## **World Peace Blessing in Almere, The Netherlands**

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We were asked by the Javanese / Surinamese cultural foundation to join their activities to celebrate their 14th anniversary. As we did not want to disturb their tight program, we developed the idea to greet the people at the entrance and briefly introduce the idea of the blessing and the importance of marriage.

We had prepared a tiny pop up photo studio with the blessing banner, holy juice, white scarfs and a flower bouquet. As people came for a special occasion they were dressed up and in style. We told them we would donate  $5 \in$  for each participating couple, as we could use the venue and the people were There already.

Because of this the chair of the foundation supported us and encouraged couples to participate.

In this way we were able to (pre)bless 23 couples. It was a perfect win win situation. They all look happy and bright on the photos.

