

Peace on Earth for All Humanity

Peace on Earth for all humankind is the central objective of the PFJF movement.

When we reflect together on why humanity has not yet created a form of planetary governance capable of guaranteeing peace, freedom, justice, and fairness for every person on Earth, we often conclude that the answer lies in nationalism—a modern form of tribalism. As nations, we are reluctant to submit to a higher global authority that could limit our actions. This hesitation is understandable. Yet if we wish to avoid the destructive consequences of nationalism, we must find a way to move beyond it.

Many of us resist the idea of a global governing body having the authority to restrict what our nation can do, whether domestically or internationally. More broadly, we value autonomy and do not want to be told what we can or cannot do. Regardless of differing moral views, we generally prefer to govern ourselves.

However, if we truly seek lasting peace—defined as the abolition of war, genocide, and mass killing, and the elevation of human life as the highest priority of governance—then we must consider some form of effective global authority. Such a system would need the power to prevent nations or groups from engaging in war or mass violence and to ensure that protecting human life is the primary function of government at every level.

To achieve this, we would need to persuade a majority of humanity that this goal is worth pursuing—through nonviolent means. We recognize that such a transformation would not happen quickly; it could take generations. Yet we may not have generations to solve these problems.

We originally formed governments for mutual protection and collective benefit. Safeguarding our lives and freedoms should remain their highest responsibility. When we, as nations, kill our own citizens, wage war, or commit genocide, we violate that foundational purpose. We must unite in rejecting the killing of human beings for any reason. None of us, individually or collectively, should claim the right to take the lives of others.

One possible path forward would be a mutually agreed-upon planetary constitution prohibiting war and all forms of mass killing. Under such a framework, protecting life and freedom would become the primary mission of local, regional, and national governments worldwide. A global peacekeeping force—composed of contributions from all nations and directed by representatives elected by all the people of the planet—could help uphold these principles.

This vision may not be widely embraced today. Yet when we look at ongoing conflicts and humanitarian crises around the world, we see daily reminders of our failure to prevent unnecessary suffering and death from war, famine, and preventable disease. We must ask ourselves why we, as an intelligent species, have not yet found a way to end such destruction.

We, the people of Earth, must come together and demand that our governments stop killing our fellow human beings and instead resolve conflicts peacefully. We affirm that human life is sacred. Regardless of our religious, political, or philosophical differences, can we not agree that every human life has immeasurable value? Can we not affirm that each of us deserves freedom, so long as we do not infringe upon the rights and freedoms of others?

If peace is truly our goal, then protecting life everywhere must become our shared and highest commitment.