



March 2008

**Multifaith Education
Project**

All that's possible

Shalom, Salaam and Peace to all!

The MEP will continue to send you updates about our activities. We want you to be as hopeful about the future as we are. We see the kids in action and hear comments regularly that inspire and encourage us. For us it's about doing what's possible, rather than getting stuck in the hopelessness that comes from all that's wrong.

Here's some of the good news we'd like to share with you:

Our students are engaging in a writing exercise this year that will encourage them to call on grandparents and other elders to glean the *WORDS OF WISDOM* from their traditions. We've asked them to submit their writings by mid-April and will award the winners at our day together on May 1st. Watch this website for the winning entries. They are sure to offer insights into what

Judaism, Christianity and Islam have to teach their young.

Big News!

THE MEP is honored to be working with the Tanenbaum Center for Inter-religious Understanding in New York (TCIU) to create and demonstrate a middle school version of their excellent COEXIST curriculum. In June our student winners of the writing contest will have the opportunity to retreat with Joy Osborne, Assistant Program Director for Religious and Diversity Education for the TCUI, and experience the COEXIST curriculum for two days.

BUT to do this, we need \$5000 to cover the cost of the retreat that will include students, faculty and staff from our project. Please, won't you be the sponsor of this important workshop? The end product will be used by our schools at future inter-religious gatherings of the students and far beyond.

Send your donations to us at PO Box 301003, Fern Park FL 32730 or use PayPal at our website to send your underwriting donation NOW. We can't move forward to do this groundbreaking work without you.

We now have a profit and loss statement prepared by our wonderful administrative assistant, Julie Sullivan. If you want to know about our income/expense flow, let us know and we will make a copy available to you.

BREAKING BREAD: A Celebration of Three Faiths

The first edition of our cookbook/storybook *BREAKING BREAD: A Celebration of Three Faiths* sold out quickly. The recipes and stories have been delighting readers. If you haven't ordered yours, a new printing is now available. (See below for ordering instructions and 20% off coupon)



["Breaking Bread: A Celebration of Three Faiths,"](#) is on sale and can be purchased by mailing your check (see 20% discount coupon below) or by using PayPal on our website. [Click here](#) to order "Breaking Bread" or purchase it at any of our three schools.

ON THE HORIZON

- Environmental Education Day
On May 1st, each school will share its teachings about being good stewards of the earth. Candy Dawson will present ways students can take home these lessons and we will, once again, plant trees-this time at the new Howell Branch Preserve in cooperation with the city of Winter Park. Watch this website for photos of the day and for winning entries from the writing contest.
- We're hoping that meetings with our U.S. Senators Bill Nelson and Mel Martinez will inform and inspire them about our mission and all the possibilities for peace building found in our project. In meetings with them we want to garner support for our work and learn about Federal grants that might help us to grow and replicate what we do.
- Meetings with Valencia Community College are set for next

month. These will provide opportunities for MEP to partner with a larger institution that will benefit our community by producing multicultural, multi-religious programs of merit.

- None of this can happen without dedicated staff and workers to attend to the many daily needs of a growing project. Help us now by sending your contributions to : MEP, PO Box 301003, Fern Park FL 32730 or through PayPal on our website.
- We are always interested in your feedback or offers of support and connections. Sent them to us at ifsheehy@multifaitheducationproject.org.

THANK YOU!

Peace/Salaam/Shalom to you from all of us,

Louise and all the folks at Hebrew Day School, Orangewood Christian School, and Leaders Prep school.



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