## 299 Peaceful Warrior

We acknowledge and celebrate the millions of nonprofit/NGO workers—both paid employees and volunteers—around the globe who strive to make the world a better place.

Peaceful Warrior has undergone special training, perhaps even learned a new language, and devoted countless hours, days, and weeks to helping others. She may build new houses or repair damaged ones. Perhaps she rehabilitates orphaned or injured animals, prepares food in a soup kitchen for the homeless, or advocates for foster children in court. She may teach others how to farm or fish so they can provide for their families, or she may plant trees, build trails, or deliver essential medical supplies to isolated communities. Maybe she counsels survivors of war or constructs outdoor toilets in villages with no plumbing.

Peaceful Warrior may work with a small grass-roots nonprofit, a large international NGO, or something in between.

And she performs her work despite great obstacles. The organization she serves may have extremely limited resources. Her dedication to service may affect her work/life balance. Though she may face harassment, abuse, kidnapping, or even murder, she pushes on, guided and motivated by her heart, her conscience, and her love of others.

My Peaceful Warrior has powerful hands that carry the gentle spirit of the lamb.