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# NEWSNOTES

# Thank You 2021 DPF Peace Interns!

DPF is so proud of our 2021 Peace Interns: Ashlyn Baldwin, Kate Myers, and Marisa Black. They did AMAZING work as ambassadors for peace and justice this past summer!

Ashlyn, Kate, and Marisa had an experience that was unlike any other cohort of Peace Interns. The 2021 Hybrid Model meant that our three Peace Interns attended a limited number of in-person camps (those that were within driving distance of home and held to strict



COVID safety protocols) and partnered with Disciples Justice Ministry groups to do remote work projects as well. The summer also included an all online Training Week Experience and an In-Person Closing Retreat.

You can read more about their work from the summer in the pages of this edition of the NewsNotes and you can find a number of the resources they developed on DPF's website. Thank you Ashlyn, Kate, and Marisa!

## 2021 PEACE INTERNSHIP BY THE NUMBER

- 13 In-Person Camps Attended
- 1 Online Camp Attended
- **16** Blog Posts from the Summer
- **6** Peace and Justice Playlists Created
- **5,327** Miles Driven from Camp to Camp
  - 1 Curriculum Created with Disciples Justice Ministries
  - **14** Peace Memes Added to the DPF Website
  - **21** Different Facilitators for Online Training Week
- 10 Days Working Remotely with Disciples Refugee & Immigration Ministries
- 3 Absolutely Amazing Peace Interns who did Incredible Work this Summer!

## APPLYING TO BE A 2022 DPF PEACE INTERN



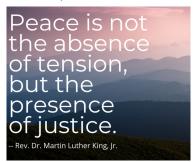
DPF will be receiving applications for the 2022 Peace Intern program from November 15 through January 30. From there the Peace Intern Selection Team will be reviewing applications, scheduling interviews, and prayerfully discerning who will serve as Peace Interns in the summer of 2022.

If you know a young person who would make an excellent ambassador for peace and justice, please share the Application Portal Web Address with them:

disciplespeace.org/apply

## PEACE MEMES: PICS & QUOTES

One of the most consistently requested items for the DPF website is a section with Peace Quotes and Peace Images. During their remote work weeks this past summer the 2021 DPF Peace Interns helped put those resources together! They found the quotes, designed the images, and have uploaded them to the DPF Website for you to use in whatever form or fashion you wish. Here are a few samples:







Find all of the Peace Quotes and Peace Pics on the DPF Website at:

disciplespeace.org/peace-quotes



# disciplespeace.org/follow-the-interns



Read all about the summer adventures of the 2021 DPF Peace Interns!

#### A NEW RESOURCE FROM THE PEACE INTERNS!

Playlists are a helpful way of meaningfully engaging with an idea or topic. It isn't a music thing, but rather an online engagement tool created by Christian Education Directors during the pandemic.

The 2021 DPF Peace Interns created Playlists this summer as a helpful way to share the resources they discovered/developed for their Workshops.

Their playlists can be used as small group discussion starters, for personal devotions, or as a place to jump into an important subject.

For each Peace & Justice Playlist you'll find a series of resources including ice-breaker games, video clips, discussion starters, scripture suggestions, prayers, tangible take-aways, and much much more. Each Playlist is broken down into easy to navigate sections with

specific headings along the lines of "Something to Break the Ice", "Something to Watch", "Something to Talk About", and "Something to Pray."



Talk About", and "Something to Pray."

Ashlyn, Kate, and Marisa developed Playlists on Anti-Racism, White Privilege, Fair Trade, Gender

Equity, Pronoun Use, Empathy, and Developing Better Dialog Skills. They are AMAZING resources and you can find them all linked to the DPF Website here:

disciplespeace.org/Playlists

## MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER

Keep up with everything Disciples Peace Fellowship is doing by subscribing to "**Peace**" **Notes!**" our monthly e-newsletter.

It is a great source for inspiration, justice news, event invitations, and points of connection. Use the link below to sign up!



## Subscribe to "Peace Notes!"

Complete the form on our website at <a href="mailto:disciplespeace.org/monthly-peace-notes">disciplespeace.org/monthly-peace-notes</a>

and you will start receiving DPF's E-Newsletter in your email inbox on or around the 15th of each month!

# ECUMENICAL ADVOCACY DAYS VIRTUAL EVENT

Details are still coming together, but Ecumenical Advocacy Days will be an all Virtual Event once again in 2022. Building on the success of the online Ecumenical Advocacy Days of the last two years, EAD in April 2022 will have an all online format once again.

Ecumenical Advocacy Days is a movement of the ecumenical Christian community, and its recognized partners and allies, grounded in biblical witness and our shared traditions of justice, peace and the integrity of creation.

You can learn more at:

# advocacydays.org



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# **DONATE ONLINE TO DPF**

Our friends at DHM make it incredibly easy to securely give online to Disciples Peace Fellowship!



Just click the "Donate Now" button at:

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The website also makes it easy to sign up for monthly automatic giving, which helps DPF by creating a consistent revenue stream all year long!

# A Word from Our Friends

Dear Friends of Disciples Peace Fellowship,

Your support made our experiences as 2021 Peace Interns possible! Here is a quick word from each of us:

#### Ashlyn Baldwin

I'm super grateful for this summer and all the amazing people I got to meet and have good conversations with. One of my biggest take aways from the summer was Training Week. It was a very informative week full of amazing work from people all over the world. I never realized how big our church actually was and how much of an impact it has around the globe. It is nice to know that so many people are here for me and my fellow Peace Interns during the summer and in the future. Because of COVID, we weren't actually able to meet all these wonderful people in person. Maybe I will get to meet a few of them eventually!

#### Marisa Black

I want to share an experience from this summer that really touched me and helped strengthen my faith. Back at my home Church Camp at Tawakoni, we had one camper who started out isolated, keeping to themselves away from the group, always wore a hoodie and long pants. Throughout the week, we witnessed something beautiful; gradually, the camper opened up to a couple others, shed a few layers, and by the end of the week was participating in the talent show! I was in awe every day seeing them open up, little by little. Moments like that remind me of the magic that is created when a safe space is provided for those who need it.

#### **Kate Myers**

I've faced a lot this summer! I've gotten lost (several times), dealt with serious issues, been the sponger for teenage tears, adapted my workshops countless times, and so much more! And...I was able to handle it all! Don't get me wrong, I didn't do it alone; I had the support of many amazing people along the way. Still, I think my experiences as a Peace Intern have helped me to become more confident in myself. As I took on each challenge, and came out on the other side, I began to feel more and more reassured that I can take on the world. Now that I'm on the other side of this summer, I feel more capable. I'm more confident. I feel more like an adult! After all, if I can handle a full summer of church camp and justice work, I can probably handle a lot!

It is the faithful support and financial generosity of the DPF Members and Friends that underwrites the Peace Intern Program! You can make a secure gift online by visiting the DPF website and making a donation (the link is listed below). Or you can fill out the donation card in this edition of the NewsNotes and send it along with your check in the included envelope [mailing address: Disciples Peace Fellowship, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), PO Box 1986, Indianapolis, IN 46206]. Thank you for your generosity and support!

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In Christ, The 2021 DPF Peace Interns Ashlyn Baldwin, Marisa Black, and Kate Myers