



MATTIE J.T. STEPANEK FOUNDATION
E-PEACE UPDATE – MAY, 2011
WWW.MATTIEONLINE.COM

**Hello Peace Champions, members of Mattie's Peace Network,
and friends of Mattie's Foundation!**

General update:

The *Mattie J.T. Stepanek Foundation* website has a whole new look! While the address (www.mattieonline.com) remains the same, the site has been completely overhauled with the help of one of our Committed Volunteers – webmaster Donna Hrozencik. In 2003, Radio host Jack Diamond and his Mix 107.3 DC area Loyal Listeners set Mattie up with his own personal website. The information that Mattie posted can still be found in the About Mattie section, but the site now reflects more and more of Mattie's legacy, and the work of the Foundation as we spread his message of hope and peace. Check out the new site, and send us feedback. We will soon be posting 'Testimonials' and comments from supporters!

Timely news:

- ♥ *Mattie's Foundation* shared information on our mission and programs with participants of the March of Dimes "March For Babies" event that took place in Mattie's Park, Rockville, MD during late April. Folks who signed up for Mattie's Peace Network that day were eligible to win a free signature stamped Mattie book. The **raffle winner** was Lanie Taylor, all the way from Georgia! She selected "*Celebrate Through Heartsongs*" for her children.
- ♥ **Three new brochures** are on our website under What We Do/Materials and Resources: our General Brochure, our Giving and Support Brochure, and our Partnership Program Brochure. The **Partnership Program** is a new venture. If you are part of a non-profit or small business that is related to peace, education, or communication, you may want to check this out, as it offers mutual outreach and financial benefit for your work and ours!
- ♥ The **For Our World Campaign** is moving forward, with the poem now posted in nearly 3 dozen languages, in free downloadable pdf formats. We hope to post more and more translations, so check it out and get involved!
- ♥ The latest **gift bricks** should be arriving any day! We are planning a **Peace Celebration** soon after – stay tuned!

May message of inspiration:



Jeni Stepanek with Oprah Winfrey during the taping of her final studio audience show. Mattie was one of Oprah's top three all-time favorite guests across 25 years of the program. Oprah shared her thoughts on Mattie, and on Jeni's book about Mattie's life ("*Messenger: The Legacy of Mattie J.T. Stepanek and Heartsongs*"). Both on the show and in the special June issue of "O Magazine," Oprah also shares how Mattie was the singular influence that helped her decide to go 'five more years' before ending her show – a decision she does not regret. Air date for this show – May 20!

NOTE: You are receiving this communication because you signed up as a *Peace Champion* or as member of *Mattie's Peace Network* on Mattie's website (www.mattieonline.com), or because you have sent a communication to Mattie's mom about how Mattie's message of Heartsongs, hope, and peace have made a positive impact on your life. Please feel free to pass this communication along to others. If you do not wish to receive additional monthly e-Peace updates, send a request for your name and address to be removed from our mailing list to heartsongbooks@aol.com.

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