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The goals are:

- To engage academic researchers in the social sciences to undertake the work of data compilation in the six regions of Africa for the ADF.
- To establish and maintain a graduate studies program with a reputable research University or Institute within the United States of America and extend the template of peace studies to Universities and Research Institutes on the continent of Africa and the world.
- To work in partnership with grass-roots community organizations in combating volatile inner-cities.
- To establish an African Peace, Walk of Fame in any African Country that will embrace it.
- To Build the First Peace and Transformation Libraries all over Africa.

Proposing the Solutions: If we are to examine the ongoing battles in many regions on the African continent and the world, we would find that a major cause of the uprisings and battles is lack of effective communication. We would be remiss if we were to discount the role of external impositions in these nations riddled with conflicts. The cultures of slavery, colonization, imperialism, and neo-colonization under the guise of a global market economy are impacting factors that continue to threaten stability and economic development. The ADF then poses the question – “Is it possible to have stability and economic development without peace?” Other pundits have countered by asking, “Is it possible to have peace without stability and economic development?” The adage seems appropriate here – “which came first, the chicken or the egg?” The ADF’s contention is, “absent peace, efforts at stability and economic development would be futile.” To that end, The ADF launches the initiative to construct, establish and maintain a peaceful education curriculum, which would serve to pre-empt the components, which threaten stability and economic development. A mind at peace is a productive mind that seeks to enhance the growth of a nation.



- Bring Peace education to the classrooms (primary, secondary and tertiary).
- Extend the curriculum to adult literacy via community centers, churches, mosques, and other places of worship.
- Through the cultural language of peace, pre-empt volatility, and restore social order.
- Through the cultural language of peace [re] introduce rehabilitation, repatriation, and rebuild communities.

As an avid Peace and Human Rights Education advocate, Dr. Ezozo has had the honor and the privilege to be invited as a keynote speaker in countries and organizations such as: United Nations, in New York and Geneva, South Africa at the Nelson Mandela's Foundation where he had the opportunity to meet and spoke to President Nelson Mandela. It was at the same time he had the opportunity to present the Peace and Human Rights Education plan to President Nelson Mandela's Chief of Staff, Mr. Shubane. He also presented at the South African Council of Churches, South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC), KJLH Radio Station, Nigerian Television Authority (ATA), World Bank, the King Center in Atlanta, etc.

During his quest to further the Peace and Human Rights Education advocacy, he also went on to meet and host heads of state and dignitaries who have supported his peace Education Movement / Advocacy, just to mention a few: Former President Jacob Zuma of South, 2003, at UCLA, former President Jerry Rawlings of Ghana 2007 in Los Angeles, Former President Antonio M. Monterio, of Cape Verde, 2007 in Los Angeles, His Excellency, Salim A. Salim, the last Secretary General of Organization of African Unity (O.A.U) 1998, Her Excellency Ambassador Arikana Chihombori Quao 2019, Late Mrs. Stella Obasanjo Former First Lady of Nigeria, 1999 in Los Angeles, Rev. Al Sharpton, 2007 in New York, Rev. Jesse Jackson, 1999 at UCLA, Dr. Bernard La Fayette, 2000, in New Port Beach, California, Bishop T.D. Jakes, 1996 at UCLA and many others, are too many to mentioned. Dr. Ezozo has been speaking in various

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