



# Global Peace Foundation **USA**

*Building a World of Lasting Peace  
One Family Under God*

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Dear Mr. Barry Fennell,

I want to thank you for your invaluable contribution as a featured speaker for the Family Track Session of the Global Peace Convention in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

This year's Convention, which drew delegations from 40 nations, set a new benchmark in GPF's efforts to build coalitions to advance sustainable peace and development in 2013-2014. GPF's *Character and Creativity Initiative* has gained government and private sector support in Kenya, Paraguay, Nigeria, Malaysia and the Philippines, the United States and other countries in 2013. The Global Peace Convention drew educators from throughout Asia during a pre-Convention summit and related concurrent sessions, and launched the initiative in schools in Malaysia and Indonesia.

Interfaith collaboration is another essential component for peace building that has been meaningfully advanced throughout the year. In Nigeria, GPF hosted leading Christian and Muslim clerics and traditional rulers in 2013 to address urgent security issues in the West African nation. The Convention in Kuala Lumpur included a large delegation of Nigerians, including the wife of the vice president, who warmly endorsed GPF's vision of One Family under God as a model for peace.

The Leadership Conference in Nigeria in November 2013 significantly launched the Africa Peace Service Corps, a transnational initiative to empower African youth as agents of change and peace through service and entrepreneurship. A culture of service was a major theme of the Global Peace Convention, and in the days following the Convention, GPF met with government, faith leaders, and private sector partners to inaugurate an Asian Peace Service Corps to inculcate a culture of service for the youth of Southeast Asia, including advancement of All Lights Villages and a Disaster Recovery Task Force in the Philippines for typhoon Yolanda recovery.

For your interest I am including links to some of the major reports on the Convention. [Global Peace Convention 2013 Calls for Interfaith Cooperation to Mitigate Conflict and Advance Social Cohesion](#) is a summary the Convention theme and main plenary sessions;

[Family Track Session Video Recording](#) along with a list of all sessions from GPC Malaysia

[Photos from the Family Track and other GPC Malaysia Sessions](#)

These are just some of the major outcomes of the 2013 Global Peace Convention. These exciting developments would not have been possible without your participation and contribution. I am deeply grateful for your investment in making the Convention a success and for your dedication to advancing a culture of peace in your career. We look forward to working with you in 2014 on initiatives for peace and service both in your region and at the international levels. We wish you and your family a most prosperous 2014.

Sincerely,

Alan Inman