"Empathy, compassion, resourcefulness, aiding in reconciliation and having the ability to see what is best for the family and wider community are all strengths of women's leadership. If these virtues can be established as the public ethic in our modern-day society, we will be able to find new and creative approaches to critical issues that have remained unresolved until now."

- Dr. Junsook Moon, Global Peace Women Chairwoman
Global Peace Convention 2017
Global Peace Women Track

NEW WOMEN’S LEadership Culture
For Peace and Development:
From the Home to the World

Global Peace
W O M E N
February 28th to March 3rd 2017
Manila, Philippines
Global Peace Women friends and supporters,

Welcome to the Global Peace Convention Track on *New Women’s Leadership Culture for Peace and Development: From the Home to the World!*

I especially wish to welcome and thank the many Global Peace Women leaders, partners, staff, and supporters for your tireless peacebuilding work, especially in GPW chapters around the world. I appreciate the long distance that many of you traveled to be here today. Your efforts have made these sessions possible.

It is my pleasure to host this Track which offers diverse tools for women leaders to further peace from the home to the world. Whether you are interested in leadership models, best practices, professional networks, creative inspiration, or relationship-building skills, there is something here for everyone who wants to build their leadership capacity. I extend special thanks to the many preeminent speakers sharing models in these sessions from around the world.

In addition to developing leadership potential, our goal is to renew
the culture of women’s leadership. These proceedings recognize that women’s leadership in the home is as integral to the well-being of the world as our leadership in politics, business, academia, and the nonprofit arena. I hope you take this opportunity to reflect on how to apply shared universal values of a women’s leadership culture to extend peace in our homes and daily life.

The impact that we have during this conference depends not only on this valuable week-long experience, but also on the positive thoughts and actions in your family environment and professional life going forward.

Once again, welcome and thank you for joining together in Manila and for your determination to building a peaceful world of One Family under God. I am confident that this occasion will mark a new milestone in women’s contributions to peace and development with your leadership.

Sincerely,

Dr. Junsook Moon
Chairwoman, Global Peace Women
The Global Peace Convention 2017

Moral & Innovative Leadership:
New Models for Peace and Development

The Global Peace Convention is a preeminent, world-level platform to share best practices and develop collaborative strategies in areas of peace-building, education, service and community-driven development.

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GLOBAL PEACE CONVENTION TRACKS

Youth Leadership and Service
Transforming Education
Women’s Leadership Culture
Interfaith Peacebuilding
Global Peace Economic & Business Forum
Korean Reunification

SPECIAL EVENTS

• Essentials for Peace-building Workshop
• Global Youth Summit
• One K Concert Manila 2017
• 2017 Global Peace Awards Gala
GLOBAL PEACE WOMEN'S TRACK:
New Women's Leadership Culture for Peace and Development
From the Home to the World

Global Peace Women (GPW), a division of the Global Peace Foundation (GPF), promotes a values-based approach to peace-building through women-led initiatives around the world. Working alongside many partners in over 12 countries, GPW implements programs and activities that advocate for women’s rights, strengthen families, prevent gender-based violence, and promote women as leaders for positive social transformation. The track sessions examine how women play a critical leadership role in both building sustainable peace and strengthening families in their communities around the world.

The track has six sessions, including a panel of influential women leaders who promote the theme of peace-building in diverse professional fields; a discussion on women engagement; a workshop on best leadership practices and strategies; a networking opportunity to build long-lasting international partnerships; a film-screening that exemplifies a woman-initiated cultural peace-building movement; and a special training program to develop healthy relationships as a fundamental peace-building and leadership skill. Participants will gain insights into a more holistic understanding of women’s leadership and explore practices to implement in their families and communities.
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**GPC Schedule at a Glance**  
(Women Track-Based)

**Monday, February 27th** Arrivals & Convention Registration

**Tuesday, February 28th 1st Day**

8:30am - 9:00am  **Opening Exhibit** (Grand Ballroom D)

9:00am - 12:00pm  **(Plenary I) Opening Plenary** (Grand Ballroom)

12:15pm - 12:45pm  **Press Conference** (Grand Ballroom D)

2:00pm - 3:30pm  
- **(Plenary II) Global Strategic Priorities Plenary** (Grand Ballroom)
  - Peace and Security in Northeast Asia: One Dream One Korea
  - Vision and Values Toward a Shared Future: addressing identity conflict and violent extremism

4:00pm - 5:30pm  
**Women's Leadership Culture 1:**
Special Discussion: Transformative Leadership Towards a Better Future (Executive 7&9)

6:00pm - 9:00pm  
**Special Home Hospitality Program** hosted by GPW Philippines

**Wednesday, March 1st 2nd Day**

9:00am - 10:30am  **Women's Leadership Culture 2:**
Influential Women in Leadership Panel (Executive 7&9)

11:00am - 12:30 pm  **Women's Leadership Culture 3:**
Best Practices and Models (Executive 7&9)

12:30pm - 1:30pm  Lunch

2:00pm - 3:30pm  **Women's Leadership Culture 4:**
Women Leaders' Summit: Building a Network for Peace and Development (Executive 7&9)

4:00pm - 6:20pm  **Women's Leadership Culture 5:**
Cultural Peacebuilding: JUN AI Foundation Movie Screening and Discussion (Executive 7&9)

7:00pm – 7:30pm  **Reception** (Grand Ballroom D)

7:30pm - 9:30pm  **2017 Global Peace Awards Gala** (Grand Ballroom)
THURSDAY, MARCH 2ND  3RD DAY

9:00am - 10:30am  Women’s Leadership Culture 6: Healthy Relationships Special Training (pre-registration required; limited space) (Executive 7&9)

11:00am - 12:30pm  (Plenary III) Global Peace Foundation’s Major Initiatives (Grand Ballroom)
  o One Dream One Korea
  o Interfaith Programs to Tackle Identity-based Conflicts and Violent Extremismo Models of Community Development - Philippine Case Study

12:30pm - 1:45pm  Global Peace Women Leaders Networking Luncheon (Ceremonial Hall)

2:00pm - 3:30pm  (Plenary IV) Closing Plenary (Grand Ballroom)

7:00pm  ONE K Global Peace Concert: ONE DREAM ONE WORLD (SM Mall of Asia Arena)

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD  4TH DAY

9:00 am - 12:00 pm  IBM Leadership Training (Executive 11&12)

12:30pm - 1:30pm  Lunch

10:00am – 5:00pm  Peacebuilding Workshop (Executive 8&10)

1:00pm – 7:00pm  Global Youth Summit (SM Mall of Asia Arena)

GPF Project Site Visit (upon prior registration)

Sightseeing (registration at the hotel)

SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH  DEPARTURES

Note:
Interfaith Contemplative Morning Prayer/Meditation Session from 7:30 to 7:50am, Feb. 28-Mar. 3 at Executive 8&10
Muslim Prayer Room available all day from Feb. 28 to Mar. 3 at Executive 1
Representatives from diverse professional fields will facilitate a special discussion on the importance of sustained and broad-based efforts to engage and support women leaders to advance models of transformative leadership for a better future.
**SCHEDULE**

February 28th

4:00pm - 5:30pm
Room: (Executive 7&9)

**Moderator:** Dr. Minda Pama, Director, All Nations Women's Group

**Welcoming Remarks:** Dr. Nona Ricafort, Former Minster of Higher Education, Philippines

**Speakers:**
- **Hon. Jo Kristine Revil** Vice Governor, Province of Masbate, Philippines
- **Hon. Yunsook Lee** Former Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea, Korea
- **Hon. Linabelle Ruth Villarica** Congresswoman, 4th District of Bulacan, Philippines
- **Dr. Raquel Figueiredo Alessandri Teixeira** Secretary of State for Education, Culture and Sport, State of Goiás, Brazil
- **Dr. Preciosa Soliven** Secretary General of the UNESCO National Commission of the Philippines, Philippines

**Q&A Session**

**Closing Remarks:** Milagros Quiroz Navarro, Philippines Representative, Global Peace Women, Philippines
Dr. Minda Javier Pama is a Director of the All Nation Women’s Group and Global Peace Women Philippines. A teacher by profession, she has had a vast experience in the secondary level of education. In her 42 years as a classroom teacher, she spent 39 years in the International School System, both in the Philippines and abroad. She taught English, Literature, Speech and Communication Arts following the International Baccalaureate (IB) system of education and curriculum. She finally retired from Brent International School Manila after a very fulfilling stint in the field of academe.
Dr. Nona Ricafort has served as President of the ASEAN Confederation of Women's Organizations and International Council of Women. In the Philippines, she served in key positions of the National Council of Women of the Philippines, Philippine Federation of Business and Professional Women, and Zonta. She served for 14 years in the TESDA Board, Philippine Commission on Women, and Governor of the National Book Development Board. For 8 years, she was Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Chairman of 54 State Universities Board of Regents, a Philippine UNESCO Commissioner, and Asia Pacific UNESCO Education Director.
Hon. Jo Kristine Revil is the Vice Governor of the Province of Masbate, Philippines. She is a graduate of BS Tourism at the University of the Philippines and received her Juris Doctorate at the Ateneo De Manila University School of Law. She also had an Executive Education at the Asian Institute of Management on Designing Sustainable Tourism and Strategic Legislative Management for Vice Governors. Recently, she finished her executive education at the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government. Kaye Revil is the current National President of the Lady Local Legislators’ League of the Philippines.
Hon. Yunsook Lee graduated from the College of Education at Ewha Woman's University in South Korea. She is currently President of the Korean Association of Community Education and President of the Korean Federation of Resident Autonomy Councils. She is a board member of the Korean Association of University Women and the Seoul Women’s Foundation. She formerly served as a cabinet member for the Minister of Political Affairs II (Women’s Affairs) (1997-1998), and was a member of the 16th National Assembly (2000-2004). She was a governor for District 26 in Zonta International.
Distinguished leaders from around the world,

I am honored to present on behalf of Korean women under the theme of moral and innovative women's leadership for social transformation at this meaningful event, the Global Peace Convention 2017 hosted by the Global Peace Foundation in Manila, Philippines.

Family matters to everyone, because everyone needs parents to be born. Parents and children form a family, and women are at the heart of the family.

As the fundamental social unit, families cultivate the values that society considers significant. Accordingly, I believe that healthy societies and countries depend on the values that family members live by. The
value of the family is really important if we think that the country functions properly only when families function properly. In addition, when we think of women's responsibilities and roles in the family and society, the values and roles of women are increasingly significant.

A rapidly changing society stabilizes when members of society adapt smoothly. In order to adapt to changes, people should reform their consciousness, modify their sense of values, and create a new lifestyle.

In agrarian societies, a family was the smallest unit of society and place of production. When men acquired food ingredients through hunting or farming, women processed them to store and supply various forms of nourishment for their family. Women also took care of the household’s clothing by weaving and sewing.

In modern society, in addition to production and market functions, the family plays the roles of education, welfare and finance, and individual family members’ actions affect the rise and fall of the entire family. Therefore, the behavior of each family member determines whether or not it is “a family that you should watch and learn from.”

As society becomes industrialized, mass-production and mass-consumption take the women’s role of processing and production at home to factories and markets. Women are facing more changes. It also shifts the family’s function of educating children, teaching lifestyle habits, and caring for patients to schools and hospitals. Generally, a Korean woman is around 35 years old when her youngest child enters elementary school. Then, she will have 60 more years because of the long life expectancy of this century. What will she do with this time?

In Korea, women’s life spans have grown longer than men’s, and the average number of children per family dropped from 6.5 to 2, shortening the child-rearing period. In the case of education opportunities for Korean women: as the number of children decreased and income
levels increased, the share of women graduates from 4-year colleges exceeded 30%. If you include community college graduates, the proportion approaches 50%. Through such changes, the influence of women in higher education has reached the global level. Even so, we still see a lot of unhappiness and difficult realities ahead.

Well-educated Korean women are not given sufficient social responsibilities, nor can they fully exercise women’s leadership in the public sphere. The resultant social problems range from disorders such as “the Winds of the Skirts,” a derogatory term for mothers’ excessive parenting, to moral economic problems such as real estate speculation.

Distinguished leaders,

The world is now in serious danger due to identity-based conflict. Despite the concerted effort of the UN and international community to resolve conflicts of interests and ideologies between religions and countries, regional conflicts still persist, and economic inequality grows day by day. Contrary to expectations, developed countries’ aid to less-developed countries have undermined the self-reliance of intended beneficiaries. Violent extremist groups such as IS threaten politics, economy, religions, and society, showing that disputes fueled by religious fundamentalism fundamentally threaten world peace.

Considering this reality, I think our approach to peace has been superficial so far, and we need an approach on a whole new level.

I believe that we have to seek solutions that regard human dignity as the primary value in order to realize a world that guarantees freedom and human rights. For example, the empowerment of women, half of the world’s population, is not for the sake of fighting against men. I think we should create a world where the principle and value of human dignity are shared rather than contested by each sex.

Traditionally, Korea has had a large family culture where children
learned the virtue of devoted love through a variety of relationships. The norms of relationships expressed within the family expanded beyond extended families to society at large.

Unfortunately, as the traditional extended family culture disappears, ‘family’ is being dismissed as an old-fashioned system distinct from Korea’s remarkable economic development under industrialization and modernization. What’s more, we are losing the high standard of moral values that Koreans cherished as the most important under the Hongik-Ingan spirit, the Korean people’s aspiration to benefit the world. This Korean identity is not properly taught to young people, which in turn weakens the values, identity, and future of Korean society.

Confucius said that families are the basis of a well-ordered country. Recently, Korean society is experiencing a series of scandals regarding moral corruption in the public sphere. This results from the failure of moral and character education at home.

Distinguished leaders,

We can overcome many of these challenges if parents instill respect for the dignity of human beings in their families, and if we endeavor to create a society built upon such families. Such a society would not be governed by institutions and power alone. If parents educated their children on the value of other people at home, these children would grow into good men and women who cultivate a mature sense of citizenship and the desire to live altruistically for the world.

Korea’s large traditional family culture is very beautiful. The traditional image of a devoted mother represents the noble maternal love of sacrifice for the family. This culture connects the family through past, present and future generations as part of their blood and family heritage.
In such a culture, children will learn their identity and cultural traditions in a respectful and loving environment. In the extended family environment, marriage is not just a matter of two people. Marriage continues the lineage of two families. With helpful and varied interpersonal relationships, we learn proper etiquette and develop attitudes toward interacting with all people. Above all, the extended family culture provides a venue where we prepare to collaborate with humanity around the world.

Honorable women leaders,

I am confident that spreading the culture of consideration and inclusion based on maternal instincts, the essential property of women, will be a source of peace.

I think the Global Peace Women slogan supports the urgent need for moral and innovative leadership at this time. This is because the slogan, based on women’s maternal love, takes a Hongik-Ingan approach to benefit the world through a virtuous society that respects freedom, human rights, human dignity, and corrects the problems of a divided, unequal society. It encourages women leaders and families to instigate this change.

I wish that the peaceful world which humanity is dreaming of can be realized through today’s meaningful event, and, as a woman, I would like to invite all women to participate in this movement.

Thank you.
Hon. Linabelle Ruth Villarica is now on her third term as Congresswoman representing the 4th District of Bulacan in the Philippines. Currently she chairs the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, is on her second term as President of the Central Luzon Bloc, and stepped up from Vice President to President of the Association of Women Legislators Foundation. Among the major programs she facilitated with national government agencies are the construction of a Flood Control and Drainage Improvement Project for Obando, Meycauayan and Marilao; the widening of Meycauayan City’s major road artery; and the construction of various classrooms, multi-purpose halls, health and daycare centers and roads.
Dr. Teixeira is the Goiás Secretary of State for Education, Culture and Sport. She earned her PhD in Linguistics from the University of California and her post-doctorate in Language and Culture from the School of High Studies in Paris. She is a teaching and research professor at the Federal University of Goiás. She formerly served as a Federal Congresswoman. In recent years, she has been the executive director of the Jaime Câmara Foundation and the director-president of the Jaime Câmara Institute, where she is working to support and encourage health and education.

**SOCIAL PACT**

*(The Social Pact Goiás for Life in Brazil)*

Presentation text for the International Global Peace Convention in Manila, Philippines by Madson Rodrigues Ribeiro.

Sometimes we wait for a big project, a great solution in order to make education the source of positive and liberating transformation for society. Today, based on the rich knowledge presented here, we can realize that what is really driving that change is real action from normal, idealistic people.
I come from Goiânia, the capital of Goiás state, the heart of the huge Brazilian country, and I'm developing a governmental program to reduce the crime and violence index through preventive actions: The Social Pact Goiás for Life.

After years of heavily fighting the criminals and crime itself through prohibition and incarceration, we exhausted security forces after we realized we were approaching the problem with palliative treatment. We increased the taxes for prisons, we became the third country with most incarcerations, we increased the confiscation of firearms and drugs, we strongly punished different crime modalities, but however, we couldn't achieve successful continuous results. By implementing a small policy of enforcement, crime would rapidly reignite and re-establish itself.

That's why we started looking at the other side of the crime equation, and tried to understand the importance of other stages in the crime chain. By advancing a model of public safety to a model of community safety, the proposal was pointing to a radical deviation from the approach through some other mechanisms for crime control, besides analysis and modeling, in order to make crime prevention relevant.

The same conceptual base employed in numerous successful international experiences that caused a decrease in violent crimes in relatively fast and sustainable ways, was the selected choice for the scenario. The police enforcement joined with programs and supported preventive actions in the social area, focusing on neighborhoods and locations from 20 municipalities, which is where we found 89% of all state criminal incidences.

There's a saying that goes, "Intelligent is someone who has answers to crisis, wise is someone who prevents it." That's why under that purpose, we built a governmental program to involve, mobilize, and coordinate crime preventive actions in every agent of society. We created
Peace Begins in the Home

a platform of institutional articulation between the federal, state, and municipal government, as well as, the legislative and judicial branches, and civil society organizations, in order to overcome obstacles and maximize the production of results in public safety. Since crime is a result of social dysfunctionality, it is everyone’s responsibility.

By layering projects and involving society in the creation of solutions, we identified pedagogic education in schools and in the educational environment. Their agents and actors played a relevant role in this fight against crime. Furthermore, crime statistics indicate that 95% of prisoners didn’t attend elementary school, and 80% of homicide crimes are linked to drug trafficking. From this percentage, 60% were in the 16-29 age range, and there was a correlation of 60% between drug trafficking and school dropouts. Multi sectoral studies indicated that for every 1% of decrease in school dropout, there was a 2% decrease on crime, which means we would have better results if we offered activities focused on young people. And, the best way to access that social stratum would be through schools/education.

Based on all of this, we developed the following projects in an intersectorial format.
Reduction of School dropout, with targeted actions to:

- Provide uniforms to all students--uniforms made by re-educated prisoners
- Expand students’ interest in school by increasing the technology and electronic equipments
- Map factors of school drop-outs and involve organizations that focus on addressing solutions to these demands
- Increase the sense of belonging of students and families, transforming schools into a place for coexistence.
**Extended School hours**

- Offer professional qualifications to students in extended school hours, and decrease their options to commit crimes.

**Fight against drugs**

- Army firefighters inspect markets with alcoholic beverages around schools
- Enforcing police department accompaniments for students at school entrances and exits
- Strengthening junior police programs

**Sports and Culture Promotion**

We foresee:

- The construction of 20 sport centers with sports equipments and instructors
- Municipality marches in the streets against drugs
- Local and regional championships
- Creation of a platform to connect complaints and criminal incidents originated in an educational environment with Public Security, allowing for a fast reaction to conflict situations

With these projects and some others in association with municipality authorities, like public illumination and municipality committees for community safety, we are designing a new reality, step by step.

In Goiás, we went from 42 deaths for every 100 thousand people in 2014, to 34.95 deaths. There was a 17% decrease of deaths in a period where the average of homicide crimes in Brazil increased by 19%.

Thank you everyone for your attention.
Dr. Preciosa S. Soliven is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Operation Brotherhood Montessori Center, Inc. She was appointed by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo in 2001 as the Secretary-General of the UNESCO National Commission of the Philippines with the official title of Ambassador. Formerly the Philippines representative to the UNESCO Paris Executive Board in 1986-1987, she became an active member of the Education Committee of UNESCO Philippines from 1990 to 2001. She founded the Operation Brotherhood Montessori Center, Inc. (OBMCI) in 1966, the largest Montessori school in the world.
Milagros Quiroz Navarro finished her AB Education at the Far Eastern University. She served as secretary at the Pope Pius centre in Manila. At present, she is engaged in various businesses such as Petron Dealer, Petron Hauler, and real estate leasing. She is an active leader of Lion’s Club International. She ran as vice mayor to the mayoralty candidacy of the late Emiliano Crunch of Pasig City. Currently she is an active board member of the ANWG and GPW Philippines.
The UN’s Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) target increased opportunities for women in education, the economy, politics, and public life. However, there is still a gap between these goals and the realization of women’s full leadership potential. Moreover, public discourse does not adequately acknowledge women’s leadership, interpersonal and decision-making skills as resources for development and peace.

Five prominent panelists will discuss how women’s leadership can contribute in diverse sectors of society.
SCHEDULE
March 1st
9:00am - 10:00am
Room: (Executive 7&9)

Moderator: Dr. Soonok Kang Secretary General,
Global Peace Women

Invocation: Dr. Nona Ricafort
Former Deputy Minister of Higher Education,
Philippines

Welcoming Remarks Moderator

GPW Video

Opening Keynote Speech by Chairwoman:
Dr. Junsook Moon Chairwoman,
Global Peace Women

Speakers:
H.E. Hajiya Amina Namadi Sambo Founder,
I-CARE Women and Youth Initiative, Nigeria
Dr. Eva Latham President, Human Rights Teaching
International, Netherlands
Hon. Cynthia Aguilar Villar Senator, Philippines

Closing Moderator

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Lord of Peace, 
we come to You in our need
Create in us an awareness of the
massive forces of violence and
terrorism that threatens
our world today.
Grant us a sense of urgency
to activate the forces of goodness,
of justice, of love and of peace
in our communities.
Where there is armed conflict,
let us stretch out our arms
to our brothers and sisters.
Where there is abundance
and luxury, let there be
simple lifestyle and sharing.
Where there is poverty and misery,
let there be dignified living and
constant striving for justice
structures.
Where there is selfish ambition,
let there be humble service.
Where there is injustice,
let there be humble atonement.

Where there is despair,
let there be hope in the Good News.
Where there are wounds of division,
let there be unity and wholeness.
Where there are lies and deceit,
let your Truth set us all us free.
Where there are thoughts of
vengeance, let there be healing
and forgiveness.
Help us to be committed to
the Gospel of peace.
In spite of our differences
In faith traditions and ethnic
roots, teach us Your spirit of
mercy and compassion.
For it is only in loving
imitation of you,
Lord of Peace, that we can
discover the healing springs of life
That will bring about new birth
to our earth a new era of peace and
a new harmony among all
Forever and ever.
Amen.
Dr. Soonok Kang is Secretary General of Global Peace Women and Vice President of Global Peace Foundation. Additionally, she serves as a board member of a leading service organization in Korea, Service For Peace. She has also taught at Dongguk University, Korea. Dr. Kang believes service and education to be the two most valuable vehicles for development of the individual and society, which leads to her passion for supporting GPW chapters and developing women leadership programs. Dr. Kang earned her degree in Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and Master of Art in International Education from Steinhardt School of Education, New York University.
Dr. Junsook Moon is Co-founder of the Global Peace Foundation and Chairwoman of Global Peace Women, the women’s division of the Global Peace Foundation. A Julliard-trained pianist, Dr. Moon serves on the Executive Board of Service For Peace. She also advances humanitarian relief efforts through the North Korean Housing and Furnace Relief Project, the Multicultural Family Support Center in Seoul, and other international relief projects. She is married to Dr. Hyun Jin Preston Moon and the proud mother of nine children.

**NEW WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP CULTURE**
**FOR PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT:**
*From the home to the world*

To all the leaders, aspiring leaders, and participants gathered here today—welcome to this important forum to establish a new women’s leadership culture for peace and development. I especially wish to recognize the movers and shakers of the Global Peace Women’s movement, including Dr. Nona Ricasfort, who has been an incredible support for the All Lights Village project; H.E. Hajiya Amina Namadi Sambo; Dr. Eva Latham; Hon. Cynthia Aguilar Villar; Donna Schuller; and Rachel Murray. Thank you for dedicating your life’s work to the harmony of our human family.
Whenever I visit the Philippines, I feel warmly welcomed by my Filipino brothers and sisters. It is fitting that we are gathered in this beautiful country, which has a legacy of great women leaders. I was also inspired to hear that during this Global Peace Convention, the month-long Panagbenga festival is taking place. Not only does this flower festival celebrate the season of blossoms, but it also celebrates the rebuilding of Baguio City after the 1990 earthquake. We often associate blooming flowers with rebirth and new beginning. I hope that this gathering can nourish a new start of women’s leadership in building peace.

*The need to focus on women’s leadership characteristics*

Today, the global community is making progress toward encouraging women’s participation in peacebuilding. In 2000, the UN Security Council passed Resolution 1325 on women, peace, and security. More than 60 countries, including Uganda, the Philippines, United States, Nigeria, Korea, Paraguay, Japan, and Kenya developed national action plans to include more women in preventing and resolving conflict and sustaining peace.

Although the effort to increase engagement is very important, our focus should not only be limited to the number of women leaders. I invite you to also consider, what are the greatest leadership qualities that women should aspire to cultivate?

*Uplifting women’s value as endowed by God*

Global Peace Women believes that leaders must first appreciate their own value to understand and respect the value of other people. For this reason, women’s leadership starts with cherishing our innate value as women.

Did any of us choose to be born as a man or a woman? None of us chose our identity at birth, but this is our God-given destiny. Both men and women are endowed with intrinsic value by our Creator, and the qualities of each are complementary and essential.
istics of women provide an environment where peace can take root and grow on every level.

Yet the world struggles with gender-based violence, human trafficking, and many other social problems because family members and women themselves do not recognize their value. What about us? Do we truly recognize our highest value as a representative of womanhood?

One of Global Peace Women’s priorities is thus to uplift the value of women around the world. For example, GPW Kenya launched a mentorship program for university students and young professionals to work with teenage girls from urban slums. By helping them to understand their value, young women will find the strength to rise above the challenges of drug abuse and teen pregnancy. They will benefit from role models and life skills education to build healthy, successful futures. I am happy to hear that, already, the girls in this program are gaining self-confidence and respecting themselves more.

This understanding of self-respect naturally leads to respecting and appreciating the value of other people. Relating with our family and community members in this way creates the harmonious culture of One Family under God.

**Women’s leadership in the family**

It is said that women provide a foundation for peace as “The Pillar of the Family.” Daughters are more likely to care for their elderly parents and siblings. Numerous studies have found that, because of their warm emotional support and frequent communication, sisters develop harmonious relationships with their siblings.

Most importantly, mothers devote themselves to nourish, educate, and raise children since conception. From painful labor and throughout the child’s life, mothers embody a sacrificial heart for the sake of the next generation. At her best, a mother is the lifelong source of unconditional love, harmony, and counsel. Together with the father, a mother instills the core values and moral compass in children so that
they can make wise decisions, navigate relationships, and contribute to society. Virtuous mothers ensure that global peace begins in the home, one family at a time.

**A balanced understanding of women's leadership**

Unfortunately, the public and media often overlook the peacebuilding impact of women leaders in the family. In some cases, women’s contributions in the home are even described as demeaning. Rather than appreciated for the nurturing heart of a daughter, sister, wife, and mother, women’s roles in the family are often disdained. This is because we live in a culture that values career advancement and material gain above all else.

The truth is, the family is the hub and model for all other social relationships. No one can deny that healthy and happy families depend on women’s unconditional love and sacrifice for the family. Peace begins in the home because it is where we learn to trust, respect, and work together with members of our human family. The warm and nurturing family environment that women create is the model for the peaceful world of One Family under God.

Women also play a crucial role as peace educators. For example, GPW Korea initiated a program for unification education in the home. As you may know, the 70-year division between North and South Korea has also divided the hearts and minds of the Korean people. This is a huge challenge to Korea’s unification. Therefore, South Korean mothers in this program try to teach their children at home, whenever they find the chance, that North Koreans share a common heritage. They are their family members. Women-led education is thus healing the division of the Korean people’s hearts to prepare for Korea’s peaceful unification.

**The extended family model for peace**

Ultimately, GPW believes that true women leaders should aspire to embrace all human beings as members of their own family. This culture is embodied in the intergenerational extended family model.
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My husband, Dr. Hyun Jin Moon, emphasizes the importance of the extended family model in the peacebuilding process in his recently published book, The Korean Dream. He writes,

“The structure of the extended family with its many different roles creates a framework for intergenerational cooperation and a wide variety of relationships through which we can cultivate the best elements of our humanity. [...] These lessons, taken to heart by each new generation raised within the extended family, allow us to relate together with other human beings in a cooperative, peaceful, and cohesive manner, whether in the smallest social unit of the family, or the largest: the global community.”

In order to facilitate this ideal, GPW launched the extended family movement through forums and family festivals in nations such as Uruguay and Nepal. Also in the Philippines, I heard that you have the custom of mano. This is when children greet elders by asking for their hand to receive blessing and wisdom. It is a beautiful expression of intergenerational respect.

Just as parents serve the grandparents and the grandparents educate and love their grandchildren, we naturally cooperate and help each other harmoniously across generations in the family. We want to replicate this culture in society by relating and cooperating with others like our own family members. Traditions that celebrate these types of extended family relationships create a loving and peaceful environment.

Women’s leadership strengths

For the extended family model to succeed, women’s roles are indispensable. After all, women are natural peacemakers.

Mounting evidence shows that women promote peace and security through increasing dialogue, building consensus, and de-escalating tension. Experts say that the 2014 Bangsamoro peace agreement in the Philippines was successful because of women’s leadership. Many
Filipinos agree that Ates (older sisters) are less likely to be perceived as threats, and more likely to compromise with empathy and love to achieve common goals. Women legislators are also more likely to prevent the recurrence of conflict by caring for marginalized populations. Global Peace Foundation’s One Family under God Campaign in Nigeria is a good example of how women strengthen reconciliation. Women from different religious, ethnic, and tribal backgrounds came together to serve the community. These different groups have a history of conflict and tension, but women were instrumental in bringing them to understand each other and collaborate. This demonstration of thoughtfulness and warmth shows women leaders’ strengths in creating an environment of harmony and cooperation.

The core of the example above is the culture of selfless service and unconditional love. These traits are essential to women’s efforts in building bridges of peace. To promote this ideal, GPW Paraguay created the Living for the Sake of Others Award to honor service-minded women leaders. For the past eight years, we have discovered many unsung heroes who were underappreciated for their devotion to service. By recognizing their merit, GPW Paraguay is encouraging and inspiring more women to follow in their footsteps.

**Conclusion**

Ladies and gentlemen, I want to remind everyone that the dream of peace requires each of our efforts. For women to fully promote and sustain peace throughout the world, their innate God-given value should be recognized and celebrated on every level. Let us cherish who we are as women, and let us strive to become harmonizers and peacemakers in the family and society. As the GPW motto states, “Peace begins in the home.”

I am honored to be among such great women who deeply love God and are dedicated to peace. I hope that you can join with me in committing our hearts, effort, and unique qualities to this noble cause. May God bless you and your families.

Thank you very much.
H.E. Hajiya Amina Namadi Sambo is a successful business leader and founder of the NGO “I Care–Women and Youth Initiative,” helping develop IT skills, finance startup businesses, deliver health care, and build HIV/AIDS awareness. Her projects have included promoting sanitation, distribution of insecticide treated nets to families, and offering support for education of girls and protection of women from violence.

I am highly delighted to be part of yet another peace convention, and to have the honour of being amongst all the speakers at this auspicious Global Peace Convention, hosted by a global organization that is synonymous to peace.

It seems just like yesterday that I attended the GPC in Kuala Lumpur Malaysia, in 2013. It is still fresh in my memory due to the experience and lessons I derived from that convention.

It was a turning point in our collective efforts to ensure peace always reigns in Nigeria. The take-aways from that Convention and subsequent interactions and programmes by the Global Peace Foundation-Nigeria have not only changed and facilitated more peace building processes, but also widened the horizon and provided more platforms for sensitization, education and dialogue amongst warring
factions in Kaduna and other parts of Nigeria. We view peace as synonymous to development. Hence, we take every step to ensure its sustainability.

My NGO, I-CARE Women and Youth Initiative, whose primary aim is to improve the life of women, youth, physically challenged, and other vulnerable persons in the society, started paying more attention to peace facilitation and peace building processes.

We believe the active participation of women leads to the development of peaceful and just societies. For the overall development of women in any country, focus must be given to factors like education, gender-friendly laws, strong political commitment for women development, mainstreaming of women's issues, empowerment, and increment of women participation, and creation of effective environment for development.

We used our privileged position to advocate women’s participation, especially in leadership and in peace building processes. We also engaged with traditional and religious leaders.

Our efforts are gradually yielding great results, as women, to some extent, are now playing even more important roles in the peace building processes. Women are now carried along in many aspects that were hitherto exclusive and reserved to men in our country.

Women's relevance and influence to the overall development of society, especially for youth, is increasingly emerging and being instrumentalized to achieve peace and harmony.

A point of reference is the rising profile of “Women’s Situation Rooms,” made up of prominent African women. It has now become a force to reckon with politics, especially in the buildup (during and after general elections) in almost all African countries.

The “Women’s Situation Rooms” engage mostly with the youth and mobilize them to be in the vanguard in ensuring peaceful elections. The role they played in facilitating peaceful elections in Kenya, Uganda, Nigeria and Ghana, are pointers to the effectiveness of new models
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of peace building processes, which are both preventive and curative. Vijaya Pandit says, "the more we sweat in peace, the less we bleed in war."

Being natural peace lovers and peacemakers, women are more sensitive to the wellbeing of others. We therefore continuously explore their compassion, love, care, cooperation and temperament, that allow for achievable and sustainable peace building and conflict resolution.

These are not only assertions or sentiments. Rather, they have proved to be so in my country Nigeria, which has been suffering violent clashes and insurgency. Women, children and other vulnerable persons are mostly affected. We have always strived to ensure that these issues are reduced to the barest minimum by exploring peace mechanisms available to us.

That is why I find the theme for the 2017 Global Peace Convention, Moral and Innovative Leadership: New Models for Peace and Development, spot on.

The nature of conflicts keep getting more sophisticated and complex. The idea of moral and innovative leadership is imperative to address. These are models that will facilitate peace and development.

However, they still need local, national, and international partnerships. The Global Peace Foundation-Nigeria is already doing much by engaging stakeholders to facilitate peace under the vision of “One Family Under God.”

We have also delved into social problems that threaten society. Such challenges include substance abuse by women, to which we took a strong measure and adopted a comprehensive approach to address it. We have equally partnered with other like-minded groups and individuals to ensure that peace, harmony, and tranquility reigns above all.

In the course of our efforts to build women’s self-confidence to contribute to peace-building in their own communities, I always urge
them be peaceful, preach peace, act peaceful, and live peacefully. We always emphasize on these five attributes as our guiding principles:

1) Be proud of our gender and never consider it to be a disadvantage, but as a tool for peace.
2) Be in peace with our inner selves.
3) Relate with all, with honesty, mutual respect, and compassion.
4) Appreciate our potentials and deploy it appropriately, to produce positive results.
5) Respect other people’s views, culture, religion, and beliefs, irrespective of our diversity.
6) These are the magic wands we wave, to turn hostility into hospitality, hate into love, and punches into embraces.

But most importantly, our ceaseless and fervent prayers are paramount to sustainable peace and development.

I would like to end with this quote by Robert Fulghum, which has now almost become a permanent feature in my remarks at every forum where peace is discussed:

“Peace is not something you wish for, it is something you make, something you do, something you are and something you give away.”

While expressing my gratitude for being a part of this effort to contribute to a new world social order that will promote and facilitate everlasting peace, I want to commend the founding fathers of the Global Peace Foundation - International for their foresight, wisdom and relentless hard work. I also wish you all fruitful deliberations. I would also like to extend my profound gratitude to Dr. Mrs. Moon for appointing me as a member of the International Advisory Council of Global Peace Women, and finding me capable of serving.

I thank you most sincerely for this honour.
Long live Global Peace Foundation - International!
Long live Global Peace Women!
Thank you most sincerely for your attention.
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TOWARDS VALUES-FOCUSED LEADERSHIP

An evaluation of the “State of Moral Leadership” around the world leads to the conclusion that a new Leadership Culture is needed now, more than ever.

Materialistic Leadership

Leadership has had a long tradition of being focused on the material aspect of life. It is even a measure of success: “’Cause we are living in a material world...the boy with the cold hard cash is always Mr. Right,” as a famous singer once said. However, this focus on the material aspect of life did not produce respect for something more fundamental, that is, the inherent dignity of the human being.
Over the years, there has always been a discussion about what leadership should focus on. In "The Threepenny Opera" (1928), Bertolt Brecht ** wrote: "First comes a full stomach, then comes ethics." Notwithstanding the fact that while the world now has an abundance of food, there is a lack of ethics. How do we explain this? Is the focus on the material world producing and exposing the very (material) problems needed to be solved?

Most leaders focus on, and show concerns (sometimes sincere) for, the material goals such as ending poverty, hunger, diseases, improving health care, housing, sanitation, etc. The UN Millennium Development Goals program was an attempt to do something on this materialistic level. When this ended in 2015, it was followed by the "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” initiative.

**Immaterialistic Leadership**

However, the deplorable materialistic conditions around the world are the consequences of the lack of focus on the immaterial factors: empathy, inclusive thinking, having a moral compass, integrity—to summarize: a lack of ethics.

The lack of focus on these essential immaterialistic factors is the fundamental cause of an ongoing situation in which human dignity is disrespected. A world culture has developed in which what was once traditionally “Abnormal” has become the “New Normal”. Man has become his own enemy, a fear that Thomas Hobbes *** warned us about.

**The New Normal**

This "New Normal" (NN) produced the bank crisis alias greed, through which, as a consequence, many lost their homes. It produced the migrant crisis not only in Europe, which we watched on TV while eating chips. We witnessed how women and children’s dead bodies washed ashore, and how those who survived were mistreated and disrespected by many leaders. The New Normal produced leaders defending their material situation against the powerless and helpless—with barbed wire at borders, with the police firing gunshots and tear-gas at kids and (elder) women in the Europe of Human Rights.
This "New Normal" produced a culture of decay of national and international institutions, which originally were founded on immaterial norms and values to guard against that very decay.

The "New Normal" made Democracy - intended so that we, the people, can take ownership of our destiny by being taken seriously by leadership – into deMockcracy. In so doing, making a mock of the system developed for humanizing civilization. The New Normal used the system to demonize others thus turning it into deMONcracy; or even cashing in on it, turning it into DEMONEYcracy; or looking at we, the people, as crazy when asked to comply to moral standards: demoCRAZY.

This "New Normal" misuses Human Rights to promote human wrongs.

**From the Home to the World: Women’s Role**

Time for Change, for a new direction! For leadership rooted in Moral values, just as in the home. This is the sustainable choice. Women have a central role to play on the world stage by bringing the moral values that they instill in their family within the home, out to the world stage: the moral values, which are in the home as simple as grandma’s apple pie.

Bertolt Brecht is proven wrong by history: the "moral mess" in the world is caused by those who had more than enough to eat. Though the famous singer is right: "we are living in a material world," this, however has shown to disrespect human dignity. Time for change is overdue! Change! My hope is that in the near future, we shall sing: "We are living in an immaterial world and I am an immaterial girl..." Let’s make this our goal (song) for the Women’s New Leadership Culture for Peace and Development.

You are welcome to join the choir. If you are already a member, just keep singing along.

Thank you!
Cynthia Aguilar Villar was Chairman of Committee on Higher and Technical Education during the 13th and 14th Congress. Villar’s social and civic concerns are wide and varied. In 1992, she founded and chaired the Villar Foundation, of which programs include providing assistance to OFWs, environment protection and livelihood projects. She earned her degree in Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of the Philippines, which recognized her as one of its Distinguished Alumni in 2004. She completed her Masters in Business Administration at New York University. She was a financial analyst and college professor and married former House Speaker and Senate President Manny Villar in 1975.
Which action steps can aspiring women leaders take to transform their families and communities? Women leaders of diverse organizations engaged in gender based violence prevention, cultural transformation, leadership development, and conflict resolution will share best practices and compelling models to apply in diverse professional fields. Based on these examples, participants will strategize how to practice women’s leadership in their personal and professional lives through small group discussions.
SCHEDULE
March 1st
11:00am - 12:30pm
Room: (Executive 7&9)

Moderator: Rachel Murray Director of Music,
Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, United States

Presenters:
Dr. Nona Ricafort Former Deputy Minister
of Higher Education, Philippines
Bambie Panta GPW Nepal Representative
Caroline Aluoch Odera GPW Kenya Representative
Sarantuya Dagvasuren GPW Mongolia Representative
Keiko Kobayashi Chair, JUN AI
World Peace Foundation
Mihwa Kim GPW Korea Representative

Closing Moderator
Mrs. Rachel Murray is a nationally known speaker addressing issues impacting women, children, and the family. Rachel serves as the USA Director of the Global Peace Women and Advisor to GPW International. In addition, she is the First Lady and Director of Music of the Lighthouse Church and has served for more than 15 years in the legal field. Rachel holds an MBA and BS in Business Management from Liberty University and a BS in Paralegal Studies from the University of Maryland.
Sharing of Best Practices:
Global Peace Women, Philippines Case

Being with all of you here, amongst friends, and to have an opportunity to meet new friends, is a great honor and privilege, especially for being able to share our experiences about the role of women in partnership with men in nation building. This is a special day for us women, because we are celebrating the women’s month--March, a month each year, dedicated to women. This is the month when the world recognizes and appreciates the great importance of women’s contributions and participation in the development of a nation. Celebrating women’s month depicts your organization’s vibrancy and resiliency in meeting the tides of change, most especially the challenges of the changing environment, responding to how we, men and women together, can be most effective in realizing the opportunities at hand.

Women have come together in many international conventions, conferences, meetings, and all sorts of gatherings to celebrate their joys and triumphs, to share their woes and frustrations, and to reaffirm their commitment to continue the legacy, so heroically begun by their grandmothers and mothers, and then onto the next generation.
Once again, in this momentous occasion, we, women are gathered here, not only to build and strengthen bridges of friendship, but also to share with each other, our heroic experiences and successes while also strategizing ways towards mainstreaming women’s participation in development. This can only be achieved through concerted efforts in our crusade for the elimination of feminized poverty, gender-based violence, and inequality, etc. and then toward economic and political empowerment of women, that can bring about a change in the situation in which women have languished for generations.

Of course, it is important to note, that this so-called “struggle for women’s empowerment” can only be achieved if men are able to fully realize its need and is also in agreement with us. Thus, there is a need to network and collaborate with them because the development of any nation is an outcome of the progressive efforts made by all units of society, that is, by both men and women.

Over the past decades, countries across the world have been converging towards higher levels of human development, as shown by the Human Development Index (HDI). However, despite much progress, inequality remains among the greatest challenges of our time. The changing global economy is creating unprecedented challenges and opportunities for continued progress in human development. Global economic and political structures change quickly as the world faces financial crisis, worsening climate change, and growing social differences.

In the past recent years, Global Peace Women Philippines played an active role as a partner of the Filipinos in championing the cause for progress and harmony in the Philippines. It played a pivotal part in the awareness and promotion of our common pursuit for the advancement of women’s leadership in the family, in peace building, and economic progression in our country. Living up to this mission with conviction, commitment, and courage as one of the key players in our country, we focused our energies on the following program and activities undertaken under four categories:
1) Women and Family
2) Women and Youth
3) Women and Peace
4) Women and Poverty (economic empowerment and most significant is our All lights Village Project)

Each year, we generously shared our three T’s in life: Time, Talent, and Treasure, in making difference in these four areas.

I. WOMEN AND FAMILY - FOCUS ON THE RIGHTS OF THE FAMILY, FAMILY VALUES, AND HEALTH.

The GPW Philippines programs are centered on helping marginalized and indigent persons with special focus on:

The Maternal and Infant mortality reduction program with the support of PLDT-Smart Foundation, the Rotary Club of Pasig South and Inner Wheel of Central Ortigas, who jointly partnered with us in establishing birthing clinics and also upgrading the childbirth skills of midwives working in these birthing centers.

Under the People with Disability Health Program, we addressed the four most basic disabilities in Seeing, Speaking, Walking and Hearing:

SEEING: Performed cataract surgeries, pterygium surgeries, eye screening, and distribution of reading glasses and prescription eye glasses.
SPEAKING: Cleft lip and cleft palate surgeries, followed by speech therapy clinics.
WALKING: Distribution of prosthetic artificial feet and wheel chairs.
HEARING: Distribution of hearing aids.

II. WOMEN AND YOUTH - DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ADDRESSED GENDER ISSUES AFFECTING OUR SOCIETY.
We assisted the continuous efforts exerted by the government, for gender equality, and the empowerment of women through the establishment of linkages between both genders and authentic development in various spheres of life:

- We pursued capacity building for gender and development (GAD), as well as peace and human rights education (especially for teachers).
- Conducted Violence against Women Campaign lectures, seminars and workshops.
- We initiated a campaign to counsel teenage girls and offer guidance to walk them through the murky pre-adulthood years, advising and supporting them for their rights.
- Conducted a forum against human trafficking.
- Promoted health and sports education for women and girls.
- We have granted Scholarships for University Degrees and Diploma Certificates of short courses.

III. WOMEN AND PEACE - ADDRESSED SOCIAL PROBLEMS, ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT PROBLEMS, AND ABOUT THE COMPLEMENTARY ROLES OF MEN AND WOMEN.

GPW Philippines is concerned with the issues of pollution and other environmental problems brought about by the improper waste/garbage disposal, relentless cutting down of trees, and other harmful ecological practices. We joined hands with other NGO’s in providing possible solutions to environmental problems.

The call of our unfortunate brothers and sisters who lost their homes and their livelihood due to floods, typhoons, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, or other calamities, did not fall on deaf ears. In response to these calls, with our caring hearts, we launched the “Operation Disaster” initiative. Since then, this project has been the source of solace to many of our affected calamity victims. These victims need not beg GPW Philippines for aid, as we always take it upon ourselves to offer help where the devastation took place, either in money donations or in kindness.
IV. WOMEN AND POVERTY - ADDRESSES SOCIO-ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT THROUGH ALL-LIGHTS VILLAGE PROJECT, POVERTY ALLEVIATION, AND LIVELIHOOD PROJECTS.

While growth depends on human capital in the knowledge economies, the key to development is knowledge, and lack of it is a major constraint to economic and social progress. With this in mind, we were compelled to push livelihood projects with the objective in mind, to empower women and youth with skills, in order to also improve their health and wellness. GPW Philippines envisioned to ensure that the beneficiaries would have a choice for a better, or improved quality of life. Also, GPW Philippines sponsored livelihood projects in different depressed communities.

THE ALL-LIGHTS VILLAGE PROJECT IS ONE OF THE MOST SUBSTANTIVE PEACE ACTIVITIES THAT GPW PHILIPPINES IS CARRYING OUT TO BUILD MODEL COMMUNITIES, EXEMPLIFYING THE CULTURE OF SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERISM.

We are not only concerned with fund raising amongst our members within their families and friends to implement our All Lights Village project. Rather, we want to provide basic access to light for children (so they can catch up for night school and complete homework), and for mothers (to help them fulfill their cooking and kitchen tasks for their family). We believe, these people must be helped in order for them to not depend on cutting trees for firewood to provide fuel for cooking, which is the root cause for floodings. Our All-Lights Project partners are the State Universities around the area, who provided livelihood training for the income generating project. They also assisted in monitoring the successful implementation of lighting the path of our brothers and sisters in remote places where there is no electricity. This is “where light becomes life.”

As Toffler said,
If change is inevitable, it is indispensable to search, or put in place, new alternatives or strategies for our people to effectively adjust and cope with the complex changes in today’s world.

The time has come for women to have great hopes because never before in history, has technology supported women’s development so strongly. This situation can provide endless opportunities for women. That is, of course, if women are determined to seriously face this challenge and if we all believe that this is the era for technology networking. If successful, women will definitely have an upper hand. This situation, still, can always be vastly enhanced.

With our strategic avenues of service that sends a message of hope to marginalized Filipinos amidst their hardship in life, we are confident that it would help to spread the ideals of sustainable development and lasting peace as partners, propelling our country to greater heights. Unity in differences is the ultimate goal of GPW Philippines.

Let us all work together to economically empower as many women to be the greatest multipliers of prosperity, rather than the greatest victims of poverty. Most of all, let us emerge as partners in social, political, and economic developments as WE MOVE ON, TO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE.

“The roaring current of change is so powerful that it overturns institutions and organizations, value systems splinter and crash, while the lifeboats of family, church and state are hurdlesed sadly about. In the midst of these exploding changes, the danger signals are ever present, such as nuclear annihilation, ecological disaster, violence, war, economic debacle, large scale technological disaster – any of these could alter future history in catastrophic ways.”
Bambie Gadon Panta is the Global Peace Women Representative in Nepal and the Program Director of Global Peace Foundation Nepal. Since 2012, she works in uplifting the value of women through family values education and awareness programs. Panta also trains youth and teachers of moral and innovative leadership.

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. We created a “Forum Theater” approach to offer family values education, convey our message, and prevent gender-based violence (GBV).

Why “Forum Theater?” It is a very effective tool in raising awareness. When watching the drama unfold, the audience has the opportunity to voice their concerns, suggest alternative actions, and perform their own interventions. It is a dynamic process that allows people watching the plays to participate in role-play themselves. The audience comes to understand the root causes of problems, their perceptions begin to

Presenter

Bambie Gadon Panta
Nepal Representative, Global Peace Women
Nepal
change, and people learn how to transform the world around them. These forum theater classes focus on three subject areas: Strengthening families, Uplifting the value of women, and Promoting complementary relationships between men and women.

As GPW’s core message states, “Peace begins in the home.” At the forums, we discuss how to strengthen families and prevent the breakdown of the family due to issues such as GBV and disrespect for women. We empower women to respect themselves, and we help men to respect women for their unique roles and contributions to the family and society. Peaceful and complementary relationships between men and women promote peaceful marriages and peaceful homes. During each forum theater class, participants act out scenes on these topics, using speech and movement to express their daily inner struggles and desires.

This past year, we’ve organized more than 20 events. Over 1,200 parents, teachers and students gathered for monthly classes to discuss topics related to GBV, marital relations, the role of women in the family and society, and parent-teacher cooperation in nurturing a child. Participant Rita Chaudhry enjoyed the program and said that it is “imparting such an important and necessary message to society.” Rita said she would continue to guide young people on these important issues.

In terms of overall outcomes and impact to society, based on surveys
and interviews, both men and women participants of the forum theater classes came out with a better awareness of women’s value. Moreover, both men and women testified that they learned how to develop their complementary relationship for building a peaceful family.

Most of all, participants answered that they now understand that GBV can be eliminated from the home and society. For example, many men who attended the forum said their perception toward women are increasingly positive.

From our Forum Theater initiative, we learned that we need more diverse and innovative ways to reduce GBV. We also realized that the target population should include parents, especially fathers and boys.

We will continue to implement Forum Theater in GPW Nepal in 2017 with monthly parenting and family values education. Furthermore, we will expand our work with psychosocial organizations to support identified victims of GBV.
Women’s Leadership Culture

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Caroline Aluoch Odera is a renowned peace advocate, educator and defender of women’s rights in the Republic of Kenya. In 1999, she founded St. Thaddeus Child Care Society, an organization whose mission is to empower women, youth and children. She is also the founder and director of St. Thaddeus Schools, a project that empowers orphaned and/or disadvantaged children in urban informal settlements in Kenya to access their right to education. Caroline sits on the government of Kenya’s Peace Committee in Embakasi Sub-county. The committee is mandated with promoting peace and national cohesion at sub-county level.

NEW WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP FOR THE PREVENTION OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE: KENYA

Teenage girls from the slums of Komarock in Nairobi often have tragic histories that, unfortunately, are all too common. In Kenya, 32% of females and 18% of males experience gender-based sexual violence during childhood. They carry the physical and emotional scars of violence long afterward. To address this issue, Global Peace Women Kenya takes a variety of approaches, including 16 Days against Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Campaign activities, social media campaigns, awareness and education workshops, public engagement, and mentorship programs. Let me elaborate on each of these approaches.
The annual 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Campaign is when activists around the world advocate against GBV between November 25th and December 10th. GPW Kenya participated by launching a photo campaign with the theme of “Peace Begins in the Home: Stand Against GBV.” Over 300 people, including men, participated in this campaign as a preventive measure and to spread awareness. During this time, GPW Kenya also participated in the National Africa Unite GBV forum hosted by UN Women and the Ministry of Devolution and Planning.

To expand our impact even further, GPW Kenya actively promoted @GPWKenya, #Peace Begins From Home, and #End GBV on popular social media platforms Twitter and Facebook. During the 16-days campaign in 2015, GPW Kenya’s Twitter posts appeared on people’s feeds 9,200 times. This number dramatically increased the following year to 17,600. GPW-Kenya reached over 5,000 people on Facebook.

Some cultural and religious practices actually perpetuate GBV. One such example is female genital mutilation, which is viewed as a rite of passage for girls. We need to raise more awareness of this practice’s risks and negative consequences on girls’ futures, as well as lobby local leaders, especially men, to support the fight against GBV. To do this, GPW Kenya has launched Awareness Workshops. These workshops educate participants on the issues and consequences of harmful practices. They also offer family values and good parenting strategies as sustainable preventive measures against GBV.

Youth volunteers have been effective partners in the effort to end GBV. To provide a safe space for young people at high risk for GBV, GPW Kenya worked together with 30 youth volunteers to refurbish...
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a community social hall for Dandora Slums’ youth. We also worked with an international volunteer team, LTF, on a photo campaign to share GPW’s #PeaceBeginsFromHome message as a preventive measure against GBV across 3 counties in Kenya.

In May last year, GPW Kenya launched a mentorship program at St. Thaddeus Secondary School as a long-term effort to prevent GBV in everyday life. St. Thaddeus Secondary School is supported by St. Thaddeus Child Care Society, which rescues girls, many of whom were orphaned or victims of early marriage and GBV. The school, then, provides these girls with an affordable education. Our mentorship program emphasized the message of uplifting women’s value and developing the leadership potential of program participants. Throughout the year, 40 St. Thaddeus teenage girl students have connected with 22 women role models, who are university students serving under the Peace Ambassadors Kenya platform for peace. They follow a curriculum to cultivate character, values, and leadership skills that will help the girls navigate through adolescence and young adulthood.

The aim of this mentoring program is to raise all-around leaders with the internal capacity to manage stress within the slums, make good decisions, be good role models within their community, volunteer for the greater good, and become good future mothers and wives. Over the course of 9 sessions held thus far, the school is recording improvement in discipline, relationships, and social support among the girls. Mentorship also helps the girls to appreciate their parents more and understand the role of family in raising holistic and responsible leaders in addition to preventing GBV in their everyday life.
Sarantuya Dagvasuren is an operation manager of GPF Mongolia since 2013. She is also the leader of GPW Mongolia. She has been organizing trainings to increase women’s household income, empower women on the prevention of gender-based violence and creating a network of women leaders throughout Mongolia.

Reduce Gender-Based Violence through Meetings and Trainings: Mongolia

Many women and children in the cities and villages of Mongolia suffer as victims of gender-based violence (GBV). Domestic violence is especially a major issue. The NGO National Center Against Violence (NCAV) estimates that in Mongolia, 1 in 3 women were victims of domestic violence in 2010.* Research has found that over 90% of reported violence cases are caused by men. Given the seriousness of this issue, there is a need for all women and men to gain awareness of GBV, learn how to deal with violence, and join the effort to prevent it.

Global Peace Women Mongolia is leading citizens of the country toward awareness and GBV prevention. We host meetings and trainings to help victims of GBV in the 15th bagh of Darkhan-Uul province, an area of 2,100 households that we are investing in to raise as a model bagh. We teach about preventative measures, family values, the
importance of women’s contributions in the family, and volunteerism.

In 2016, we also had 9 meetings specifically with young mothers. Through these events, over 550 women in the 15th bagh have gathered for training classes and discussions. To ensure the expansion of our work, we held 5 trainings for influential women leaders and raised 3 mentors, all of whom will continue to spread the impact.

To provide substantial assistance for victims of GBV, GPW Mongolia invited professionals to hold workshops for 15 families and 35 women. During the workshop, these women and families were linked with organizations that will meet the needs of their respective situations.

In 2004, the government of Mongolia passed the Law to Combat Domestic Violence (LCDV). To promote the enforcement of this law, together with the National Center Against Violence (NCAV), GPW Mongolia organized introductory trainings about this law. The law was revised last year, and so together with NCAV, we and NCAV will continue trainings this year based on the newly updated law.

Moving forward, as we continue the trainings on the LCDV, we will expand our program to work together with more partners. We also plan to study violence cases with police departments, and from there, film a documentary that will be delivered to the Mongolian public through social media. We will organize future educational trainings based on the documentary. We hope that these trainings will serve as a warning to effectively prevent crimes and violence.
Keiko Kobayashi is Chair of the NPO JUN AI World Peace Foundation and Executive Producer, Scriptwriter, and Lead Actress of the Japan-China collaborative film JUN AI. She initiated the JUN AI Project based on a vision for peace, and produced the JUN AI film as a social art project for eight years. She has conducted film screenings and exchange programs for 10 years to create a culture of peace in Japan as well as other countries. Her sincere and unchanging spirit with unconditional love has awakened the hearts of many people with whom she has created a human bond around the world through the film.

NEW WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP THROUGH FILM: JUN AI

Esteemed leaders, friends, and peace-loving family members, I’m very happy to be here today in this beautiful country, the Republic of the Philippines. It is an honor to join the Global Peace Convention 2017 together with you.

I would like to express my most sincere gratitude to GPW Chairwoman Dr. JunSook Moon, GPW Philippines President Dr. Nona Ricafort, and GPW International Secretary General Dr. Soonok Kang for successfully organizing this Convention.
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I knew already from my childhood the purpose of my being born. When I was 12 years old, I set my heart on sharing a message of peace with others through film, and that became my dream. I decided that I would show the film around the world, and then help many children realize their dreams through building schools and kindergartens. My big dream has brought me to this stage.

Now the earth and human race are facing our biggest turning point. I would like to show one picture. In 1968, people were able to see the planet for the first time through this picture.

We can be the first generation who will be united as one under the inspiring phrase: “Global Peace.”

I believe that Global Peace is most important for humanity. In order to realize world peace, we need to understand each other and overcome many challenges.

We recognize that the awakening of global consciousness is strongly influencing technology in human societies. Technologies dealing with materials, information, and media have rapidly developed so that all people of the world can connect. This major change will not revert. We need to utilize this power in order to heal the world.

Film, this is a means to overcoming language barriers. And whether it takes one-hundred years or until the end of our lives,
the film JUN AI is to be shown in every country, in every language. Overcoming language, nationality, race, faith, and all other differences, we will continue to make like-minded friends and create bonds that will spread out endlessly.

We ourselves have visited and met with people in Japan, China, Monaco, UK, USA, Korea, and Indonesia, not just showing the film, but creating partnerships that have generated other opportunities for screening as well as education for children. In fact, we were able to establish an elementary school and a kindergarten in China.

Especially in Japan, USA, and Indonesia, we have had valuable screenings and exchanges with junior high and high school students as well as university students as part of their education programs.

We call this development the Social Art Film Movement. We have been utilizing film screening and exchange programs for our movement. Through the screening, many people share in common excitement together. And through the exchange program, we can create new opportunities for future screening and exchange for other people. Through the programs, we are able to meet many new people.

Therefore, the vision for our activities has been expressed as “One Film Creates One Bond,” which means that one film can create “One human Bond on Earth.”

We at the JUN AI World Peace Foundation believe that “One Bond on Earth” is the blueprint for the co-creation of world peace. We can be the first generation in human history to create a bond like family or friendship beyond any differences.

This is also the blueprint for raising women’s leadership. While men have the strength to create new structures within a short time, women have a different strength to create lasting human bonds through spending time with others. Women’s leadership can be developed by raising a new generation of peacebuilders.
Peace Begins in the Home

We will continue the JUN AI World Tour in many countries around the world. Please kindly invite JUN AI to your countries and communities.

And I hope to see you in Tokyo in 2020, where the Olympic and Paralympic Games will take place. We are preparing to gather all people whom we have met through the JUN AI Project in our home ground, Tokyo, so that we can begin creating a new trend in the world.

We would also like to release the next film, “JUN AI the Future” during that time. Compared to the “JUN AI” story about the past, “JUN AI the Future” will describe a story about the present and the future. We will project an ideal vision of how one bond being created on earth will impact the future of the East Asia region. I believe that every one of us who is supporting the human family has the key to realize this vision.

I still remember one question from a BBC interview in 2007 after we received 5 film awards from the Monaco international film festival. I was asked if I believe that one film can possibly change the world. My answer was, “Yes, I do. I’m sure of it.”

At this moment, I would like you to see a short introduction of the JUN AI film.

<JUN AI Intro Video Presentation 2m30s>

I acted as the Japanese female lead “Ai.” She just speaks a few words, cooks food, nurtures her children, and lives with her villagers. She is a typical homemaker. However, her unchanging mind and unconditional love starts moving the hearts of people, and step by step, she creates a miracle in the village decades later. The film shows that one woman can change the world.

The world is being covered by tears and fears. People are facing no end to wars, conflicts, and resentments between neighboring coun-
tries. However, we believe that we all have infinite potential within ourselves. That potential that every human being innately possesses is awaiting our awakening. This power will enable us to change the destiny of all humankind.

If that happens in the future, it will be a revolution of trust. The most critical reason people continue wars and conflicts is that we don’t know each other and don’t trust each other.

Imagine many people sharing the same dream at the same moment, and becoming like family, friends, and comrades after meeting them. The fact of the matter is that we just have not started working together yet.

The title of the film, “JUN-AI,” means “Purity” and “Love.” This genuine sincere love means “True Love” and “Unconditional Love.”

JUN AI is “a light inside ourselves” and “a lighthouse in the dark.” JUN AI was created to guide us in the right direction amidst the dark storm.

One of the reasons that we are here today is that we wanted to share
the message that through film, you can make a difference in the world. We would like to work together as a partner with all of you who love peace, who love people, and who love the planet.

Therefore, I would like to express my request to all of the ladies and gentlemen here.

Please come and see the JUN-AI film at 4 pm, here at this venue. I know that we gathered here due to our common vision. For the future of the children, may there be peace on earth. One World, One Love, One Family under God.

Thank you very much.
Mihwa Kim is currently the President of Global Peace Women Korea and President of the Global Peace Future Women Leadership Forum. She is a board member of the National SafeNet for Children and Women and Co-President of the Kangnam Unification Forum.

**PROMOTING THE NEW WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP CULTURE FOR UNIFICATION AND PEACE**

In the path to world peace, even one country’s suffering cannot be ignored. Korea is now the only divided country in the world, a fate that occurred against the will of the Korean people. The division of the North and South has separated thousands of families, and they have not been able to meet each other for over seven decades. The continuing division of the Korean peninsula poses a serious threat to peace, not only in Korea, but in the whole of Asia and the world. We believe that women have the ability to make a unique contribution towards the peaceful unification of the Korean Peninsula.

In an effort to escape the dire situation of the North, citizens of North Korea defect to the South. There are currently about 30,000 of them living in South Korea, 70% of whom are women. However, the life of North Korean defectors in South Korea is very challenging. They
experience economic poverty, psychological pain, differences in language and culture, prejudice and isolation from the people of the South, a crisis in their 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.

To strengthen families as part of the unification effort, GPW 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.

We understand that women have the natural desire to understand one another and the strong capability to create harmony. With this positive feminine characteristic, GPW Korea is conducting programs to foster understanding between South Koreans and North Korean defectors. We host North Korean Documentary Film Events and Talk Concerts through which we have been able to raise awareness and understanding of the reality of North Korea’s situation, advocate the need for unification, and cultivate hope for developing a better relationship between the two Koreas.

When we say “Peace Begins in the Home,” family education is key. Women are the main educators of their families. By teaching children from a young age about peace in their homes, women, especially mothers, can naturally contribute to transforming the world. The critical role of mother as a peace educator of the family inspired GPW
Korea to initiate women-led unification education in the home. We are currently implementing the Unification Education in the Family Project, Women and Unification Education Seminars, and Action for Korea Unification Events. The Unification in the Family campaign was launched by Global Peace Women in 2015 to specifically encourage women, especially mothers, to raise the next generation to empathetically connect to their northern brethren and understand the importance of Korean unification in regional stability and world peace.

When women take on the charge of moral and innovative leadership in our society and nation, we can resolve critical global issues around family and women’s rights, as well as make a direct contribution toward the peace and reconciliation of the Korean peninsula. The GPW Exchange Program in 2016 is a model for how women leaders can make such a global contribution. 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 “Korean Unification and Peacebuilding in Asia.” The exchange sought to build regional cooperation to address the ongoing division of the Korean peninsula while highlighting the unique and indispensable contribution of women’s leadership in peacebuilding and social development.

Our future plan is to hold the Global Women Future Leadership Forum and GPW Leadership Conference. These are additional tools to further peace and instigate social transformation as women leaders. We, GPW Korea, will continue to work for world peace through diverse education programs, projects, and services.
SESSION IV
Women Leaders’ Summit: Building a Network for Peace and Development

SCHEDULE
March 1st
2:00pm - 3:30pm
Room: (Executive 7&9)

Moderator:
Attorney Rita Linda V. Jimeno Associate Dean, Centro Escolar University School of Law, Philippines

Welcoming Remarks and Introduction of Dignitaries:
Dr. Nona Ricafort Former Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Philippines

Presentation of GPW History: Dr. Soonok Kang
Secretary General, Global Peace Women

GPW Introduction
Chapter Activities (2011-2016) and 2017 Plan
Organizational Structure/International Supporters

Introduction and Induction of GPW International Chapter Leaders:
Julie Malaya Vice President, GPW Philippines
Ambitious targets such as the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and world peace cannot be achieved by individuals alone. Like-minded leaders and organizations need to develop private-public partnerships and relationships to support, mentor, and cooperate with each other for greater impact. This session will recognize Global Peace Women (GPW) leaders and contributors as well as provide an opportunity for participants to share partnership success stories. In addition to setting out GPW’s international plan for 2017, the session will allow participants to expand the breadth and scope of their work through networking and collaboration on joint peace-building initiatives.

**Inducting Official: Dr. Junsook Moon**
Chairwoman, Global Peace Women
(to be assisted by Dr. Soonok Kang)

**Recognition of International Advisory Council Members:**
**Dr. Junsook Moon**
Chairwoman, Global Peace Women

**Congratulatory Remarks:**
**Donna Schuller** Pastor and Co-founder,
Robert Schuller Ministries, United States
**Pamela De Guzman** President,
Inner Wheel of the Philippines Foundation, Philippines

**Exchange of Gifts**
GPW International & GPW Philippines

**Closing Remarks: Dr. Nona Ricafort** Former Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Philippines
Atty. Rita Linda V. Jimeno is the Associate Dean of the Centro Escolar University School of Law where she teaches Civil Law subjects, Alternative Dispute Resolution, and Thesis Writing. She is also a Professorial Lecturer of the Philippine Judicial Academy and a practicing litigation lawyer of 30 years. Concurrently, she is the Managing Partner of Jimeno Cope & David Law Offices and a columnist of Manila Standard Today and Good Housekeeping Magazine.
GPW history and activities

ABOUT GLOBAL PEACE WOMEN

Global Peace Women (GPW) is a division of the Global Peace Foundation (GPF), a non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-profit organization that promotes a values-based approach to peacebuilding guided by the vision of One Family under God.

Vision
A peaceful world of One family under God begins in the home, and women provide the unique care and nurturing that inspire compassion and empathy.

Mission
Global Peace Women advances the vision of establishing One Family under God through women-led initiatives that promote the extended family model and create an environment for peace to begin in the home.

What We Do
(1) Strengthen families,
(2) Uplift the value of femininity and women’s contributions to the family, and
(3) Promote women’s leadership in positive social transformation.

Where We Work
Global Peace Women has chapters in 12 countries around the world.
## GPW History

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<td>GPW launches at the closing ceremony of the Global Peace Convention in Korea.</td>
<td>The first GPW Chapter opens in Malaysia. Throughout the next few months, local GPW Chapters begin in GPF Chapters around the world.</td>
<td>GPW implements the Clean Cookstove Project to promote health for women and families, environmental sustainability, and economic empowerment.</td>
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<td>Women in Uganda proudly painted “Global Peace Women” on this improved cookstove to claim their place in the international movement.</td>
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<td>During GPC Korea and Atlanta, GPW hosts concurrent sessions, workshops, lunch meetings and a service project.</td>
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*Women’s Leadership Culture*
2014

**MAY**

Partnering with GPF-USA and the Strengthening Families and Communities Coalition, GPW hosts a Capitol Hill Forum on “The Role of Women of Faith in the Service of Building and Keeping Peace.”

**SEPTEMBER**

The first Global Peace Women Leadership Conference is scheduled to take place in Seoul, Korea. An international delegation of women in the GPF network will discuss how to resolve issues in the family and work to create a family model for national transformation.

**NOVEMBER**

GPW will organize a pre-convention Summit for GPC Paraguay. This will be an opportunity to strengthen the GPW network and involve VIP women such as former First Lady wives gathered for the Latin American Presidential Mission.
## 2015

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<td>Dr. Soonok Kang is appointed as new Secretary General of Global Peace Women.</td>
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### APRIL

GPW Paraguay honors nine women for their bold leadership in areas of education, social service, culture and faith-based social action at the seventh annual Awards Ceremony, “Women Living for the Sake of Others,” in Asunción on April 28, 2015.

### MAY

Secretary General Dr. Kang visits 9 countries to assess situation of the field.

Campus, community and international leaders pass on leadership lessons at an intimate meeting hosted by GPW at the University of Washington, connecting women on a range of issues including child literacy, cultural legacy, international development and women’s empowerment.
JUNE

GPW Philippines adopts an All Lights Village in Sitio Sinariri, Brgy. Panaytayan, Mansalay, Oriental Mindoro.

JULY

GPW Uruguay celebrates the launching of its new book, From the Hearts of Women, on July 28, 2015 at the Palladium Hotel in Montevideo, Uruguay. The book, a reflection of the guiding vision of GPW, aims to educate the public on the important role women play in creating more cohesive and prosperous societies.

OCTOBER

GPW Mongolia partners with University students to host “Every Child is Cute” campaign. They collected toys and donated them to children.

GPW HQ starts “Unification Education in the Family” campaign in South Korea to emphasize the importance of families raising their children to be global minded citizens and preparing them for a future of living in a unified Korean Peninsula.

NOVEMBER

GPW HQ starts My Safe Campus campaign at University of Washington with partner organization Seattle Against Slavery, to raise awareness and prevent Gender based violence on campus.

GPW Japan conducts Family Education Workshop under the theme of “How to develop heart through skin ship” at the office of GPF Japan.
### 2016

#### MARCH

GPW Nepal hosts “Health Education” to prevent and treat health clinics for Nepalese women impacted by the earthquake in 2015.

#### APRIL - PRESENT

GPW HQ initiates International Project Global Peace Women Leadership Academy.

#### MAY

GPW Kenya hosts first mentorship session with girls from St. Thaddeus school.

#### SEPTEMBER

GPW Uruguay organizes “The Importance of the Extended Family in Transmitting Values” forum, gathering many women leaders to participate in discussion about how to address complex social challenges.

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

Representative women from Korea, Philippines, and Japan gather for a 5-day International Global Peace Women Leadership Exchange (Korea Unification and Peacebuilding in Asia), raising awareness and support for Korean unification, as well as regional and global peace.

NOVEMBER

GPW HQ partners with Jun Ai World Peace Foundation to host a 3-day screening event for the film Jun Ai, bringing messages of peace to campuses in Washington.

DECEMBER

GPW Paraguay Hosts 8th “Annual Living for the Sake of Others Awards” event to recognize the essential role and contributions of women who made a significant impact in their families, communities, and nation.
GPW LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (GPWLA)

What is GPWLA?
GPWLA is a woman’s values-based leadership program (pilot study) that raises service-minded peace activists through core values in women’s leadership, capacity-building, and experiential service-learning with a micro-grant.

What have we accomplished since April 2016?

▶ 18 nominated women leaders around the world and 9 completed trainees
▶ 8 countries - Indonesia(1), Nepal(3), Kenya(3), USA(1), Korea(5), Uruguay(1), Mongolia(1), and Japan(2)
▶ 3 online training courses: (1) leadership, (2) program management, and (3) monitoring and evaluation
▶ 5 grants received that are now being used to implement programs
▶ 1 handbook and 1 workbook

Program examples:
- Women’s Literacy for Peace (Nepal),
- Emotion and Stress Management in Youth in Schools (Nepal),
- "Peace Begins at Home" to reduce GBV (Kenya),
- Basic Skills of the Economic Activity (Indonesia), etc.

What does the program look like?

▶ Education and Capacity Building:
  Participants can learn moral and innovative leadership values, self-assessment strategies, as well as proposal writing, evaluating, and reporting skills, etc.
Learning Through Practice and Service (with grant):
Support participant-initiated and outcome-driven community service projects with micro-grant, as well as offer consistent guidance and monitoring. Help participants find long-term, sustainable partners after having completing their project.

GPW International Organizational Structure
GPW Chapters and Representatives

GPW Chapters are located around the world to help women in all walks of life develop a deeper understanding of their inherent value, establish strong families, and increase their capacity for making a positive difference in their communities.

Because we are a growing community, GPW activities are present in, but not limited to, the following countries.

North America
▶ USA, Rachel Murray, rmurray@globalpeace.org

South America
▶ Latin America, Jaesoon Yoo, jsfield@globalpeace.org
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Africa
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▶ Uganda, Stella Hussnah, tasha.hussnah@gmail.com
▶ Kenya, Caroline Aluoch Odera, stthaddeus2002@yahoo.com

Asia
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▶ Malaysia, Hon. Tan Sri Zaleha Ismail; contact Teh Su Thye, tehst@globalpeace.org.my
▶ Mongolia, Sarantuya Dagvasuren, sarantuya@globalpeace.org
▶ Philippines, Milagros Quiroz Navarro; contact Aldrin Nituma, anituma@globalpeace.org
▶ South Korea, Mihwa Kim, mihwa6942@naver.com
▶ Japan, Okhee Cho, okcho@gpf.jp
WHERE WE WORK

Induction and Recognition

DR. JUNSOOK MOON
Chairwoman, Global Peace Women International
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GPW International Advisory Council

Junsook Moon
Chairwoman of GPW
Co-founder of GPF

Soonok Kang
Secretary General of Global Peace Women
Vice President of GPF

Dr. Eva Latham
(Netherlands)
President of the Human Rights Teaching International

Maria Georgina de Venecia
(Philippines)
Congresswoman of the House of Representatives, Philippines

Donna Schuller
(United States)
Certified Nutrition Coach and writer, author of A Legacy of Success, Building Hope for Tomorrow

Hon. Tan Sri Zaleha Ismail
(Malaysia)
Chairwoman of National Population and Family Development Board

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Hon. Lilian Samaniego  
(Paraguay)  
Senator of the Republic of Paraguay

Aruna Chandaria  
(England)  
Trustee of Chandaria Foundation

Rachel Murray  
(United States)  
First Lady and Director of Music Lighthouse Christian Fellowship

H.E. Hajiya Amina Namadi Sambo  
(Nigeria)  
Founder, I-CARE Women and Youth Initiative

Dr. Nona Ricafort  
(Philippines)  
Former Deputy Minister of Higher Education

Global Peace Convention 2017
Donna Schuller is a certified nutritional coach specializing in body, mind, soul health and family dynamics. She is an author of three books. She currently writes short inspirational, antidotal stories which can be read on her website: www.healthyfamilyhappylife.org.

Donna is a sports enthusiast and holds a second-degree black belt in TaeKwonDo. Married to Robert A. Schuller for 32 years, she appeared with him on international television up until 2008. She has four grown children and five grandchildren.
Dear women peacemakers around the world!

I am honored to be here and give this speech on behalf of the GPW International Advisory Council Members.

First of all, congratulations to GPW--for the growth of their works and meaningful activities with such incredible women leaders around the world. This kind of convention will especially provide us with opportunities to fully recognize our own senses of who we are, and why we wish to work together under the name of GPW. We are given a chance to deeply reflect upon and consider what we want to do in the future, in order to contribute and build a better world through the indispensable initiatives of women.

As a certified expert in nutrition, wellness, and family dynamics coaching, I take a holistic approach to nourishing people’s body, mind, and soul. I’ve been pastoring with my husband for over 25 years, which helped me to develop my love for God and witness the importance of spirituality in our overall health. I am the proud mother of four adult children, and I am also blessed with grandchildren. Each of these life experiences have taught me the importance of peace beginning with the self and in the home. In fact, the first time I spoke as a pastor’s wife, the topic was on peace and making your home a haven for peace.

That’s why it was very natural for me to work with the Global Peace Foundation and, of course, Global Peace Women. I am happy to be among such wonderful people of faith who are committed to building peace, and I warmly welcome all of you to this women leaders’ session. Together, I look forward to recognizing great examples of peace leaders in the Global Peace Women network. We will also have the chance to meet each other, develop relationships, and network.

Since my involvement with the Global Peace Foundation, I’ve shared the speaking platform with Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, and people from a variety of faith traditions. Even before then, traveling around the world as a Christian, my husband and I have raised our children.
to respect and interact with people from different cultures, religions, and races. My life has been rich and full of blessings because I loved people who are different than me with the understanding that we are all created by God—we are all one family under God.

More important than our differences is the love that God has for each of us, the peace dream that we share, and our common effort to be good role models in the family and in society. I hope that each of us will receive great blessings and joy from meeting with and working alongside principled women leaders gathered here from around the globe. Please take advantage of this opportunity to open your hearts and support each other in the important work of peacebuilding.

Again, I congratulate this significant women's summit for building peace together under the dream of "One Family under God," as well as the vision and message of "Peace begins in the Home." More than anything, through our love and sincere efforts, I believe that there is enough strength and potential to bring about healthy and beautiful change for the world.

God bless, and thank you.
Pamela C. De Guzman is national treasurer of Inner Wheel of the Philippines Foundation. She was recipient of an Outstanding Manager Award wherein she was the First to attain the Billionaires Circle in her area. De Guzman served as President of the Inner Wheel Club of Marikina from 2013-2015 for a two-year term. She earned her degree of Bachelor of Arts, Major in Political Science in University of Baguio and is now working with the biggest universal bank, Metrobank. She is married to a Marikenian, Efren O. De Guzman.
Music, the arts, and media are powerful agents for communicating values and inspiring social change. Understanding the potential of cultural media to move people’s hearts, GPW is hosting the first ever screening of JUN AI in the Philippines. The lm is a compelling story of one woman’s unconditional love in overcoming conflict between China and Japan after World War II. Following the screening, lead actress, script writer, executive producer and founder of the JUN AI World Peace Foundation, Keiko Kobayashi, will make remarks on how women-led initiatives in culture and the arts can promote peace.
**Schedule**

March 1st

4:00pm - 6:20pm
Room: (Executive 7&9)

**Moderator:**
**Kathy Velayo Yulo** Former President, Association of International College Women, Philippines

**Welcoming Remarks and Introduction to the Session and Movie** Moderator

**Film Screening**

**Greetings: Keiko Kobayashi** Chair, JUN AI World Peace Foundation, Japan

**Closing Remarks: Rachel Murray**
Director of Music, Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, United States
Kathy Velayo Yulo manages businesses in the field of exhibit and convention organizing as well as contracting. Prior to being a business owner and manager, she worked in management consulting, sales, and convention management. For 15 years, she was Center Manager, Philippines for the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS), which is based in Philadelphia, USA. She also served as president of the Association of International College Women and the American Women’s Club of the Philippines and the board of the Muntinlupa Development Foundation – a community development foundation formed in 1976.
Greetings

KEIKO KOBAYASHI
Chair, JUN AI World Peace
Foundation
Japan
(see page 63 for bio)

ABOUT JUN AI WORLD PEACE FOUNDATION

JUN AI World Peace Foundation (JWPF) is a NPO which aims to create world peace and a bright future for children through screenings of JUN AI and exchanges, which initiates a civic collaborative social-art movement “JUN AI Project” to develop world peace.

Vision
“One Bond on Earth” - JWPF aims to create One Bond with each single member of the human race like family, friends or follows beyond any differences on earth during our generation.

Mission #1
“One Film Creates One Bond” - JWPF conducts screenings of JUN AI and exchanges so that the movie develops human bond with diverse people under unconditional love which is a theme of the film.
Mission #2
“Support Children for Bright Future” - JWPF believes that human bonds can transcend generations to expand the bond. We support children who will create the future together with those who we have met during the screenings and exchanges.

What We Do
(1) Have screenings of JUN AI and exchanges
(2) Produce Multi Language subtitles
(3) Support children in building an elementary school and kindergarten and providing education materials and stationery
(4) Fundraise for JUN AI Screening Fund and Children Fund
(5) Produce the next film “JUN AI the future”
Closing Remarks

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To create a new women’s leadership culture for peace and development, women need to learn the relationship skills that will enable them to become agents of change, both in their home and in the community. In this special training conducted by Patty Howell, President of Healthy Relationships California, with more than 30 years’ experience in 14 countries, participants will learn the skills for transforming the quality of relationships within the family and beyond. Healthy Relationships California is a preeminent relationship education organization that has served more than 200,000 teens and adults.
**SCHEDULE**

March 2nd

9:00am -10:30am

Room: (Executive 7&9)

**Moderator: Monica V. Chipeco**
Director, GPW Philippines

**Welcoming Remarks and Introduction to the Session and Trainer:**
**Monica V. Chipeco**
Director, GPW Philippines

**Training Session: Patty Howell**
President,
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**Closing Remarks:**
**Dr. Soonok Kang**
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Monica Villar Chipeco is the Director of Global Peace Women Philippines. She is the President and Managing Director of Wing On International Tours and Travel Corporation, and the Vice President of the Mareco Broadcasting Corporation 105.1 Crossover. She earned her Master of Business Administration in Tourism at Eulogio Amang Rodriguez Institute of Science and Technology. She is also an active member of the Catholic Women’s League, Zonta Club of Greater Rizal, Inner Wheel Club of Central Ortigas, and All Nations Women’s Group.
Patty Howell is President of Healthy Relationships California/Healthy Relationships International, and President of World Class Relationships LLC. She is co-author of World Class Marriage and Impact Report: Research on the Impact of Relationship and Marriage Education Programs in California. She has developed many curricula, including the World Class Relationships family of programs. She has taught relationship skills programs to participants and trained instructors in 14 countries. She is the recipient of the Smart Marriages Impact Award, and has been made an honorary citizen of Wuhan, China for her work in creating the Sino-American Friendship Garden in Wuhan.
Healthy Relationships California / Healthy Relationships International

Healthy Relationships California is the preeminent relationship skills training organization in the United States, with an outstanding 11-year record of having taught more than 200,000 participants in evidence-based Relationship Education programs.

HRC’s accomplishments include: 1) Creating a network of local partners for whom we provide training and technical assistance in all components of Relationship Education (RE) program delivery; 2) An outstanding and passionate staff headed by recognized leaders in the RE field; 3) Unparalleled experience delivering RE programs to adults and teenagers; 4) A portfolio of innovative and award-winning program-support materials; 5) A library of evidence-based curricula with proven applicability across a wide spectrum of language, education, income, and cultural differences; 6) Innovative best practices that support cost-effective program delivery; 7) Unprecedented levels of government funding for our work; 8) Extensive outcome data on program effectiveness from the largest multi-year outcome research study on Relationship Education programs; 9) Capacity to develop a range of innovative programs for special audiences and applications; 10) Extensive experience providing training, technical assistance, program materials, and research support to individuals and organizations.

Our vision is a world filled with people who communicate successfully and caringly with each other… who have the skills that enable families to be healthy, children to thrive, peace to prevail, and societies to achieve their full potential.

From our work teaching Relationship Education programs to many thousands of Californians… across all ages and ethnicities, all income and educational levels, through hundreds of institutions, in many languages—including English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Hmong, Armenian, Farsi—in a wide variety of curricula, as well as from conducting the largest and most comprehensive cross-site, cross-program research on Relationship Education programs, we know that RE works. From this capacity and our vision of bringing RE to the four corners of the world, Healthy Relationships International was born.

The internationally-renowned team at Healthy Relationships International (HRI), a division of Healthy Relationships California, has more than 75 years combined experience in successfully launching and developing RE programs in over 100 communities on 4 continents.

HRC is passionate about Relationship Education as a highly cost-effective means for having widespread positive impact on people and their relationships and for creating peace in the family, the community, and the world. www.RelationshipsCA.org
INVESTING IN THE SKILLS FOR CREATING PEACE

Outline

1. Premise: That to create a new women’s leadership culture for peace and development, our task is to empower women as agents of change for peace—in the relationships with their partner, their children, and within the community.

2. Research on impact of marriage/relationship breakdown and key social factors:
   a. Health Impact
   b. Children’s Health
   c. Poverty
   d. Children’s Achievement at School
   e. Teen At-Risk Behaviors
   f. Father Involvement
   g. Productivity at Work

3. Taxpayer Cost of Family Fragmentation—estimated costs to State/Country.

4. Building a women’s leadership culture for peace by empowering women—fostering their growth and their ability to help others grow.

5. The conditions necessary for growth—within women themselves, within their relationships, within their families, within the community:
   a. Empathy
   b. Acceptance
   c. Genuineness

6. The Structure of a World Class Relationship
   a. 3 Foundational Conditions
   b. The 16 Pillars of a World Class Relationship.

7. Teaching women how to create these conditions.

8. The 3 key skills for creating peace at home and empowering women to step up as agents of peace in the community:
   a. Hear the Message
   b. Speak the Truth
   c. Work It Out

9. Hear the Message: Power Listening Skills
   a. Power Listening Lite—exercise

10. Speak the Truth: Non-blameful Confrontation Skill

11. Work It Out: Conflict Resolution Skill

12. Evidence for effectiveness of these Relationship Skills

13. Return on Investment for the Relationship Education programs

14. Identifying Your Goals—exercise

15. Steps You Can Take—exercise
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**WORKSHEET**

**Skills for Creating a Culture of Peace in the Family, Community, and the World**

**The Definition of a World Class Relationship**

A World Class Relationship is a dynamic and special relationship filled with caring and trust, grounded in the knowledge that all parties bring to that relationship a commitment to ways of living and relating that nurture the growth, happiness, and satisfaction of all.

--by Patty Howell & Ralph Jones Co-developers of the World Class Relationships family of resources

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The 3 Keys to World Class Communication

1. **Hear the Message**
   (Listen with empathy to gain deep understanding and closeness.)

2. **Speak the Truth**
   (Communicate honestly about what you are experiencing.)

3. **Work It Out**
   (Discuss and problem-solve issues, rather than avoiding them or being angry.)

Materials from the World Class Relationships family of resources:

- **World Class Marriage**
- **World Class Relationships**
- **World Class Relationships for Work & Home**
- **World Class Communication**
- **Raising World Class Kids**

World Class Relationships resources are available through Healthy Relationships California

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Art is a very important and effective method of creating a peaceful culture. Through the use of beautiful imagery and music, artists convey their messages in a powerful way to people of all backgrounds and walks of life.
GPW believes that paintings are a type of “language” that have the ability to speak beyond words, penetrating the differences that divide the human family. Through imprinting a strong message in the hearts of the viewers, paintings leave the viewers feeling connected to each other, thereby supporting the process of peace.

All of the participating artists in this exhibition are committed to building peace. In your walk through the show, as you observe the paintings, you may see and feel the artists’ desire to contribute to peace through their works. This humble exhibition is a great place to meet with artists who are leaders in their own right, where we can all share our common goal to build lasting peace.

We particularly collected artwork that promote the themes of “women” and “peace begins in the home” at this convention. Furthermore, GPW intentionally chose to feature these types of paintings on all of our promotional materials, such as the cover image of this booklet, our holiday card, campaign images, and others. These images were selected to represent and promote the development of women-initiated peacebuilding, such as family gatherings, cultivating respectful relationships between women and men, and uplifting women’s inner beauty and strength in order to raise healthy families and create a better world.
Eun was especially attracted to art, and so started studying art at the age of 12 in Sunhwa Art Academy, where she began to receive formal education. Afterwards, she received a more higher-level education as an artist at Ewha Womans University and Chungang Graduate University. She had three solo art exhibitions in Korea, as well as three other shows in the U.S., Malaysia, and Japan. After having returned to Korea last year, she is now pursuing a practice of futuristic art work, based on her experience and knowledge from visiting foreign countries. As a housewife, she also believes that art can change the mind and behavior of a person in the home.

Mini series: 
*The Promise*, 2011 - present

“Every form of life has its own rigid part of mind towards peace. Such nature is lyrically expressed in this series based on our pursuit for peace".
Lee spent more than 20 years working in NGOs and broadened the perspectives of human beings as well as the world through her various experiences. Currently, she is General Manager of GPW and Global Peace Foundation-Korea, and she is the Director of the National SafeNet for Children and Women (NSCW).

Lee believes that humans and nature are all linked to love. From 2010, she has been describing her feelings about this relationship between humans and nature in her own artwork. Lee’s work perfectly conveys her warm heart towards nature.

“I believe that people and nature are connected by love. I hope you can see and feel that love by looking at my paintings.”
Mr. D. Amgalan (1993-2009) is State Laureate and National painter of Mongolia, and he worked at the College of Fine Arts for 40 years. During that time, Amgalan was elected twice as a deputy of the National People’s Congress. From 1963, Mr. D. Amgalan educated more than 500 young painters and students.

*Hello, Mother?*, 1962

The painting shows a mother figure bringing precious mineral water home, under the eternal sun. There is also a happily welcoming and awaiting child that recently learned how to walk.

For many Mongolians, the artwork conveys family peace, mother and child love, and also represents compassion and happiness.
Munkhjin is a 16-year old 9th grade student of “Od” Complex High School in Darkhan-Uul province. This young artist has been making paper-cutting artworks in his free time for 3 years now. Munkhjin lives in a “Children of Sun” foster house in 15th Bagh of Darkhan-Uul province.

"The picture expresses the deep love of mother and child. And by looking at this artwork, you will recognize that this is a Mongolian mother and her child."
Manandhar is a freelance artist based in Nepal. She works predominantly with digital media to create digital paintings. Besides doing illustrations, she also volunteers and works for various social causes. She graduated from St. Xavier's College with a Bachelor's Degree in Arts and Social Work.

"...The angel holds her halo close to her stomach even though it burns her hands, because she is providing warmth to the child struggling inside. Even though she's standing in darkness, she still sees hope, or rather, she creates her own hope."
Rajbhandari is considered to be one of the finest artists of Nepal. She has been serving the country in the field of the arts for more than 30 years. She is a tremendous artist and activist who has been pushing art into a different level. She worked professionally as the first cartoonist, as the Multimedia Communication Producer. Also, she is the co-founder of the Universal College art department.

“The painting is an interpretation of my feelings as a mother. When you become a parent, the one thing you can always count on is the constancy of change and adaptation in your life.”
Caprara is an award-winning artist and writer, who serves as an editor and writer at the Woodson Center in Washington D.C. and writes a weekly column for the local newspaper in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Her oil and acrylic paintings often depict a subject encountered in travels with her husband, and convey an uplifting aspect of the human spirit.

“This painting, titled *Making Do*, is one of a series of women at work in Africa and highlights a spirit of determination and resilience... Providing sustenance, comfort, and guidance, she, and women throughout the world, play a crucial role in promoting peace at home and throughout society.”
Ohnshil Kim earned her Bachelor’s degree in fine arts from the Maryland Institute College of Art. Kim has passion for both art and service. She interned as an art teacher at the Mount Royal Elementary/Middle School and volunteered for many different service programs within various non-profit organizations, such as the Global Peace Youth Corps and Service For Peace, focusing on areas of art. Currently, Kim makes illustrations to support the works of Global Peace Women.

"...Gardening is a great educational activity with many benefits to one's development and health. It is a great opportunity to learn to care for our planet as part of the global community and feel joy, beauty, and gratitude from the splendor of God’s creation. I hope my artwork can give hope and inspiration to people to work towards the goal of world peace and happiness starting from their homes."
“I (Christopher Mwangi Kingori) am an artist from Nairobi County. I started doing art at the tender age of 6 years. Due to financial challenges, I wasn’t able to finish my high school education and therefore dropped in my 3rd year. At the age of 17 years, I decided to venture into business. I started creating art and selling my work to my friends and neighbors. I now have a business of my own and have employed 3 young people with whom I work. My work ranges from portraits, cultural arts, realistic art, imagination art, abstract art, and knife paintings.”
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Artist, Uganda
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CHILDREN’S BOOKS FOR PEACE
GPW truly believes that “Peace Begins in the Home,” and we have been utilizing many avenues to convey this message and contribute to the peacebuilding process. Here at GPC Manila 2017, we are excited to showcase a great tool women can use to build a peaceful culture from home: children’s books.

One of the mother’s critical roles (which is not to say that fathers are excluded from this responsibility) is raising our next generation as a peacebuilding generation. People begin constructing their value systems from when they are very young, and their perspectives and behaviors are largely shaped within their homes, especially by their mothers’ education. Therefore, GPW selected children’s books as an effective tool that can be utilized to teach the concept and values of peace. Mothers regularly reading to their children about peace can instill in the children the aspiration of peace, and foster behaviors of practicing peace in everyday life.

This exhibit features children’s books from 8 different countries. Although they come in different languages, styles, and cultural backgrounds, all of them show the intention to introduce the perspective of peace within the readers, and encourage children to practice peace through loving others and respecting one another.

We want to encourage mothers and sisters everywhere to take initiative to sit down and read with children, even for just 10 minutes a day. Through getting enveloped in the endearing storylines and admiring the colorful illustrations together with children, you can create an environment conducive to learning about peace, and change the future of these children by planting the seed of peace within them. Through the daily practice of peace, these children may eventually grow to become wonderful peacemakers.
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Always With You
South Korea

What is the power to overcome the wounds of war? "Kim, come here. Do not be afraid. I'll always be there.

Kim's mother, a four-year-old girl, breathes while leaving her horses when her home town is bombed. Kim was left alone with fear and fright. Later, Kim was found by soldiers and sent to an orphanage. Kim, who has lived with other boys and girls in the orphanage, regains the courage to resume slowly. I remember the words of my deceased mother and I am looking for the stability of my heart.

This story, which actually happened in Vietnam, tells us a real, horrible and sad story of war. But my mother's words, which break through horribly difficult situations, give young readers calm and deeply move them. It is love and hope that moves the world.

Helping Heart
Nepal

This book shows how each member of the family helps each other.
Mongol Ger
Mongolia
This book represents the Mongolian national nomadic lifestyle, conveys family happiness, and shows details and introduction to Mongolian national gers (round tent homes).

Don’t Cry, Jacob
Kenya
Jacob (Yakobo) is a 2nd grade student who is HIV+. The students know his status and have refused to sit near him, shake his hand, or even help him with stationary when he needs it. Jacob is sad because of the stigma that is attached to him and discrimination he is going through, and one day the class teacher finds him crying. The teacher embraces him to show the rest of the class that HIV can not be transmitted by sitting near him or shaking his hand. She encourages the students to maintain friendships with him and even play with him in the field. The students are happy to learn that they can play with him and study together without getting the virus. Jacob is accepted by his friends and even makes a new friend to sit with him in class. He is happy and studies well.
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Peace
United States

This lavish and lyrical picture book based on the Tao Te Ching ponders the eternal question: How can we bring peace to the world?

Radiating tenderness and reflecting the influence of eastern philosophies, a compilation of exquisite illustrations and wisely chosen words reveals the heart of where peace truly must originate: within ourselves. The beautifully intricate artwork, with tiny, precisely rendered details of life across the globe, complements the spare and powerful text that includes quotations from famous peacemakers. And with each reading, you’ll find something else to notice—such as the visual storylines that subtly play out across the pages.

Poetic and soothing, Peace is a masterful exploration of the true path to world peace and serves as a perfect springboard to discussions about bullying, conflict resolution, and right actions.
GPW International Advisory Council member Dr. Nona Ricafort and GPW Philippines leaders will host visiting women leaders from abroad in their homes for a traditional Filipino dinner and entertainment. This exchange will allow for networking and learning about each other’s culture, as well as promote understanding on a personal level. Hosts will have the opportunity to share the beauty of Filipino culture with their sisters from around the world, and guests will learn about the family customs and traditions of their Filipino counterparts. These types of memorable experiences allow participants to open their hearts and build the culture of One Family under God.
GPW understands that world peace cannot be built alone. Rather, we need like-minded women leaders to work together toward the vision of One Family Under God. The Global Peace Women Leaders Networking Luncheon will provide a special opportunity to build relationships with leaders of diverse professional backgrounds from more than 12 countries. Participants will develop sisterhood bonds over mealtime. They will also share informally about their work and discuss how to collaborate together in the same professional sector.
Please join us at the GPW Booth for the Peace Begins in the Home campaign by taking photos, writing messages, and uploading them from our convention to your social media!

"What can you do to promote world peace?
...

Go home and love your family"

- Mother Teresa
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