

## Welcoming Michael McGill as the World Evangelical Alliance Peacebuilding Advisor!

Dear Peacebuilders and Child Advocates,



**Building Peace:** During the recent World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) International Leadership Team meeting in Africa, leadership agreed that peacebuilding is a priority for the alliance and that the Church needs to be on the leading edge of peacebuilding and reconciliation in the world because this reflects the heart of the gospel.

**Peacebuilding Advisor:** I have asked Michael McGill to help us achieve this objective. I learned of Michael through his excellent work to coordinate and expand the global Christian effort to address child sexual exploitation and trafficking. I feel that his work on better engaging youth in peacebuilding is critical to truly decreasing violence in the world. Michael brings passion, skill and tenacity to this critical role.

**About WEA:** WEA is the largest global association of evangelical Christians—serving over 420 million Christians through its 128 national evangelical alliances in 7 regions, and 104 associate member organizations. In addition, 6 specialized departments, called Commissions, exist to focus on specific areas of Kingdom building such as Global Mission, Religious Liberty, Theology, Women's Ministry, Youth Ministry, and Information Technology.

**WEA Vision:** WEA envisions the church joined together in every community around the world effectively living out and proclaiming the good news of Jesus. These allied churches seek transformation, holiness and justice for individuals, families, communities, peoples and nations.

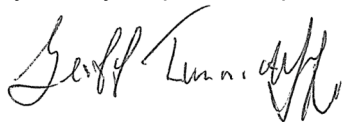
**Our Peacebuilding Goal:** By April 2010 the WEA Peacebuilding Initiative seeks to see evidence of least 40% of its 128 national evangelical alliances, member organizations, partners and commissions having helped cultivate and sustain peace in places impacted by violence—with a focus on children of impoverished nations impacted by armed intrastate conflict. Just Children is now a project of WEA helping achieve this goal.

**Why WEA?:** We have a strong Biblical commitment, rooted in forgiveness, grace, and restoration, and a unique opportunity to help build peace, especially in places where armed conflict has erupted, and especially among the most vulnerable—children of impoverished nations impacted by civil war. Among other things, WEA has international networks available to quickly offer practical and well researched training and tools to millions of people, enabling them to help curb violence when, and before, conflict sparks.

### You Can Help!

1. Please commit to pray for Michael and this important initiative.
2. Encourage others to contact us via mail or email to get more information. [WEAPB@JustChildren.org](mailto:WEAPB@JustChildren.org)
3. Today, send a generous financial contribution to help build peace among children and families impacted by violence. [www.JustChildren.org](http://www.JustChildren.org)

Thank you for your partnership!



Geoff Tunnicliffe, International Director of the World Evangelical Alliance

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