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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
PEACE CATALYST INTERNATIONAL

# YEAR IN REVIEW

Warm greetings in the name of the One who is our peace! Thank you for your support of Peace Catalyst International (PCI). We are grateful for your partnership and excited about what God is doing in our movement.

Before I share some of our 2012 highlights, I want to say something about the important things we do that can't be measured. The PCI team spends endless hours in personal "one-on-one" meetings with both Muslims and Christians, building bridges and teaching about Jesus-brand peacemaking. These kind of things don't show up in this report, but they are the relational foundations by which PCI operates and bears fruit. We have a great team changing the world one person at a time!

## Peacemaking Events

We put on approximately 30 peacemaking events between Muslims and Christians, reaching, interacting with, and creating relationships between over 500 people.

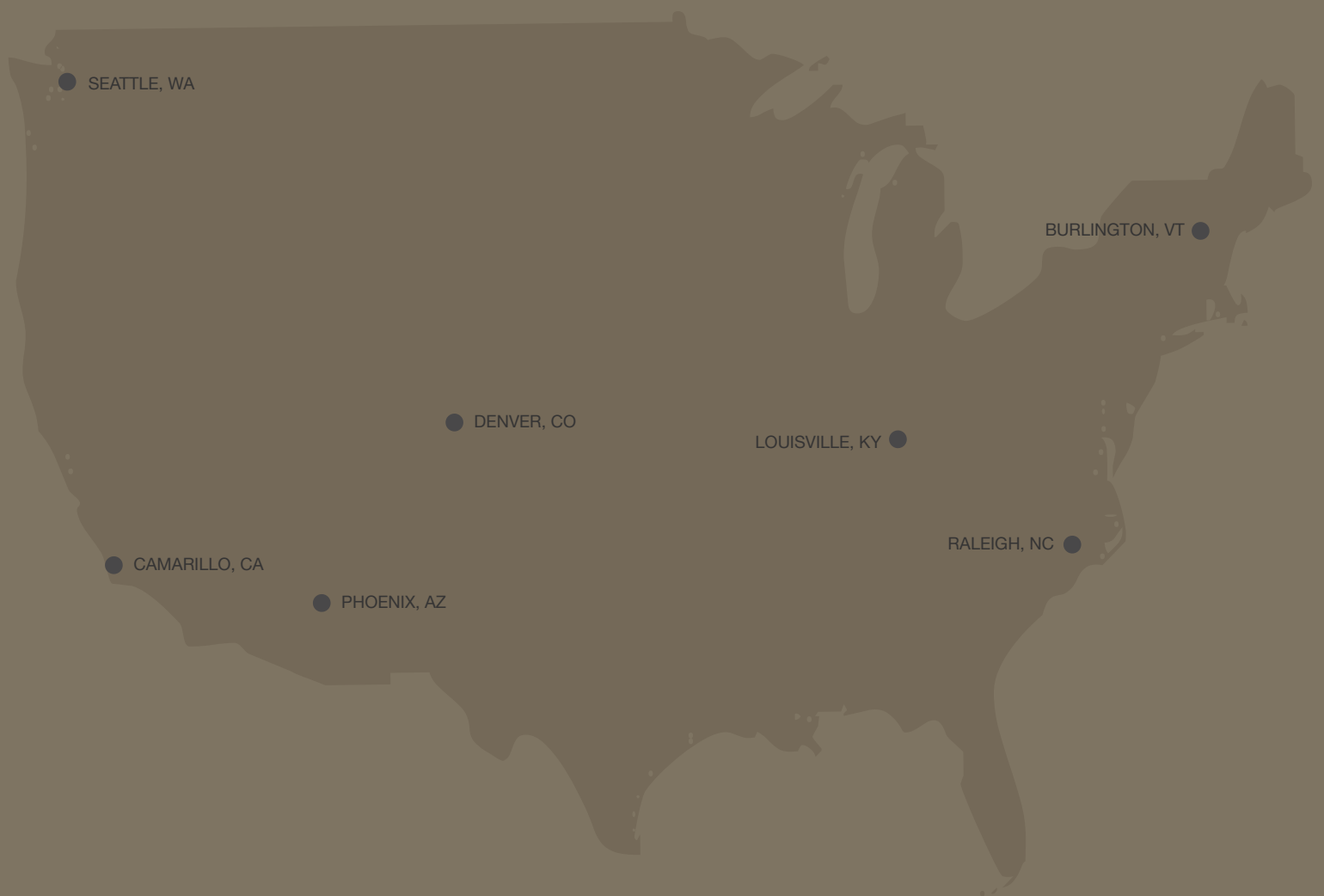
## Communities of Reconciliation

We started five "Communities of Reconciliation" in which Muslims and Christians share their faith stories, learn to love each other, and engage in community service over the course of one year.

## Evangelicals for Peace

With our emphasis on starting new initiatives, we convened *Evangelicals for Peace: A Summit on Christian Moral Responsibility in the 21st Century* in Washington DC on September 14, 2012. Over one hundred scholars, pastors, missionaries, development workers, and activists gathered at Georgetown University to discuss peace, war, and how to work for peace as followers of Jesus. In response to this summit, PCI is playing a leading role in forming a network of evangelical organizations for peace.





PCI has just completed its third year of work. We moved our central office to Denver, Colorado. Having added two new regions and 19 new staff in 2012, we finished the year with 35 staff members serving in 7 regions, and we now have internships in three of these locations. In addition, we visited and explored the possibility of starting PCI work in four countries: Palestine, Afghanistan, India, and Kazakhstan.



## Peacemaking Seminars

We put on three peacemaking seminars in the U.S. (Louisville, KY; Columbus, OH; Vacaville, CA).

## International Communities

We have expanded our work with international communities within the U.S. this year. We now engage with Burmese Rohingya Muslims in Denver, Bosnian Muslims in Seattle, and Turkish Muslim communities in Tempe and Louisville (Louisville has even become a Sister City with Adapazari, Turkey). We are also working with international university students from Palestine, Iran, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, and Pakistan.

## Online Presence

This year, we greatly increased our online presence with a regular blog, Facebook, Twitter (“like” and “follow” us if you haven’t already) as well as monthly newsletters.

## Upcoming Book

We also wrote and are under contract with InterVarsity Press to publish *A Peace of the Bible: Following the Prince of Peace into a World of Conflict*. This book will be available in 2013.

## Habitat for Humanity

We were part of Abraham Build, an interfaith project with Habitat for Humanity of Wake County, North Carolina. Together with members of Christian, Jewish and Muslim faith communities, we helped create a new home for a family in Raleigh, NC.

## Somali Bantu Refugees

We have continued to work with Somali Bantu refugees in Tempe, AZ by teaching English classes and providing training in peacemaking and reconciliation. We also partner with Project Worthmore (Denver) and Kentucky Refugee Ministries (Louisville) to welcome and help new refugee families settle into their new homes and communities.

## Catalog of Peacemaking Resources

We have have been in the midst of creating an entire catalog of peacemaking resources, including two e-books, a peacemaking training curriculum for churches, a guide explaining common areas of disagreement between Muslims and Christians, and an updated version of *Grace & Truth: Toward Christlike Relationships with Muslims*. Most are available on our website or will be in 2013.



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