

Rotary Peace Fellow—Wisdom Addo Update

Rotary Peace Fellow, Wisdom Addo, was invited to the Qatar Leadership Conference in October 2018. He facilitated a workshop on the topic "The Importance of Communication in Leadership" and gave a keynote presentation at the closing ceremony for 900 participants, sharing his story and how he became involved with Rotary as a Peace Fellow. More about the event can be found here (<https://qatar.thimun.org/qc/presentersandworkshopsq1c2018/>)

Wisdom Addo is the Executive Director at the West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation (WACPF) a non-governmental organization that serves the youth in schools and communities through education on human rights, leadership training, and peace building in Ghana and Liberia. Wisdom also serves as the West Africa Chapter Coordinator for the **PeaceJam Foundation** USA. His work provides peace education for the youth, which counts on the learning ability of human beings and focuses on the acquisition and advancement of capacities, skills, values, and knowledge.

Wisdom was humbled to be part of the conference and gave thanks to the conference sponsors; he specifically acknowledged the ongoing support that he has received from PeaceJam as well as the support of Joyce Ann Miller, Ph.D., an Erie Club Rotarian who was a Rotary Peace Fellow with Wisdom in the 2012 cohort at the Rotary Peace Center, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok Thailand. He also thanked the Rotary Clubs of Erie, Cleveland & Akron who have provided support for his work over the years.



Wisdom Addo, Rotary Peace Fellow from the West Africa Peace Foundation, Accra, Ghana at the Qatar Leadership Conference in October 2018

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Wisdom Addo, a Rotary Peace Fellow from the WEST AFRICA CENTRE FOR PEACE FOUNDATION (WACPF) in Accra, Ghana, attended a Rotary Club of Erie meeting to provide a report on the 2018 *PEACE JAM GHANA* conference, which was held June 28-July 1. The Rotary Club of Erie was one of the sponsors for this conference, which supported the public lecture by Nobel Peace Laureate Jody Williams. Erie Rotarian, Joyce Miller, Ph.D* hosted Wisdom during his stay in Erie. Wisdom thanked the Erie Club and all who provided a donation for this service project.

** Joyce Miller attended the 2017 PEACE JAM GHANA conference and saw, firsthand, the power of these conferences for youth in Ghana with respect to their acquiring leadership, as well as peace and conflict resolution skills. The WACPF, which hosts these conferences, was founded by Wisdom Addo, Wisdom served in the same 2012 cohort with Joyce at the Rotary Peace Center in Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand. Wisdom has visited Erie several times since 2012 and made presentations to the Rotary Club of Erie regarding his peace work in Ghana.*



Photo: Lisa Graf, Rotary Club of Erie President, Wisdom Addo, and Joyce Miller