



### President's Corner: Reflecting the Heart of our Creator

Dear beloved friends and families,

This month of May has been quite rich and significant in many ways, especially as we look back on the exciting new activities and projects WFWP USA was able to launch and to engage in during this time and in the midst of the current lock-down.

Above and beyond the projects themselves, there seems to be the same spiritual message coming through, which is simply: LIVING FOR THE SAKE OF OTHERS.

In this issue you will find most articles relate to that theme. One such example is the Giving for Good project initiated by our Senior Vice-President, Dr. Sun Jin Moon, who prayerfully conceived this project of reselling clothes and other items to create funds during this time of crisis...

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#### WFWP Girls send Bags of Love to frontline workers

On a blustery and rainy day in early May, a group of bright young ladies set out to deliver bags filled with homemade cards and goodies to frontline workers at the Trinitas Medical Center in Elizabeth, New Jersey. WFWP Girls, an initiative that was launched by the WFWP Elizabeth chapter three years ago with the vision of spreading peace by living through the logic of love, had a strong desire to offer their support and bring joy to the healthcare workers who are fighting tirelessly to defeat the COVID-19 virus day in and day out.

After deciding to create individual care bags that they dubbed "Bags of Love", the project took off rather quickly, and in just a few days the girls had made more than 60 inspiring cards filled with messages of gratitude...

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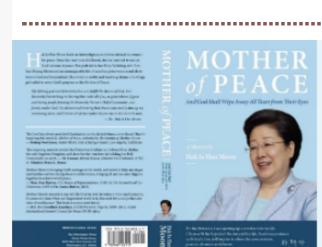


#### #GivingforGood Launches in America

Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWP) founder Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, affectionately known as the Mother of Peace, is among a growing number of people donating clothes for a good cause with its recently launched campaign "Giving for Good." Inspired by her daughter Dr. Sun Jin Moon, WFWP International senior vice president, the new initiative not only declutters closets while reselling clothes, it also benefits the environment.

"Sun Jin was thinking about how to help during this time of the Covid-19 crisis," said WFWP-USA President Angelika Selle. "That's when she thought of selling pre-owned clothes." Selle said reselling clothing is a way for people to potentially offset personal economic hardship while also giving back. Participating sellers can easily list their items on any social media platform using the how-to guide and decluttering tips provided on WFWP-USA's Giving for Good campaign website, and opt to donate a percentage of the sale to the organization...

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## Mother Moon's memoir is coming out next week!

We hope you will join us in reading and sharing her incredible story.

Stay tuned and check our Facebook page for all the latest updates.



#### Interview with WFWP USA: What is Mother's heart?

On Thursday, May 21st, WFWP USA President Angelika Selle and Outreach Coordinator Kiyomi Schmidt gave an in-depth interview on the radio show "Buhay-Buhay sa Amerika" hosted by Rhia Luz.

Among other things, they spoke about the anticipated launch of Mother Moon's book, the new #GivingforGood project and the ways that WFWP continues to inspire women across the country, including young women leaders. Click below to see the whole interview!

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<u>Healing, Hope and Encouragement: Gathering for</u> <u>the National Day of Prayer</u>

The National Day of Prayer has long been observed in the United States on the first Thursday of May to encourage people of all faiths to pray for the nation. As our country is facing a great challenge at this time that has affected all of our lives, more and more people are turning to prayer. In observance of this special day, seven individuals representing four faith traditions gathered on Zoom to uplift the nation on May 2nd, 2020.

The prayer gathering, which was hosted by WFWP Colorado representative Gale Alves and her husband Antonio, focused on offering words of encouragement and prayers for the healing of our cities, nation and world, and to spread the spirit of hope, compassion and encouragement...

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## Schools of Africa update: Handow Secondary School expresses gratitude for much-needed support

Thanks to our generous donors all around the country, Women's Federation for World Peace USA was recently able to send a donation of \$10,000 to

for World Peace USA was recently able to send a donation of \$10,000 to the Handow Secondary School in Lugari, Kenya. This educational institution is one of ten schools in Africa that WFWP has been supporting annually as part of the Schools of Africa project.

Founded in 1998, Handow Secondary School is located in an impoverished rural area far from the capital Nairobi. The local population depends mainly on crop farming and livestock, and access to quality education is very limited. Despite all the challenges, including a lack of electricity and running water, with the help of WFWP, Handow school has been able to grow and develop, graduating more than 2100 students, and it continues to make a lasting impact on the students, teachers, staff, their families and the community at large...

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### Global Women's Peace Network Presents: Reflect. Reset. Rebuild



After officially launching the Global Women's Peace Network in five regions across the United States last year, this project is now entering the next level. WFWP USA is excited to announce the first live, interactive GWPN event series called "Reflect. Reset. Rebuild" on May 27th, 2020.

For the next three months we will be diving into important issues and topics related to our current times. To kick off the first event of the series, we will be talking all things life and business...

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### Colorado Interreligious Sharing Series moves online

Two years ago, in April 2018, WFWP Colorado representative Gale Alves launched the Interreligious Sharing Series in Denver, Colorado, together with her husband Antonio (see article). Passionate about Father and Mother Moon's vision for a peaceful world that brings various faith traditions together in harmony, the Alves couple successfully continued the series after they moved to Grand Junction, Colorado, and even the global pandemic hasn't stopped them. The interreligious program is continuing online!

On April 21st, 2020, Antonio and Gale Alves hosted their first Interreligious Sharing gathering via Zoom. Six spiritual leaders attended from the following faith-based organizations: Baha' i, the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints, the Heart of Junction Christian church and Family Federation for World Peace. The leaders of the Two Rivers Mosque and the Dharma Mountain Zen Center could not join and instead sent in their contributions, which were read aloud during the meeting...

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## Upcoming WFWP Events: Global and Local

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