches based on our unique focus on strengthening families, uplifting the value of femininity and women's contributions to the family, and working together with women leaders for positive social transformation.

Global Peace Women Korea has been supporting North Korean defectors and their families with rice, clothes, and other necessities; conducting historical family field trips; providing history lessons; and running an academy to help the refugees learn how to be financially independent and self-sustainable. These initiatives help the defector families to become healthier families well-adapted to society.

The critical role of mother as a peace educator of the family inspired GPW Korea to initiate women-led unification education in the home. GPW Korea is currently implementing the Unification Education in the Family Project, Women and Unification Education Seminars, and Action for Korea Unification events.

These projects encourage women, especially mothers, to raise the next generation to empathetically understand the hardships in the North and importance of Korean unification for regional stability and world peace.



Youth

Global Peace Youth is committed to building a global network of moral and innovative young leaders for transforming communities, nations and the world.



2016 International Young Leaders Assembly Convenes at United Nations Representatives from 120 Nations Commit to Advance UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals

More than 1,500 student leaders, young professionals and invited guests from 120 countries convened at a landmark gathering at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on August 16 to commit to advancing the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the broader ideals of the UN's founding Charter.

The 2016 International Young Leaders Assembly Global Summit at the United Nations, "Moral and Innovative Leadership for Sustainable Development: Vision, Service, Entrepreneurship," examined the persistent gap between ideals of economic and social progress and the reality of billions of the world's people—and the action steps to close that gap by 2030 through targeting 17 priority SDGs.

Meeting in the imposing UN General Assembly Hall, where the world's chief diplomats and heads of state address priorities of interstate conflict, refugee resettlement, and other trans-national crises, participants and speakers

expressed solemn determination to rise to the challenge of improving human welfare through their work and lives.

A message by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and the Secretary-General's Special Envoy on Youth, Ahmad Ahlendawi, and a Special Address by Frederick Musiwa Makamure Shava, President of the UN Economic and Social Council, underscored the growing role of youth in meeting the SDGs, which include ending poverty and hunger, supporting equal education and gender equity, and ensuring a healthy and sustainable environment.

The IYLA Global Summit at the United Nations is part of the 2016 International Young Leaders Assembly (IYLA), a ten-day leadership program in Washington, Philadelphia and New York. Previously in Washington delegates convened for sessions at the U.S. Congress, World Bank, State Department, Wilson Center and embassies. A select group of sixty delegates participating in the ten-day

assembly were appointed as IYLA Global Ambassadors during the UN Summit.

The Permanent Mission of Paraguay was the lead UN sponsor of the IYLA Global Summit at the United Nations, with Permanent Missions of Colombia, Mexico, Dominican Republic, Panama, Croatia, Palestine, and Argentina also officially sponsoring the event.

The IYLA Youth Summit at the UN is co-convened by the Global Peace Foundation and Global Young Leaders Academy. Other partners include Air Canada, IBM, Sustainable Dialogue Institute, World Bank Youth to Youth, University of Pennsylvania Policy and Research Council, Pace University, Fordham University, George Washington University, Wilson Center, Ministry of Youth Paraguay, GW International Services Office, National Constitution Center, and My Africa.

The IYLA Global Summit held at the United Nations was part of a 10-day leadership program in Washington, Philadelphia and New York. Program graduates are appointed IYLA Global Ambassadors.



Young People's 'Fresh Ideas' Can Forge Solutions to Global Challenges, Secretary-General Tells International Leaders Assembly

Following is UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's message, delivered by Edmond Mulet, Chef de Cabinet, to the ninth International Young Leaders Assembly, in New York:

I am pleased to welcome all participants to the ninth International Young Leaders Assembly at the United Nations Headquarters. I thank the Permanent Mission of Paraguay for bringing more than 1,000 young leaders to the United Nations.

Last September, world leaders adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development — our global plan for people, the planet and prosperity. As part of the largest generation of young people the world has ever known, you can help realize this transformative vision. I count on your drive, idealism and fresh ideas to forge solutions to global challenges.

As visionaries, you have created some of the world's most disruptive and innovative technologies. As budding philanthropists, you have founded socially driven companies and organizations. As entrepreneurs, you are not simply seeking jobs, you are creating them. You have already changed the world as we know it and I am sure you can do even more in the future.

The United Nations stands with you. Together, let us build a world that is more peaceful, prosperous and just for generations to come.



Global Youth Summit at the World Bank Promotes United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

2016 International Young Leaders Assembly Hosts Forums on Leadership, Service, and Entrepreneurship to Advance UN 2030 Agenda

Some 400 international university student leaders and young professionals joined distinguished current and former ambassadors, political leaders, entrepreneurs and development experts at a series of interactive forums at the Global Youth Summit at the World Bank in Washington, DC on August 12.

Two World Bank representatives, Rodrigo Rojo, a Senior Advisor of the World Bank Board of Directors, and Angela Elizir Assy, representing World Bank Youth2Youth, described the importance of the World Bank's support of the UN's 2030 SDG agenda. They noted how the three forums on Leadership, Service, and Entrepreneurship were closely aligned with the World Bank's mission, and

cited examples of how youth can be powerful agents of change.

The World Bank has two established goals: to end extreme poverty globally within a generation by decreasing the percentage of people living with less than \$1.90 a day to no more than 3 percent by 2030; and to promote shared prosperity by supporting income growth of the bottom 40 percent of the population in each country.

The Global Forum on Leadership included panelists from Costa Rica, Chile, Paraguay, Malaysia and Nigeria who related their diverse leadership experience to the IYLA theme of "moral and innovative leadership" in advancing the SDG agenda.

The Global Forum on Service presented insights into the role of volunteerism in meeting development needs by young parliamentarians from Uganda and the Philippines and development experts from the U.S. Agency for International Development and Brookings Institution.

The World Bank forums are part of the ten-day 2016 International Young Leaders Assembly (IYLA) that convened in New York, Philadelphia and Washington on August 8-17, 2016.

Below: The Global Youth Summit at the World Bank called on youth to be powerful agents of change through Leadership, Service and Entrepreneurship. Opposite: The annual Global Youth Summit in the Philippines gathers thousands of youth from around the world in a high-energy summit addressing the Sustainable Development Goals.



Global Youth Summit Gathers Thousands in the Philippines

Ten thousand youth leaders, students, and young professionals from around the world gathered in Manila, Philippines on February 6, 2016 for a one-day summit that aimed to challenge, inspire and educate the world's future experts.

The fourth Global Youth Summit brought together young people from Botswana, Russia, Indonesia, Pakistan, Vietnam and Thailand, as well as local youth leaders from Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao in the Philippines who were eager to make a positive impact in their communities.

This year's theme was "One World," encouraging participants to

join together as "one youth" to create a more peaceful world that values the differences that exist within the human family.

Delegates engaged in in-depth discussions on topics such as the youth's role in the achievement of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and peacebuilding. The summit was divided into three tracks, "Inspire, Engage, and Activate," that featured speakers and practitioners from different backgrounds and sectors of society who spoke on today's pressing issues.

Summit attendees also participated in the "Donate-a-Pencil" campaign that supports underprivileged communities in the Philippines.

The Global Youth Summit was co-organized by Global Peace Youth Philippines, SM Cares, AIESEC in the Philippines, and National Youth Commission in partnership with Philippine Society of NSTP Educators and Implementers, Commission on Higher Education, Calidad Humana, Mall of Asia Arena, Inquirer.net, and Rappler.

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Global Peace Youth Exchange in Thailand Promotes Sustainable Development Goals

Global Peace Youth Exchange Thailand 2016 hosted more than 200 young leaders including students from leading local universities and colleges, and delegates from India, China, Pakistan, Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, the Philippines, Malaysia, South Korea, USA, and Albania.

At the end of 2015, the United Nations Security Council issued a historic resolution that focused on the role of youth in peacebuilding and countering violent extremism. The Global Peace Youth Exchange seeks to foster a global network of motivated young men and women and empower them to participate in peacebuilding and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Through participation in decision-making, opportunities to dialog with faith and community leaders, and creative efforts toward achieving the SDGs, participants foster a global

mindset, strengthen inherent qualities within themselves, and apply moral and innovative solutions to tackle the challenges in their communities.

The GPYE in Thailand opened with a SDG Youth Empowerment program hosted by the United Nations ESCAP (Economic and

GPYE, with UN partners and corporate sponsors, brought special focus to SDG 12, Responsible Consumption and Production.

Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific). Delegates interacted with top Thailand University representatives, UN Agencies, corporate leaders, and the Secretary-General of the World Assembly of Youth, paying particular focus to SDG #12: Responsible Consumption and Production.

A cleanup project followed the program, promoting environmental responsibility and sustainable tourism for development. Participants

discussed ongoing plans to work together to implement long-term solutions for building environmentally responsible communities.

Global Peace Youth Exchange partners included UNESCAP, UNEP Asia Pacific, the World Assembly of Youth (WAY), and schools, including Thammasat University and Samut Songkhram Technical College, and governmental institutions within the Samutsongkhram Province.

The Global Peace Youth Exchange is a leadership development program of Global Peace Youth, the youth division of the Global Peace Foundation, which provides opportunities for young aspiring leaders to strengthen and discover inherent qualities within them through service, forums, dialogue, adventure programs, and cultural exchange. In 2016 GPYE also hosted youth exchanges in Indonesia and Nepal.





Global Peace Volunteers Camp 2016 Inspires Future Leaders with Vision and Ethic of Service

Surrounded by lush forests, majestic mountains and clear ocean waters of San Antonio, Philippines, young leaders from Thailand, Indonesia, Cambodia, Malaysia and the Philippines learned about the power of service, fundamental freedoms and human rights, and the importance of vision in leadership during a three-day leadership and service camp in May.

Participants exchanged views about challenges to peacebuilding that their countries face while finding common ground on shared values. Participants also had opportunities to put their leadership skills into practice during service projects for the local community. The Emergency Response Association hosted a disaster response training, equipping the participants with basic skills like CPR and first aid administration. Participants later organized games and activities for the local children after a presentation ceremony of 10 solar-powered street lamps by GPF Philippines and National University.

Global Peace Volunteers Completes 30th Volunteer Camp in Indonesia

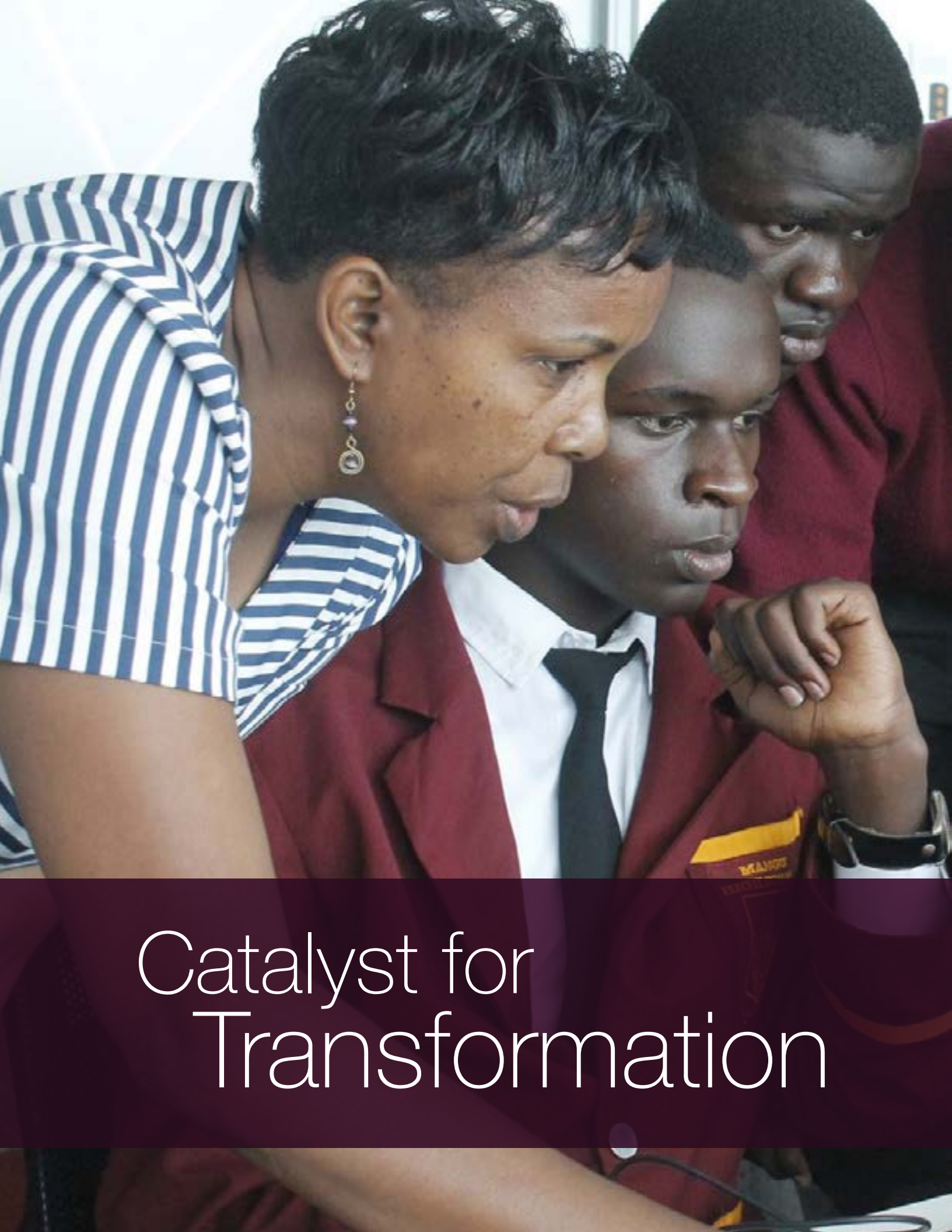
Global Peace Foundation Indonesia concluded its 30th Global Peace Volunteers camp in mid-October in West Java, Indonesia. Twenty-four select young leaders participated in the unique three-day program that provides hands-on leadership training.

The updated program featured in-depth discussions and exercises to cultivate qualities of moral and innovative leadership, workshops to share best practices, outdoor adventure training and local community service projects.

The rigorous program seeks to equip participants not only with leadership skills such as public speaking, program organization, resource development and management, but also character competencies such as confidence, relationship building, conflict resolution and practical applications of values.

Opposite: Youth from 11 different nations participated in decision-making, dialogue, and hands-on service projects during the Global Peace Youth Exchange in Thailand. Above: Global Peace Volunteer camps is a comprehensive youth leadership training program that includes outdoor challenge and service projects.





Catalyst for
Transformation



Transformation from an environment of conflict and underdevelopment to one of peace and shared prosperity requires the collaboration of every sector of society. The Global Peace Foundation has initiated projects to make education relevant to twenty-first century needs, promote entrepreneurship, support community development and resilience, protect the environment, and promote a culture of service. With support of partners from government, business, academia, the faith community and the nonprofit sector, these initiatives encourage community engagement and self-sufficiency and have expanded to 23 countries in 2016.

Transforming Education and Communities



Global Peace Education, the education division of the Global Peace Foundation, works with educators and stakeholders around the world to ensure that students graduate ready to succeed in all aspects of twenty-first century life. By making education more relevant and comprehensive, graduates are better prepared to prosper in the workplace, build healthy and resilient families, and contribute to economic development and social stability. Global Peace Education, with support from Ministries of Education, corporate partners, and community leaders, provided resources and strategies to help change classroom

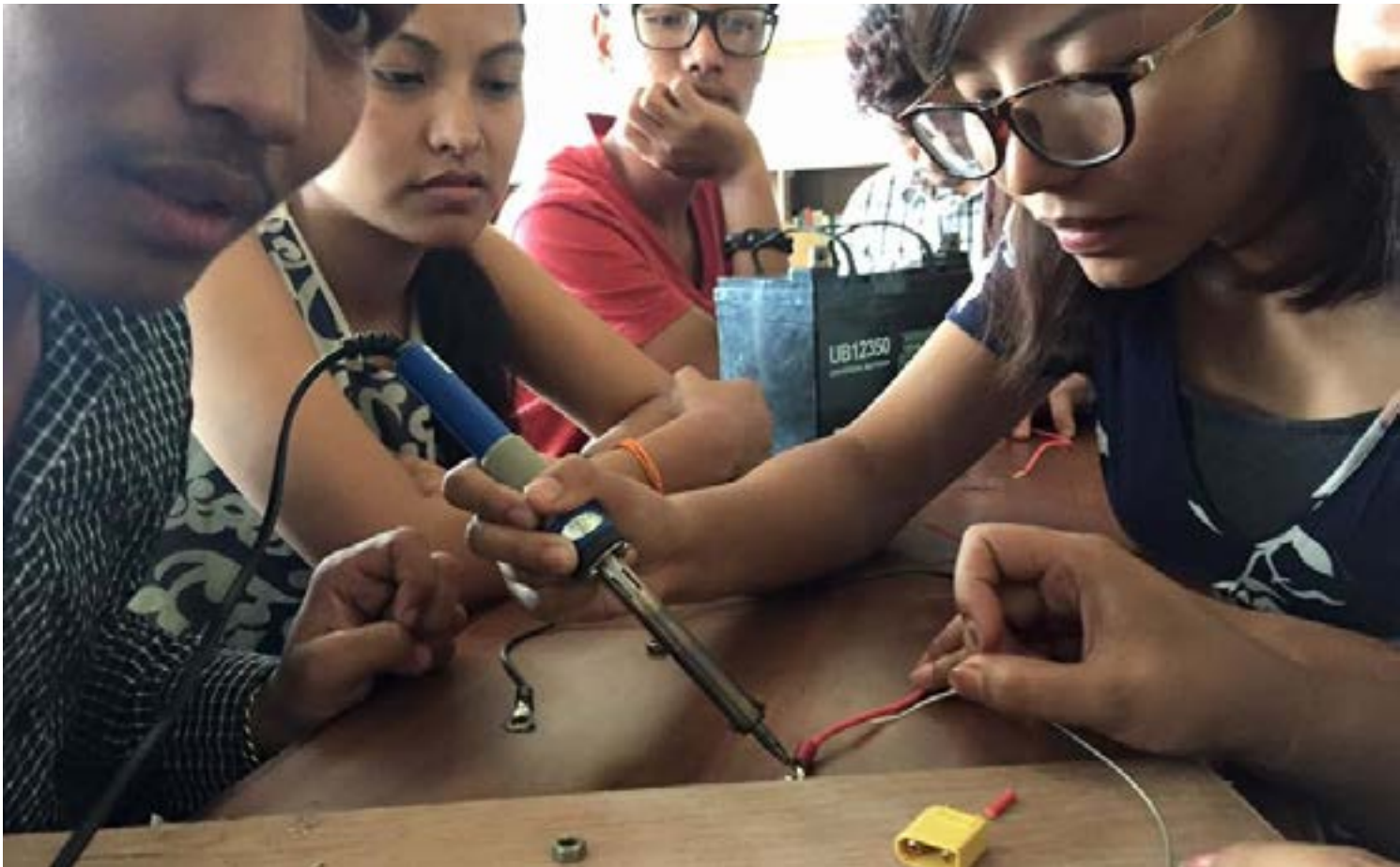
and school culture in Brazil, Paraguay, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Kenya, Uganda, and Nepal.

Global Peace Education's **Character and Creativity Initiative** is integrating character and creativity training into all aspects of school culture towards the development of the whole person. Character and Creativity Standards (CCS) developed in 2015, and piloted in 2016, provide teachers, principals, and ministries of education with a benchmark that shows how schools compare to other schools in preparing students for future success. CCS captures the top 15 leadership competencies employers are seeking

from high school and college graduates entering the workforce that include character, creativity, relationships, purpose, and problem-solving.

Leap Hubs is a Leadership and Entrepreneurship program that provides guidance and space in secondary schools for highly motivated students supported by mentors, to explore their ideas and gain valuable skills including leadership, innovation, marketing, problem-solving, product development, finance, and planning.

Above: Japanese IT corporation Fujitsu supports GPF's education initiative to prepare youth with twenty-first-century skills. Opposite above: Entrepreneurship training in Nepal. Opposite below: Character.org moderator Dara Feldman welcomes panelists to the International Character Summit in Washington, DC.



Global Peace Foundation, Character.org, One World Co-Sponsor International Character Summit in Washington

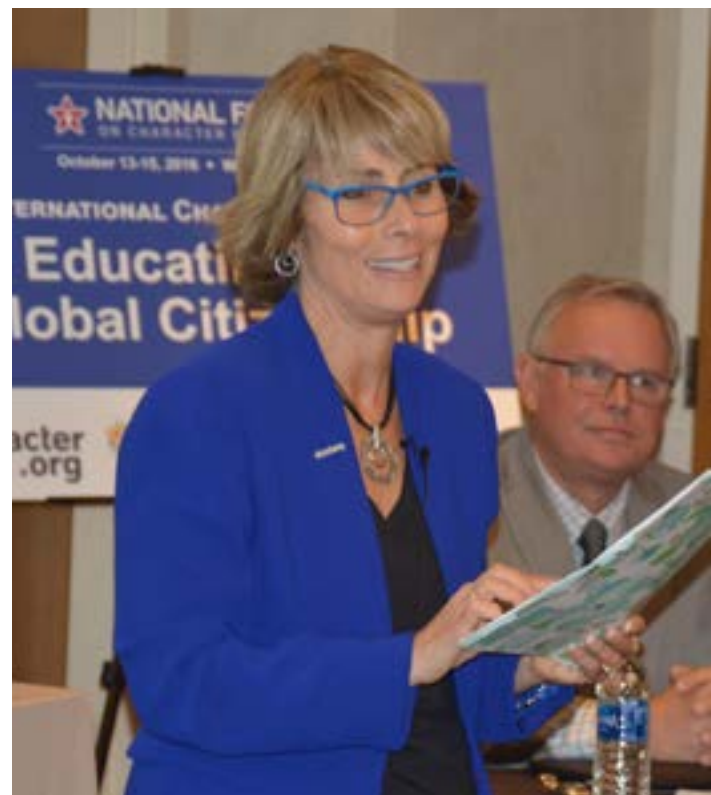
'Global Citizenship,' Character Competencies Are Crucial to Transform Education Say International Educators

How well are schools providing youth with relevant education needed to ensure that graduates are equipped for the modern workplace? How well are twenty-first-century competencies—such as critical thinking, creativity, entrepreneurship, leadership, collaboration, problem-solving, and character building—being mastered to meet the challenges of an increasingly competitive and interdependent global society?

These and other questions were brought into focus at the Fifth International Character Summit on October 13, 2016, “Educating for Global Citizenship.” The Summit was hosted by Character.org, the Global Peace Foundation, and One World United on the first day of a three-day National Forum on Character Education.

Panelists from the three sponsoring organizations described their international efforts to integrate character competencies, intercultural dialogue, entrepreneurship and service learning into school culture to transform education globally.

The Global Peace Foundation’s Character and Creativity Initiative in eight countries seeks to transform school culture by empowering principals, teachers, and students with the tools to model twenty-first century competencies in their classrooms and beyond. Certain proficiencies—such as integrity, respect, resilience, conscientiousness, creativity, and innovation—are needed in the workplace and largely determine how successful a young person will be in life and work. CCI seeks to educate the total child.



Global Peace Foundation Kenya and Intel Help Close the ‘Technology Gender Gap’

Intel Launches My Digital Journey Software for its She Will Connect Program

Intel Corporation and Global Peace Foundation Kenya have been training female students in internet and technology use through Intel’s She Will Connect program. The program introduced innovative training software, My Digital Journey, and gathered over a hundred participants from government, business and civil society in Kenya for the software launch on January 26, 2016.

Cidgem Ertem, Intel Corporation Regional President for the Middle East, Turkey and Africa, emphasized

to participants the importance of bridging the gender gap in technology use in Africa. Erem cited a recent Intel-supported study that found 43 percent fewer women than men are online in Sub-Saharan Africa and said it “inspired us to start a program to close it.” She said that the worldwide program that started in Africa “had an aim of reaching up to five million women, backed by our great partner network.”

The My Digital Journey software leads girls through challenges on

a range of technology topics such as creating strong passwords, marketing products and making presentations. The Global Peace Foundation has been using the software in its Leap Hubs program, a leadership and entrepreneurship program that equips students with skills for the twenty-first-century workforce.

During the launch, four Leap Hub students who used the My Digital Journey software in its test phase spoke on how the platform has helped them to solve problems in their communities and form better relationships with peers.



GPF Kenya Joins Africa Education Innovation Conference in Nairobi

GPF participated in the 2nd annual Africa Education Innovation Conference in June 2016, hosted on the theme “Driving Impact in Private, Social and Public Education Projects in Africa.” GPF worked with the organizers for a year in advance with input and recommendations following the 2015 Conference.

The conference focused on improving private-sector participation in delivering sustainable educational programs

across kindergarten, K12, universities and vocational training centers in Sub-Sahara Africa. The event explored the roles of private capital, leadership and technology in improving public, private and social education across the continent. The conference attracted local and international attendees on how to best structure and execute programs as well as how to measure and deliver the impact needed to trigger wide scale change.

GPF Kenya, Google Partnership Launches Online Safety Campaign

According to a survey of secondary students in Kenya, approximately 20 percent have been invited to join a violent extremist group while online, and one in every three students has been exposed to political hate speech online. Web Rangers is a Child Online Safety campaign driven in partnership with Google and GPF in Kenya.

In 2016, Web Rangers provided online safety training for 3,144 students and 1,467 teachers in 170 schools across 16 Kenya counties. Students and teachers expressed that they felt empowered to counteract extremist solicitations and maintain positive offline and online character and responsible citizenship after the trainings.



Kenya Initiative to Transform Education

The Kenya Initiative to Transform Education is a task force representing corporate stakeholders, government departments, educators and education advocates and experts. The task force monitors the impact and progress of education innovators Global Peace Education and develops short and midterm strategies towards transforming education in Kenya and advocating for changes in policy.

Opposite: GPF Kenya in partnership with Intel support girls with technology skills through the "She Will Connect" program. A partnership with Google encourages safe internet practices (above). Right: Another IT provider, Airtel, partnered with GPF Kenya to host an entrepreneurship "boot camp" for youth.

Airtel, GPF Kenya Host Leap Hub Innovators 'Boot Camp'

Airtel, a leading mobile service provider in Kenya, and GPF Kenya hosted the LEAP Hub Innovators Boot Camp dubbed 'Raising Moral and Innovative Leaders for Economic Growth' between August 16-17 at Alliance High School, Kiambu County.

The camp exposed some 60 LEAP Hubs Students from 12 schools from five counties to mentorship and constructive criticism in order to nurture their best ideas for investment opportunity. The boot camp featured expert presentations on fundamental entrepreneurship skills including opportunity identification, business plan basics, and funding start-ups.

Airtel Kenya CEO Adil El Youssefi said, "We value the role that the youth play and we are committed as a private sector to support and help our youth reach their full potential. Through Leap Hubs we are providing avenues for young entrepreneurs to harness the power of the internet and digital tools and use it to build small businesses and make their businesses more efficient."

The event brought together mentors from twelve different organizations including Airtel Networks Kenya Ltd, Computer for Schools Kenya, Google East Africa, Cisco Systems, and Intellisoft Plus. Schools taking part in the boot camp include Moi Forces Academy, Alliance High School, St. Mary's Ukwala Boys' High School, Mary Leakey Girls' High School, Mariakani Secondary School, Starehe Girls' Centre, Eastleigh High School, Kariobangi North Girls' Secondary School, Machakos School, Kaimosi Girls' High School, Precious Blood Girls' Riruta and Matuga Girls Secondary School.

Some 120 Business and Social Enterprise ideas are in planning stages in Kenya with eleven in the process of launching. Examples include: the Bluedrive from Moi Forces Academy that facilitates the transfer of data between a flash drive and a smartphone using Bluetooth technology; Paper Charcoal Briquettes from Alliance high school is an alternative source of fuel that is affordable, easy to make, lasts long and eco-friendly, and that is transforming the lives of women in remote areas; DonPaul Arts is a social enterprise that helps struggling artists in Kenya and Ghana to get fair market pricing for their art through exposure online.



Character and Creativity Summit for Educators Urges Transformation of School Culture in the Philippines

Two hundred and ninety-seven educators, administrators and experts attended the first Character and Creativity Initiative (CCI) summit in the Philippines, “Transforming School Culture by Educating the Total Child.” Organized by Global Peace Foundation Philippines and the Department of Education, the October 19, 2016 summit was convened at Philippine Normal University National Center for Teacher Education.

Dr. Tony Devine, Vice President of Education for Global Peace Foundation, called for public, private, and social partnerships to achieve a deeper impact in solving today’s complex problems in education. “The government, schools, business, and non-profit sectors must not work separately, but work together to solve the problems of the modern world through innovative and ethical leadership,” Dr. Devine said.

A panel including education supervisors, principals, and teachers from the divisions and select schools piloting CCI in the Philippines, examined the outcomes of implementing the program. Mrs. Normita Ocampo, an education program supervisor from the Division of Aurora, observed, “There was an increase in the development of good character and respect to school heads, teachers, and other students among the learners. The academic performance of students has also increased, as well as the performance rating of teachers.”

Character and Creativity Initiative Provides Ugandan Youth with Leadership Training and Values-Based Education

To raise up young leaders that can tackle Uganda’s most pressing challenges—youth unemployment, corruption, violence and poverty—the Global Peace Foundation (GPF) is working with schools to provide innovative values-based education. Its signature program, Character and Creativity Initiative (CCI), seeks to make education more relevant in the twenty-first century by teaching essential skills like entrepreneurship and emphasizing ethical values.

The program has been implemented in six schools and has been gaining momentum in the first quarter of 2016. Three hundred students attended a leadership and entrepreneurship training on January 5, 2016 in Mukono, Uganda. One month later, fifty high school teachers from CCI demonstration schools attended a beginning of the year planning seminar in Kampala.

Global Peace Foundation Uganda also provides the wider public with current education-focused information and resources through weekly nationally televised programs featuring GPF Uganda country director Milton Kambala.

Below: GPF’s Character and Creativity Summit in the Philippines engaged educators, administrators, and government ministers to make education more relevant to the modern workplace. Right: GPF partnered with Fujitsu to introduce tablets as an innovative classroom tool. Below right: GPF Latin American regional director Thomas Field (right) and Paraguay Minister of Education conclude an Alliance for Innovative Education.



Fujitsu, Global Peace Foundation Begin Education Support System Trial in Indonesia

GPF Indonesia has partnered with Fujitsu, a Japanese multinational computer and technology company, to provide educational technology to high schools in Jakarta, Indonesia. On November 7, Fujitsu announced that they will hold a test to examine the effectiveness of their tablets and the Fujitsu Education Solution K-12 Learning Information Utilization System in the pilot phase, which will also nurture character and creativity competencies in students.

Tablets can contribute to improved academic ability for young adults in Indonesia, while teachers can easily prepare materials for lessons and also use such information as automatically stored lesson records and student learning records to further improve students' academic abilities. In addition, because students can share their various answers and creations on the tablet screens, the system improves students' active participation in lessons and their teamwork when working in groups.



Oracle, GPF Sign Agreement

Oracle Academy and GPF signed an agreement in late 2016 that will facilitate the direct training of 1,800 Students and 60 faculty in 60 high schools in Java programming, database design and programming in SQL in Kenya during 2017.

GPF will manage the project through its Leap Hubs initiative and Oracle Academy will provide technology, curriculum and courseware, student and educator training, and certification and exam preparation materials. Students develop IT and business skills while using industry-leading software, and educators keep pace with current technology through ongoing professional development.

GPF Vice President Joins Panel at World's Largest Festival on Positive Education

GPF Vice President for Education Dr. Tony Devine joined a panel discussion, "Character Building for 21st Century Leadership," at the Festival of Positive Education in Dallas, Texas, in June 2016. The inaugural festival drew close to 1,000 educators, academics, policymakers and parents who sought to create a new kind of education that promotes both academic achievement and character development. The goal of the conference was to support collaboration, change education practice and reform government policy.

GPF Paraguay, Ministry of Education and Culture Support 'Alliance for Innovative Education'

The Global Peace Foundation Paraguay has provided ongoing trainings for educators in areas surrounding the capital of Asunción. They also organize programs for secondary students focused on innovation, leadership and entrepreneurship.

In 2016, GPF-Paraguay and the Ministry of Education and Culture agreed to partner in developing plans for the Ministry's Alliance for Innovative Education in November. The partnership will seek to create cross-sector cooperation in efforts to improve the quality of education and prepare students for work and life.



Global Peace Foundation Vice President Addresses Experts and Policy Makers on Education Reform at Brazil's Congress

Dr. Tony Devine Vice President of Education, Global Peace Foundation, said countries and ministries of education are increasingly realizing how important character and creativity competencies are to support social and political stability and counter corruption.

Dr. Devine joined educators and political leaders at the International Seminar of Teacher Training on December 6 at the Chamber of Deputies in Brasilia, Brazil. The seminar was sponsored by the Parliamentary Front of Education

in partnership with the Education Commission of the Chamber of Deputies. Delegates included congressmen, senators, ministers of education, education professionals, national and international experts, federal managers, civil society, the private sector, international agencies, researchers and model school networks.

Dr. Devine pointed out that in the 2015 PISA, it has for the first time started assessing the competencies of motivation, resilience, collaborative problem solving, social skills and

well-being. Participants were surprised that the PISA's 2030 Framework intends to assess a set of key Global Competencies that intertwine knowledge, skills, attitudes and values.

Global Peace Foundation's approach to transforming education aligns with the PISA 2030 Framework, Attitudes and Values and Knowledge standards.

Below left: Supporting character and creativity education in a Malaysia classroom. Below right: GPF Indonesia hosts a forum to encourage character development and entrepreneurship in education.



Character and Creativity Initiative Works to Transform Classrooms in Malaysia

Through the Character and Creativity Initiative, GPF Malaysia has worked with educators and administrators in three secondary schools to transform their approach to education and focus on developing character and creativity competencies in students. Through leadership retreats, consultation, capacity building and documentation, GPF-Malaysia has supported educators in building their personal leadership strengths and teamwork. The initiative is implementing innovative strategies such as interdepartmental collaboration, new media and technology, school-wide poetry competitions and inquiry based approaches to improve student learning.

GPF Indonesia Forum Promotes Education Innovation

Hundreds of teachers, administrators, technology experts and government education ministers gathered at a forum on education held in the Ministry of Education and Culture building in December 2015. The forum was supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture, the Education Department of DKI Jakarta, and Fujitsu Indonesia.

Speakers emphasized the vital role education plays in propelling nations forward, and the importance of developing character and creativity within a child and the need to incorporate this training in schools. Currently, GPF Indonesia has 12 official CCI demonstration schools endorsed by the Education Department of DKI Jakarta.

Social Development and Volunteerism

With support of partners from government, business, universities, the faith community and the nonprofit sector, the Global Peace Foundation is advancing innovative new approaches to community-based development, environmental awareness and stewardship, and citizen engagement.



Development Experts Promote Youth Volunteerism at South Asia Regional Forum Nepal Convening Recognizes Volunteer Contributions on One-Year Anniversary of Earthquake

More than 260 youth, government officials, and international and domestic civil society representatives from 12 countries convened on April 23-24, 2016 in Lalitpur, an ancient city bordering Nepal's capital of Kathmandu, to promote the role of youth and volunteerism in advancing development and peace.

The two-day South Asia Sub-Regional Forum on Youth Volunteerism to Promote Participation, Development and Peace was convened on the anniversary of the crippling earthquake that struck the Himalayan nation just a year earlier. Participants observed a minute of silence in memory of those who lost their lives in the disaster. The program also recognized 12 individuals and organizations for their service in recovery efforts following the earthquake.

Rise Nepal, launched in response to the devastating earthquake on April 2015 in Nepal, has continued to draw volunteer and donor efforts to provide building materials and basic provisions such as food, blankets and clothing to hundreds of families in remote villages still struggling to rebuild after the natural disaster.

The Sub-Regional Forum advanced youth engagement in environmental service, peacebuilding and enhanced disaster risk assessment and response. It also provided a platform for youths to share knowledge and best practices, enhance collaboration among various stakeholders and identify model projects and follow-up implementation strategies for youth engagement furthering the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The Asia-Pacific Peace and Development Service Alliance a youth and multilateral stakeholder consortium committed to further empowering youth and communities through volunteerism, was launched at the United Nations Conference Center in Bangkok in October 2014. The event was part of the work of the Asia-Pacific Peace Development Service Alliance and marked the one-year anniversary of the earthquake that shook Nepal in April 2015.

The South Asia Regional Forum was jointly organized by the Ministry of Youth and Sports, Global Peace Foundation, UNESCAP, and Global Young Leaders Academy. Other supporting partners included UN Habitat, UN Volunteers, and the Center for Social Change.

Above: GPF-supported Rise Nepal volunteers assist victims of the earthquake.

GlobALS Alternative Learning Expands Access to Education to Underserved Communities

The Global Peace Foundation Philippines continues to be a provider of the Philippines Department of Education Alternative Learning System (ALS). GPF began in Davao Del Norte in 2012, and has expanded to a total of 14 ALS programs in three areas including Luzon, and Leyte. This year, of the 487 passers from Davao Del Norte, seven came from the Guadalupe All-Lights ALS program for the first time.

GlobALS continues to develop its program to improve employability after graduation through livelihood skills training and implementation of new education technology. This year GPF Philippines commenced discussion with Smart Communications Inc on plans to implement its TechnoCart and School-in-a-Bag to GPF-assisted schools through its All-Lights Village and GlobALS programs.



Above: A GlobALS class in rural Philippines. Right: A model Community Cooker is presented at the project launch. Right below: Philippine youth participate in the Smart Classroom project.

Global Peace Foundation Kenya Launches Community Cooker Project in Nairobi Settlement

Global Peace Foundation Kenya and corporate supporters hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the Community Cooker Project in May to advance sustainable waste management in the Nairobi slum of Kariobangi. The Community Cooker Project advances Sustainable Development Goals through the use of combustible waste to generate energy for clean cooking, reducing negative impacts on the environment, while also empowering youth with skills and employment opportunities.

Nairobi Governor Evans Kidero launched the Sh4.5 million project, saying, “This project is a testament to the power of public-private partnerships. It provides an opportunity for different entities to combine their strengths and collectively address pressing community development needs.”

The project is supported and funded by Chandaria Foundation, Safaricom Foundation, Unilever, UN Environment Programme, Mabati Rolling Mills, Community Cooker Foundation, World Vision, Nairobi County Government and KCB Foundation among others.



GPF Philippines, Samsung, Dept. of Education Partner to Launch ‘Smart Classroom’ Project

Global Peace Foundation Philippines, the Department of Education Central Office and Samsung Philippines have partnered to improve access to quality education to remote villages of the Philippines through the Smart Classroom project.

By the end of 2016, three Smart Classrooms were established at Pureg, Callungan and Kittag Elementary Schools in Sanchez Mira, Cagayan. Over 300 students will have PC tablets with e-learning content, solar lanterns for student households and solar panels for the classroom.

The initiative is a part of ongoing sustainable development efforts of All-Lights Villages. Other supporting organizations include FIT-Ed, World Wildlife Fund, Frontlearners, LGU Sanchez Mira and Sisters of the Holy Spirit.



Rivers of Peace Campaign Raises Environmental Awareness and Conservation Efforts in Kathmandu

The Rivers of Peace campaign, spearheaded by Global Peace Foundation Nepal, has drawn the conscience and action of the public in this 5-year ongoing environmental conservation effort. The campaign has advanced an approach to building social cohesion and environmental preservation that engages a wide network of stakeholders ranging from local citizens, civic and religious groups, government bodies and experts in ongoing efforts to revitalize and preserve the Bagmati River running through the heart of Kathmandu. The river and the Guheshwori Peace Park, opened in 2013, have been the centerpiece for public and private volunteer efforts and education and advocacy programs that address the biological makeup of the river, clean water, and solid waste management.



The South Asia Sub-Regional Forum on Youth Volunteerism to Promote Participation, Development and Peace (above) was convened on the anniversary of the crippling earthquake that struck Nepal in 2015. Top: Volunteers assist in the cleanup of the Bagmati River in Kathmandu, part of GPF's Rivers of Peace Campaign. Right: thousands of volunteers support the cleanup of a portion of Manila Bay in the Philippines.

GPF Philippines Mobilizes Volunteers to Combat Growing Ocean Pollution

Some 7,000 students and volunteers from 15 colleges and universities joined a massive coastal cleanup drive along Manila Bay in the Philippines on February 7, 2016. In addition to garbage removal, volunteers recorded information on the environmental status of the Manila Bay, which will be distributed to government offices, corporations and communities to assist in the development of better waste management policies and smart packaging designs, and encourage the involvement of the general public in further rehabilitation of Manila Bay.

The cleanup drive was co-organized by Global Peace Foundation Philippines, Philippine Society of NSTP Educators and Implementers, and the City of Manila in partnership with Philippine Coastguard.



Families Receive All-Lights Village Solar Lanterns in Philippines, Kenya, Cambodia

The All-Lights Village project is a long-term community development program that begins with providing solar-powered lights to rural villages with limited access to electricity and then assists with improving the overall quality of life through education, clean water solutions and income generation.

One hundred fourteen families from two coastal communities in the Masbate province of the Philippines received solar lanterns at the launching of Kusog Masbate or “Strong Masbate” All-Lights Village on January 12, 2016. This is the first All-Lights Village established in the Bicol region, one of the most impoverished areas in the Philippines.

In May a team of GPF Philippines and National University Community Extension volunteers installed 10 sets of street lamps in Sitio Tubo Tubo as part of ongoing support for the struggling indigenous agricultural community at the foot of the still-active volcano Mount Pinatubo.

The village of Preah Khac in Cambodia received solar lanterns



for 71 households and seven solar street lamps through the support of the Global Peace Foundation, Love in Lights, and the Union of Youth Federations of Cambodia. Local university students were joined by 20 Korean exchange students from Ewha Women's University to repaint the village school and open a library equipped with a TV and DVD player. GPF Kenya launched the first

All-Lights Village Project in Ukwala, Kenya on April 18, 2016. GPF Korea in partnership with GPF Kenya brought community-based volunteer programs such as the Leadership Task Force and the Love in Lights to Ukwala, Siaya County to help distribute over 100 solar lamps and install 10 solar-powered street lights throughout the town.

All-Lights Villages are now in six countries around the world.



Global Peace Women Philippines and All-Nations Women Group Partner to Provide Lights to Off-the Grid Communities

Global Peace Women Philippines and the All-Nations Women Group committed to supporting the All-Lights Villages project, a community development program of the Global Peace Foundation that provides lights as the start of improving the health, literacy and economic development of remote populations in the Philippines.

On December 15 a turnover ceremony was held for the Mangyan indigenous peoples in Sitio Sinariri, Mansalay. Mansalay the first village supported by this new partnership.

Top: A ceremony at the launch of the first All-Lights Village Project in Ukwala, Kenya; above: Global Peace Women representatives and partners present solar lanterns at a ceremony in the Philippines.



All-Lights Village Supports Kinatarcan Island Households in Aftermath of Hurricane Yolanda

Global Peace Foundation began implementing the All-Lights Village project in Kinatarcan Island to help rebuild the three barangays that are home to more than 1600 households after Hurricane Yolanda devastated the region in 2013.

Since September 2015, GPF has been working with local leaders to establish a community development association aimed at improving the livelihood of the fishing communities. In April the All-Lights Village Kinatarcan Island Fisherfolks Association was officially established with accreditation from the Department of Labor and Employment. Sixty of the 80 association families received boats, motor engines and fishing nets sponsored by Rotary Clubs in the United Kingdom, Korea and the Philippines, and Rotary Club International.

Capacity Building for Philippines All-Lights-Village Pilot Communities

All-Lights Villages has provided continual support and evaluation to several pilot communities as the villages and member families build capacity to become self-reliant and resilient.

This year the Pureg All-Lights Village, launched in 2014, established its first legal community development association. Villagers elected officers for the association named Gunglo na Nalalappa nga Atta na Pureg All-Lights Village.

Global Peace Foundation also hosted a capacity building seminar for the Davao Del Norte All-Lights Village Implementers which includes the Guadalupe All-Lights Village Coordinator, Purok Leaders and GP Association of Fisherfolks and Farmers of La Paz. The workshop provided tools and metrics for mapping out and implementing development plans for the various communities.

Global Peace Foundation invited ASKI Foundation, to host orientations for the residents of three All-Lights Villages in Nueva Ecija: Cabiao, Nambabakalan and Tamale. ASKI is a community development organization focused on health and hygiene education and support for clean water pumps and toilets.

One Child, One Lamp Initiative

Global Peace Foundation is drawing new partnerships and corporate engagement with its joint initiative with the Philippines Department of Education, “One Child, One Lamp.” The campaign seeks to encourage academic performance by awarding solar lamps to excelling students.

Hands On Manila and JT International extended their corporate social responsibility program on April 20 to distribute solar lamps to students in Sitio Cabiao, the 4th All-Lights Village, in addition to refurbishing the Multipurpose Hall and donating 10 tables and 50 chairs for the village’s day school and Alternative Learning Program.

At the launch of the All-Lights Village Kinatarcan Island Fisherfolks Association in April, association households received lanterns as part of GPF and the “One Child, One Lamp” campaign.



An All-Lights Village capacity building workshop (above) and community support project in the aftermath of Typhoon Yolanda (right). All-Lights Villages assist rural villages with improving the overall quality of life through solar lighting, education, clean water solutions and income generation.

My Club Volunteers Combat Desertification in Mongolia

Over the past 30 years, approximately a quarter of the land in Mongolia has turned to desert according to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, with some 850 lakes and 2,000 rivers completely dry. A Global Peace Foundation supported online student volunteer organization, My Club, engaged over 4,000 local and international volunteers during the months of May and June to support the efforts of Green Asia's reforestation project.

My Club has also organized environmental awareness programs for 2,000 students and hosted local community clean ups in Ulaanbaatar.

Model Village Project in Darkhan-Uul Promotes Citizen Engagement

It has been 26 years since Mongolia transitioned into a democratic government in 1990. Yet, the nation continues to face many challenges, particularly on the local ger district level. Global Peace Foundation Mongolia has advanced the "Model Village" project in Darkhan-uul province to help local citizens become active participants in their community's development.

This year, GPF-Mongolia worked with a committee of 20 local residents to build a footbridge across a ravine. Until now, residents have been forced to take roads bypassing the dangerous ravine. The new footbridge has opened up access to businesses and residents on both sides. Residents gained hands-on experience making proposals, organizing resources, peaceful co-existence and building infrastructure to improve their quality of life.

In addition to the new footbridge, the number of local volunteers has increased and development on a number of new streets has commenced. Past Model Village projects include bus shelters, sidewalks, neighborhood beautification, training, programs and events to foster cooperation.



Cambodian University Students Gain Vocational and Leadership Skills Volunteering in Basic Language Instruction

Since its launch in 2013, the Basic English Language Instruction (BELI) organized by GPF-Cambodia has provided valuable English language instruction to underserved schools around Phnom Penh and offered life-changing experiences to university student volunteers.

The project is empowering Cambodian youth with both academic and leadership skills, while affirming a shared human connection. "I really admire GPF for coming up with this kind of project," said Ung Siverong, a student of the Royal University of Fine Art. "It gives opportunities to youth and students who cannot afford the costs of an extra English class. It also helps university students to get

experience and work in real life. They can improve both hard and soft skills in their academic life."

Another student instructor, Pak Sonita of the Institute of Foreign Languages, agreed: "In each class with volunteer teaching, there are many students of different races, religions, and living conditions. We try our best to teach them as much as they can receive, without any discrimination. It is my great honor to be a part of GPF and gain experience and share my knowledge with the next generation."

American University of Phnom Penh student But Seakly was moved by the students' welcoming attitude and willingness to strive for academic success, despite a lack of English

language instruction. "I feel so touched by their behavior, which allowed me to work up to my potential as a teacher to help them learn English," Seakly said. "From my observation, students are very competitive about test scores, which makes me happy that they want to learn."

English is quickly rising as the primary language in many Southeast Asian nations. Providing quality education through English literacy programs like BELI gives Cambodian youth a significant advantage as the country enters a globalized economy and multicultural world.

Above left: Mongolian volunteers gather water as part of the project to combat desertification in the country. Above right: English language instruction in Cambodia.

Global Peace Malaysia 'Inside-Out Workshops' Empower At-Risk Students

In 2016, GPF Malaysia implemented a series of holistic empowerment programs for at-risk youth in collaboration with local public schools. The workshops, entitled Inside-Out Workshops, are designed to address the concerns and needs of at-risk students, helping them understand their emotions, personality, strengths and weaknesses and set life goals.

The Self-Discovery workshop is a similar program designed to address the needs of general students. The ongoing workshops seeks to empower students to become contributing members of their schools and communities.

GPF-Malaysia Inside-Out Workshops and Self-Discovery Workshops empower students ranging from high-risk to high-performing through exercises that teach self-awareness and goal setting.



Water Filtration Campaign to Foster Self-Reliance, Sustainable Development in Malaysia

Global Peace Foundation Malaysia and beauty products company Laneige Malaysia partnered to provide residents of remote villages with clean water through the Waterful Sharing Campaign. Laneige raised funds for improved, easy-to-maintain filtration systems that remove microbial contaminants that cause dysentery and cholera, replacing previous manual filtration systems.

After initial fact-finding and capacity building, the first filtration system was delivered to the village Kg Ulu Gerutum, impacting over 400 lives. The program is part of GPF Malaysia's ongoing efforts to foster self-reliance and sustainable development in developing communities and to create connections across ethnic, religious and socio-economic lines through service.

GPF Malaysia in partnership with Laneige Malaysia provide new water filtration systems to remote villages like Kg Ulu Gerutum.



Fast Facts



Education

- **47,357** students, educators and Ministry of Education officials transforming education
- Thousands of Educators
- Hundreds of Schools
- **10 countries** including Latin America, Africa and Asia



Peacebuilding and Social Cohesion

- **22,609** community members engaged

Youth and Leadership Development

- **34,007** youth and young professionals developing skills as moral and innovative leaders





Community Development and Service Initiatives

- **45,185** volunteers and community members serving communities
- **10,000** families supported

Women

- **9,519** women empowered with leadership skills



Overall

- **150,000** Global Peace Foundation Engages over 150,000 young leaders, women and stakeholders from government, faith traditions, private sector and civil society.



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