

## Peace Road 2015 in Kenya

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**FFWPU Kenya:** On July 11, Kenya launched Peace Road in the Nairobi City at 10.00 am. The launching was held at Uhuru Park. The participants dressed in Peace Road T- shirts and carried the flags. Several religious organizations and NGOs took part in the ceremony. The sub-regional representative Rev. Mwalagho Kililo and our national leader Rev. Emmanuel Tanui led a crowd of more than 500 participants that included FFWPU members, peace organizations, Ambassadors for Peace, The Kenya Clergy Association, college students and officials from the sponsoring companies.



Rev. William Juma our vice-national leader was the event assistant master of ceremonies. The Speaker of the County Assembly, Hon. Alex Ole Magero, accompanied by the former mayor of Nairobi City, Joe Aketch, graced the ceremony. He gave a congratulatory address highlighting the peace efforts made by Rev. Moon and urged the government to support peace programs initiated by UPF. He led the signing of the signature banner as a mark of his commitment in support of the vision and mission of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon. The opening prayer was offered by Bishop Richard Muma Odimu.

The Kenya Cyclist Federation led by their chairman Mr. Francis Mwangi, who is also the Africa vice chairman joined the event with more than 30 professional cyclists—both men and women. The procession covered about 10 kilometers through the main streets of the city. The bystanders watched the riders and the matching crowd singing peace songs and waving the Peace Road flags as well as the Kenyan national flag.

The event was covered by major media houses and different companies who helped sponsor the Peace Road through the Ambassadors for Peace. The provision of 400 T-shirts and printing, refreshment—juices and—biscuits were donated by the House of Manji Company. The rest, 100 items, were from different



companies. Lunch for 500 people was sponsored by the Hari- Chrisna, water was provided by Sharmas Motor Company. The Government by the Governor of Nairobi County, who waived official payment for venues and taxes and provided police to accompany the procession on the roads from beginning to end.

The ceremony concluded at Peace Embassy Nairobi, with all participants taking part in the victory lunch from the event partners and major sponsors. The entertainment was provided by several group dancers and the Kenya Tongil-Moo-Do team.

