

#### TRUE LOVE:

Every February, giant heart-shaped balloons and red roses pop up in stores across the country, heralding the arrival of Valentine's Day. It is a celebration of love that, like most other holidays, has lost in depth and meaning by becoming overly commercialized. But here at WFWP, we want to celebrate the original value of love, in its many dimensions, as a guiding principle of peace. In the excerpt below, WFWP co-founder Mother Moon shares her thoughts on what true love really means:

"There is an old saying to the effect, "When one's family is harmonious, all goes well." What this means is that the family is the basis of peace. And the most important factor in forming such a family is true love. The word "love" has various meanings. However, I'm speaking here about true love, which refers to the absolute love centered on God. In other words, true love is to love even someone who seems impossible to love, and thus, in true love you have no choice except to love even your enemies. Furthermore, true love is the sacrificial love of even giving one's own life for others. Therefore, in true love the antagonisms and conflicts among individuals and among societies or nations are completely transcended and dispersed. With true love we can achieve true peace.

When God created human beings, why did God create them as man and woman, each to become the object partner of the other? It was because of true love. It was so that, in the midst of that true love, the husband can share love with his wife and the wife with her husband. When the husband and wife share horizontal love with one another in this way, they come to possess the love of God, the origin of the husband and the wife."

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## FAITH AND FAMILY: FOURTH GATHERING OF THE INTERRELIGIOUS SHARING SERIES IN DENVER, CO

On a cold January afternoon, a warm home, delicious food and welcoming hosts served as the ideal setting for an intimate gathering of representatives of different faiths to share safely and openly about their personal experiences, establish valuable common ground and exchange thoughts and ideas. The fourth meeting of our Interreligious Sharing Series was characterized by a more spontaneous and natural flow of faith-related questions rather than a pre-set theme like previous meetings.

Mike and Jennie Preece, interfaith leaders of The Church of Jesus Christ of The Latter-day Saints, graciously hosted the event in their beautiful home on January 23rd...

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WFWP USA wholeheartedly congratulates our co-founders Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon and her late husband, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, on their 76th and 99th birthday!

Wishing our Mother and Leader of Peace a very happy, healthy and long life, and that she may be able to see the fruit of their tremendous labor for peace over the last five decades! February 10, 2019

## WHAT IT TAKES TO RECONCILE BLACK AND WHITE AMERICA, PART 1



In honor of Black History Month, we are releasing this two-part series on reconciliation, filmed last August during a WFWP USA leadership retreat.

Watch this POWERFUL raw video of what it takes to RECONCILE BLACK AND WHITE AMERICA, as told through the personal journey of our WFWP USA President Angelika Selle. Part 2 will be told by our Vice President Juanita Pierre-Louis in our Logic of Love Newsletter at the end of February.

Both REPENTANCE and FORGIVENESS are keys to heal the pain and denial of the past and present, to create the bright future we have been missing - one of the deepest bonds of love, respect, joy, and friendship.

Warning: This video addresses the painful history of slavery in the United States and may evoke strong emotional reactions.

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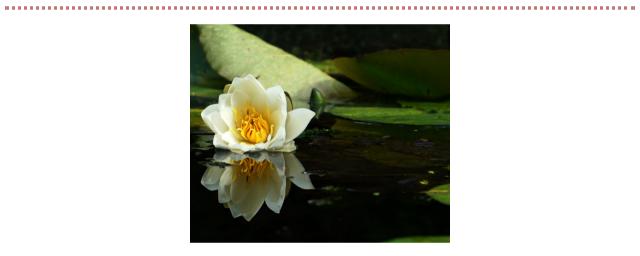


#### **GETTING READY FOR CSW63**

The 63rd session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) is less than a month away and WFWP staff are busy making final preparations for a whirlwind of exciting events. What exactly is the CSW and what can we look forward to during these two weeks in March?

Established in 1946, the commission is an intergovernmental body focused on women's rights and gender equality and hosts a two-week session each year to highlight important issues for women and girls...





HAIKU SUITE FOR SPRING by Godgal

#### As we wait for warmer days, please enjoy these lovely poems on spring:

#### spring breeze a drizzle blurs the pond's dark water

sunlit mist over the pond's silence first dragonfly

bubbles on the pond's surface first water lily bloom

croaking frog all that I do for a glimpse of you

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## TEN TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR FRIEND WITH CANCER

Showing people you care is especially important in the tough times, but it's not always easy to know where to start. How do you comfort a loved one struggling with something as life-altering as cancer? This was the question that led WFWP southwest regional chairwoman Shirley Chimes to connect to the nonprofit CanCare.

A survivor by your side.

Recently, while waiting in my doctor's office, I picked up a flyer about cancer by an organization called CanCare that I want to share with our readers. Not knowing how to talk to a friend who has recently been diagnosed with breast cancer, I read it eagerly. CanCare has more than 600 trained volunteers and the organization kindly agreed to let us re-publish their flyer in our newsletter. May it give you hope and encouragement...



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# TAKE ON THE 'BECOME A FRIEND' CHALLENGE



## HOW TO COMPLETE THE BECOME A FRIEND CHALLENGE

Are you excited every time you open your inbox and find a new edition of the Logic of Love newsletter? Are you passionate about sharing the good work that WFWP is doing around the country and want to tell your friends and co-workers about it? Then this article is for you!

Last month we invited our readers to take up the Become A Friend challenge as a new year's resolution and sign up ten people for the bimonthly Logic of Love newsletter. One of our readers eagerly responded to the challenge but wished to have some tips on how to achieve it, which prompted me to create this non-exhaustive list...

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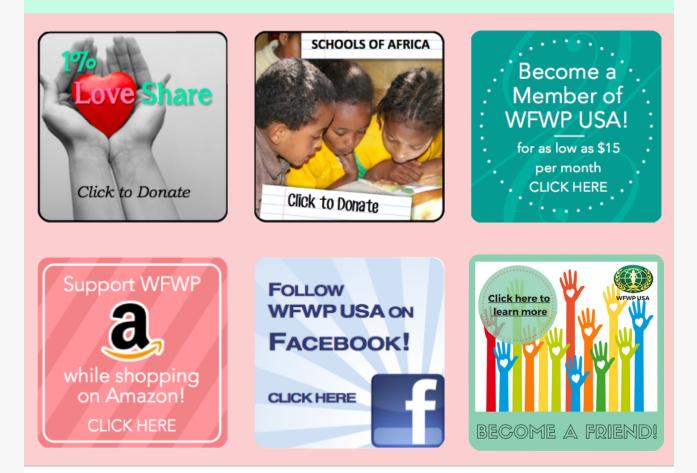
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### Upcoming WFWP Events: Global and Local



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