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Janna Hunter-Bowman, Ph.D.

Janna Hunter-Bowman serves as the Associate Professor of Peace Studies and Christian Social Ethics; Peace Studies Directors at the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana. Janna brings experience as a peace and justice worker in a variety of settings to her academic study and teaching roles. She has worked with Witness for Peace in organization and advocacy, and with Justapaz in Colombia in the areas of human rights documentation and peacebuilding. Immediately after earning a Master of Arts: Peace Studies at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, she completed her PhD in theology and peace studies at the University of Notre Dame through the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. These peacebuilding and academic endeavors found expression in various articles and her book titled Witnessing Peace: Becoming Agents Under Duress in Colombia, which examines the agency of victims of violence in Colombia's war zones. Her has continued to work in Colombia, including in support of peace accord implementation. She is currently a visiting professor at the University of Notre Dame where she is researching responses to immigrants in an era of climate change.

Eli McCarthy, Ph.D.

Eli is an Adjunct Lecturer for the Program on Justice and Peace at Georgetown University. He is the author of Becoming Nonviolent Peacemakers: A Virtue Ethic for Catholic Social Teaching and U.S. Policy. From 2012-2020, he also served as the Director of Justice and Peace for the Conference of Major Superiors of Men, which is the leadership conference of all the U.S. Catholic men's religious orders. This enabled him direct advocacy and strategic campaign leadership experience influencing 2 U.S. policy. He is presently the Federal Policy Senior Advisor for the Catholic Labor Network. He serves on the steering committee of the Catholic Nonviolence Initiative, a project of Pax Christi International. Eli has been formed by multiple trips to Ukraine in interfaith solidarity and advancing nonviolent peacebuilding (2022), trips to Haiti working with people who are poor, working with people living on the streets in Boston and DC, and monitoring the Palestinian Elections in 2006 with the Nonviolent Peaceforce. He also coordinates the DC Peace Team which offers training in nonviolent communication, restorative justice, bystander intervention, trauma awareness, anti-racism, meditation, along with providing unarmed civilian protection deployments (2011-present).

Reverend Patrick Dolan, STD, Chaplain (BG), ARNG Retired

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