Dear BW4PC Networkers, Colleagues and Supporters,

Year 2016 included the Week of Non-Violence, Justice and Opportunities in 24 cities, 17 states and the United Kingdom, October 15-23, 2016. We are grateful to our National Partners, donors, volunteers, youth, children and civic leaders who organized and financed the events—without government funding! This year also included production of the third BW4PC film, “DROP: A Story of Triumph” — a film dedicated to discouraging youth from dropping out of school. Sign up today to join this growing national effort be a part of the change needed to stop the violence! Good Brothers Welcome!

Dr. Stephanie E. Myers, Co-Chair
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BW4PC Presented Elizabeth Keckley Awards to Outstanding Individuals Who Work to Strengthen and Preserve the American Middle/Working Class

During the 2015 Week of Non-Violence, a young man in Pittsburgh, PA challenged BW4PC to provide him with examples of greatness. On December 7, 2017, in WDC, BW4PC responded by honoring four great individuals with Elizabeth Keckley Awards, for their leadership in preserving and strengthening the American Middle/Working Class.
In 2016, the 4th Annual Week of Non-Violence, Justice & Opportunities was sponsored by Black Women for Positive Change, in collaboration with the National Bar Association, Church of God in Christ, National Association of Black Nurses, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement (NOBLE); and Wednesday Clergy Fellowship. Fifty-seven (57) Non-Violence events were held in 20+ cities. Participating cities were Albuquerque, NM; Alexandria, VA; Atlanta, GA; Baltimore, MD; Birmingham, AL; Chicago, IL; Cincinnati, Ohio; Calumet City, IL; Columbus, OH; Houston, TX; Kalamazoo, MI; Los Angeles, CA; Miami/Dade, FL; Milwaukee, WI; Norfolk, VA; Pittsburgh, PA; Phoenix, AR; Silver Spring, MD; Washington, D.C. and the United Kingdom.

TEXAS: Students in Houston, Texas join teacher Bryan Carroll in chanting the Week of Non-Violence Peace Pledge.

NEW MEXICO: Youth, Law Enforcement, Parents, Teachers linked arms to promote peace, at a gathering convened by The Links Inc., Albuquerque Chapter, Cate Stetson, Esq., President.

PENNSYLVANIA: Pittsburgh Chair Diane Powell presented awards to Brookline Middle School youth who produced art to promote peace.

WASHINGTON DC: 2016 Week of Non-Violence, Justice & Opportunities kick-off press conference sponsored by Black Women for Positive Change, on steps of DC City Hall, with DC City Council Chair Phil Mendelson, City Councilman, Kenyon McDuffie, Dr. Mildred Gorham, National Black Nurses Association, Former Mayor William Euille, Alexandria, VA; Kevin Judd, Esq., President, National Bar Association; Marcus Hughes, Next Generation Network. Not pictured, Bernadette Tolson and Karen Carrington, BW4PC Co-Chairs, Media and events.
Cities Around the USA and the UK in CyberSpace Hosted Violence Prevention Workshops

ILLINOIS: Sandy Lewis and Garvin Ambrose, of the Chicago/Cook County States Attorney’s office held an assembly at Dunbar High School, Chicago, to view violence prevention

MARYLAND. Baltimore Team launched Week of Non-Violence in Towson, Maryland with state, county and city officials, youth marching bands and artists. Baltimore team Danyell Smith, Crystal Francis and Takia Groomes coordinated activities during Wk of NV.

GEORGIA: College Park, Georgia Team brainstormed new ideas with youth and adults, to prevent violence, reduce abuse and promote mental health.

MIAMI/DADE, FLORIDA. Members of National Black Nurses Association, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and students met to discuss ways to stop domestic violence. Annette Gibson of NBNA was City Coordinator.

WASHINGTON, DC. Marcus Hughes of Next Generation Action Network and Imam Talib Shareef, of the Nation’s Mosque convened a “Enough is Enough,” discussion with ex-offenders, civic leaders, law enforcement officers and youth about reducing violence.

Women, Good Brothers, All Races & Religions Invited to Join!
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New Member Dues: $75 for Y’2017.
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