

THE WALTER WINK & JUNE KEENER WINK FELLOWSHIP



Walter was a peacemaker, a risk taker, and a visionary. Above all, he was a pastor, a scholar, and professor with an abiding commitment to the "third way"; the way of active nonviolent resistance.

Therefore, I am pleased to announce the inauguration of The Walter Wink & June Keener Wink Fellowship, a year-long internship for seminary students seeking to integrate their theological understanding with a practical embodiment of the work of peace and reconciliation. This internship will be offered in partnership with the Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR), the largest and oldest peace and justice organization in the country, of which Walter and I have been longtime members. Friends, it is a critical time in our country's history. More violence ensues everyday. Now more than ever, we need thoughtful and courageous leaders for tomorrow-leaders, like Walter, who will witness to "the power of the Spirit who constantly challenges us to transcend the present order and to win victories, large and small."

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To this end, The Walter Wink & June Keener Wink Fellowship will be offered to seminary students from diverse backgrounds in their last years of study. These students will be carefully selected by FOR and their respective seminaries with particular attention to those who have a desire to serve rural, historically underserved, and minority communities. Investing in these students is a wonderful way to plant a seed for peace and justice.



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"Sisters and and brothers, our world needs Walter's spirit, the spirit of love, peace, and reconciliation, which he brought to South Africa, and it needs it now. We, all of us, are the beloved of God and it is our sacred work to remember this more than what divides us. Therefore, I urge your full support of this important opportunity."

~ Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Through a program of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE), these seminary interns will receive two graduate-level education credits so they may deliver what Walter once called, "an ineffable divine reassurance within the heart of conflict; a peace which surpasses all understanding." This internship will be offered from year to year and expose students to the grassroots work of peace and justice across the country. Students will be selected from seminaries where Walter and I taught, such as Auburn and Union, but also from Yale, the New York Theological Seminary, and others.

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With a cost of \$40,000 per student per year, our goal of supporting these students is within reach. This cost provides for staffing and supervision, a small stipend and travel reimbursement for the student, as well as some operational costs. In brief, the Fellowship requires the following gifts annually:

- Two gifts at the \$10,000 level
- Three gifts at the \$5,000 level
- Two gifts at the \$2,500 level



Friends, I have made a significant contribution to this Fellowship, and I ask you to please join me in supporting this important work. Gifts at every level are welcomed, and all gifts are deeply appreciated. To speak about specific ways to give, please contact Michael Taylor, Development Counsel at FOR, at (917) 854-2371 or mtaylor@forusa.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "June Keener Wink". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

June Keener Wink

Please know that the Fellowship of Reconciliation is a 501c3 nonprofit organization, and as such, all contributions are tax deductible to the furthest extent of the law. All checks should be made out to 'The Fellowship of Reconciliation' and designated for the 'Wink Fellowship.'

