

"To Empower Communities to Educate for a Just and

Peaceful World"

Five Peace Actions Define World Citizen





PEACE- SIMPLE, BOLD, POWERFUL.

Dear Friends of World Citizen,

Maybe it needs to be a chat at the kitchen table or the backyard barbecue; change happens when we get involved and take action.

A recent headline stated, "Enough Talk We Need Action." This is so true for all of us in a world that is now disrupted. World Citizen's mission has not changed: "To Empower Communities to Educate for a Just and Peaceful World." How does that happen? Embrace the World Citizen Five Peace Actions. They're simple to say, and if put into practice, they become very powerful.

- · SEEK peace within yourself and others
- REACH out in service
- PROTECT the environment
- RESPECT diversity



· BE a responsible citizen of the world

These Five Peace Actions are not hard to understand; however, listening to the daily news, we know they are difficult to achieve. These actions can ground you in a meaningful message that can make a positive difference in our world. They are tools we can all use regardless of age, gender, race, political, or religious affiliation. They do work! Peace works! Tony Dungy, well known in the world of football, stated; "When you see things that aren't going right, you've gotta use your voice and you gotta be part of the solution." It's not enough to say, "I am not racist." We need to say, "I am anti-racist," and call out disrespectful behavior and comments.

I am filled with hope by the energy felt from the young people in the streets. They are voicing the need to build a better world. As Rep. John Lewis said in an interview with Gayle King, "We are all human. We are all part of the human family, the family lives in the same house, not just the American house, but the world house." Gayle asked Lewis how he was able to have such hope during trying times. He replied, "I have found peace within myself," the first Peace Action.

For change to happen we need to take action. Changing attitudes and laws will not be easy and the going will get tough. The simple and bold actions we take promote powerful peace. Addressing and solving systemic issues takes empathy and dedication. We need to know what is in people's hearts and listen to true life stories. We can learn more about our own state and nation's hidden histories and dedicate to living the World Citizen Five Peace Actions. Please work with World Citizen to help our society become more equitable, kinder, and safer. We will not quit, don't give up, join us in action to address our historic racial issues.

Peace Will Prevail,

Kathy Millington, Executive Director



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