July 8 – 17, 2012

**Kids4Peace (International)** is an interfaith peace education organization dedicated to encouraging children of different cultures and faith traditions to explore their differences and similarities, and to learn understanding, tolerance and respect, while fostering sustainable friendships across the lines of conflict. On a number of occasions in recent years, **Kids4Peace (Canada)** has brought four Jewish, four Muslim, and four Christian eleven-year-old children from the Galilee region of Israel to a two-week summer camp experience in Ontario, Canada to create new friendships and to help build the human foundations for peace in their troubled region. In the camp, they are joined by a corresponding number of Canadian children from the three faiths. All participants – staff, families and children – share a commitment to peace. They also share a belief that an educational experience of respect and understanding for cultural and religious diversity should begin with the very young. Below, you will find the daily schedule of a 10-day camp held in Ontario in 2012.

**Sunday, July 8, 2012**

Galileans arrive at Pearson at 6:30pm

**Day 1: Monday, July 9, 2012**

*Theme – Friendship, getting to know each other, orientation*

7:30am Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

8:00am **Breakfast** (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

9:00
- (late start to ensure kids are rested and settled in. This is only for the 1st day)
- Begin with 3 ice breakers and 1 name game
- Introduction of advisors, and the goals of the camp
- Create a Kids4Peace Flag that we will raise every morning. Afterwards, each group will create their own Peace covenant and will present to the larger group.

- Brainstorm session: camper’s expectation for the week

10:30 **Snack**

11:30
- Each camper will draw their own face to tape to their room door.
- Teams will then be introduced and explained – a way to help the campers socialize with different children and venture outside of their comfort zone
- Create team logos to be used all through camp to help cheer each other on.

12:00pm **Lunch** - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

1:00 **Orientation and tour of the camp (YMCA staff)**
2:00 Swim test with YMCA staff, 30 minutes for boys + 30 minutes for girls

3:30 K4P video, then a tour of our “own space” – peace corner, posters, etc

5:00 Dinner - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

6:30 Storytelling – each advisor will bring in a book of their choice that talk about peace, respect or anything to do with their culture. It will be a way to bring a close to the evening and have the campers start to share and listen to each other.

7:00 Snack (introduce Abraham’s tent)

8:00 Closing session –
   • What makes/breaks our peace
   • Daily Reflections: Journals

9:00 lights out + staff meeting

Day 2 – Tuesday, July 10, 2012
Theme – Abraham’s Children

7:00am Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

7:30 Breakfast (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

8:30 Opening session with the raising of the Kids4Peace Flag

9:00 Interfaith Exploration
   • Differences and commonalities
   • Abraham: “Who is he in my Faith?”
   • Commonalties:
     o First half of this activity: Kids present what they know about Abraham
     o Second half: Advisors reinforce Abraham as our common denominator
   • Differences:
     o What separates us apart?
       ■ Holidays
       ■ Food
       ■ Juma’a, Shabbat, Sunday

This activity will be mainly presented by the children who will be encouraged to speak about their experiences

10:15 Snack

10:30 Islam + activity
12:00pm  **Lunch** - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

1:00  **YMCA activity** – Swimming/Archery

2:30  **Snack**

2:45  **Golden Rule activity** - OURstory
- **History**: Learning about peace makers around the world
- **Golden Age**: Where all three faiths lived in harmony
- **Short video**
- **Peace letters**

4:00  Introduce Abraham’s tent- group discussions for ten minutes- Then free time

5:00  **Dinner** - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

6:00  Reflection activities - WHO AM I?
- what makes you, you? Silhouettes of campers, collage-like

7:00  **SNACK**

8:00  Closing session:
- **What makes/breaks my peace**
- **Daily reflection**: Journals

9:00  lights out + staff meeting

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**Day 3 – Wednesday, July 11, 2012**

*Theme – Interfaith Education*

7:00am  Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

7:30  **Breakfast** (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). **Have prayer in one of the 3 languages** (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

8:30  **Opening session with the raising of the Kids4Peace Flag**

9:00  Judaism + activity

10:00  **YMCA - initiatives/trust games/low ropes**

12:00  **Lunch** - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

1:00  Christianity session + activity

2:30  Interactive activity

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3:00            YMCA – swimming:
               • 45 minutes for Girls while boys play soccer
               • Next 45 minutes for boys while girls play soccer

5:00            Dinner - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

7:00            Introduce Abraham’s tent- group discussions for fifteen minutes-

8:00            closing session
               • Appreciation plus make/break peace
               • Daily reflections: journals

9:00            Bedtime

Day 4 – Thursday, July 12, 2012
Theme: Site visits

7:00am            Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

7:30            Breakfast (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

8:30            Depart to Niagara falls
               Shopping at Dollarama in Niagara Falls (maximum 1 hour)

12:00            Lunch at the Falls, Maid of the Mist

3:30            Depart Niagara Falls

5:00            Dinner

7:00            Preparation for the Mosque

8:00            Closing session:
               • Appreciation/ what makes or breaks my peace
               • Daily reflections: Journals

9:00            Bedtime

Day 5 – Friday, July 13, 2012
Theme – Site visits

7:00am            Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming
7:30 Breakfast (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

8:30 Opening session with the raising of the Kids4Peace Flag

9:00 Peace quilt and/or calm Golden Rule activity

11:30 Lunch - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

12:00pm Depart to the Mosque (Juma’a prayer and tour of the mosque)

3:30 Head to the C.N Tower

4:00 C.N tower- kids have a chance to experience the C.N tower, glass floors, etc-

6:00 Dinner at Old Spaghetti Factory

8:00 Head back to camp

9:00 Closing session –
  o What makes/breaks our peace
  o Daily Reflections: Journals

9:30 lights out + staff meeting

Day 6 – Saturday, July 14, 2012

Theme –

7:00am Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

7:30 Breakfast (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

8:30 Opening session with the raising of the Kids4Peace Flag

9:00 Depart to the Synagogue

10:30 Holy Blossom Synagogue, followed by light lunch

12:30 Depart to Mediateque

3:30 Head back to camp

5:00 Dinner - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

6:00 reflection on Synagogue

6:30 intro and preparation for visit to Church, Q & A

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Day 7 – Sunday, July 15, 2012
Theme – Site visit, reflection, team building

7:00am Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

7:30 Breakfast (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

8:30 Opening session with the raising of the Kids4Peace Flag

9:15 Depart to Church – Christ Church, Anglican Diocese of Bolton

10:30 Mass

12:00 Lunch Return to Cedar Glen

1:00 Reflection on Church

1:30 YMCA activity

3:00 Abraham’s tent practice

5:00 Dinner - Have prayer in one of the 3 languages (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

6:00 Abraham’s tent

7:00 Closing session
- Appreciation/ What makes or breaks my peace
- Daily reflections: Journals
Day 8 – Monday, July 16, 2012
*Theme – Abraham’s tent*

7:00am  Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

7:30  **Breakfast** (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). **Have prayer in one of the 3 languages** (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

8:00  Abraham’s Tent: Practice

5:00  Parents, families arrive for the show, while campers have **dinner** and parents are served snacks

6:00  Abraham’s tent

7:00  Final closing session: goodbyes and farewells

Day 9 – Tuesday, July 17, 2012
*Theme – Farewell!*

7:00am  Wake-up campers with music/instrument/drumming

7:30  **Breakfast** (bring in foods that are familiar to Galilean campers – cucumber, thyme, yogurt, pita etc). **Have prayer in one of the 3 languages** (Arabic, English, Hebrew)

9:00  packing up luggage

11:30  interfaith prayer session (this may also be done at the airport)

12:00  **lunch**

1:00  depart for Wal-mart

2:00  head to airport

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