

# ANNUAL REPORT

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# ANNUAL THEME

*1 Peter 2:9-10*

*“But ye  
are a chosen  
generation, a royal  
priesthood, a holy nation,  
a peculiar people... the people  
of God.”*



DECENTERING  
POWER & PRIVILEGE:  
BECOMING A  
**pECuliar pEOPLE**

DESCENTRALIZANDO  
EL PODER Y PRIVILEGIO:  
CONVIRTIÉNDOSE EN UN  
**puEbLo pECuliar**



# ADVOCACY

*“[BPFNA] models the way Christians are supposed to be and act.”*



IN 2018 WE...

Here are some of the advocacy actions we took in 2018:

- Helped to publicize the case of **Gilles Bikindou**, a member of the Greenwood Forest Baptist Church in Cary, NC who was targeted by ICE for deportation. Though we were not successful in preventing the deportation, we were able to provide direct support to the church and its pastors, widen their community of support and action, and provide our members with specific ways of responding. In the process, many people were educated about the malicious nature of ICE enforcement.
- Advocated for people in **Chalchihuitan**, in the Highlands of Chiapas, who have been displaced due to the violence created by heavily armed groups moving into the area.
- Joined nearly 300 religious leaders and faith organizers in urging the DHS Secretary to **protect Syrians** in the U.S. from being forcibly returned to the horrors of war.
- Endorsed the Call for **Olympic Truce Actions: Diplomacy NOT War**.
- Were part of Faiths **United to Prevent Gun Violence** advocacy efforts throughout the year.
- Joined our friends at **AWAB** in advocating for **100% inclusion** for LGBTQ people in CBF life.
- Signed onto a letter sharing our serious concerns with the **ADA Education and Reform Act** (H.R. 620) and its injurious impact on people with disabilities.
- Participated in **Baptist Call-In Day for a Clean Dream Act**.
- Signed onto a Faith Organizations letter urging the US Congress to **cut funding for immigration detention, deportation, and border militarization**.

- Participated in efforts to protect **Temporary Protective Status** for immigrants to the US from El Salvador, Nepal, and more.
- Signed onto a letter urging the Trump administration to extend **Deferred Enforced Departure (DED)** for Liberians for at least another 18 months.
- Signed on as an organizational sponsor of the **Assault Weapons Bill Ban**.
- Signed on to a letter to Tell the US Congress to **Oppose Record-Low Refugee Arrivals and Support Refugee Resettlement**.
- Supported the Cooperatative Baptist Fellowship in its **payday lending ministry** to preserve rules against Predatory Lending.
- Promoted actions from **KAIROS Canada** urging parliament to support the **United Nations Declaration of the Rights on Indigenous People Act**.
- Urged members to participate in **Orange Shirt Day** to remember the children and communities dramatically affected by the **Indian Residential Schools System**.
- Signed onto a letter urging **ICE to end the detention of pregnant women**.
- Endorsed **Move the Nuclear Weapons Money**, a global campaign to cut nuclear weapons budgets and investments and reallocate these to meet economic, social and environmental need - such as ending poverty, protecting the climate and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.
- Were represented by a strong contingent of members at the **SOA Border Encuentro** on the US-Mexico border standing in solidarity with all those resisting Border and US Imperialism.
- Supported efforts fighting against a proposed rule that could **deny permanent residency to legal immigrants** who have used, or might use, safety-net programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Medicaid.



# PROGRAMMING

*“Until I found you, I didn’t know there were Baptists committed to peacemaking.”*

## SUMMER CONFERENCE

From July 2-7, 2018 we hosted our annual conference with the theme *Decentering Power and Privilege: Becoming a Peculiar People*. Each day held a specific theme around which plenary presentations, Bible studies, workshops, films and evening worship were designed:

- Monday: Unity vs. Uniformity
- Tuesday: No Limits, No Boundaries, No One Left Out
- Wednesday: Decolonizing the Americas
- Thursday: I’m Coming Out
- Friday: Let’s Go Back to the Water
- Saturday: What You Gonna Do When You Get Out of Jail

The curriculum for the week was challenging for many, as marginalized people and privileged people endeavoured to share truth and listen in love. All plenary gatherings and most other activities were conducted in English and Spanish. The days began with morning devotions and ended with evening synthesizing. Morning plenaries included Trainings around Racial Justice and Activist Theology, Bible studies, and more. Wednesday and Friday morning activities also included a wide variety of workshops, including “Indigenous Concerns throughout North America,” “Mujer, paz y poder (Women, Peace & Power),” “Worshipping in the Onion Fields: A Church of the Undocumented,” and “Leaders Who Were Led: Preparing the Next Generation of Leaders.” Evenings were devoted to worship, singing, and storytelling. Participants left the week with new and challenging information and unexpected new friends—new fellow pilgrims on the journey toward truly becoming a peculiar people.

# IMMIGRATION IMMERSION TRIP: TIJUANA, MEXICO

From September 18-26, 2018, we hosted an immigration immersion trip, the first in a series of annual immigration immersion trips through a partnership between BPFNA ~ Bautistas por la Paz and American Baptist International Ministries. The purpose of these trips is to bring faith and community leaders into a deeper understanding of the true stories behind the immigration debate, focusing on real relationships and conversations with those whose lives are most impacted by immigration policy and economic practices. This trip was led by Ray Schellinger, ABC's International Ministry's global consultant for Immigrants and Refugees, who has been leading trips such as these for the last 11 years.

“The impact of the trips has been profound for many the participants,” observed Schellinger, “quite a few of whom have gone on to be very strong advocates for issues of immigration justice in the US and elsewhere. These relationships are integral to developing a sense of empathy with real people who are typical of those who cross into the US. We are essentially trying to help participants put a face to the statistics that get thrown around.”

Participants were hosted at Deborah's House, a ministry for victims of domestic violence. The shelter provided group members the opportunity to learn from and establish relationships with the women and children who reside there and gave participants an understanding of the economic and social difficulties that migrants face.

The trip included visits with:

- Border Angels- An advocacy group for immigrant rights
- Dreamer Moms- An organization of deported mothers whose children remain in the US
- Deported Vets- An organization providing support and legal aid for deported US veterans
- Border Patrol- A tour given by the US Border patrol
- US Customs- A tour given at the port of entry by the US Customs and Border Protection
- Border Church- An ecumenical, binational, bilingual worship/communion service on the border at Friendship Park
- Casa del Migrante- A Catholic ministry for immigrants, mostly deported men
- Little Haiti- A new community of thousands of Haitian migrants
- Camino del Salvacion- A Baptist Church which is beginning a new shelter for migrants
- A road trip to the east to see the border in the desert, as well as to see the prototype border wall sections
- Meeting with a chaplain who works in the immigration detention facility in Mexicali.

## UPCOMING: 2019 GLOBAL BAPTIST PEACE CONFERENCE

PEACE IN OUR LAND: TOWARD A WORLD  
WITHOUT VIOLENCE

15-20 JULY  
UNIBAUTISTA  
CALI, COLOMBIA

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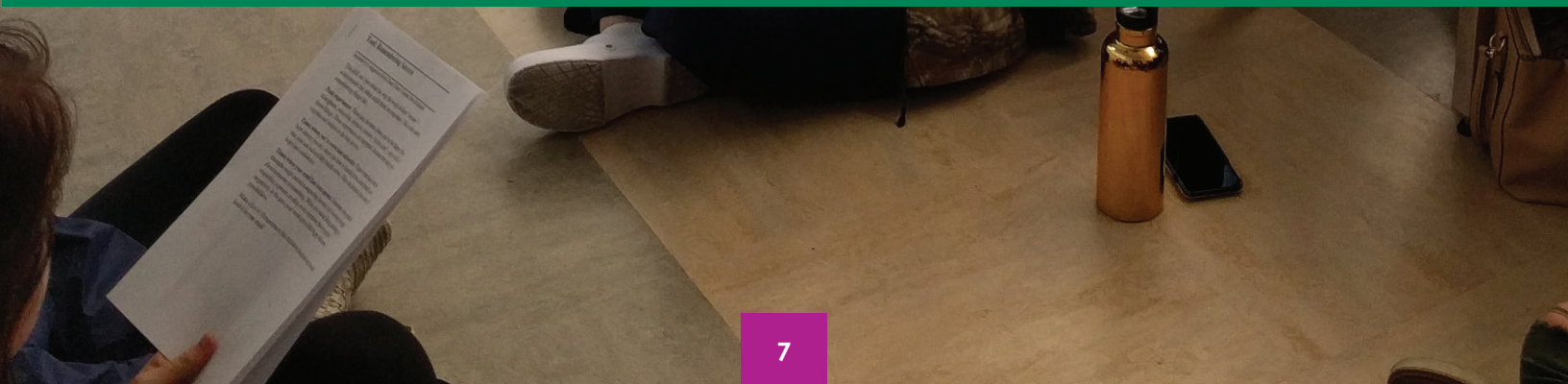
# TRAININGS

*“Not only did you give us an excellent representation of BPFNA, but the wisdom and insight of the discussion was powerful.”*



## TRAININGS

- Offered **Racism, Trauma and Resilience** workshop at Belmont University.
- Offered **Do Not Be Afraid: Changing the Narrative in the Midst of Racial Conflict** for the Women's Leadership Initiative at the Nashville branch of Central Baptist Seminary.
- Co-sponsored and spoke at the **Getting Real about Gun Violence** conference held in Charlotte, NC.
- Offered **Racism, Trauma and Resilience** workshop at the ABHMS Space for Grace gathering.



# GRANTS

*“We have been able to share the Values for Nonviolence model with more than 800 children, which will help them build communities of peace today as well as in the future as adults.”*



Idephonse Niyokindi of the Pan African Peace Network of Burundi recently led an intense Conflict Transformation [training] with a diverse group of community leaders from throughout the country. Those trained have committed to return to their own communities and share what they have learned so that the impact will be exponential!





# GAVEL FUND

Thirteen grassroots groups received Gavel Memorial World Peace Fund grants from BPFNA ~ Bautistas por la Paz for 2018 projects that served to gather, equip and mobilize peacemakers.

## CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION

Nine of the projects began or deepened training in Conflict Transformation in contexts as varied as Mexican elementary schools and a refugee camp located in Ethiopia. Workshops, including the hugely successful Training of Conflict Transformation Trainers events, took place in several locations throughout Mexico as well as in Burundi, Kenya, and South Sudan and targeted such groups as children, youth, teachers, village leaders, church leaders, and activists. All of these events were planned by local partners with deep roots in the areas they serve. These groups are:

- Amextra (Mexico)
- Jerusalem Baptist Church (Mexico)
- Shalom Baptist Church (Mexico)
- Iglesias por la Paz / Churches for Peace (Mexico)
- Baptist Seminary of Mexico (Mexico)
- Burundi Pan African Peace Network (Burundi)
- Kingdom of Peace and Development (Kenya)
- Nuer Youth Council for Peace and Development (Ethiopia)
- South Sudan Association for Pastors Training Initiative (South Sudan)



## OTHER

A grant to **Camino Hermoso / Beautiful Road** (Mexico) supported an arts project within detention centers in Mexico City through which incarcerated men and women participated in poetry, music, dance, painting and crafts in order to deepen people's appreciation of their own indigenous history and practices in ways that support them reintegrating into society in peaceful and dignified ways.

The **Mayan Intercultural Seminary** (Mexico) also used art to promote peace through work with indigenous children and youth in four orphanages throughout Chiapas, Mexico. **"MusicArte"** promotes self-knowledge and expression, an appreciation of cultural diversity, and the use of practical tools for peacemaking with a group often vulnerable to drug trafficking and addiction.

A project led by the **Ecumenical Christian Council of Guatemala** (Guatemala) empowered and accompanied 12 communities in the municipality of San Juan Sacatepéquez as they organized against a cement company which is polluting their aquifers and destroying their livelihoods, particularly in flower production.

The final grant went to our long-term partners **Trees of Peace** (Zimbabwe) who are working to create a peace center in a Zambian village. This project is training villagers in conflict transformation skills while at the same time creating economic self-sufficiency. Villagers are being trained to implement organic agro-forestry projects, to master basic computer literacy skills and to use clean energy sources like off grid solar and biogas instead of firewood and charcoal. This project economically empowers villagers while protecting the environment at the same time.



## UPCOMING: PEACE FUND ~ FONDOS POR LA PAZ

Recognizing the immense impact that the Gavel projects have had, the BPFNA ~ Bautistas por la Paz Board of Directors recently voted to begin a new Peace Fund ~ Fondos por la Paz which will use a percentage of each year's contributions to support grassroots peacemaking and begin making grants in 2019. The newly-created Peace Fund will support six projects in 2019:

- **AMEXTRA (Mexico)** in providing on-going nonviolence education for children in marginalized communities.
- **CROSSING LINES AFRICA (Uganda)** in offering training in conflict transformation and in trauma awareness and resilience for South Sudanese refugees.
- **PAN AFRICA PEACE NETWORK – BURUNDI (Burundi)** in providing conflict transformation training for youth leaders and people living with albinism.
- **SEMINARIO BAUTISTA DE MÉXICO (Mexico)** in leading peacemaking workshops in indigenous churches and in congregations in marginalized areas near Mexico City.
- **SEMINARIO INTERCULTURAL MAYENESE (Mexico)** as they work with indigenous communities impacted by injurious government policies. Using the people's own art (poetry, story, music, drawing, video, photography), they will help to empower them for collective resistance.
- **SEPAZ (Colombia)** as they work with women who have encountered gender violence. The project offers economic empowerment along with psychological and spiritual support.

# PUBLICATIONS

*“Thank you for all the good information. It helps to know that we are not alone in working for justice.”*

## Gun Violence Prevention Congregational Toolkit



### PUBLICATIONS

- Published *Reading the Bible in Rome: A Pastoral Letter at the Beginning of a New Year*.
- Provided consultation on a new book on **racial justice**.
- Published a **Gun violence toolkit** for congregations.
- Published our annual *Great Things to Give*, offering ways to make holiday giving support JUSTICE through such things as sending girls to school, supporting transformational theological education, and enabling social enterprises that employ people with barriers to work.
- Published a **curated resource pack** to help churches and individuals respond in faithful ways to the **Migrant Caravan** approaching the US border.
- Started a **monthly newsletter** recapping all we did and shared during the previous month.

# PARTNERS

*“I am grateful to belong to, find guidance from, and be provoked by this international Baptist peace movement I love.”*



## PARTNERSHIPS

- Continued our work supporting partners in **Mexico and Puerto Rico** as they seek a just short-term and long-term recovery following earthquakes and hurricanes.
- Provided consultation for a local group in **Nashville** exploring liberative faith communities for people of color.
- Assisted **St. Peter’s Episcopal Church in Charlotte, NC** in creating an education and advocacy event on gun violence.
- Shared the good news that **Mount Nebo Bible Baptist Church in New Orleans, LA** is making great progress on the rebuilding of its sanctuary in the Ninth Ward. This has been a 13-year journey following the destruction of Hurricane Katrina -- a journey supported by many of our members and congregations through our partnership with Churches Supporting Churches.

## PARTNER CONGREGATIONS

- Preached at **Glendale Baptist** in Nashville, TN.
- Preached at **Binkley Memorial Baptist Church** in Chapel Hill, NC.
- Preached and led “BPFNA 101” at **Peakland Baptist** in Lynchburg, VA.
- Provided resources for a Partner Congregation hosting a **congregational conversation on gun violence**.
- Co-sponsored a year-long effort at **Myers Park Baptist** – Waking Up to Immigrant Injustice.
- Provided resources for several **anti-gun violence events** held at Partner Congregations.
- Fielded requests for resources for everything from suggestions for an **anti-racism training**, to ways to support the **immigrant caravan**, to becoming a **sanctuary congregation** and supporting **fire recovery efforts** in California.



# MEMBERS

*“BPFNA ~ Bautistas por la Paz has fed, inspired, challenged, kept me going and given me joy like no other!”*

I feel so privileged to be a member. Through this group I have become more conscious of the many ways we can become a more peaceful force, ways in which we reach out to encourage others to seek these paths. I have had doors opened that help me push the boundaries to various paths to serve these causes.

## MEMBER SUPPORT

- Provided members with **personalized advice** as they sought outlets for the work of peace.
- Provided weekly ideas for concrete action through our **Peaceful Resistance Facebook page and weekly email** recap.

# CONTRIBUTORS

*Thank you to everyone who gave to  
the work of peace rooted in  
justice in 2018!*



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The board and staff of the BPFNA ~ Bautistas por la Paz thank the following individuals, local congregations and other organizations who provided financial support in 2018. We are a people-based organization with minimal support from institutions. We operate with the commitment of people who believe in our vision for peace rooted in justice. We feel blessed to be able to do this vital work—and to work alongside people like you. If your name is not listed below and it should be, please notify us (704-521-6051; [deann@bpfna.org](mailto:deann@bpfna.org)).

La junta y el personal de BPFNA ~ Bautistas por la Paz agradecen a las siguientes personas, congregaciones locales y otras organizaciones que brindaron apoyo financiero en 2018. Somos una organización basada en el pueblo que recibe poco apoyo de instituciones. Operamos con el compromiso de personas que creen en nuestra visión de la paz enraizada en justicia. Nos sentimos bendecidos por poder hacer este trabajo vital y trabajar junto a personas como usted. Si su nombre no figura a continuación y debería serlo, avísenos (704-521-6051; [deann@bpfna.org](mailto:deann@bpfna.org)).

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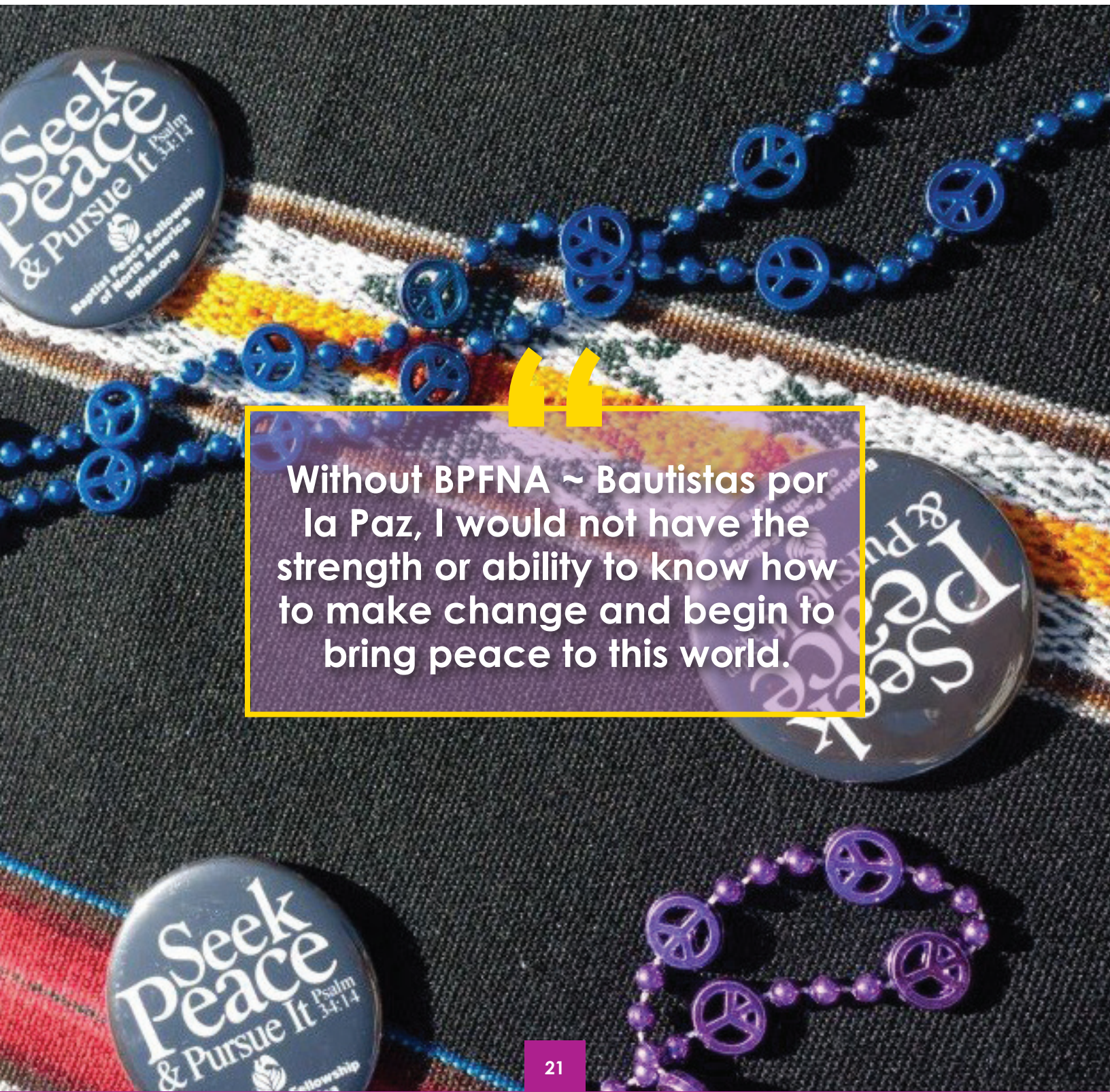
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