**Program Summary**

During Interfaith Harmony Week, Kids4Peace Jerusalem brought 137 peacemakers (7th-12th grade) to Neve Shalom/Wahat Al Salam for a weekend full of learning, sharing, team-building, and mainly: Storytelling. Thanks to our generous donors, USAID West Bank/Gaza, and our incredibly inspiring hosts-Auburn Seminary, the youth dove deeply into their personal stories and practiced the art of self-expression.

Friday evening, after everyone checked in just before the sun began to set, we tried something new for Kids4Peace. Because we had all of the age groups together–we decided to break into groups in new ways. First, we divided by faith–for over an hour–to spend some time with those whom we most identify to share, connect, pray, and even sing. For each religion, this process looked a little bit different: ranging from Kabbalat Shabbat services, learning teachings from the Prophet Mohammad, and Bible Study.

All of the youth discussed the parameters of a good story: Setting. Outcome. Challenge. Characters, and more. They answered tough questions: Where do our family’s come from? How did we get to be who we are today? How do we share our stories with others in a way that is engaging and true? How do we listen to others’ stories?

Youth practiced telling their stories one on one, providing feedback, sharing in small groups, offering tips to make the stories stronger, and finally whoever wanted performed in front of the entire community

***Themes****:*

7th gr Leap- Community Narrative

8th gr Roots- Public Narrative- **Public narrative** is a practice of leadership. **Public narrative** is the “why” of organising—the art of translating values into action through stories.

9th gr Leadership- My Stories, My Family

10th Narrative Training

***Meals and Breaks***

* The unstructured time during the seminars can leave room for youth to have free time.
* During breaks, the team must take care the youth are in their rooms or in the activities room or outdoor where it is close to the group.
* At mealtimes, team take the youth to the dining room together, all youth sit around the table.
* During the meal: the youth have to waiting in line, and take their food and go back to the table.
* When the youth finish their food, they must return the plate of food to place cleaner.
* At dinner, breakfast and lunch; Jewish, Muslim and Christian youth with team leader will lead the blessing before the meal.

***Schedule****:*

**Friday February 5, 2016
13:30 - Arrival**

**14:00** -**Welcome**, Have youth choose Saturday options for faith time, Go *Community Rules:*

1. Be respectful to each other, as we are together as a community
2. We need to travel in groups of 3 people together
3. Our faith advisor needs to know where we are at all times
4. Keep quiet and consider that there are more guests at the guesthouse.
\_ Respect each other, and respect the team and listen to them.
\_ Keep the place and the rooms clean, quiet, do not break anything.

\_ During the activities we expect all youth to share their thoughts and opinions, to listen to others, and not interfere through activities.

**14:30-16:00 – Session 1**

**16:00-16:20 Get Ready for Shabbat (starts at 16:30)**

**16:30-18:00 -Faith Time**

Jewish Meeting in White Dove Hall: Shabbat Services & Candle Lighting

Muslim Meeting in Jasmine Hall: Text Study from Quran about the Prophet Mohammad (pbu”h) and his treatment of non-Muslims during his lifetime

Christian Meeting in Club Hall: Bible Stories about Jesus and Mary’s ability to relate to thieves

**18:00-19:00 - Dinner & Kiddush**

**19:00-21:00- Session 2**

**21:00-22:30 Free Time** (advisors, counselor, should be nearby)

**22:30-23:00 Closing of the day**

**23:30- Lights Out**

**Saturday February 6, 2016**

 **7:45-8:45 Morning**

1. Shabbat Morning Prayer (no minyan)- Jewish- White Dove Hall
2. Yoga- Jasmine Hall
3. Morning Walk- meet outside dining hall
4. Meditation- outside on the grass (if nice) if raining in club hall

**8:45-9:15 Breakfast with blessing**

**9:30-11:30 Session 3**

**11:30-12:00 Break with Snacks brought over by Reeham & Team**

**12:00- 13:00 Short Session 4**

**13:15- 14:00 Lunch with Blessing**

14:00- 15:30 Soccer, Basketball, Walk to Meditation Center, In door Games at White Dove Hall

15:45- 17:15 Session 5- Summary

17:15-17:45 Light Snacks by groups in rooms from Neve Shalom if it is nice picnic outside

Shabbat ends at 17:55, Havdalah & Thank you- by groups.

*Get stuff from room get on bus according to where you live*

18:00- 18:15 Get on Bus