



## **A21 RECEIVES THE MOTHER TERESA MEMORIAL AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE**

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On December 10, 2017, A21 accepted the Mother Teresa Memorial Award for Social Justice from The Harmony Foundation in Mumbai, India.

A21, a global anti-human trafficking organization, has received this award for its work during the refugee crisis. The purpose of the award is to honor individuals or organizations who aim to promote peace, harmony, and social justice.

Past recipients include global leaders such as nobel laureates Ms. Malala Yousafzai and H.H. Dalai lama, current Ghanaian President Nana Akufo-Addo, former Prime Minister of Malaysia Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, former Deputy Speaker of the United Kingdom's House of Lords Baroness Caroline Cox, and Aid Groups like Medecines Sans Frontieres and White Helmets.

“We are so honored to receive this award, and want to thank all of our partners and supporters for your selfless sacrifice. To echo the words of Mother Teresa, ‘We don’t need guns and bombs to bring peace, we need love and compassion.’ Together, we are better,” says A21 founder, Christine Caine.

Since the advent of the refugee crisis, A21 has responded by distributing prevention material in camps and hotspots, building water containers to provide fresh water and warm showers, training and equipping frontline professionals on trafficking identification, and providing aftercare for survivors of trafficking. On one occasion, 77 refugees who had been kidnapped and held for ransom were rescued in a single police raid because of a tip to A21’s 1109 National Human Trafficking Resource Line in Greece.

“We are only 10 years young and believe our greatest days of bringing justice and freedom to all are ahead of us—to see slavery abolished everywhere, forever.” — Christine Caine

**More information about A21 can be found on our website: [A21.org](http://A21.org)**

### **A21 Overview:**

We are a nonprofit organization fueled by the radical hope that a world without slavery is possible. We are the abolitionists of the 21st century. Our mission is to abolish slavery everywhere, forever.

Our operational strategy, and the heart cry of our organization, is to Reach, Rescue, and Restore lives.