



2015 in Review

Dear One:

As we carefully review the year of 2015, and get ready to embrace the New Year 2016, we would like to express our deepest gratitude to you for your continued support, your care for yourself and humanity, your generous sharing of your gifts, and your passion to create positive meaning.

We had two Meaningfulworld Humanitarian Outreach Missions impacting directly over 3,000 people in each mission, as well as impacting over 30,000 indirectly. We have worked in the following 3 countries: Haiti (June), The Middle East, Palestine & Israel, (May), and a team is planning a mission to Nepal early February.

<https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/meaningfulworld-s-mission-to-nepal-2#/>

<http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/pamper-yourself-festival-meaningfulworld-pre-holiday-party>

January: We had an all-day program on Disaster Management, Disaster Mitigation, Mindfulness and Meaning-Making <http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/photos-of-training-program-31-jan>

February: We joined the United Nations in celebrating Interfaith Week of Harmony. We also had an all-day program on Peace Building, Conflict Transformation, and Forgiveness. We were invited and participated at Seton Hall Career & Internship Fair <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/atop-meaningfulworld-setan-hall-u-internship-fair-pr-18-feb-2015>

March: We organized a parallel program as part of UN Commission of Status of Women, entitled: Transforming Violence against Women using Integrative Approaches, addressing violence in Africa, Europe, the Middle East and the Caribbean. <http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/19-march-un-event>

Our monthly program: <http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/photos-of-28-march-training-program>, <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/meaningfulworld-view-sacred-activism-forgiveness>

Dr Ani was invited & delivered a lecture at the "100 Years Later: ASU Armenian Genocide Conference" at the College of Law, Arizona State University <https://conferences.asucollegeoflaw.com/azarmgenocide/> <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/dr-kalayjian-invited-speaker-at-the-arizona-state-university-100-years-later-asu-conference-on-ottoman-turkish-genocide-of-armenians>

April: Dr Kalayjian delivered a Key note lecture in Columbus Ohio on Psychosocial and Generational Impact of Ottoman Turkish Genocide of Armenians & Other Christian Minorities. Then we organized a wonderful UN Program with Health Transformation & Spirituality, on Promoting Dignity for All: Utilizing Holistic and Integrative Approaches to Healing and Transforming Personal and Generational Trauma, and we concluded with an all-day program on peace building and conflict transformation <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/april-25-meaningful-world-training-program>

<http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/photos-of-our-humanitarian-program-sat-25-april>

Action taken urging United Nations to stop the Abduction & Trafficking of girls & women

<http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/take-an-action-atop-meaningfulworld-other-psychologists-accredited-at-the-un-urge-end-to-abduction-trafficking-in-girls-women>

May: Meaningfulworld Team completed a Humanitarian Mission to the Middle East:

<http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/post-conflict-meaningfulworld-mental-health-outreach-project>

Humanitarian Outreach all-day program: <http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/meaningful-world-training-program-30-may-2015>

June: On 7th Dr. Kalayjian was invited & presented at Bishop Gallery – Trauma, arts and Healing. The following week Meaningfulworld Ambassadors were initiated at the United Nations; after which 5 Ambassadors left on a Humanitarian Mission to Haiti: Interview on Haitian National TV, TV Metropole <http://www.metropolehaiti.com/metropole/lepoint.php>, <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/meaningfulworld-follow-up-8th-humanitarian-mission-to-haiti>

July: We had several publications: <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/haiti-2015-press-release> Kalayjian and Gonen, The Cost of Conflict in Organizations: Review of Research and Recommendations for a Healthy Organizational Environment

August: We began in Toronto at the APA Convention, <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/apa-2015-dr-ani-convention-presentations> Celebrated World Humanitarian Day and our 25th Anniversary with a meditation at Central Park, NYC <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/meaningfulworld-un-world-humanitarian-day-18-august-at-6-pm-central-park-nyc>

September: * We had a Collaborative program with the Bronx Museum of the Arts celebrating International Day of Peace: <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/pre-press-meaningfulworld-un-int-day-of-peace-20-sept-2015-brx-museum-of-arts-25-anniversary> and our monthly educational programs in Emotional Intelligence, Mindfulness, and Meaning-Making <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/meaningful-world-post-trauma-healing-and-meaning-making-26-september-2015>

Teacher Training Intensive weekend program: <http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/meaningfulworld-ambassadors-weekend-retreatteacher-training>

October: We celebrated 70th Anniversary of the foundation of the United Nations, with a symposium on Dignity for all with interfaith presentations from a Rabbi, an Imam, a Buddhist, a Christian, and a youth. <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/press-release-hts-wos-un-program-29-october-2015>.

November: We collaborated with the Bergen Community College, Center for Justice, Peace, and Reconciliation to organize a program on the Centennial fo the Ottoman Turkish Genocide of the Armenians. Over 100 people gathered for a moving event with dancing by youth, music with traditional Armenian instruments, as well as presentation by Dr Ani. <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/november-3-press-release>

December: We were invited to teach at Fordham University’s International and Global Studies Program; which was inspiring and connecting with likeminded humanitarian students. Then we had our pamper Yourself Post Holiday Party, with 5 healing faculty who generously donated their services to all the attendees. <http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/pamper-yourself-holiday-healing-party-12-dec-2015> <http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/pamper-yourself-december-2015>

We concluded the year with a transformative retreat at Stony Point Retreat Center, where we identified negative patterns, released them both verbally in a process group, as well as ritualistically through burning in a bon fire. We then instilled positive feelings such as self-love, respect, dignity, forgiveness, love, empathy, inclusion, detachment from past, and mindfully being present.

<http://meaningfulworld.com/photo-album/stony-point-retreat-pictures>

We invite you to participate in these projects:

Save your change to Save the World:

<http://meaningfulworld.com/our-work/save-your-change-to-change-the-world-flyer>

Sponsor a child project:

<http://meaningfulworld.com/about-us/sponsor-a-child>

Humanitarian Mission to Nepal:

<https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/meaningfulworld-s-mission-to-nepal--2#/>