

WFWP Czech Republic's Women - Faith - Life Conference in Prague

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WFWP Czech Republic held its 4th GWPN (Global Women's Peace Network) Conference on 30 January 2016. This time the theme was "Women-Faith-Life". We connected the conference to World Interfaith Harmony Week (1-7 February 2016) as proclaimed by the UN.

The conference started with two songs - 'If I were free' as well as 'Imagine' by John Lennon - being sung by an international group of young people showing that we can make the world one human family under God.

Altogether, 19 women attended, representing four different Christian denominations, Buddhism and Islam. All women together created a wonderful atmosphere of mutual understanding, love and support. Among the participants were 5 previously appointed Ambassadors for Peace who supported the event wonderfully.

Alicja Piskackova, Ambassador for Peace and UC member was the MC. Marcela Rozehnalova, WFWP CZ President, introduced WFWP and its projects, she gave a short report accompanied by photos from the European WFWP conference that took place in Prague in November 2015. She then explained more about the ideal of 'one human family under God' regardless of religion, race, nationality or culture. She also explained about some key points of the Unification Principle.

After this, the Bishop of the Czechoslovak Hussite Church spoke, Jana Silerova, who is the first female bishop in Eastern and Middle Europe. Bishop Silerova spoke about women in the religious systems.

We could experience a sense of unity and mutual connection through universal peace dances being lead by Ambassador for Peace Dana Jirkalova. We held a small ceremony of lighting candles representing the different religions, then we sang and danced to songs inspired by different faith traditions:

Jewish tradition 'Hajda Hajda', Christian tradition of South America 'Altissimo Corazon', North American native Indians 'May I walk in beauty'; the song 'Shalom Shalom Hallelujah' expressed the unity of Jewish, Christian and Sufi tradition, while 'May I take peaceful steps upon the Earth' was inspired by Buddhism, and then again back to the Christian-inspired 'Kyrie Eleison'. Finally, we bowed to each other in mutual love and respect.

After lunch, four new Ambassadors for Peace were appointed.

One of them, Hana Marie Vají, introduced an Ambassador for Peace project encouraging people to put a special spring flower into their windows on the occasion of the first day of spring, 20 March, as a symbol of key human values.

Next, we listened to a deep explanation about mutual love and respect from our Buddhist Ambassador for Peace, Gantulga Ganjuur from Mongolia.

Incredibly moving was the personal testimony of a Muslim lady Katarina P. who also explained the key points and values in Islam.

A Christian lady and Ambassador for Peace Petra Hutkova talked about how words can potentially harm and hurt others.



In the last session, astrologist and Ambassador for Peace Jana Maskova introduced the meaning of what we can expect in 2016.

Another Ambassador for Peace, Eleonora Prazakova, explained briefly about a healing method using crystal pictures. This method is called Biltera – which means God's infusion of love into the Earth. A two day seminar about it will be held on 18-19 March 2016.

Some participants' reflections from the conference:

"Wonderful day in a wonderful community. This time of bringing unity, acceptance and harmony brought on original ideas for new beginnings and strengthened us to find new directions in our lives."

Jana Maskova, Ambassador for Peace, astrologist

"This gathering based on a deep spiritual level brought amazing sharing. I am leaving encouraged and enriched. It is wonderful how we can share and understand each other. I wish the positive energy from this gathering will spread all over the world and can be supportive for conflict solutions and world peace."

Katarina P., newly appointed Muslim Ambassador for Peace

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