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Universal Peace Federation is an NGO in General Consultative Status with the UN ECOSOC. Together with our global network of ambassadors for peace we are working towards building a more peaceful world.



This week, as we observe UN Disarmament Week and the 80th Anniversary of the United Nations, we reflect on eight decades of commitment to global dialogue, cooperation, and security. The Universal Peace Federation (UPF) reaffirms its support for the UN’s vision for a world united through service, moral leadership, and dialogue. This reminds us that lasting peace begins with faith in human dignity and shared responsibility.

October has long been significant in UPF’s history. In 2005, Founders Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon inaugurated the Baltic region in Vilnius, Lithuania, declaring that true freedom exists for the common good. Their tour continued to Warsaw and Prague, spreading messages of moral renewal and peace. UPF has since hosted interfaith conferences in Israel, African peace conferences, and youth initiatives across Europe and Asia, demonstrating that dialogue, education, and collaboration are vital for reconciliation and unity.

Today, Ambassadors for Peace and partner organizations continue this work worldwide through forums, interfaith dialogues, and volunteer programs. Many align their efforts with UN Disarmament Week, emphasizing that peace is not only the reduction of weapons but also the moral act of disarming prejudice and fear. UPF’s message remains clear: global peace begins with individual conscience and service, and connecting local action with international ideals makes the dream of a peaceful world a reality.

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## Religious Leaders Unite for Faith and Freedom



On October 16, 2025, the Universal Peace Federation (UPF), FFWPU-Capital Family Church, and ACLC hosted the “Peace Starts With Me Alliance” Religious Freedom Prayer Luncheon at The Washington Times building. Despite only a week’s notice, 40 faith and community leaders gathered to support religious liberty and interfaith solidarity, focusing on the detention of Mother Han, co-founder of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, and other Christian leaders in South Korea.

Dr. Achile Acolatse, Southeast Region Director, called the gathering an urgent reminder to defend freedom of faith, while Dr. Michael Jenkins, UPF-North America President, highlighted Mother Han’s decades-long work promoting peace, dialogue, and humanitarian efforts. Leaders from Christianity, Islam, and Sikhism offered prayers, shared messages of solidarity, and coordinated special prayer services to advocate for justice and freedom.

The event exemplified the unifying power of faith, showing that when communities come together, they can inspire hope, protect religious rights, and advance peace for all.

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## AMBASSADOR FOR PEACE SPOTLIGHT

Eric Zuley

**Founder & CEO, eZWay Network | CMO, Better Vision  
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UPF proudly recognizes Ambassador Dr. Eric J. Zuley, a 22-time award-winning entrepreneur, media innovator, and philanthropist, for his dedication to uplifting others and advancing peace through technology and influence. As Founder and CEO of eZWay Network, Dr. Zuley leads a global multimedia platform connecting entrepreneurs, influencers, and changemakers through service, empowerment, and unity. He also serves as Chief Marketing Officer for Better Vision for Children, the National Social Media Awards Los Angeles, and Non Profit TV, and is the Executive Producer of the eZWay Awards Golden Gala. Recognized by Family Film Awards Founder Dr. Olympia Gellini as the next “Digital Dick Clark,” Dr. Zuley’s eZWayNews.com has reached more than 12 million global viewers, while his “Gold for God” movement transforms red carpets into gold carpets that celebrate goodness and faith.

This year, Dr. Zuley is collaborating with Mr. Nasser Zomorod, UPF Southern California Director, to appoint new Ambassadors for Peace, including Dr. Dante Sears, Dr. James Zuley, Kate Linder, Henry Tillman, Gabriel Cannon, and other leaders dedicated to promoting goodwill and unity. Looking ahead, UPF-USA and eZWay TV will partner to air *The Washington Brief* TV Series, led by UPF-USA Chairman Dr. Michael Jenkins, available soon on the free eZWay TV app, another inspiring step toward connecting hearts, media, and peace.

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## LAPD Celebrates United Nations Day with UPF



On United Nations Day, October 24, the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) reaffirms its mission to build “one human family under God.” Founded by Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, UPF holds consultative status with the UN, enabling it to bring local peace initiatives into global discussions on human dignity and cooperation.

Earlier this October, UPF Los Angeles hosted the “Faith in Blue” event with Ambassadors for Peace, local ministers, LAPD officers, and community leaders, fostering dialogue and collaboration to strengthen community safety and harmony. Across the U.S., UPF’s Ambassadors for Peace continue to lead interfaith and civic initiatives, showing that peace is built one action, one relationship, and one community at a time.

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## Salisbury Mayor Inaugurates Peace Road Day



Salisbury Mayor Randolph J. Taylor officially inaugurated Peace Road Day in Salisbury, MD on October 11, 2025. The community came together in a powerful display of faith, unity, and hope for peace. Hosted by the Universal Peace Federation (UPF), founded by Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, the event highlighted UPF's vision of "one human family under God" and its mission to transform communities through interfaith dialogue and action.

The day featured uplifting music by the Canvas Church Worship Team, inspiring peace messages from Christian, Muslim, and Jewish leaders, and a proclamation from Mayor Randolph J. Taylor designating October 12th as Peace Road Day. UPF-USA President Dr. Michael Jenkins appointed new Ambassadors for Peace, including Mayor Taylor, who are dedicated to fostering reconciliation, unity, and the ethic of "living for the sake of others."

The celebration concluded with a 0.8-mile Peace Walk, bringing together ministers, Ambassadors for Peace, civic leaders, and 100 participants in a tangible expression of shared commitment to harmony and hope. Salisbury Peace Road showed how UPF and its Ambassadors turn the dream of peace into real-world action.

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# Universal Peace Federation Honors the United Nations and Its Legacy of Peace

This week aligns with UN Disarmament Week and the 80th Anniversary of the United Nations, marking eight decades of commitment to international dialogue and collective security. These observances offer a moment to reaffirm shared values of cooperation, trust, and responsibility that unite nations and communities.



As the world reflects on these milestones, the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) reaffirms its support for the vision of the United Nations, a vision of peace through service, moral leadership, and dialogue across all boundaries. These ideals echo the goals of the International Year of Peace and Trust 2025, reminding us that global security begins with renewed faith in human dignity and conscience.

The final week of October has often been a meaningful time in UPF's history. On October 23 to 24, 2005, the Founders, Dr. Hak Ja Han and Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, visited Vilnius, Lithuania, as part of the inaugural world tour of the Universal Peace Federation that covered 120 nations across all continents. In Vilnius, they held the inauguration for the Baltic region. Speaking before 700 participants at the Forum Palace, they proclaimed that *true freedom exists for the sake of the common good, not individual gain*.

After the Vilnius inauguration, the Founders continued the world tour to Warsaw, Poland, on October 25 and to Prague, Czech Republic, on October 26, extending the message of peace and moral renewal across Central Europe.

From October 29 to 31, 2007, UPF convened an inter-religious leadership conference in Tiberias, Israel. The gathering brought together Jewish, Christian, Muslim, and Druze representatives overlooking the Sea of Galilee, illustrating that faith can serve as a bridge for reconciliation. Of particular note, Sheikh Moafak Tarif played a pivotal role by rallying eighty-eight Druze sheikhs, scholars, and community leaders to participate, lending the conference significant Druze representation and influence.

Eight years later, on October 29 to 30, 2015, UPF-Ghana and UPF-Nigeria co-hosted the African Peace Conference in Accra, in partnership with the African Centre for Peace Building. Professor Edwin Korley, Dr. Helen Osei, and



peacebuilder Korsi Senyo led discussions on “Peace, Security, and Human Development in Africa,” emphasizing moral education and cooperation among youth and civil society.

In Asia, the first Asian Media Conference concluded in Bangkok on October 26, 2013, with participants from twelve nations discussing “*The Role of the Media in Building Nations of Peace*.” Journalists and editors, including Dr. Robert Kittel and Dr. Chung Sik Yong, visited The Nation Group headquarters to explore the role of responsible journalism in advancing social harmony across ASEAN countries.

That same week in Europe, young activists from nine nations gathered in Malta (October 20–27, 2013) for the youth program “*Creating Change*,” co-organized by UPF Europe and the Middle East, Kids 4 Peace Jerusalem, and the U2o Volunteer Network Cairo, supported by the European Commission’s Youth in Action Programme. Participants from the Mediterranean, the Middle East, and Northern Europe designed cross-cultural initiatives and artistic projects to foster understanding. Their spirit echoed the words of UPF Founder Dr. Sun Myung Moon:

“When young people inspired by true love dedicate themselves to sacrifice and service, they can begin to heal the wounds caused by difference and conflict.”

Together, these moments across continents form a living history of peacebuilding in the closing days of October. They show how, year after year, UPF has advanced dialogue, media ethics, education, and youth cooperation as vital tools for reconciliation and unity.

Across all continents, Ambassadors for Peace and partner organizations continue to host public forums, interfaith dialogues, volunteer initiatives, and educational programs, often aligning with UN Disarmament Week to reflect the deeper meaning of peace — not only as the reduction of weapons, but as the moral act of disarming prejudice and fear.

The Federation affirms: global peace begins with individual conscience and service to humanity. By connecting local programs with international observances, UPF continues to make the world's search for peace both personal and practical.

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## Peace Road Rally in Cincinnati Marks International Day of Peace



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The Universal Peace Federation, USA-DC Office has participated the Religious Freedom Prayer Luncheon, "Peace Starts With Me" Alliance with the FFWPU-Capital Family Church and



ACLIC on Thursday, October 16 at 11 am – 2 pm at The Beech Room, The Washington Times building. Despite receiving a very short notice of only a week, 40 faith leaders and community leaders attended the prayer program.

Dr. Achile Acolatse, the Director of the Southeast Region and the Senior Pastor, said it is an urgent wake-up call that our faith and UPF Ambassadors for Peace leaders must get together. Let us pray for the end of religious persecution, especially against Christian communities in South Korea. Mother Moon was among those who were unfairly indicted and is currently in detention, along with other Christian leaders.

Dr. Achile Acolatse said in his remarks.

*"Mother of Peace is in a detention center and other pastors and clergy are also being detained for expressing the freedom of speech and religion.*

*These are not distant problems — they are serious problems of our age. And they call each one of us to respond. Let's offer a sacred devotion to Heaven, asking God to guide us in how we can protect this precious gift of religious freedom."*

Dr. Michael Jenkins, President of the UPF-North America; He quoted from the article of The Washington Times printed on Friday, October 10, 2025:

*Mother Han, 82, is the co-founder and spiritual leader of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, a movement with millions of followers worldwide. She has spent decades promoting peace, interfaith dialogue, and humanitarian cooperation. Her arrest and now formal indictment are not just attacks on her person—they are attacks on religious liberty, on democratic norms, and on the very idea that faith can coexist with dissent.*

Among other faith leaders prayed for immediate release all Christian leaders from the detention by Bishop Keith Allen, Senior Rehoboth Church in Christ Jesus Apostolic, Baltimore; Bishop John Watts, Kingdom Life Church, MD; Bishop Richard Mosley; Imam Qadir Abdus-Salaam, The Nation's Mosque; Dr. Surinder Sigh Gill, Sikhs of USA – Sikhism, and Anila Ali – representing Islam.

By calling for action; Dr. Surender Gill invited the program guests to the Sikh Temple on Sunday, and the High Priest of the Sikh Temple offered a special prayer for Mother Moon during her message.

Imam Talib M. Shareef, The Nation's Mosque wrote a special heartfelt message for Mother Moon and all the Muslims who are suffering.



supporting letter to Mother Moon and Anila Ali created a Press Release. (See attached the Power Pint)

With a sacred purpose, we came together with one heart, one voice, and one will, and raised our voices in unison. We come together for the cause of religious liberty, which is not granted by governments but by God Himself.

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# Ambassador for Peace Spotlight: Eric Zuley Founder & CEO, eZWay Network | CMO, Better Vision for Children | Los Angeles, CA

The Universal Peace Federation USA proudly highlights Amb. Dr. Eric J. Zuley, a 22-time award-winning serial entrepreneur, media innovator, and philanthropist who is using technology and influence to uplift others and advance peace.

As Founder and CEO of eZWay Network, Dr. Zuley leads a global multimedia platform connecting entrepreneurs, influencers, and changemakers. The eZWay Family community, now reaching over one million social-media followers, has become the heartbeat of a movement dedicated to service, empowerment, and unity.

Dr. Zuley also serves as Chief Marketing Officer for Better Vision for Children, an organization focused on saving children and teens from blindness, working alongside his other half Amb. Dr. Dante Sears and his father Amb. Dr. James Zuley. He is CMO for the National Social Media Awards Los Angeles, CMO for Non Profit TV—one of the fastest-growing real-world and streaming TV networks—and the Creator and Executive Producer of the eZWay Awards Golden Gala. He is also the Creator of the eZWay Interactive and eZWay TV Apps.

Recognized by Dr. Olympia Gellini, Founder of the Family Film Awards on CBS, Dr. Zuley was officially appointed as the next youngest “*Digital Dick Clark*” and received an honorary doctorate in Humanitarian Services DHS from The Academy of Wellness. As Publisher of eZWayNews.com, he oversees a platform that has achieved more than 12 million views worldwide. He also recently launched the Gold for God Movement, helping transition traditional red carpets to gold carpets across the globe.





Dr. Zuley's innovative spirit has left a lasting mark on the digital landscape. He helped pioneer the social-media selfie-stick movement and provided PR for the first-ever *Think and Grow Rich Tour*, where he also served as a keynote speaker. The eZWay Los Angeles TV Station, broadcasting from Quartzite Mountain Channel 27.3 near FOX-owned KTTV, is part of his expanding media network that bridges entertainment, entrepreneurship, and education with UPF's mission of *living for the sake of others*.

Today, Dr. Zuley is joining forces with Mr. Nasser Zomorod, Director for UPF Southern California, to nominate and appoint new Ambassadors for Peace: leaders dedicated to spreading peace and goodwill throughout Southern California and beyond.

Some notable examples include:

- Dr. James Zuley, President of Better Vision for Children
- Dr. Dante Sears, Founder of Wealth XO
- Kate Linder, Emmy Special Award recipient and Hollywood Walk of Fame star (*The Young and the Restless*)
- Henry Tillman, Olympic Gold Medalist and Netflix story subject
- Gabriel Cannon, winner of ABC's *Claim to Fame* and brother to Nick Cannon
- John Duffy, Hollywood film director
- Dr. Coach Tasha Mac, leadership coach and media figure
- Dr. Anthony Sardelli, Founder of Non Profit TV
- Marc Beilin, Founder of On the Marc TV

We're also happy to announce that UPF USA and eZWay TV will soon be partnering to air *The Washington Brief TV Series*, a project led by Dr. Michael Jenkins, Chairman of UPF USA. Viewers will be able to watch the program by downloading the eZWay TV app for free. This is just another example of Dr. Zuley's great efforts to continue fostering partnership and a more peaceful society.

Follow Dr. Zuley's work and the eZWay Network family on Instagram:  
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## LAPD Celebrates United Nations Day with UPF

As the world marks United Nations Day on October 24, commemorating the founding of the UN in 1945, the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) reaffirms its commitment to building a world of cooperation, compassion, and dignity. Founded by Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, UPF promotes the vision of “one human family under God,” empowering faith and community leaders to put principles of peace into action. With consultative status at the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), UPF bridges local initiatives with international policy, giving grassroots efforts a voice in global discussions on peace and human development.



Earlier this month, UPF Los Angeles brought this vision to life at the “Faith in Blue” event, a powerful example of collaboration between faith communities, civic leaders, and law enforcement. The gathering included three Ambassadors for Peace, ten ministers, ten LAPD officers, and 100 guests, who came together to strengthen community ties and promote safety and understanding. The LAPD invited UPF to participate and encouraged attendees to bring their own networks; nine UPF representatives joined, including Pastor Patricia Strong-Fargas, Dr. Teddy Choi, Shantha Sobhana, Mr. Avinder Chawla, and Rev. Jeong. Officer Deon Joseph, a respected leader in Central Los Angeles, shared critical insights on community challenges, while faith leaders and Ambassadors for Peace provided encouragement, coordination, and support for participants.

UPF’s engagement extends far beyond Los Angeles. Across the United States, Ambassadors for Peace mobilize congregations, civic groups, and local organizations to address pressing social issues, promote interfaith dialogue, and foster reconciliation. Through interfaith prayer services, peace walks, youth leadership programs, and community service projects, UPF ensures that the vision of lasting peace is not just a principle, but a lived experience. The Faith in Blue event exemplifies how faith and civic collaboration can transform neighborhoods, inspire dialogue, and build bridges between communities and law enforcement.

As we celebrate United Nations Day, UPF invites all faith and community leaders to reflect on the power of collaboration. Peace is not simply a vision—it is a shared mission. By joining hands, sharing resources, and working together locally, we contribute to the global goal of a just, harmonious, and peaceful world.

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## Uplifting Walk for Peace in Salisbury with Local Leaders

On October 11, 2025, the city of Salisbury came alive with hope, unity, and inspiration as the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) partnered with local faith communities and civic leaders to celebrate Peace Road. Founded by Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, UPF carries a powerful vision: building “one human family under God” by fostering interfaith dialogue, community engagement, and global cooperation for peace. Through initiatives like Peace Road, UPF demonstrates how faith, education, and action can come together to create real-world impact.



The event opened with the uplifting sounds of the Canvas Church Worship Team, creating a warm and inspiring atmosphere. Pastor John Harrison shared the purpose of the Peace Road project, emphasizing the importance of unity and reconciliation among all people. Leaders from Christianity, Islam, and Judaism delivered heartfelt messages of peace, while Bishop Greg Morris inspired participants to live out faith and love in concrete actions. Salisbury Mayor Randolph J. Taylor proclaimed October 12th as Peace Road Day, officially recognizing the community’s commitment to harmony and cooperation.

A highlight of the day was the appointment of new Ambassadors for Peace by UPF-USA President Dr. Michael Jenkins, including Mayor Taylor. The Ambassador for Peace mission encourages individuals to embody and promote the highest qualities of human beings—spiritual and moral values, family as a school of love, and the ethic of living for the sake of others. Ambassadors take an active role in bridging communities, fostering reconciliation, and demonstrating that lasting peace comes not only through political efforts but through personal transformation and shared commitment to the common good. Newly appointed Ambassadors Pastor Thomas Hoy and Pastor Keith Conkle rallied their congregations to participate, and the Canvas Church worship team’s performance added warmth and joy to the event.

The celebration concluded with a 0.8-mile Peace Walk from Faith Community Church to Parkway Church of God, symbolizing the community’s shared dedication to unity and peace. With the support of local ministers, Ambassadors for Peace, civic leaders, and around 100 participants, the Salisbury Peace Road event showcased how UPF’s mission and the Ambassador for Peace program bring faith, values, and action together to make peace tangible in everyday life.



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