



June 2013

Dear Friends,

**On July 1, student loan interest rates are set to double for almost 7 million college students. Last year when Congress was about to double the interest rates on students, 45 Jubilee faith communities prayed, acted and stopped the increase. On behalf of Jubilee USA, I invite you to take action with your faith community the weekend of June 21st by incorporating a prayer into your weekly service to help our future leaders from being burdened with high debt.**

Jubilee USA is an interfaith network which has won over \$130 billion dollars in debt relief for poor countries. Jubilee USA is taking action because we believe students are our future and recognize that in these times we must make connections between unjust loans that hurt our local and global communities.

During the weekend of June 21st religious communities and congregations will join with Jubilee USA in one simple and essential way -- have your faith community incorporate a prayer into your weekly service.

In this packet you'll find resources on sample prayer content for Christian, Jewish and Muslim communities. There will also be information to connect the dots between global and student debts, and to go a little further, a petition you can spread alongside the prayers in your community.

**Last year, Jubilee faith communities prayed and acted and Members of Congress on both sides of the aisle kept the rates from doubling. Join us and make a difference for college students this year.**

Gratefully,

Eric LeCompte  
Executive Director

*Jubilee USA Network is an interfaith network which has won over \$130 billion in debt relief to benefit the world's poorest people. Jubilee USA is taking action because we believe students are our future and we recognize that in these times we must make connections between unjust loans that hurt our local and global communities. If your community will join in this weekend of prayer, please contact Charley at [advocacy@jubileeusa.org](mailto:advocacy@jubileeusa.org).*

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