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2021 Issue Priorities

Speaking Truth to Power in Love



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UN OFFICE THEMATIC ISSUES FOR 2021:

- Peace and Security
- Gender Justice
- Racial Justice
- Human Rights
- Global Migration and Displacement
- Food and Hunger
- International Religious Freedom
- Climate Action



OPW DOMESTIC PRIORITIES FOR 2021:

- Address systemic racism and promote racial equity
- Advocate for comprehensive COVID-19 relief and response legislation
- Restore voting rights and common-sense democracy reform
- Support compassionate, comprehensive immigration
- Promote decisive and effective climate and environmental justice solutions
- Advocate for the passage of H.R.40: Commission to Study & Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans



OPW INTERNATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR 2021:

- Support refugees and asylum seekers and address root causes of migration
- Promote human rights and conflict resolution in Israel/Palestine, Syria and Yemen
- Advocate de-escalation and a solution of the conflicts with Iran and North Korea
- Address global economic justice, corporate accountability and fair trade policies
- Support peacemaking in Cameroon, South Sudan and Congo
- Speak out for human rights defenders across the globe
- Advocating for the renewed engagement with Cuba and an end to the US economic embargo

*Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?*

*Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?*

— Isaiah 58:6-7