

Guidelines for Writers
Power of Goodness Story Collections

Stories sought:

1. Reflect universal power of goodness, peace, healing, reconciliation, nonviolence, friendship, kindness, love, integrity, compassion, forgiveness, respect for diversity -- especially cultural and religious, and so on.
2. Contribute to the value of *Power of Goodness* as a guide to help young people and adults around the world learn the ways of peace. Therefore, action models behavior that may be carried over into the lives of readers.
3. Are typically true. Fictional stories are considered, if compelling, but do not utilize allegorical or fantasy elements (e.g., conversations with angels, animals talking, and so forth).
4. Present a problem, conflict or tragedy; a way to approach or resolve it; actions taken; results achieved; and, possibly, follow up information.
5. Recount a single incident of nonviolence or how such an incident affects others and future acts of nonviolence over time.
6. Are experiential, with a very clear sense of transformation, change and/or growth in people and situations, that makes ideas for consideration explicit and easy to discuss.
7. Include interpersonal dialog between characters.
8. Are approximately 300-1500 words. Excellent longer stories are considered, which may or may not be adapted or abridged.
9. Are interesting for ages six thru adults.
10. Have active roles for children, as appropriate, though not necessarily as the central characters.
11. Will not proselytize or put forth doctrine in the name of any religion, but will draw on perspectives of all religions based on direct experience of nonviolence and reconciliation. The religion of a character may be included.

Submit reader comments, translations or new stories to PowerofGoodness@FriendsPeaceTeams.org, or to:

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