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Global Religious Peace Activists from Armed Conflicts Convened by Tanenbaum | Center for Interreligious Understanding

STONY POINT, NY, July 29, 2019 – From July 28 to August 2, 2019, [Tanenbaum | Center for Interreligious Understanding](#) will host the 2019 *Peacemakers in Action* Working Retreat, bringing together peacebuilders from around the world to connect, share their unique experiences in confronting conflict and plan ways to collaborate. Nearly 20 international peacemakers from South Sudan, Afghanistan, Syria, Uganda and El Salvador to name a few—will spend a week strategically engaging and learning from each other’s work in Stony Point, NY.

Every few years, Tanenbaum’s network of [Peacemakers in Action](#)—religiously motivated individuals involved in grassroots conflict transformation—meet to catalyze global change through interfaith efforts. For the first time ever, these committed individuals are bringing mentees to ensure that their often lone efforts in armed conflicts persist. Providing time and space for our *Peacemakers Network* and their mentees to collaborate with other committed peacebuilders sustains and reminds them that they are not alone tackling hate, violence, and bigotry in the world’s most dangerous conflicts.

During the week-long event, Tanenbaum will conduct conversations and trainings for the *Peacemakers* around physical and emotional trauma, women’s roles in peacebuilding and more. *Peacemakers* from Nigeria, Colombia, Indonesia, and the Philippines will present their findings on the intersection of religion and politics emphasizing collaboration with their fellow *Peacemaker* to prevent violence involving elections, nationalism, populism, and back-channel diplomacy.

Unique to this year’s working retreat, Tanenbaum will be recording a podcast featuring a handful of the *Peacemakers* on their journeys toward peacebuilding and now, as *Peacemakers*. Along with the workshops, reflections, and networking sessions in Stony Brook, the *Peacemakers* travel to New York, NY on Wednesday, July 31 for media opportunities, a meeting with the UN’s Genocide Prevention & the Responsibility to Protect, and a private cultivation event with network supporters.

In gratitude, Tanenbaum acknowledges the overwhelming passion for interfaith advocacy of each and every *Peacemaker in Action*. We are grateful to the Boniuk Institute, Fellowship in Prayer, GHR Foundation, Goodwin Foundation, Paddock Fund, Pine Tree Foundation of New York and other friends who made the Working Retreat possible.

To learn more about Tanenbaum's Conflict Resolution program and the *Peacemakers in Action Network*, visit <https://tanenbaum.org/peacemakers-in-action-network/>.

For all inquiries please contact Tanenbaum's Communications Manager, Dasha Tanner, at dtanner@tanenbaum.org.

Tanenbaum is a secular, non-sectarian nonprofit that systematically dismantles religious violence and hatred through Peacemakers in armed conflicts and by tackling religious bullying of students, harassment in workplaces and disparate health treatment for people based on their beliefs. More information about Tanenbaum's offerings can be found here: <https://tanenbaum.org/>

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