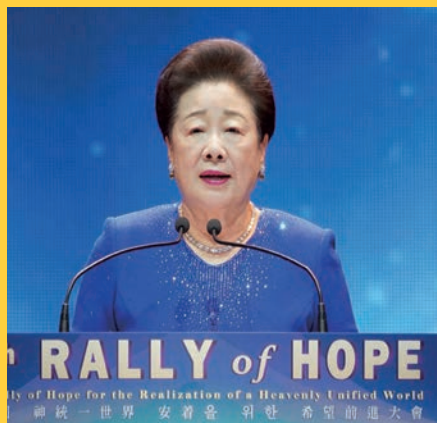


YEAR IN REVIEW

2021



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True Parents meet with Mikhail Gorbachev at the Kremlin in Moscow April 1990

You must confidently say that the way for humanity to survive, for Europe and the world to survive, is to attend Heavenly Parent”

TRUE MOTHER'S WORDS



BE THE ELDER BROTHER

"Embrace nations that do not know about God... Create the environment wherein you inspire and embrace your younger brothers."



True Mother stressed the important mission of Europe at this moment in history several times during the Victory Celebration and the CIG Leaders' Meeting following the successful events of the World Summit 2022

HJ Cheonwon, Seoul, Korea, February 15, 2022

I am grateful to all of you for the hard work carried out around the world that has now borne the fruit of victory. This is the year when true families, Cheonbo families, should step forward and tell the world boldly about the existence of our Heavenly Parent, who has indeed been enduring and waiting all this time. You should speak loudly and clearly about Him, and thus bring beautiful flowers to bloom in every part of the world.

As I said the day before yesterday, the owner of the universe and this Earth is our Heavenly Parent. Fallen people, however, do not know about Heavenly Parent, and are claiming the world as their own and building up their national borders. The only way to become Heavenly Parent's children is to accept True Parents and live together as brothers and sisters in Heavenly Parent's embrace.

Christianity blossomed and spread worldwide from the European continent. Much mission work was carried out in Africa. Yet as people did not know the true nature of Jesus, they failed to practice love for the sake of others and, in the end, built a civilization that took from others. Christian civilization is consequently in decline, having been unable to fulfill its responsibility.

That is why, as the True Parent, I set out to first restore the African continent, which had experienced the most suffering and difficulty. As a result, in the position of

having restored seven nations and seven religious groups I was able to proclaim the firm establishment of Cheon Il Guk. The words of the Bible that the last will be first [Matthew 20:16] can refer to Africa.

We are ultimately all on the path as one family of humanity attending the Heavenly Parent. To overcome the problems that the European continent is now facing in Eastern Europe and Northeast Asia, you should be completely united with True Parents. By so doing you will become "the first"—as Heavenly Parent's true children who can stand in the position of the elder brother and embrace nations that do not know about God. Please understand that now is the opportune time to create the environment wherein you inspire and embrace your younger brothers.

In the 1970s, True Father tried to save America in order to embrace the world. In truth, at that time our foundation in the United States was somewhat weaker than that in Europe. We called our major leaders from Europe to the United States, to educate America and align it with Heaven's providence. Those European leaders worked very hard for that purpose.

The time has now come again for Europe to rise up one final time and accelerate its efforts to aid Heaven's providence. You must confidently say that the way for humanity to survive, for Europe and the world to survive, is to attend Heavenly Parent.

SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS OF 2021

Europe and the Middle East



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We sincerely thank all nations and organisations in our region for their broad spectrum of activities and for their constant effort to share their stories and experiences with all of us through their reports.

We thank all contributors for their articles, reflections and photos.

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A REFLECTION FROM THE PRESIDENT

Have faith in God, our Heavenly Parent



*Michael and Fumiko Balcomb
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Community in Europe and the
Middle East*

Greetings to all friends and family of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community in Europe and the Middle East, comprised of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification and other affiliated and partnered individuals and organizations. We are happy to present this Annual Review for 2021, a year in which we accomplished a lot, despite the ever-present challenge of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Yet as we go to press, our region is unexpectedly caught up in the middle of a terrible war in Eastern Europe and nations that were brothers for so long are now in armed conflict. A generation of peace hangs in the balance, and we are all praying desperately for a quick solution. Yet deep inside, we know that there can be no lasting peace between nations until there is peace between ourselves and God, our Heavenly Parent and Creator.

As we began 2022, more than 2000 members and families from all over Europe gathered online to support the World Summit meetings in Korea

with our founder Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, the Mother of Peace. She spoke of her conviction that her homeland of Korea could at last be united and that this would in turn be a springboard for world peace by 2027. As always, she urged us to have faith in God, the Heavenly Parent, who is working to bring a great transformation in human affairs. Let us commit to be a people who live for the greater good, a compassionate force for change in the world.

In the pages of this Annual Review, we share some of our efforts around the region to build a world of lasting peace.

On behalf of all the leadership team, Fumiko and I would like to thank all our pastors, staff and volunteers for their great efforts. We also want to appreciate those working with us in professional capacities, and all our valued partners from other faith communities and non-profit organizations. Last, but certainly not least, we'd like to thank all of our many supporters for their generous and consistent donations. Thank you all very much.



■ **SUNHAK PEACE PRIZE 2022**

True Mother, the founder of the Sunhak Peace Prize, takes a picture together with the 2022 recipients of the prize: Dame Prof. Sarah Gilbert of Oxford University and the GAVI, the Global Vaccine Alliance, who made a great contribution in the field of vaccine research and providing affordable, accessible vaccines for less developed countries.

As we look forward in hope to a better 2022, our Holy Community will once again be focusing on the following key areas:

Outreach and Education: We will of course continue with our primary purpose, to witness to the love of God, our Heavenly Parent, and to teach the Divine Principle revealed to our founders, Father Moon and Mother Moon. In 2022 we will again focus on online delivery and publications, and new platforms on social media.

Marriage and Family Blessing: We will develop our marriage strengthening and family blessing ministries, with a goal to serve at least 43,000 couples throughout Europe.

Peace Advocacy: Through the work of our affiliates the Universal Peace Federation, The Women's Federation for World Peace and others, we will offer seminars and webinars on our core peace principles of Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity, and Universal Values and interfaith cooperation.

Korean Unification: Knowing our Founder's lifelong wish to see the reunification of her Korean homeland, we will have a special focus on the Korean Unification efforts by bringing together experts, veterans and supporters from both sides of the conflict. In February, the World Summit 2022 will again convene in Seoul and online with many prominent participants from Europe.

Every family has a role. We have a saying "Peace Starts With Me" and we want to remind our readers of the important contribution that each of us can make in this great quest for peace, which is the long-awaited dream of God, our Heavenly Parent. Whether it be in daily family prayers and traditions, small group meetings and book clubs, weekly worship, monthly and annual devotions, we are all important, and every effort counts. Please join us!

LAUNCH OF THE CIG PEACE EMBASSY IN TIRANA

By Manjola Vasmatics,
President, FFWPU Shin Albania



The first Cheon Il Guk Peace Embassy in the World Opens in Shin Albania

The grand opening for the CheonIlGuk Peace Embassy in Tirana, Albania took place on Sunday, November 21st. The ribbon cutting was attended by five former Presidents and Prime Ministers from Albania, Montenegro, Croatia Kosovo and Bosnia & Herzegovina and several hundred local Ambassadors for Peace. FFWPU and UPF leaders from all over Europe were in attendance.

The keynote speaker was the Mayor of Tirana, Elion Veliaj, who spoke both in Albanian and flawless English. He said he was proud to see the Peace Embassy built so quickly, and just in time because next year Tirana will be the European City of Youth. This will be a great opportunity for to develop the work of Youth and Service for Peace in partnership with the city, and the new CheonIlGuk Embassy will be a central place for education. Veliaj immediately posted a 7-minute video on his social media account which has already been seen all over Albania. “There are many Embassies in Tirana,” he said “but I think that this one, the Embassy of Peace, is the most important of all.”

“This Peace Embassy is a precious gift from God,” FFWPU Albania President Mrs. Manjola Vasmatics, who served as MC for the





program. “It is not just for us, but for all the people of Albania and the Balkans.” Several other speakers echoed this sentiment, including UPF Balkans chair President Alfred Moisiu. True Mother sent a special message for the occasion which was presented on her behalf by Dr. Balcomb.

“I am convinced that the nations of the Balkans, which have suffered so much in recent generations, have a great destiny, to be a model of peace and cooperation that the whole world can follow,” she said. “Here is my own homeland I am working to bring about the long-delayed peaceful reunification of the Korean peninsula as a Heavenly Unified Korea. Peace is never an easy task, however, because it always means that we must live for the sake of others more than we live for our own selves. “But, I know you can do it. I have been inspired by the energy and courage of the Albanian people ever since I first visited the country in 2000 and again in 2005 with my late husband, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon. It is my lifelong goal to see all the nations of the world join together in loving cooperation so that we may at last become true brothers and sisters, one family under God.”

The Peace Embassy, which is our first purpose-built building in Europe, ex-

tends over seven floors from the sub-basement parking all the way up to the roof terrace with spectacular views of Tirana and the mountains surrounding the city. There is a state-of-the-art auditorium for 250 people, smaller conference rooms, offices, rooms for children and a kitchen and café. The upper four floors will be rented out to high level tenants and already several embassies have made inquiries.

The Peace Embassy is truly beautiful both inside and outside. We have some very nice trees and plants around the Embassy, and pride of place goes to two fine Magnolia Trees representing True Parents which stand guard over the entrance. Then there are five healthy olive trees and many other bushes and flowers. It all makes for a beautiful contrast with the glass and ceramic of the building's modern exterior, a good balance of yin and yang.

Despite earthquakes, the Covid-19 pandemic and many other obstacles, the ceremony took place just 755 days after the ground-breaking ceremony on October 28, 2019. Still, there were many difficulties along the way. “Behind the scenes, it was a spiritual battle,” said Dr. Balcomb, who oversaw the project in his capacity as the Regional President of FFWPU Europe and the Middle

East, “There was plenty of drama up to the last minute. Two days before the ceremony, a water tank on the roof burst just as night was falling. Luckily, we happened to be on the roof terrace for prayer and we noticed immediately and were able to call the engineers before too much damage was done.”

Project Director Gani Rroshi, the President of UPF Albania who guided the project on a daily basis agreed. “At the consecration and holy salting ceremony the day before the opening, there was a power spike in the neighbourhood and electrical power was lost for several hours. It seemed impossible that everything could be ready on time,” he said. “Despite the challenges, the construction team found way to keep going right up to the last minute, and the final result is wonderful.”

Everyone is encouraged to come and visit!

INAUGURATION OF THE CHEON IL GUK PEACE EMBASSY

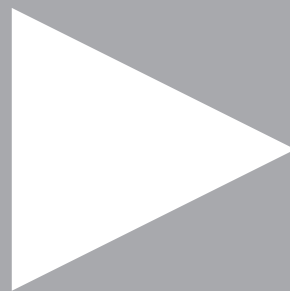


TIRANA, SHIN ALBANIA, NOVEMBER 21, 2021





ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NORTH REGION



UNITED KINGDOM

By Dr. Michael Balcomb

Peace Road 2021 – Across the entire country from West to East, along Hadrian's Wall



After 300,000 steps, 154 kilometres and the equivalent of 600 stories of stairs, Peace Road UK was completed as the team travelled across the entire country from west to east, along Hadrian's Wall. This report was filed on the final day:

“Fumiko and I and all the UK Peace Road team send our warm greetings from the city of Newcastle in the north-east of England. Together with many brothers and sisters, we have now safely completed the Peace Road UK 2021.

It was an amazing experience over the last eight days, as we walked across the entire country from west to east, following Hadrian's wall.

Even though we both normally walk 10000 steps every day, this was very different, and frankly all of us wondered whether we could really make it! But thanks to Heavenly Parent's protection and True Mother's prayers we made it without any injury or accident.

We weren't the only ones walking the Wall, and we met many friendly and determined people walking across the country in both directions for a variety of reasons. One particularly moving encounter was with a father, his son, and a friend. The father was totally blind, and held onto a rope attached to his friend's backpack. Meanwhile, the 9-year old son proudly walked in front. Suddenly, my sore feet didn't feel quite so sore!

Our own youngest walker was 15, and our eldest over 80. For all of us, it was an incredibly moving experience combining our utmost physical efforts with a deep spiritual purpose. As we walked, we often thought about True Parents, and how they walked as refugees from North Korea to South Korea so many years ago. Now of course we are hoping that we will soon be able to walk back from the south to the north, across the 38th parallel and visit our True Parents hometowns of Anju and Cheonju.

When that day comes we would like to walk it as a pilgrimage, not travel by car!

Saturday August 7th was our last day of walking, one week after we left Bowness, and we were happy to be welcomed by the Lord Mayor of Newcastle, Habib Rahman. Mayor Rahman is still in his 40s and as a Muslim man in a city where there are not so many Muslims has had to overcome many prejudices. He spoke encouragingly about the work of UPF and asked us to invite him to our future programs. Then he walked with us through his own city for a couple of miles, posing to take photographs at some of the bridges for which Newcastle is famous. We were also joined by the Mayor of Carlisle, Pam Birks, our first city, so we feel hopeful that this event is raising True Parents' and our movement's public profile.“



HADRIAN'S WALL

also known as the Roman Wall, is a former defensive fortification of the Roman province of Britannia, begun in AD 122 in the reign of the emperor Hadrian. Running from Wallsend on the River Tyne in the east to Bowness-on-Solway in the west, the Wall covered the whole width of the island.

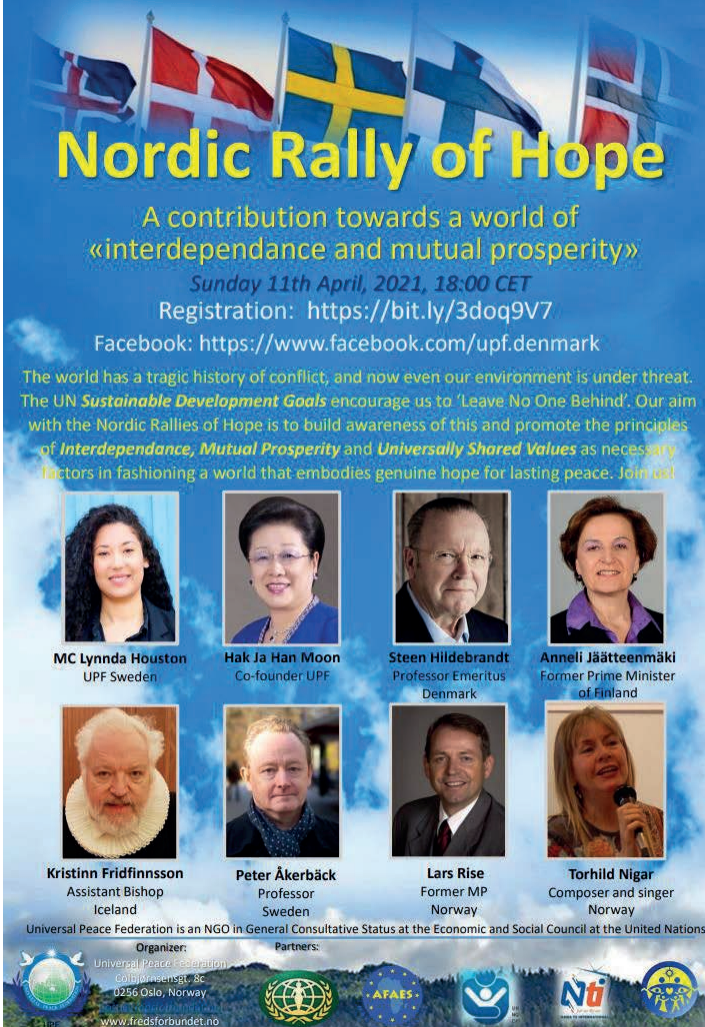


■
Meeting Pam Birks,
Mayor of Carlisle.

A significant portion of the wall still stands and can be followed on foot along the adjoining Hadrian's Wall Path. The largest Roman archaeological feature in Britain, it runs a total of 73 miles (117.5 kilometres) in northern England. Regarded as a British cultural icon, Hadrian's Wall is one of Britain's major ancient tourist attractions. It was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1987.

FINLAND

By Keijo Mikkonen and
Hannu Hassinen











Nordic Rally of Hope

A contribution towards a world of
«interdependence and mutual prosperity»

Sunday 11th April, 2021, 18:00 CET
Registration: <https://bit.ly/3doq9V7>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/upf.denmark>

The world has a tragic history of conflict, and now even our environment is under threat. The UN **Sustainable Development Goals** encourage us to 'Leave No One Behind'. Our aim with the Nordic Rallies of Hope is to build awareness of this and promote the principles of **Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity** and **Universally Shared Values** as necessary factors in fashioning a world that embodies genuine hope for lasting peace. Join us!

 MC Lynnda Houston UPF Sweden	 Hak Ja Han Moon Co-founder UPF	 Steen Hildebrandt Professor Emeritus Denmark	 Anneli Jäätteenmäki Former Prime Minister of Finland
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H.E. Anneli Jäätteenmäki,
Prime Minister of Finland
(2003) takes part in Nordic
Rally of Hope ...

... and offered to serve as
moderator in the International
Leadership Conference 2021,
representing the International
Association of First Ladies for
Peace (IAFLP)

UPF: Former Prime Minister offers her support

Our number one highlight happened in three stages:

The First Woman Prime Minister in Finland H.E. Mrs. Anneli Jäätteenmäki, based on her wonderful experience at the World Summit 2020 in Korea, was available to support UPF efforts in Finland step by step.

The first was natural sharing about World Summit 2020 experiences together with other VIPs, who attended with her, including her husband, a long time journalist at the Finnish public service radio.

Due to ongoing viral health risks we had a long break in personal meetings and communicated only by phone and emails. Then on April 2021, Mrs. Jäätteenmäki was available to give a presentation at the Nordic Rally of Hope.

The second real contribution back in Finland was when she agreed to be the moderator at the April 26. - May 1. ILC representing IAFLP, and gave her presentation, covering well the issue at hand.

Finally, for the July ILC, Mrs. Jäätteenmäki, after initial familiar obstacles, chose to offer her helping hand as a moderator and to represent IAFLP.



ILC2021 **INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE** ILC2021
THINK TANK 2022
TOWARD PEACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA

Session IV
July 28th, 2021, 10:00 - 11:30 CET
“The Emerging Power of Women’s Diplomacy
toward Sustainable Peace”

Moderator: H.E. Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Prime Minister (2003), Finland
Q&A Moderator: Mrs. Marcia de Abreu, SG, WFPW Europe, Spain
Introduction: Mrs. Carolyn Handschin, Coordinator for Europe & Middle East, International Association of First Ladies for Peace

Speakers:

- Dr. Sun Jin Moon, Senior Vice President, Women’s Federation for World Peace International
- H.E. Mme Nezha Labidi, Minister for Women, Family and Children (2016-2020), Tunisia
- H.E. Nayla Moawad, Former First Lady, Minister of Social Affairs (1992-2004), Lebanon
- Mrs. Kholoud Watar Kassem, Founder & President, Lebanese Women Towards Decision Making NGO, Lebanon

Registration: session4-july.upf-ilc.eu



Report by T. Yoshizumi & Unja H.,
Coordinators of Peace Road-Finland

Peace Road 2021

The Peace Road was held on September 18th, the anniversary of the Washington Monument rally. This year our event was held in Tuusula which is a historic place in Finland. During the golden age of Finnish art, the best-known artists settled there. The artists developed and reinforced Finland's culture and self-esteem during politically difficult times when Finland was a part of the Russian empire.

To start the Peace Road event, people gathered in front of a statue of Sibelius, after which nine people went around Lake Tuusula (26km) by bicycle or electric scooter. While the cyclists went around the lake, others

visited museums that were originally artists' homes.

The cyclists made a pit stop at the Lotta museum to listen to the story of the Lotta SVÄRD association. The museum exhibits the history of the Lotta SVÄRD association and studies the volunteer work of women. In the early 1920s, the Lotta SVÄRD association organized at the national level and developed into a women's voluntary civil defense organization with social significance. The association did versatile relief and aid work for both the Finnish defense forces and the civilian population. At best, the association had 240,000 members, including around 50,000 Junior Lottas between the ages of 8 and 17.

After visiting the Lotta museum, the cyclists stopped at the Lutheran church to meet the head pastor, Ms.

Ulla Rosenqvist. She was very happy to welcome the cyclists and bless them with a prayer about peace.

Afterwards, the cyclists continued to go around the lake and reach the end goal where supporters and volunteers were enthusiastically waiting for them.

At the end, everybody could enjoy each other's company with wonderful refreshments prepared by the volunteers and supporters. Some local people were also very curious and asked us about our program.

All in all, we feel that the Peace Road program helped us connect with TP's heart & vision and spirit of Finnish artists in early 1900's.

HJ CHEONBO EVENT - REFLECTION

"During the blessing ceremony I felt the special joyful atmosphere, and only four words were in my mind. JOY, HAPPINESS, FREEDOM, PEACE. I thought, those four elements are the resurrection formula for all mankind. JOY, HAPPINESS, FREEDOM, PEACE. Like a four leaves clover. JOY, HAPPINESS, FREEDOM, PEACE come from God's original heart, and it is the original heart of each human being. Thank you Heavenly Parent and True Parents for making so much effort to organize such a beautiful event."

Christine Hassinen (13 November 2021)



NORWAY

By Steinar Murud, President, UPF Norway



KOREA & SCANDINAVIA

More than 70 years after the outbreak of the Korean War, no peace agreement has been signed on the Korean Peninsula.

Yet, peace and co-operation between North and South Korea would unleash a vast potential for development on the Peninsula and beyond, in the greater Region.



Korea and Scandinavia are geographically far apart, but share a similar environment as peninsulas.

Aiming at mutual prosperity, they have developed many bonds in the fields of politics, diplomacy, academia, business, trade or culture.



Webinar program

How can Scandinavia contribute to peace and development on the Korean peninsula?

Monday, 1st March, 18:00 - 19:30 CET. Registration: https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN__hw3xAdPTCK8uVgXQ8rpIA

More than 70 years after the outbreak of the Korean War, no peace agreement has been signed on the Peninsula. Recent meetings between leaders of the North, the South, and the United States gave rise to hope, but that has again cooled down. Yet, peace and cooperation between North and South Korea would unleash a vast potential for development on the Peninsula and beyond, in the greater Region.

Korea and Scandinavia are geographically far apart, but share a similar environment as peninsulas. Aiming at mutual prosperity, they have developed many bonds in the fields of politics, diplomacy, academia, business, trade or culture. How can Scandinavian relations with North and South Korea contribute to peace and development on the Peninsula? Which initiatives or projects would most benefit the peace process?

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Norwegian Webinar Series on Korea

As there is a strong focus on supporting the peace process in Korea we have organised a series of webinars towards this goal during this year. Since Norway and Scandinavia are far from Korea, our first webinar had the title «How can Scandinavia contribute to peace and development on the Korean peninsula?»

We managed to get a top scholar from each of our nations to participate. The Swedish speaker was the director of Institute for Security and Development Policy, ISDP. He has since then taken part in several other events. The Norwegian speaker was the former Director of Peace Research Institute Oslo, PRIO. He has also followed our events with interest.

In the European ILC in April we could have our former Norwegian Prime Minister, Kjell Magne Bondevik, as a speaker. Mr. Bondevik has been in Korea several times and was a friend of the former South Korean president Kim Dae-jung.

EXPERTS ON THE FIELD

We were able to connect to top Scandinavian experts on Korea. The webinar series was a great opportunity to invite them and listen to their evaluation.



A GREAT BONDING EXPERIENCE

Pictures of our Family Weekend: Young and old have a valuable time together, sharing songs, stories and listen to the sound of nature.

In July we organised a webinar about humanitarian aid to North Korea. The Norwegian Red Cross representative gave a good report of their projects, together with the Director of The Evangelical Orient Misson. Both of them are interested to contribute more.

On the European ILC in August a Norwegian Asia expert and author gave his perspective on the obstacles and possibilities for a peaceful development in Korea.

Through this webinar series, as well as with follow-up of the participants, we have managed to gather a group of top Korea experts in our country to take part in our initiative. I believe they will be of good support in the peace process and also good friends and supporters of UPF.

Family Weekend Workshop

From the 30th July to the 1st August the Norwegian FFWPU organised a Family Weekend Workshop. After a long period with many online meetings it was a good experience to meet physically in person again. Around 30 members, young and old, participated.

The venue was located half an hour's walk into the forest, and to carry all the equipment for the weekend was already a good exercise in cooperation. The environment was beautiful with no disturbances from the outside society.

The whole program was entirely organised by a cooperation of 2nd generation families.

The program consisted of a combination of a spiritual and a social side. There was a Hoon Dok Hae every new

morning, some Divine Principle presentations and Sunday Service. A major part of the programme was the social aspect with competitions, games and sports. The family evenings were great with a never-ending series of songs that lifted the spirit "above the ceiling".

The round of reflections the last day was great: Our oldest participant of nearly 80 years old called it the best workshop ever. One of the children that was asked about the best part of the programme, answered surprisingly: the Hoon Dok Hae.

However, the weekend workshop offered something for everyone, created a good bond among us all, and stands as a highlight of our community events in 2021

IRELAND

By Youngil Ely Loew
President, FFWPU Ireland

Peace Road in Derry



In 2021, we focused on starting up activities online as it became obvious the 2020 lockdowns would probably continue. We started a few different recurring Zoom events.

The first was for our young 2nd and 1st generation, which we called Horizontal and Vertical Youth Nights. Every other week we had someone different present a horizontal activity, which ranged from doing some exercising together to a quiz game with prizes. Everyone had fun and it was great to be doing something together as a community again. The weeks in between we had a vertical focused session, either HDH or lecture practice.

The other event we organised digitally was a Cyber-Faith Round Table, which was focused on bringing together our UPF Ambassadors for Peace to discuss interesting topics related to

their work or something they were inspired to discuss. We held six of these throughout 2021.

Our biggest event for 2021 was our Peace Road Walk & Forum 2021 in Derry, Northern Ireland, organised by UPF Ireland and helped by UPF-UK providing two powerful speakers to the forum. The symbolism of having a peace event in Derry was something that made an impact on all the participants. We were honoured by a visit from the Mayor of Derry City, Alderman Graham Warke, who addressed the audience and took pictures with us. Overall, each speaker was excellent and passionate in their desire for peace and sharing their personal experience, and each was appointed as a new Ambassador for Peace as part of the event.



Councillor Yemi speaking



Gleann Doherty



■
HARP Hoodies in front of our community
center in Dublin

SWEDEN

By Peter Nylén
President, FFWPU Sweden

Vision and Action Plan



Transition of the new national leader

On 26 th July the Swedish community undertook a transition of leadership at the Jolin's residence, Stocksundstorps Gård, a manor house dating from the 18 th century that has historical and cultural significance to Sweden as well as the community.

The ceremony started with Ing-Marie, the previous National Leader, expressing her gratitude to the community for supporting her and her late husband, Katsuyuki, on their public mission as National Leaders for the past 15 years. Even though the community was still mourning the loss of Katsuyuki, the ceremony gave everyone hope and faith that our dear elder brother is with True Father and working hard to inspire the spirit world. The community held a beautiful Seong Hwa ceremony a few

days after to commemorate Katsuyuki. After Ing-Marie's speech, the community watched a video (a montage of the Swedish community) that touched the hearts of everyone because it reminded them that the success of their community was due to the sacrifice of Ing-Marie and Katsuyuki as well as the community being centred on Heavenly Parent, True Parents and the love for each other.

Following the video the new National Leader, Peter Nylén, and the core team of young adults was introduced. Peter gave a moving speech expressing his gratitude to the community for shaping him to the person that he is today and that he wants to serve Heavenly Parent, True Parents and the community.

Creating the vision with an action plan

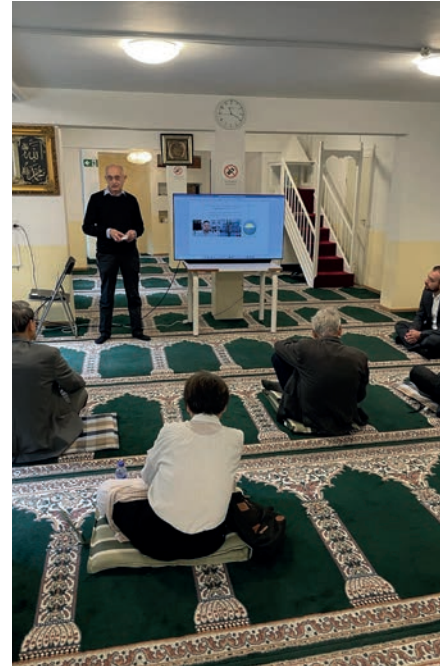
The new national leader and the core team started a 40 day condition prior to making the vision with the question "what does God want our community to look like in the future" and the idea of creating goals that the community can achieve by the end of 2022.

The document was presented to the community and everyone gave feedback so that everyone can be part of creating the vision. In order to achieve the goals, action steps have been assigned to individuals rather than groups, this is a technique proven to be more successful than if groups are assigned responsibilities. The core team will hold monthly meetings to follow up on peoples' progress and to help through words of encouragement and giving practical a vice where needed.

DENMARK

Interfaith Peace Road visiting mosque of Albanian faith community

By Lars Bruun de Neergaard, President, FFWPU Denmark



On August 15th we could arrange to hold a Peace Road event in the mosque of the Albanian Faith Community in Denmark, which have 1500 members.

The leader is our UPF Peace Ambassador Imam Basri Kurtis, who is well respected in Denmark for his active interfaith work. Because of Corona restrictions unfortunately not so many could participate. At first the Imam explained about their faith community. Then General Secretary of UPF Denmark Karsten Nielsen introduced the Peace Road project and vision, supported by several video-clips. Also we showed a video from Peace Road activities in Balkan region. Afterwards Senior Advisor for UPF Nobuhiro Igarashi

explained and showed photos from the "South East Europe Peace Summit 2019" in Tirana, Albania. Finally we introduced about the "CIG Peace Embassy" in Tirana, which soon will open. All participants listened attentively and was very inspired by these peace initiatives.

Our purpose of this promotional Peace Road event, was to prepare the ground and find partners from different faith traditions to hold a bigger Peace Road event in 2022 in Copenhagen, where one idea is to bicycle or walk between the holy sites of a synagogue, mosques, church and temple. Especially we hope this can be inspiring to participate in for the youth groups of these congregations. In September and onward we

plan to hold similar promotional events to find more partners.

Also specifically for this event we wanted to build closer ties to the Albanian community in Denmark. But also we wanted them to come to know about our movements activities in Albania, so that they hopefully can build relationships with our people and AfP in Albania as well. After the event Imam Basri Kurtis thanked for our visit and expressed his wish to develop our co-operation.

ICELAND

By Rohan Nandkisoré
President, FFWPU Iceland

Our Highlight of 2021

The highlight of this year for Iceland was the publishing of the autobiography of True Mother. It was a historic undertaking, same as the publishing of the autobiography of True Father in 2011.

We could go already paved ways of the past that helped to ensure the best quality available.

In publishing, the administrations tried to copy and surpass the accuracy of sincerity of bible translations throughout the centuries that caused major changes in medieval society and led ultimately to the emergence of the modern world.

I am especially thankful to the international translator's team that could trace mistakes filling eight pages (A4) of the initial English translation.

The mistakes ranged from the wrong place of True Mother's parents wedding hall to a wrong Danish princess etc.

Our translator was a carefully selected lady who already had worked on the previous autobiography. The translation then was inspected by competent language skilled members in Iceland and the US. Then a professional proof reader helped to ensure the correct spelling.

We are very grateful for four Peace Ambassadors writing their heartfelt tribute in the preface.

The layout was done by me and one Icelandic member. Both of us have a professional background in graphic



design. Finally the book went into digital printing.

We decided to keep the original subtitle "...Who wipes away the tears of mankind", and the term 'autobiography'.

There are several reasons for this:

1) The intention of the author

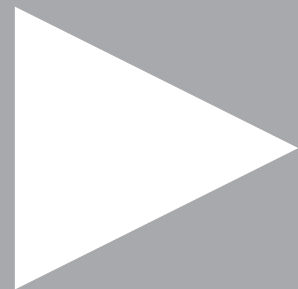
2) In relation to the content. The chosen subtitle of the English edition is nowhere to be found in the book, whereas the original is very well found and explained. The argument, people would not read a book

with such a bold statement is in contradiction to successful marketing that indeed lives on controversy. A similar case can be found in True Father's autobiography, where in the original translation Father's comment on war, oil, money in relation to the Iraq war was erased and not to be found in the English version. It is however in the Korean, Japanese and Icelandic version. Again the argument to not offend the American government falls short, since True Parents proclaimed publicly the peace messages for many years and clearly pointing to the same content.

3) By definition, a Memoir is an author's memory written down. An autobiography can have external contributors to supplement and strengthen the content.

In conclusion, being part of such a historic undertaking as the translation of the autobiographies of True Parents is an honour of unimaginable significance that will remain for all eternity on this earth.

ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EAST REGION



RAYS OF SUNSHINE OVER SHIN ALBANIA

By Manjola and Gabor Vasmatics,
President, FFWPU Shin Albania

Displaying True Parents' Life on a 12-City Tour in Shin Albania.



“I was so proud that I could proclaim True Parents openly in my city.”

Inspired by True Mother's words to celebrate with creative initiatives our True Father's holy ascension, this year, Shin Albania decided to offer a special campaign to commemorate the occasion. That was a 12-city tour for 12 days, from 19th-30th of September 2021, displaying True Parents' life with banners and promoting True Parents' autobiographies, “Mother of Peace” and “As a Peace Loving Global Citizen”, in the main venues and squares of these cities, all around Shin Albania. About 21-23 brothers and sisters, from 15-38 years old, were traveling from one place to another, with so much enthusiasm and happiness and invested with a pure heart, to boldly proclaim and witness to people.



SHORT TESTIMONIES FROM THE MOBILE TEAM:

- I was so proud that I could proclaim and represent True Parents openly in my city. I felt free to introduce True Parents to everyone.
- People were amazed by the exhibition and by what they were hearing about True Parents. I felt

that even the birds and trees were so happy about this exhibition.

- I thought this tour would be difficult traveling every day from one city to another, but I felt really happy, I felt God was all the time with us.
- People were so curious about True Parents.

Miracles did happen

Through this tour we wanted to celebrate True Parents' life and legacy of love not only with our family members or people who know True Parents, but publicly we wanted to celebrate with all the citizens of this nation, helping them know and find their own True Parents. These displays were approved and safeguarded by local authorities. The media was attracted and featured a couple of programs and news in different cities.

Guests and members, Ambassadors for Peace, passersby, and visitors showed high interest about the exhibition, throughout the tour. We were approached by couples who received blessing rings as gifts in the year 2000 when True Mother visited Albania.

Miracles did happen. One of them was the chance to feel a bit the spirit of Yankee Stadium in 1975 when the sun came out after big rains. Despite the stormy weather broadcast during those 12 days in Albania, and sometimes there was a heavy rain during the night, when the morning dawned, sun did listen to our singing "You are my sunshine" without fail and shined brightly. Heavenly Parent wiped away the dark clouds and made that the sun kept following us each day.

Our moving team was safe and healthy throughout the tour and we felt how Heavenly Parent and True Parents protected us.

Each day, we were looking forward for the surprises Heavenly Parent had prepared for us and with our heart we offered everything to Heaven.

The whole team was moving while keeping our precious beloved True Mother in our hearts and sending this as our nation's gift of gratitude for the occasion.

– The exhibition was the most beautiful experience I had with Heavenly Parent, with people and our team members. I will never forget it, because of what I learned.

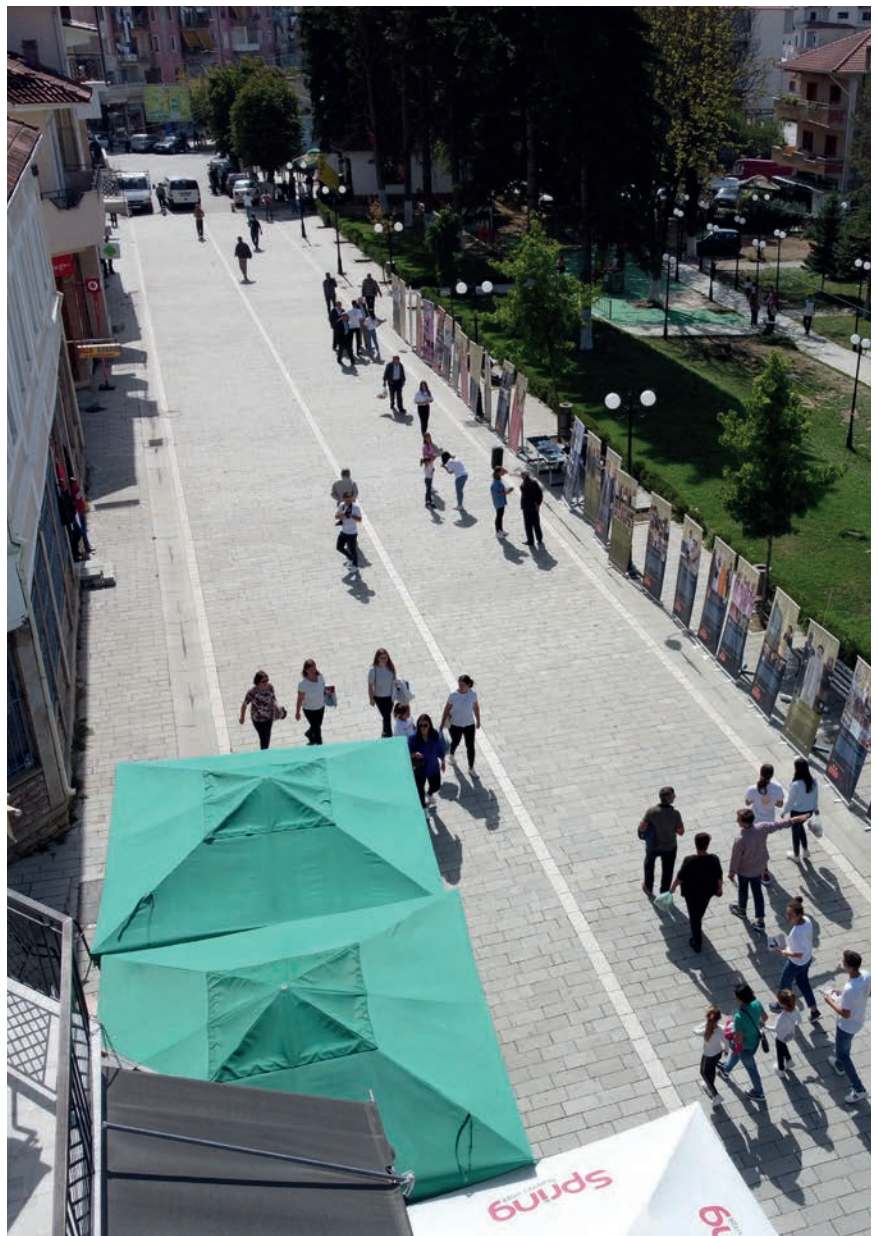
– During the tour I had a dream with True Mother and felt how much she wanted to embrace all the people.

– I will never forget an old man, who started to clap and send kisses to one of the photos of True Father, saying what a beautiful smile he had.



■ We distributed 3000 leaflets to people who were interested in the exhibition and wanted to know more about True Parents.

Amazing fact is that 444 of True Parents' books were sold.



RAY'S OF SUNSHINE OVER SHIN ALBANIA



Blishtë – September 19
Pogradec – September 20
Elbasan – September 21
Belsh – September 22
Tiranë – September 23
Kamëz – September 24
Kukës – September 25
Shkodër – September 26
Durrës – September 27
Berat – September 28
Fier – September 29
Vlorë – September 30



DISPLAYING TRUE PARENTS' LIFE ON A 12-CITY TOUR IN SHIN ALBANIA.



ARMENIA

Thirty-three participants between three years and 68 years attended a two-day workshop in the beautiful town of Stepanavan, 160 km from Yerevan, on August 7 and 8. Most of the participants were families with children and included both FFWPU members and families who had participated in the HTM Blessing. For some, it was their first Divine Principle workshop.

Two programs were held simultaneously. One was for children eleven years and younger. Led by Anastasia Demchenko, it featured many games and activities such as painting or drawing. The children experienced a lot of joy and became good friends.

The main program, for teenagers and adults, was based on Divine Principle and was led by National Leader Hovhannes Barseghyan. The question-and-answer time stimulated lively discussions on topics such as life and love, the spiritual world and the purpose of life. We talked about current situations and about our goals in life.

We also went sightseeing to historical and scenic parks. The workshop created a real family atmosphere, and the participants became closer to each other. We are planning to use this format for a workshop in 2022 and to involve more members and HTM families.

From the feedback of HTM couples, we learned that they really needed this type of workshop and that their children also benefited from this experience. During the workshop and the travel back and forth, nobody had any physical problems, and we felt we were fully under Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' spiritual protection. Thanks, Heavenly Parent and True Parents, for Your love and blessing.



BELARUS



During the year Belarus brothers and sisters had the opportunity to participate in three CheonBo events organized in the European Region and four Great Works events. Education about the value of the CheonBo providence, which our True Parents opened for us, is organized on a regular basis. Each CheonBo event is conducted with the maximum number of people allowed.

We conducted the family festival "The Happy World Starts with Me and My Family" to witness about the values of HPHC and develop the True Family Movement. Members and guests learned about True Family values, enjoyed creative performances, a Korean-style lunch, and sports

During the summer two workshops for fathers and second generation children were held in nature. Each workshop provided the opportunity to study the Word of God, to overcome challenges and experience the joy of time spent together. A total of 46 people took part in the programs. The participants developed deeper relationships centered on Heavenly Parent.



KOSOVO

Report by UPF Kosovo



Developing our UPF Councils

On 29th June we organized a workshop on drafting the work plan and activities to be held by the UPF Kosovo for the half of 2021 and 2022. The workshop was attended by 33 Ambassadors of Peace, members of the General Council of UPF Kosovo and members of the Local Councils of UPF of the regions Prizeren, Peja, Mitrovica, Gjakova, Gjilan and Ferizaj.

Mr. Binak Ulaj, Chairman of the General Council of UPF Kosovo stressed the important role that UPF plays in the peace education of individuals and the great support that UPF has given over the years to Kosovo in its quest for freedom and independence. H. E. Prof. Fatmir Sejdiu, Former President of Kosovo (2006-2010) was invited as special speaker.



■ Ejona Icka, Sec. Gen. of UPF Kosovo and Entela Mustafaj, FFWPU Pristina, presented content on the principles and vision of UPF, the purpose and mission of UPF's various associations, projects of IAYSP and Peace Road.

Participants drafted work plans and activities they propose to implement in their municipalities in 2021 and 2022.



Peace Road 2021

On November 13, UPF Kosovo organized the activity of "Peace Road" in the beautiful city of Ferizaj, in cooperation with the Municipality of Ferizaj and a group of passionate cyclists.

After a joint photo the cyclists set off on the route designated for them, accompanied by police patrols.

The activity continued in the premises of the Theater of the Municipality of Ferizaj. Words of greeting were delivered by prominent personalities of the city of Ferizaj.

Three new Ambassadors of Peace were appointed, Qëndrim Guri - cyclist, participant in the Olympics, Nazmi Kupina, dentist, activist and enthusiast of cycling and Albion Sherifi, lawyer and social activist. Certificates of appreciation were also awarded to all cyclists who participated in the event.



Chairperson of the Municipal Assembly of Ferizaj, Mrs. Kristina Gashi Bytyçi

Mrs. Ejona Icka was invited to give an interview about the "Peace Road" activity for the local television "Koha".



The atmosphere became festive and excited all those present in the hall by the fantastic performance of the young and very talented singer Mrs. Ertiola Ademi accompanied on piano by Mr. Leon Çerkini.



Strengthening our local structure

October 16 brought us together in the beautiful city of Gjakova, in the activity organized by the Peace Council of the Gjakova Region "Promotion of the Principles of Universal Peace Federation". The event was attended by 25 Ambassadors of Peace, intellectuals and honored persons from the city of Gjakova, Malisheva and Rahovec.

We introduced the participants to the Principles of the Universal Peace Federation and the meaning and value of the title of "Ambassador for Peace".

16 prominent and respected personalities of the city of Gjakova in the fields of Art, Culture, Education, Medicine, Engineering, Journalism and Politics became part of the UPF family.

RUSSIA

The Kolsky program

traditionally is organized in July for 16- and 17-year-olds to deeply understand Divine Principle and True Parents' life and put this knowledge into practice. This time twenty young people from all over Russia came to St. Petersburg to find God, study the truth and challenge themselves to do fundraising. In the second part of the program, they went to the Lapland Nature Reserve for service projects such as building eco-trails and constructing tourist buildings. It is a great way to practice living for others and overcoming limitations.

“Lapland – the Growth Point”

is a youth forum to which YSP brought young NGO leaders and student-volunteers from prominent Moscow universities. The diverse program included Peace Designer training in which participants created their own projects and meaningful talks by very interesting speakers. Many participants called the youth forum very precise, practical and clear, and said that all the action steps and schedule were understandable. The participants created two new projects from scratch. While enjoying the beauty of nature, they constructed a 230-meter eco-walking trail.

The 21-day workshop,

a cornerstone of our education system, this year took place in August in St. Petersburg with 19 participants from Moscow, St. Petersburg, Voronezh, Yekaterinburg, Ufa, Kalin-

ingrad. The students studied Divine Principle and True Parents' lives in depth, took part in discussions, got in touch with their inner original self and discovered God's word in their lives. The program included sightseeing, games and other youth activities.

Three-month training

This year we began a special three-month training program in which young people take time off from work or study to invest in their life of faith, building strong relationships with Heavenly Parent and True Parents through fundraising, witnessing, studying Divine Principle and learning to give lectures. The first three-month program started on 25 June and finished on 23 September.

There were two 1st generation participants and two 2nd generation participants. They went to Sakhalin Island in Russia's Far East for one month of fundraising, then to Lake Baikal for a mountain hike, service project and lecture training workshop, and finally to Moscow for one month of witnessing. It was a great spiritual journey which gave them a solid foundation for the future.





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"Nature is not a
place to visit.
It is home."



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1 and 4 21-day workshop, St Petersburg

2 and 3 Lapland – Growth Point

5 Participants of the Kolsky program

6 Participants of the three-month program

CROATIA

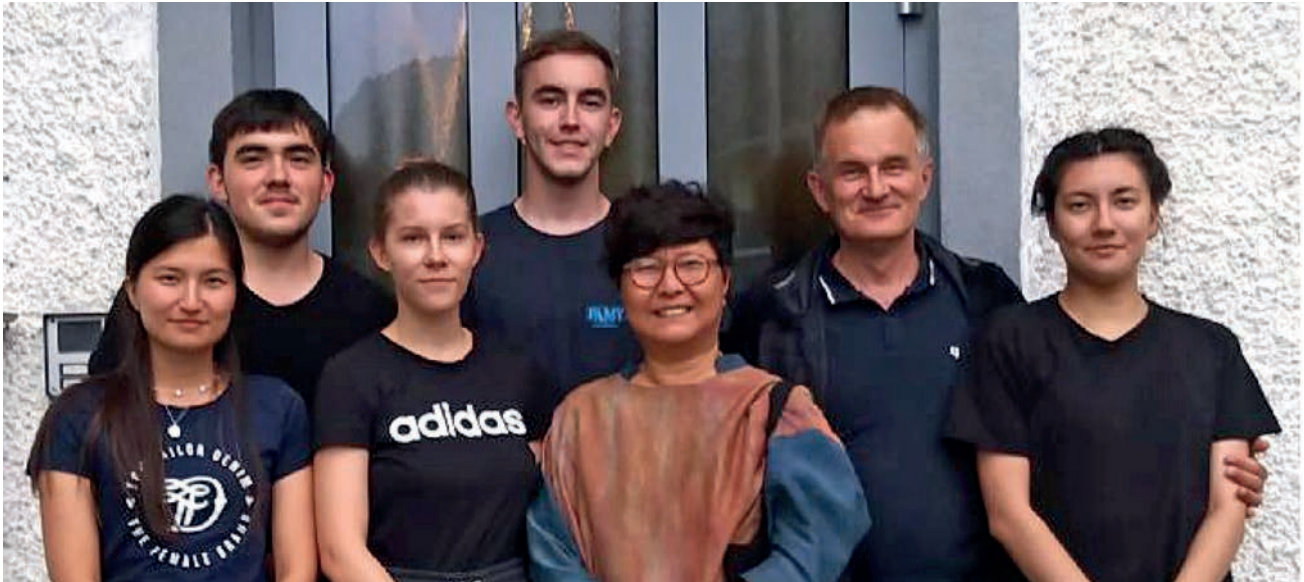


After attending the Balkans Leadership Conference in Tirana, Albania, former Croatian President Stepan Mesić wrote an article for a Croatian weekly newspaper about the conference and the opening of the Balkans Peace Embassy in Tirana.



National Leader Ji Suk Baek, who is a painter from Korea, has been receiving media exposure on a national level. Whenever she is interviewed by national TV and newspapers, she speaks about the values and activities of FFWPU (such as the matching and Blessing) and UPF (such as True Mother's peacebuilding efforts, especially for the reunification of the two Koreas). The most popular national newspaper, *Vecerni List*, and the popular morning program Good Morning Croatia on national Croatian TV interviewed Ji Suk after she donated six of her paintings to the Croatian Embassy in Seoul.





After six months of online education, Croatian Second Generation are taking ownership: running the Sunday service, taking part in YSP activities, and organizing education programs.



Six Divine Principle brochures that are used throughout Europe for witnessing have been translated into Croatian.



The Croatian community welcomed a new family. In addition, it has been supporting a family from Afghanistan.



A Croatian Ambassador and his wife participated in a Peace Bridge ceremony between Austria, Slovenia, and Croatia.



UKRAINE

DAY OF KNOWLEDGE AND INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE



By Anna Kalmatskaya,
President, FFWPU Ukraine

Celebrating the Day of Knowledge and the International Day of Peace in September, YSP volunteers initiated a number of social environmental projects at schools of Kyiv City and Kyiv region.

About twenty young first-generation members took part in the projects, together with more than 200 middle and high school students. The projects, carried out in cooperation with UPF and WFWP of Ukraine, supported the planting of trees at the beginning of the new academic year, which was promoted by the Kyiv governor.

One of the biggest events took place at Semipolki village, Kyiv region. UPF and WFWP have been working with the village administration for many years, holding different educational, cultural and charity projects there. Some of the village administration staff and school teachers are Ambassadors for Peace and WFWP-Ukraine nominees of the “Woman of the Year” award.

This time it was a good chance to connect the school students with our young members, as they were working together in the project. YSP volunteers and the school students were ennobling the schoolyard with beautiful trees, bushes and flowers.

Nuts, pear and persimmon trees, box-wood and Japanese spirea bushes, irises, lilacs and many other beautiful plants were planted in the schoolyard. The school administration, including the principal, headteachers and teachers, together with school students, also joined the project, planting, giving interviews and supported the action in many other ways.

After the project the participants also had a meeting with the school administration and students.

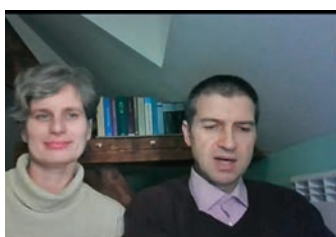
The event was filmed and highlighted by local and Kyiv mass media, with a livestream from the venue.

Similar projects were held in different schools of Kyiv City and in the Kyiv Botanical Garden, involving students from all the capital in that beautiful and noble action of saving the environment and advancing youth volunteering. The project became a good step to strengthen our public organizations' cooperation with the educational institutions. At the same time, it was a foundation for witnessing, connecting our young members with the Kyiv school students.



Thank you for your loving investment!

BULGARIA



World Interfaith Harmony Week 2021 was celebrated with a daily online reading of True Father's words. One day before the beginning of the UN observance, which takes place in the first week of February, the celebration was announced live on the FFWPU-Bulgaria Facebook page (facebook.com/bgffwpu). We read UPF's statement and expressed our support for the initiative as a partner organization.

Starting on February 1 and continuing until February 7, a different section of True Father's autobiography, *As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen*, from the chapter titled "Love Will Bring Unification," was read aloud on the FFWPU Facebook page every day.

Bulgarian members from all over Europe took part in the program by reading and commenting on the words with great enthusiasm. On

the last day, February 7, most of the people who had participated during the week returned, and even some extra people joined for the final reading.

It was a very good opportunity for Bulgarian brothers and sisters living in and outside Bulgaria to work together. We hope that this event will contribute to spreading True Parents' news and words among Bulgarian-speaking people. Over 1,000 views were registered by the FFWPU Facebook page during the seven days, and the number is growing continuously, as more and more people watch the recordings of the reading sessions.

To conclude the week, on the afternoon of Sunday, February 7, a small (offline) gathering was organized with representatives of different spiritual groups, mainly people who

do not have regular access to the Internet.

The program consisted of reading from True Father's autobiography and exchanging views on how to prevent wars and change the community.

One Ambassador for Peace (a retired journalist and theologian) spoke about the role of parliamentary leaders and presidents in stopping the production of military weapons.

Those guests who stayed to the end watched the 1980 Indian movie *Abdullah*, which is about love and religious tolerance between Muslims and Hindus.

ROMANIA

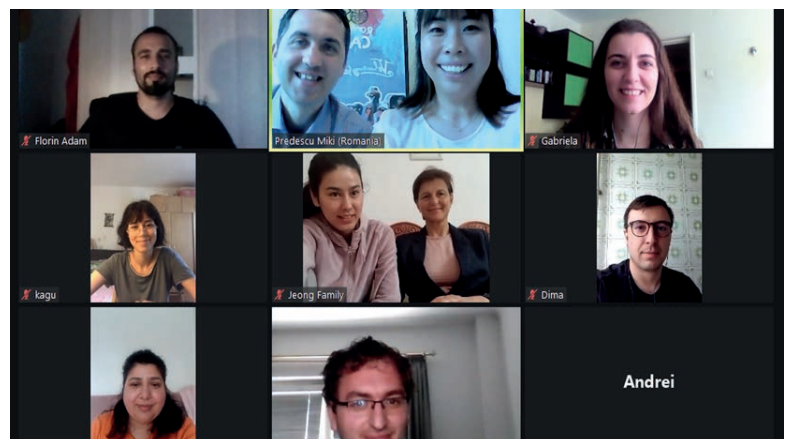
We are all grateful to offer this report for Heavenly Parent and True Parents! The highlight of 2021 was a 7-day Divine Principle Workshop for our CARP members. We went to the mountain side together to study Divine Principle and discuss practical approach to practice in our life. Every day started with HDH reading and meditating; True Parent's words were very inspiring. One day, we climbed Bucegi mountain which is 2,200 meters above the sea level. It was challenging but this challenge brought us a lot of awakening about our life and Heavenly Parent!

Here is the part of reflection from one of our CARP members,

"I really tried to focus a lot in Divine Principle lectures and I could understand new things. This year is also the first time to believe in True Parents. Until now I was trying to live with Principle but something went wrong in my mind. But I think this time I will not fail again. When I was trying to talk to True Parents I felt so peaceful. So, in conclusion it was really meaningful workshop! Thank you!"

It was great experience for all the participants to understand Principle and experience the love of True Parents.

The other activities were all online, we organized Sunday Service and Celebration of International Day of Family. Even though there was a limitation because of the Covid pandemic, but still we all realized importance of guiding each guest, each CARP member and each person towards True Parents. Such a blessing period we live together with True Parents. We will continue our best to let all the people know this blessing and come in front of you together, Heavenly Parent and True Parents! We love you, True Mother!



MOLDOVA

2021 was an
amazing year

By Sabina Nadejdin and
Andrei Esanu

So many precious providential opportunities opened for us. Overcoming barriers, the HPHC team of Moldova united more and carried out dynamic activities in three directions: FFWPU, UPF and YSP. Since it is quite difficult to select just one or two, on behalf of Moldova HPHC I would mention the following:

UPF

The biggest events were the launching of the Peace Embassy project in January and holding an impressive Peace Road in August with the participation of 30 bicyclists from partner organizations.

FFWPU

Family Clubs were launched in three districts, developing HTM activities. FFWPU received two grants from the United Nations Development Program as well as 270 packages of food and hygiene products from the UN that we distributed to families in need. FFWPU also signed an Agreement of Cooperation with the Chisinau city authorities.

YSP

YSP Moldova was registered and became a member of the National Youth Council of Moldova. For the first time Youth Peace Talks were

held with the four youngest members of parliament, and the Youth Hero Award was given to one of these MPs. First and Second Generation youth recited True Father's poem "Crown of Glory" on television.

HJ CheonBo

Another historic event was the amazing grace of holding the first CheonBo workshop in Moldova in June. And lastly, four HTM Victor couples could finalize their registration in October.

Many more wonderful activities and events were held in which members put their utmost sincerity and dedication. We thank Heavenly Parent and True Parents for the

amazing time and providence they are leading. We pray for their health and long life as we prepare to start the next year.





FFWPU Moldova signs an Agreement of Cooperation with the city authorities of our capital city Chisinau.

FFWPU received from the United Nations Development Program 270 care packages which we distributed to families in need.



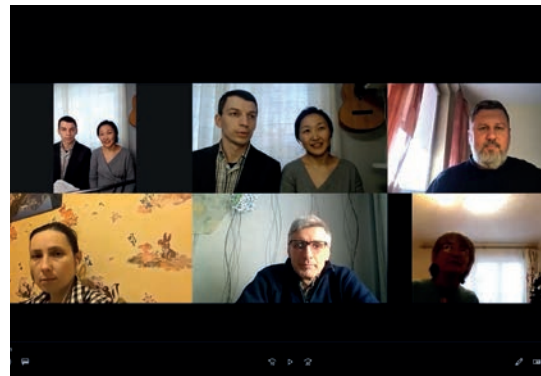
Wonderful grace for our community through the Hyojeong CheonBo events.

The Family Clubs create a good environment to meet and share family values content with our friends and neighbours.



LATVIA

Our community highlights of 2021



Every month, UPF holds an interfaith meeting with Brother Pavel and Elena Bychkova in which we read from the book *World Scripture and the Teachings of Sun Myung Moon*. The meeting is held “live” on Zoom and also broadcast on Kermena Khartskhaeva’s Facebook page.

55 adults and children took part in an environmental project in July on the Gauja River to clean riverside areas. Aside from three families from FFWPU, the rest of the participants were guests of the blessed couple Vadim and Katya Bolshakov.

During the celebration of the national midsummer holiday Ligo, FFWPU representatives visited the Vaishnav (Hindu) community and gave the Blessing to two couples.

To commemorate the anniversary of True Parents’ visit to Latvia (October 19, 2005), we held an online meeting with Ambassadors for Peace at which we opened a Family Club.

In Latvia there are eleven central blessed couples (32 second-generation children), of which five couples have liberated and blessed 430 generations of ancestors and four couples have Cheonbo status.





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- 2 Giving the Blessing while visiting Hindu community
- 3 Community celebration
- 4 HJ CheonBo event in Latvia
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LITHUANIA

Book Club, summer youth activities, and a special Blessing

By Aram and Roma Karagezian
President, FFWPU Lithuania

In 2021 book club activities reading *Mother of Peace* and *As A Peace Loving Global Citizen* continued throughout the year on-line in a local and international circles, led by elder members and Second generation. We found it good way to witness and spread the ideals of peace.

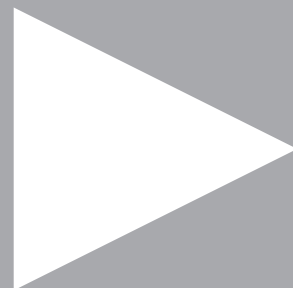
In summer as many restrictions were lifted up, our Blessed families community and guests gathered in the city park Vingis for the first live event. While two sisters Tamila Kavalskiene and Marija Šatkevič organized a 2-hour programme for 3-7 years old children where they had to search for heaven's treasure in the green area of the park overcoming difficulties and trials, shoving unity and cooperation, parents and young people could discuss different topics, prepare barbecue and enjoy time together.

Seminar "Friends of God" took part at the close of summer in the beautiful Lithuanian countryside surroundings near river Merkys. Designed to fill younger children and teenagers with hope and inspiration for the new school year, this seminar featured lectures by students to high-schoolers, and by creative moms Marija Šatkevič and Aurika Urbonienė to younger children. Each day was dedicated to learn some qualities of a friend – sincere, faithful and true, and by the end of the programme everyone – participants and staff felt closer to God and each other, like real friends.

We were very proud to witness the blessing of the first member of the Second Generation from Lithuania, our eldest son Andranik with Sandra Skrodzki from Hungary. Thank you, True Mother for giving this Blessing in April amidst the ongoing pandemic; You bestowed so much hope and inspiration to us!



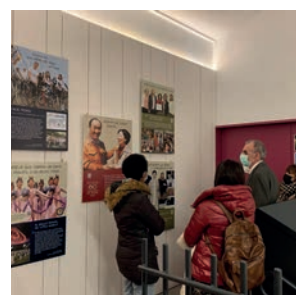
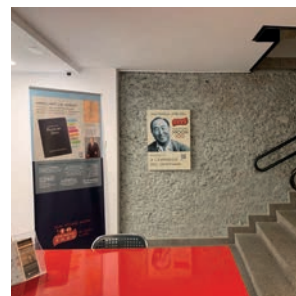
ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOUTH REGION



ANDORRA

By Lluís & Chatibot Babi
President, FFWPU Andorra

Centenary Exhibition of True Father at the Ordino Social Cultural Building



OUTREACH MATERIALS

We are very happy to have many great outreach materials now in Catalan language!

With the cooperation of the Parish of Ordino Mayor's Cultural Department and FFWPU Andorra; we held the Centenary Exhibition of True Father from 24th November until 2nd December 2021 at the Ordino Social Cultural Building.

Four Roll Ups and 21 Posters were presented in the exhibition. True Father's Autobiography in Catalan language and True Mother's Memoir in Spanish language, the Centenary Exhibition Catalogue in Catalan, Spanish, French and English were displayed and were given to people.

Andorra's Co-Prince, the Bishop of La Seu d'Urgell of the Catholic Church in Spain, came to visit and see the activities of this Social Cultural building just the day before and saw the posters which the staff of the Cultural Dept.

were preparing to hang up in the exhibition. We have giving him the information and inviting him to attend all our activities internationally, regionally and globally. He said to the staffs that he also had been invited to visit Rev. Moon's Centenary Exhibition.

It is a very good opportunity to be able to display True Parents' worldwide activities to the people here. The director of the Cultural Dept. said that this was a very nice exhibition and a valuable possibility to inform the public about the works of Rev. & Mrs. Moon which many people have never known before. Some people were interested to know more and wanted to meet us for further information. We will be able to make more of this Centenary Exhibition in the other six Parishes of Andorra in the coming months.

SAN MARINO

Peace Education for Italy and San Marino through regular publication of the magazine *VOCI DI PACE* (Voices of Peace)

Three new issues in 2021

The theme of this first issue of 2021 is “Reconciliation between the Two Koreas.” Among the articles on this theme are reports from two webinars conducted by UPF of Russia about the reunification of North and South Korea; an analysis by journalist and Korea expert Michael Breen of the relationship between the two Koreas; and an explanation of the UPF founders’ vision for Korean reunification written by Jacques Marion, the regional co-chair of UPF for Europe, Eurasia and the Middle East.

The second issue for 2021 addresses such important topics as the Think Tank 2022 launch that occurred on May 9 during the sixth Rally of Hope. More than 2,000 experts confirmed the new peace initiative.

A second major event was a webinar on the family, held jointly by Universal Peace Federation and Women’s Federation for World Peace on May 14 in celebration of the International Day of Families established by the United Nations. Four speakers, all university professors, spoke on the theme “Which Family ... Toward Which Future?” The webinar was very well attended.

Another important webinar, which took place on March 2, presented a book on North Korea and its prospects for change. The author, an Italian journalist who spent some time in North Korea, gives a very interesting cross-section of that nation for us to study.

This third issue of 2021 delves into international issues mainly related to the Asian area: Afghanistan, Myanmar (former Burma) and the Korean Peninsula, with a particular focus on the Asian Northeast. What prospects for peace are there for the Asian continent?

In addition, the contribution that faiths can make to our mental and physical health in the time of the Pandemic from Covid is examined by religious leaders.



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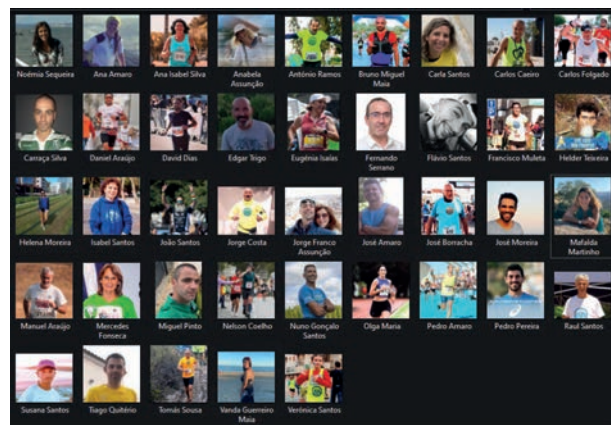


Run for Peace

The Family Federation for World Peace and the Unification Athletics Team invested by Zoom and in the field into 42 athletes to participate in this event. Winning the run collectively was the main goal and ambition.

We got lucky and successfully achieved it; spreading a good atmosphere and giving a lot of visibility to our movement to outside for hundreds of peoples

PS: 90% of the athletes representing FFWPU - Run for Peace, and wearing our t-shirts, are not members of FFWPU, but their genuine interest and motivation to be a part of our family has made us achieve this great result for everyone to see.



<https://campsite.bio/runffwpu>



HONORING THE PAST
Our annual memorial celebration for our ancestors



Mother of Peace

In February 2021, we found a publisher who agreed to translate True Mother's autobiography into Portuguese.

We printed 3.000 copies for FFWPU families to buy and distribute to their relatives and friends. Also the publisher, Avelina Ferraz, made other ones to put in the nation's bookstores.

Over time, the publisher has become an Ambassador for Peace, and has participated in several of our activities, including participating in the last CheonBo event in Portugal.

There is a great friendship respect and affection for the True Parents; we will continue to work together!



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Cheon Bo Providence

On November 13th we were at the peace embassy in Lisbon, Portugal the CB event Connected with other countries of Europe EUME Region, in a total of 13 countries.

It was very important and providential ceremony for our nation and also for several blessed families who were able to liberate and bless their beloved ancestors.

Through this ceremony they become closer to fulfill the victorious tribal messiah very soon.

Deep gratitude from all of them, and very special thank you to our Beloved True Parents of heaven of earth and humanity for this incredible opportunity.



SPAIN

True Mother's memoir presentation in "Night of Religions" in Barcelona



Our program consisted mainly of presenting the “Memories of the Mother of Peace.” At the end of the event we gave a copy of the book to each visitor.

The event began with Maryvonne Jamois, our national leader, giving a short talk on “The role of women from the perspective of the FFWPU”. Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon and her husband are the co-founders of the WFWP, and inaugurated the era in which women must assume leadership to unite the whole world, not with power and weapons, but with the logic of true love, which comes from the maternal heart of God.

Next, a small group of members sang the Korean song “Arirang”, accompanied by a video projection.

Later, the coordinator of the Barcelona’s Community, Neta Beshaj, presented the Memories of the True Mother. Through her talk, she tried to encourage everyone present to read it. She spoke about attractive aspects of her life, the activities co-founded by True Parents and about the situation of their country, the Korean Peninsula.

And finally, we showed a video of the Little Angels, which everyone enjoyed.



Divine Principle Seminars



PRECIOUS GOD'S WORD

It is always blissful to see how people are lifted up when we share God's word and love through the workshop.

We held a two day DP seminar this last weekend of October.

We had some guests coming from Barcelona and from Zaragoza. Some guests from Madrid cancelled in the last moment, but some others came. So it was a familiar seminar. We could gather finally 9 guests.

It is always blissful to see how people are lifted up when we share God's word and love through the workshop. Even though the weather wasn't so good, it's was mostly raining, we could make some walks near the center. One of the guests from Barcelona who is closer to us, was all the time speaking about Fa-

ther Moon. She was witnessing even more than us to the other guests! After the lectures we sat in a circle to share about what we heard. This opened the heart of our guests to expresse how they feel and tell things about their lives.

At the end of the workshop asked the guests to share about how they felt concerning the experience of the two day workshop. They would like to pounder more deeply into the Divine Principle. One on the guests thanked the three sisters who cooked for us during the workshop. It's seems something trivial and normal, but as True Father said: "Food is love".

ITALY

New perspectives of peace for the Asian Continent in the UPF-WFWP meeting

“What is the worst defeat? Discouragement!” Reflecting on this famous phrase of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Franco Ravaglioli, said that “despite the tragedies of the present time, albeit with a heart swollen with pain, we need to continue to believe that these storms are opportunities for change. In the knowledge that we can live or die for something greater, peace.”

With these words, the Secretary General of UPF-Italy opened the roundtable discussion “The ways of peace to overcome and resolve emerging Asian conflicts” that took place online, Friday, September 24, 2021. In his speech he also recalled the most important initiatives of UPF: the “Summit 2020”, attended by 6000 delegates from 170 countries, the “International Leadership Conferences” (ILC), the “Rally of Hope”, now in its seventh edition, and the “Think Tank 2022” project, a global and multi-sectoral network of over two thousand experts from different disciplines, committed to finding solutions to the most complex problems of our time.

The event, promoted to celebrate the “International Day of Peace” established by the United Nations, was organized by Universal Peace Federation (UPF-Italy), in collaboration with the International Media Association for Peace (IMAP-Italy), the International Association of Academics for Peace (IAAP-Italy), the Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWP-Italy) and Eco dai Palazzi.

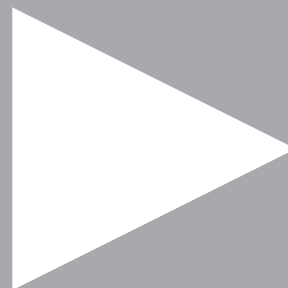
The meeting was attended by Elisabetta Nistri, President of WFWP-Italy; Franco Ravaglioli, Secretary General of UPF-Italy; Marco Lombardi, Director of the Department of Sociology of the Catholic University of Milan; Marino D'Amore, Sociologist of Communication of the Niccolò Cusano University of Rome; Michele Pavan, President of “Mondo Internazionale”; Pier Ferdinando Casini, Senator and President of the Interparliamentary Union; Carmen Lasorella, Journalist, speaker and moderator.

Moderator Carmen Lasorella closed the meeting with a quote from St. Augustine: “there are no good or bad times, because the times are us”, adding that the possibility of contributing to the roads to peace is also in our hands.

TREVIS MORGAN
Nequia nostorem es eos
velluptatem quis in pariam,



ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MIDDLE EAST REGION



ISRAEL

By Liel Weiler Hill
President, FFWPU Israel



Rally of Hope in Israel

In March, our entire community invested their time and efforts in the preparation of the 1st Rally of Hope in Israel.

The timing of the Rally was important, as we held it 2 days before the 4th election in 2 years, it was a meaningful event to give hope to the people of this nation.

The Rally was broadcasted live via social media networks in Israel and around the world. It was first viewed by several hundreds of people, and we continue to promote it extensively.

The first Rally of hope in Israel focused on volunteerism and on the core value of "living for the sake of others".

The speakers came from different backgrounds and organizations:

Religious leaders: Rabbi Edgar Nof (Judaism), Sheikh Samir Assi (Islam), Father Yakubbus Abu Akel (Christianity).

Volunteering organizations: Mrs. Ronit Bar- CEO of the Israeli council for volunteering work, Ms. Talia Bejerano - CEO of 'Krembo wings' youth movement for children with and without disabilities

Medical field: Sheikh and Dr. Omar Kiyal- family and children medical doctor, Prof. Salman Zarka - Ziv hospital manager
Politicians: Former HOS Dalia Itzik, Former MK Zoheir Bahloul

Artists: Eliset Reter - Israeli Brazilian singer, David D'or - Israel singer, InTune- 2nd gen band from Europe, Carmel Aca-pella- Israeli band of 5 women using only vocals.





On the 11th of December we held Hyojeong CheonBo VOD event in Haifa HTM Center. 25 members attended and felt the grace of Heavenly Parent and True Parents, participating in our home country.

Following that event, we participated in the settlement and bequeathing of the Cheong Shim Won prayer hall. We started a 21-day national condition and dedication for opening it on 1 January 2022.



LEBANON

By Jong-in and Yola Park and
Hermine Schellen

Two highlights from Lebanon



Family Blessing Festivals

According to True Mother's direction of the special 100 days condition, we visited families as part of our humanitarian project after Beirut explosion on August 4, 2020. While visiting the families and giving them humanitarian help, we started to give them the Pre-Blessing by giving them the holy wine or holy juice.

On June 4, 2021 we held our first Family Blessing Festival in our HJ Center in Beirut where 6 couples could receive the Pre-Blessing. It was a great event that was full of joy and God's grace. Everybody felt grateful for this great gift. Later on, two more Blessing Festivals took place in our center.

We could do this big breakthrough in our country thanks to the help of our Middle East sub-regional couple, Mr. and Mrs. Angelucci together with Miss. Sarah, Vice-President of our region. This could really be done thanks to our

brothers and sisters' unity. Thanks to this, UPF Lebanon President's couple, Mr. Thomas and Hermine Schellen were as well inspired to hold Family Blessing Festivals on a big scale. Therefore, the first Festival they held was in Saida in September of this year with 68 couples receiving the holy juice. This was followed by another Blessing event in November where UPF organized a Humanitarian aid and Blessing event in Tripoli in collaboration with the Greek Orthodox Church and the Ambassador of Peace. Around 100 families could attend the event. These Blessing Festivals were great accomplishments of this year in Lebanon.

True Father's Centenary Event and the Launching of True Mother's Memoir in Arabic

On November 2, we had the Centenary event, honoring True Father as well as the launch of True Mother's Memoir in Arabic. We had important Christian

and Muslim leaders, some Ambassadors of Peace and Associates of FFWPU attending this event.

Our Sub-Regional President, Mr. Umberto Angelucci and Vice President Ms. Sarah Ahmed gave great speeches. Mrs. Hermine Schellen, UPF Lebanon Secretary General, gave a personal testimony about her experience, meeting True Father, in late 70's in England. The Muslim and Christian Leaders gave very moving messages about True Father. The presentations given were to honor True Father's great legacy and to highlight the significant role of True Mother. This event was the only one held in an Arabic nation and True Mother's Memoir was published in Arabic as well. It was indeed a very special event that touched many people's heart.



■ Our friends and neighbours receive the Blessing



■ Outdoor Family Festival in Beirut

TURKEY

By Binod Paudel
President, FFWPU Turkey

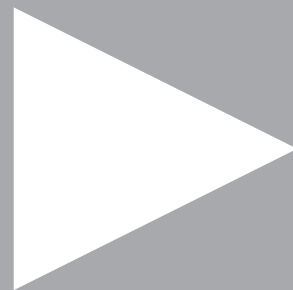
Peace Education Program



YSP Turkey and A.F.T football club Istanbul jointly organize 1-day Peace Education 07th August 2021. Program in Final school, Istanbul, Football player, official and others total 40 people join the seminar. Mrs. Marilyn Angelucci General Secretary FFWPU Middle East gave a two lecture purpose of life and conflict and conflict resolution. Participants listen very at tentative and ask some question. Also National Leader Mr. Binod Paudel gave a Peace road presentation to them. He shares vision of Father and Mother Moon to connect world by road and world peace. After program School Principal invite us and we share our intention to educate our young generation for Nation Building.



ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CENTRAL REGION



GERMANY

By Beate Ogrizek
KANDO Publishers Team

TRUE MOTHER'S MEMOIR INTRODUCED AT THE INTERNATIONAL BOOKFAIR IN FRANKFURT

KANDO Publishers with the support of the EUME Headquarters presented a variety of books about True Parents' vision, life, and teachings to an international audience.

After a one-year break, the Frankfurt Book Fair (Frankfurter Buchmesse) took place again from October 20th to 24th, 2021 under certain COVID restrictions (limited number of exhibitors and visitors, social distance rules, mask requirement, etc.). This year's focus of the KANDO publishing house was the first presentation of the memoirs of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon - *Mother of Peace* - in more than 10 languages. We members at the booth were able to give direct testimony to the worldwide peace activities and the work of True Mother.

We talked to people like university professors, teachers, booksellers, publishers, theologians, nuns, believers and people of different religions, beliefs etc. and nations from Europe and all over the world and gave them the autobiographies of True Mother, True Father and the exhibition brochure *Father and Mother of Peace*. Often, people would be drawn to the large posters of True Mother, stop and deep conversations would develop.

It is a natural witnessing at a high level as the booth is placed in the Religion and Spirituality Hall and visitors show genuine interest. We met a university professor of philosophy who was so inspired by the book *World Scripture* and immediately bought it to use it in his lectures at the university. Altogether, we handed out hundreds of autobiogra-

phies. The book fair is a very good tool to spread the message of True Parents. Another highlight was the booklet *Reconciliation of the enemy brother nations*.

There was also a public event at the Frankfurt Family Federation center on the subject of "unification of divided Korea". The Kando publishing house will also be represented at the book fair in 2022.

THE FRANKFURT BOOK FAIR

is the world's largest trade fair for books and has a tradition spanning more than 500 years. It is considered to be the most important book fair in the world for international deals and trading.





FFWPU MEMBERS

from Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic
stewarded the KANDO booth at the fair.



PUBLIC READING EVENT

The Frankfurt community organised a public reading event presenting excerpts from Hak Ja Han Moon's memoir *Mother of Peace* to a live and online audience.

The focus was on Korean reunification. A new booklet on the topic was introduced: *Reconciliation of the Enemy Brother Nations – Religious Approaches to Peace on the Korean Peninsula*.

AUSTRIA

Peace Road Peace Conference at Schlaining Castle in August 2021



Under the motto Building Bridges - Overcoming Division, more than 50 members and prominent personalities came together for a peace conference on August 29th, 2021 at the Castle Hall of the Peace Castle Schlaining, near the Austrian-Hungarian border.

Schlaining Castle is 750 years old and is known for the peace institute "Austrian Study Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution" (ASPR), which was founded almost 40 years ago on the edge of the iron curtain to develop solutions in a very critical time of the Cold War.

The Castle Hall and the entire palace have been completely renovated in the last two years. The PEACE ROAD peace conference was the first peace event at the castle after a two-year break.





21-day Divine Principle workshop



Meeting with the community of
Philippinas in Vienna



CheonBo victor couples in Austria

HUNGARY

By Zsuzsanna Klimesné Bakonyi, President, FFWPU Hungary



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Highlight activities 2021

This year marked the 40th anniversary of the arrival of the first missionaries to our country, so we felt we have to offer our gratitude to them for the foundation they laid in Hungary.

We planned and organized two main events around this theme.

The first took place at the end of summer, 8th of August and mainly blessed families and some distant members attended. The close to 130 participants gathered outside in the property of a blessed couple. We listened to the moving testimonies of our Butterfly missionaries, some present, some online, ate wonderful lunch, then both young and older, we went on canoeing along the beautiful Danube river backwaters.

The other event was our annual commemoration of True Father's 9th Seonghwa anniversary. This time, due to Co-

PHOTOS

1 National Gathering with the First Missionaries in Hungarian countryside, August 2021

2 Canoeing on the backwaters of river Danube after the National Gathering, August 2021



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PHOTOS

3 Chamber music by Peace Ambassadors at the commemoration of True Father's 9th Seonghwa anniversary in Budapest, October 2021

4 One of the Peace Ambassadors presenting traditional Korean dances at the commemoration of True Father's 9th Seonghwa anniversary in Budapest, October 2021

5 Divine Principle workshop participants praying together after service project offered as part of "Peace Road" in a National Memorial Center, July 2021

vid restrictions we had to comply to the government restrictions, so around 53 people, including blessed members, ambassadors for peace and guests gathered in a hotel's conference hall and some participants joined 20 through zoom. The event was co-organized by blessed members and ambassadors of peace, who offered their talent as a sign of gratitude and recognition to True Parents' tireless efforts for world peace.

All participant, either present and online, felt uplifted and we could feel Heavenly Parents' and True Parents' love. I believe the fact that both blessed members and ambassadors of peace participated in organizing and offering this event was the reason that we could feel happy. We hope to continue this tradition and we want to involve more people in it.

The second event I would like to mention is connected with youth educa-

tion. During the summer we wanted to connect our youth to the online Divine Principle workshop organized by EUME, so around 20 youth and some staff gathered in our workshop center in Pécs in South Hungary for one week. In the morning we listened to the lectures and during the afternoons we had different other programs, among which the 3-day service project in a national memorial center was the highlight.

Since we wanted to meet once more with the youth in person, beside the monthly online occasions, in October our Blessing department organized a weekend Il Shim workshop in the home of one blessed family with 9 second generation participants offering the purity pledge and receiving the purity ring.

SLOVAKIA

Inauguration of UPF Peace Embassy in Bratislava

By Miloš Klas,
President, UPF Slovakia

Dignitaries and UPF representatives from several nations attended the inauguration of the new UPF Peace Embassy.

UPF-Slovakia chose September 21, 2021 – the UN International Day of Peace – as an appropriate date on which to open its Peace Embassy in the heart of the Slovak capital. After many years of searching for a suitable office and extensive reconstruction work at the former bank branch, the lucky day had come.

Miloš Klas, the president of UPF-Slovakia, had labored countless hours to oversee and help with the renovation work. He also prepared carefully for the great day. A team of local UPF supporters helped to give the final touch, creating a welcoming environment for the arriving guests.

The location of the facility is perfect—next to a shopping street and the Palace of Justice and several faculties. In front of the building there is a small park with a playground, and in the basement there is a parking garage.

About 40 people attended the inauguration, including several distinguished speakers and UPF supporters from the neighboring nations of Austria, Hungary and the Czech Republic, including the UPF national leaders.

Due to severe COVID-19 restrictions, only a selected number of regular



guests were invited; many said that they felt privileged to join the celebration.

The program started with uplifting melodies played by two flautists from the group Friends of Fujara. After welcoming the participants, UPF-Slovakia President Miloš Klas gave a presentation showing past UPF events held in various locations in Bratislava. “Finally, we have our own facility, and therefore more and varied events may take place,” he said.

UPF delegates from neighboring nations and esteemed supporters gave inspiring messages.

The main speaker was Ján Figel', a former European Commission special en-

voy for the promotion of freedom of religion outside the European Union. He thanked UPF for its long-standing investment for peace in Slovakia and in Europe.

“Education for making peace is very needed,” Mr. Figel' said. He expressed hope that the new facility will be helpful to expand UPF activities on higher levels.

“Evil's most influential allies are the three siblings: apathy, ignorance and fear,” Mr. Figel' said. “UPF can help to eliminate these three influential allies of evil in Slovakia and the world and aid civil courage and boldness.”

Dr. Afsar Rathor, a former UN diplomat and the president of LIOS-SOIL, a



■ Dieter and Ana Schmidt, President of Central Europe Sub-Region, together with Slovakian members, consecrate the new Peace Embassy.



■ Ján Figel'



■ Anna Repková

Vienna-based ecological NGO, recalled his experiences working for the United Nations in many conflict zones. In line with the UPF motto "Peace starts with me," he said that everyone can contribute to creating peace; nobody is powerless.

Dr. Roman Joch, the president of the Civic Institute in the Czech Republic, praised the immense contribution of UPF founder Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon to end communism. He called Reverend Moon one of the most significant figures in recent history and commended the work of UPF.

To conclude the festivities, the gifted vocalist Anna Repková melted hearts with her wonderful songs. Enjoying the delicious food offered at the banquet that followed, many guests stayed long after the end of the official program.



■ Miloš Klas



■ Dr. Roman Koch

Priya Raghunatha, the head of the Slovak Hare Krishna group, spoke about joint activities in recent years, hoping that many more will come soon.



CZECH REPUBLIC

By Eva Pejkořski,
President, FFWPU Czech Republic

Two Peace Road events connect neighbouring countries, and Service Project supports town in Moravia after tornado hit



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In the Czech Republic, one of the highlights of the year 2021 was definitely a Service Project in town called Mikulčice. This event took place on 15th and 16th October 2021, and it was organized as a co-operation of our UPF chapter with Czech and Slovak YSP. In 2021 there was a very rare phenomena occurring – a tornado of unexpected size hit the town of Mikulčice as well as the whole area. Tornadoes and similar phenomena normally do not pose any threat in our part of the world. However, this time it did not only appear, but also it destroyed the area and even killed a few people. With a young spirit and spirit of empathy and solidarity the volunteers did all kinds of work. Carrying heavy concrete panels, cleaning, mixing concrete and many other things. The participants were greeted by the mayor of the village who appreciated their help and determination to work in the humble conditions that the village could offer.



PHOTOS

1+2 Peace activists from the Czech Republic and Slovakia meet for a Peace Road event on a newly opened bridge connecting Moravian Mikulčice and Slovak Kopčany over the Morava River.



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It is important to say that this event that had full support of the local mayor, was organized based on previous two successful Peace Road events:

On Sunday, 20th of June, due to the co-operation of Universal Peace Federation Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic this Peace Road became a deep experience for almost 100 participants. On occasion of the Day of Refugees participants from 3 nations joined in a common meeting at the hill of Trojmezí where the three nations have a common border. At the top the participants could meet bringing their national flags around a monument pointing the border and the European anthem was sung. Czech UPF president reminded that the existence of communism and democracy divided our nations for 40 years. The hatred had been more or less overcome, and all these countries started anew. Yet still there is one country and one nation in the world which remains to be divided by ideology. It is the Korean peninsula. The 38th parallel still divides

the country and is a borderline between communism and democracy. We hope that one day soon also the Korean people can meet and be united once again.

On Sunday, 29th August 2021, the Czech and Slovak UPF chapters as the main organizers convened a Peace Road on the common border. The participants met on the bridge that connects both countries in a beautiful scenery of nature. The main speakers of the event were presidents of a UPF chapter in Czech and Slovakia, Juraj Lajda and Milos Klas, mayor of Mikulcice town Josef Dvoracek, mayor of Dolní Bojanovice village Eva Rajchmanová and evangelical pastor Mikulas Vymetal, as well as many other including a Korean native sister who pointed out once more, about the ongoing division on the Korean peninsula.

Based on this event and based on establishing a good contact with the Mikulcice mayor Josef Dvoracek, the above-mentioned Service Project took place.

PHOTOS

3 Peace Road event on a hill near Trojmezí, where Czech Republic, Austria and Germany have a common border.

4+5+6 Service project in the Moravian town of Mikulcice after a tornado hit the region.



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SWITZERLAND

By Radomir Stantchev,
President, FFWPU Switzerland

Leadership Transition, Peace Road, Outreach



A major highlight of 2021 was the Leadership Transition Ceremony. On the 4th of July, the Swiss community gathered on the banks of Lake Brienz to welcome in a new era for FFWPU Switzerland.

We celebrated Heiner and Carolyn Hanschin's 26 years of leadership; listening to testimonies, watching video highlights before Heiner and Carolyn reflected on their time leading the movement here in Switzerland. The events paid a fitting tribute to their devotion and investment over the years.

The second half of the ceremony welcomed the new National Leader, Radomir Stantchev and his new team to their roles. After the team shared a few words of introduction and motivation, the whole community joined in putting their hands on the heads of the new leadership while Dr. Dieter Schmidt led a prayer for their success. It was the first gathering of the Swiss membership since the beginning of the

pandemic, with around 100 members present. It was great to see each other and share once more after being apart for so long.

Some further highlights and activities: From the 4-5th of September, a HARP weekend was organized in Central Switzerland. It was a weekend full of activities and internal guidance and was an incredible and memorable experience with Heavenly Parent and True Parents and each other.

Our Zurich community organized 12 presentations of the centenary exhibition. One member could reach out to a Christian minister who is now studying Divine Principle. As our government suggested to legalize the same-sex marriage, many members from Zurich supported a campaign that affirmed the vision of the family as one man and one woman.

Members took part in a Peace Hike near Lauterbrunnen on August 7th

and a Peace Road to Bad Zurzach on September 11th.

FFWPU-Switzerland also continued its cooperation with FFWPU-Zambia on HTM activities by supporting one member there financially, who is visiting our tribes and is educating them.

FFWPU members continued to support various events organized by UPF Switzerland such as the three Peace Ambassador's trainings, the establishment of the Albanian Peace Council in Switzerland on Dec. 18, 2021, and a Webinar on Interfaith Harmony and Korean Reunification in Geneva on Feb. 5, 2021.

Many second-generation members of FFWPU-Switzerland supported the monthly activities of IAYSP-Switzerland.

Regular activities such as daily HDH at 6:30am, 1pm Spiritual Moment meeting every day and weekly Sunday Services continued to uplift the community.



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Thank you, Heiner and Carolyn Handschin.



■
Swiss HARP weekend



■
Outreach activities in Zurich

■
Peace Road in Bad Zurzach

SLOVENIA

By Alfred Waldmann,
President, FFWPU Slovenia

Centenary Exhibition in Škofljica and Bridges of Peace in Kočevje



■ Nine woman leaders from six different nationalities together with Mrs Helena Šerjak, 3rd from right, from the local Municipality, in front of Slovenia's Embassy for Peace.

The two events, sponsored by Universal Peace Federation and the Woman's Federation for World Peace Slovenia, were taking place on one day, Sept. 18. 2021, starting with the opening of the "Centenary Exhibition - 100 Years of Rev. Sun Myung Moon". Venue of this first part was the "Ambasada za mir" in Škofljica. About 70 participants from home and other neighbouring countries listened to the opening remarks from representatives of UPF, musical performances and participated in guided tours to view the exhibition, displaying the work and life of the founders of UPF.

The City Hall of Kočevje was the venue of the second half of events: "The Bridges of Peace Ceremony" between Austria, Slovenia and Croatia. The internal meaning of this ceremony is to build a "Bridge of Friendship" between single people, men and women, and couples. All participants took this chance to build such brotherly – sisterly relations by forming such bondages, meeting on stage and coming together, forming a symbolic heart. Peace and understanding was also the content of the different speeches given on the podium afterwards merging into a cultural program of singing, dancing and performing.



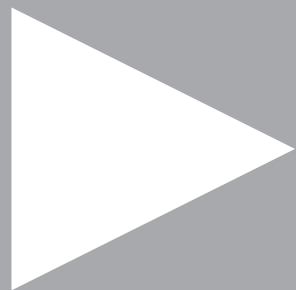
■ Gregor Košir, Vice Mayor of Kočevje, giving his welcome speech.



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H. Boris Grigič (far right), Croatian Ambassador for Slovenia,
together with his wife participating in the "Bridges of Peace Ceremony"



ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEST REGION



FRANCE

Numerous activities in Lyon around the Festival of Lights

By David Perry
President, FFWPU France

Every year on December 8th the Festival of Light is held in the city of Lyon, France's 3rd biggest city. It marks an important event in the history of the city.

In 1643, the south of France was hit by the plague: the aldermen of Lyon, the provost of the merchants and the notables made a vow to pay homage to the Virgin every year if the plague epidemic ceased. The epidemic ceased and the people kept their promise and paid homage to the Virgin every year.

That vow is still kept every year on December 8th. Lyon remains a very Catholic city and a procession takes place every year as religious people form a procession to climb a hill to the Basilica of Our Lady of Fourvière.

Our brother Jean-Paul Chaudy, UPF, organized many events around this celebration to bring together our members, Peace Ambassadors and other contacts. When our regional President, Hugo Veracx, saw the program, he decided to come for six days to participate in the events and meet many of the Peace Ambassadors. Patrick Jouan and David Perry also came to support the programs.

PHOTOS

1 Members and Peace Ambassadors placing candles at a memorial for Antoine de St. Exupéry

2 Peace Road on the Footbridge of Peace.





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Interreligious round-
table

Wednesday 8:

Light and lamps on the path to Fourvière

4 :30 pm, meet at Place Bellecour for the 16th anniversary of the association

The Ambassadors of Peace of Lyon.

6 pm, vespers at the Cathedrale St Jean.

6 :30 pm, dinner in a restaurant with presentation of medals for Peace Ambassadors.

Thursday 9:

Light on education through sports

5 – 7 pm, Peace Road through sports at Villeurbanne (basketball) and Vaulx-en-Velin (martial arts & boxing),

Friday 10:

Light on the 73rd Human Rights Day

4 pm, Peace Road on the Footbridge of Peace,

5 pm, Peace Road from the Tête d'Or. Placing lamps at the Human Rights Monument at the Place Martin Luther King on Gandhi Island.

Saturday 11 :

Spirituality on the Peace Road

11 :30 am: Visit to the Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church,

1:30 pm: Visit to Mains-Ouvertes (Open Hands), an interreligious prayer room in a large shopping mall.

2 – 5 pm, Peace Road and sports: Indoor basketball tournament and indoor football tournament.

Sunday 12 :

Light and Sharing

3 – 5 pm, Concert by Bana Mboka, Catholic Church of Couzon-au-Mt d'Or,

4 – 5 pm, Interreligious round-table, on the theme of "Light" at the Espace Servient.

5 – 6:30 pm, Sharing of sacred texts on the theme of "Light" by organized by Dialogue & Alliance (interreligious association created by Jean-François Moulinet)

BELGIUM

A Road to Reconciliation and a Hope for War No More

By Hugo Veracx,
West Europe Sub-Regional President



On Sunday 1st August 2021, we held our Peace Road in Belgium. As we know, the Peace Road initiative is built around the theme: “Connecting the World: A Road to Reconciliation and a Hope for War no More”.

Famously, the main battlefield of the 1st World War was on Belgian soil around the beautiful city of Ypres which was identically and meticulously reconstructed after the war ended. Consequently, in the vicinity of Ypres numerous war cemeteries of the nations involved can be found. Our intention was that by visiting the major war cemeteries of the nations who took part in the 1st World War, we would be symbolically connecting both allied and enemy countries in a spirit of reconciliation. With this spirit of ‘loving your

enemies’ and also ‘loving your own’ we started out with a visit to Germany's largest and most significant war cemetery (45,000 soldiers) followed by the Belgian, Canadian, British Commonwealth and French ones. We concluded our journey in Ypres at the well-known Menin Gate which is a huge Commonwealth war monument whereupon are engraved the 55,000 names of all the Commonwealth soldiers whose bodies have never been found or identified.

Remarkably, since 1927, every evening at 8 pm, people still gather at this Gate for a solemn rendition of ‘The Last Post’ in memory of the war dead. Our Peace Road World War One cemeteries tour experience left a deep impression on all participants, 21 Belgians and 4 French. Yves Leterme, former Prime

Minister of Belgium, sent a message that he would have liked to participate together, but he had a personal impediment. Deep prayers were offered at each site, and several of our brothers and sisters expressed that they felt as if the soldiers who were buried there had been waiting for us since a long time to be included in True Parent’s process of liberation and resurrection from their resentments and miserable suffering. Perhaps appropriately, it was raining a lot during the day (which helped us to remember and appreciate the soldier’s realistic conditions). However, we noticed that every time we paused for a group picture the rain suddenly stopped only to resume soon thereafter. This reassured us that God was giving His blessing upon our event.



“We felt as if the soldiers who were buried here had been waiting for us since a long time to be included in True Parent’s process of liberation and resurrection.”



LUXEMBOURG

By Brigitte Sillitoe
President, FFWPU Luxembourg

Inauguration of our office



There has been no centre in Luxembourg for many years so, in order to have a public address for Heavenly Parent's Holy Community, on September 2, 2021, we bought an office in Hobscheid. It is in a brand-new building and, having the choice, we decided on the number 40 located right in the middle of the upper floor.

On Friday September 10, we went there to clean the place and bring some chairs.

The following Monday September 13, we heard that the worldwide pastors' meeting was postponed and, since this schedule became free, Hugo Veracx, West Europe Sub-regional leader, said he wanted to come to Luxembourg to inaugurate the place. The news came around 7 pm and, right away, we informed our members that there would be a meeting around lunchtime the next day. Despite the short notice, we managed to gather a young Afghan refugee and a former journalist of the Middle East Times for the occasion.

We just had time to set a table with True Parents' picture before Hugo arrived to bless the place. The eldest couple of Luxembourg joined us at the only open café in town. Then, we all went back to the office and had a lively discussion about past, present and future. The rain invited itself too, for Blessing...

On Sunday November 7, we held the inauguration of the office on the occasion of True Children's Day and Foundation Day for the Unified Nation of Heaven and Earth. We inaugurated the place by celebrating these two Holy Days with the

members. It was also the opportunity for us to bequeath the Holy Candle for the Tree of All Things.

We really wish to offer this new step in the Providence and keep Luxembourg active.



THE NETHERLANDS

Peace Road March to honour victims of war and a visit to the Korean Ambassador

By Hans Campman, President, FFWPU The Netherlands



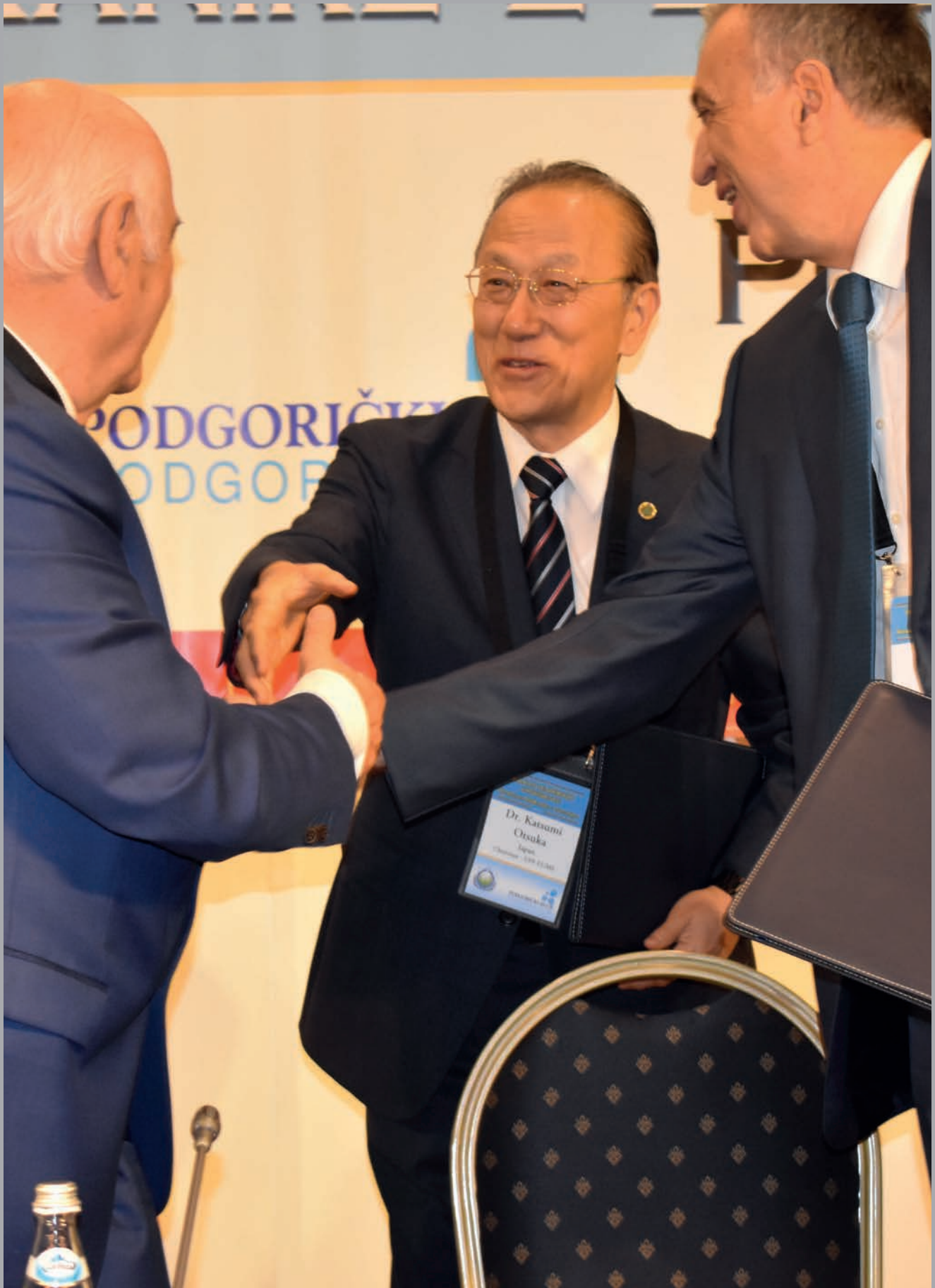
Peace Road March in Amsterdam

On 26th of August 2021 thirty of our members, together with a core group of the Scientology Movement Netherlands, made a march through the city of Amsterdam. We ended at the “monument of names” (of victims of the Holocaust) and laid flowers. On the road to world peace, we must avoid the horrors of wars at all cost.



Meeting the Korean Ambassador

During that same week we visited the Korean Embassy in the Hague. The Korean Ambassador used to be a good friend of Col. Bo Hi Pak; he is fond of the Little Angels. He knows about True Parents' vision for world peace and supports it. We explained to him the Peace road project. He deeply understands and embraces it.



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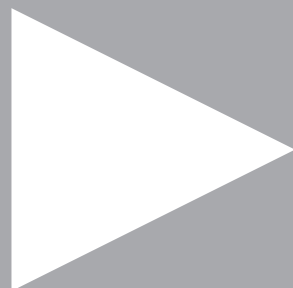
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UNIVERSAL PEACE FEDERATION HIGHLIGHTS

By Mélanie Komagata,
Staff member, UPF Europe
and Middle East



Former Presidents of Balkan countries and UPF leaders atop the new Peace Embassy building with the city of Tirana in the back

International Leadership Conferences 2021

In April, June, July and August 2021, UPF and its constituent associations hosted a series of virtual conferences on peace and reunification of the Korean Peninsula, each addressing the theme from a different perspective. UPF Europe & Middle East (EUME) hosted a total of 34 webinars, attended by thousands of participants.

The **ILC in April** focused on “The Foundation for a Unified World”. One of the eight webinars was organized by the International Summit Council for Peace and questioned “The Implications for Europe”. It was moderated by Dr. Werner Fasslabend, former Austrian minister of defense, and hosted as keynote speakers H.E. Kjell Magne Bondevik, former PM of

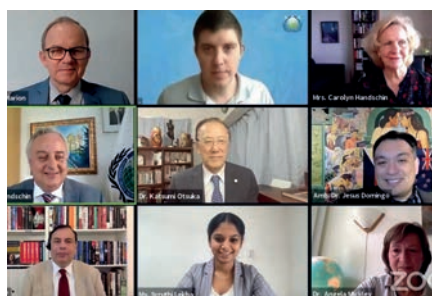
Norway, H.E. Yves Leterme, former PM of Belgium, Dr. Karin Kneissl, former foreign minister of Austria, and Dr. Alexander Zhebin, Institute of Far Eastern Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences.

The first of seven webinars that took place during the **June ILC** focusing on “Peace and Security”, had as keynote speaker Major General Patrick Gauchat, head of the Swiss delegation to the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission (NNSC), who spoke of their peacekeeping mission and the role of neutral nations.

The **July ILC** on “Best Practices in Track II Diplomacy” consisted of eight webinars, out of which one was organized by WFWP and IAFLP, focusing on “The Emerging Power of Women’s Diplomacy”, and had as major speak-

ers former first lady and former minister of Social Affairs of Lebanon, H.E. Nayla Moawad, and H.E. Neziha Labidi, former minister for Women, Family, Children and Senior Citizens from Tunisia. Another session hosted by IAYSP EUME questioned the role of young people in contributing to peace in Korea.

The **August ILC** on “Economic Development and Worldviews”, had one webinar co-hosted with UPF North America, on the topic of “Competing Worldviews Concerning Korean Reunification” with researchers and journalists as speakers. Another session focused on the “Korea-Japan Undersea Tunnel” and had as one of the main speakers Prof. Jin-Hee Park, from the Korean Maritime and Oceanic University in South Korea.





■ **LONG-TERM COOPERATION FOR PEACE IN THE BALKANS**

Former President of Montenegro and Chair of Podgorica Club Filip Vujanović and Dr. Katsumi Otsuka, Co-Chair of UPF Europe and Middle East sign a Memorandum of Cooperation.



“I am convinced that the nations of the Balkans, which have suffered so much in recent generations, have a great destiny, to be a model of peace and cooperation that the whole world can follow.”

from True Mother's message at the grand opening of the CIG Peace Embassy in Tirana (read by Dr. Balcomb)

Balkans Leadership Conference

Memorandum of Cooperation

During the Balkans Leadership Conference in Tirana, Albania, on November 20-21, 2021, a Memorandum of Cooperation was signed between UPF EUME and the Podgorica Club, an organization founded in 2019 by former Presidents of the governments and states of the Southeast European region. The conference was attended by six former heads of state and governments and 120 Peace Ambassadors from the Balkans Region, as well as by UPF representatives from 25 nations.

Inauguration of the Peace Embassy

The conference concluded with the Inauguration of the Balkans Peace Embassy; a building dedicated to promoting peace in the Balkans region that will serve as a regional UPF headquarters. Initiated with a groundbreaking ceremony at the time of UPF's Southeast Europe Peace Summit in Tirana in October 2019, the building was inaugurated in the presence of the mayor of Tirana and the six former heads of state and governments of the Balkans region.

WOMEN'S FEDERATION FOR WORLD PEACE

By Carolyn Handschin, WFWP International Vice-President (Europe)



WOMEN'S FEDERATION FOR WORLD PEACE INTERNATIONAL

CSW 65 PARALLEL EVENT

AN INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE

First Ladies & Emerging Leaders

The Journey of 1325 and Women's Leadership

International Summit Council for Peace

					
Mme. Mammusa Masekoalane Majoro Spouse of Prime Minister, Kingdom of Lesotho (2020-Present)	Mme. Fionnuala Kenny Spouse of Prime Minister, Republic of Ireland (2011-2017)	Mme. Callista Jennie Mutharika First Lady, Republic of Malawi (2010-2012)	Hon. Mme. Maria Fernanda Flores de Aleman First Lady, Republic of Nicaragua (1997-2002)	Mme. Debbie Remengesau First Lady, Republic of Palau (2013-2021)	Dr. Sun Jin Moon Senior Vice President, WFWPI
					
Marilyn Angelucci President, WFWP Afghanistan	Merly Barlaan Deputy Director, WFWPI Office for UN Relations	Blessie Dhakal International Coordinator, IAFLP	Carolyn Handschin Director of WFWPI Office for UN Relations	Srruthi Lekha UN Representative, WFWPI UN Relations, Geneva	Amanda Bradley Legal Service Team Assistant, Davis Polk Wardwell
					
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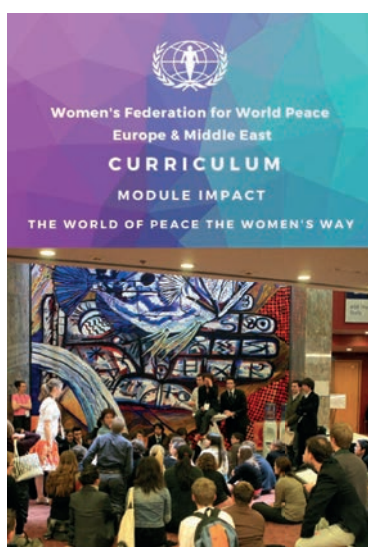
WFWPI and Public Leadership

This year great advances have been made in reaching positions of public leadership and recognition. More and more WFWP leaders are being invited as expert speakers, to radio talk shows, and being elected in public office. WFWP EU President was unanimously elected President of the UN NGO Committee on the Status of Women in Geneva. WFWPI UN Office Director in Vienna was elected Chair of the Peace Committee.

WFWP and Education

WFWP EUME has published its new curriculum, now being launched in 20 locations and translated into 3 languages. It was tested in 2 university seminars with over 20 university students in Germany. "A World of Peace a Woman's Way". This long effort over 6 years, has been contrib-

uted to by many, including youth. There are plans to use it in refugee camps as well.



Global Women's Peace Network

Women's Leadership: WFWP has hosted many dozens of virtual seminars, touching hundreds of lives, women, men and youth. Skills training, awareness raising, solidarity-building on issues related to peace and conflict resolution, women in political leadership, community cohesion and migration, women of faith, youth empowerment, support for the SDG's. Dialogues brought leaders together with civil society for Afghanistan, Lebanon, parliamentarians together with communities. As co hosts for the International Association of First Ladies for Peace (IAFLP), WFWP organised 4 large events reaching thousands of views that highlighted the valuable role of women's mentor-like, motherly leadership in rallying populations and bringing lasting solutions, and leading by example.



■ Annual Young Women's Speech Contest, UK

WFWP EUME and Youth Engagement

Most WFWP chapters have youth in leadership roles. Young Women Speech Contest s, initiated in the UK, are now being held in other nations, becoming an annual tradition under the WFWP EU Women's Peace Academy. A WFWP UN Office and ME joint event brought in youth from throughout the world, including Palestine and Israel, to work out an Israel/ Palestine Peace Accord.

A similar event will be held in 2022 on the Korean Peninsula. Internships are being held triannually at our UN Offices in Geneva and Vienna the area of Human Rights and Crime Prevention.



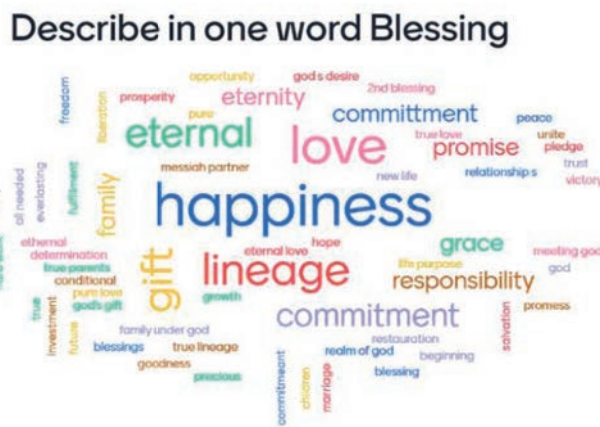
■ Israel-Palestine Peace Accords, Opening ceremony

■ WFWP UN Human Rights Internship, three times a year

BLESSED FAMILY DEPARTMENT

By Jane Toresen, BFD EUME

Providing the support and education needed to empower Blessed families to carry on True Parents' tradition and create loving, supportive communities (BFD-EUME Mission Statement).



We started the year with a goal to improve and develop our Blessing Preparations education, as well as other programs to care for our Blessed families, reconnect distant 2nd gen. and raise a new generation of young leaders. We also made efforts to decentralize our education and encourage the establishment of more programs on the national and community level. Here are a few of the projects that we initiated in 2021 in order to achieve these goals:

Bringing Blessing Preparation Education on to a New Level

One of our major goals for 2021 was to develop our Matching and Blessing preparation curriculum. We wanted to share more deeply about the tradition of the Blessing and Gods Lineage, starting already when our children reach their teens in order to prepare them to approach the Blessing with a deeper level of understanding and

commitment. In order to achieve this, we are supporting the development, on the national and community level, of programs introducing teenagers from the age of 14 to 17 years, to the concept of the matching and Blessing and other related topics such as: Purity lifestyle, Hyo Jeong culture and the identity of BCs

The next step is to invite participants over the age of 17 years, to attend the Matching and Blessing Preparation workshops on the EUME level. We researched deeply how to improve the quality of our workshops based on the concept of "Love, Life and Lineage".

A lot of effort has been invested in creating a similar three level Blessing Preparation program for 1st gen candidates.

Last year we held four online EUME Blessing Preparation Workshops, for both 1st gen. and BC candidates, based on this new content, with a total of over 800 participants.

Behind these programs, the 1st and 2nd gen. matching supporters organize regular meetings and prayer support for our candidates.

Online Blessing preparation Workshops

BoB - Building our Blessing – webinar for newly matched couples

The BoB program is another webinar series that we created last year, to support matched couples in the months before and after the Blessing. It provides internal education, fellowship with others at the same stage in life, and prepares each couple for their future life as a Blessed family.

This is a joint project for both 1st Generation and Blessed children Matched Couples.



“Interact” – creating an online meeting place for older Blessing candidates



“Interact” is a new project we are working on to support our older BCs, providing a platform to meet up and expand their network. On 17th July we held our first "Interact" webinar with a presentation on the topic of “Self Care” by Relationship Coach: Daria Mahler, followed by breakout discussion groups. Participants registered from all over the world and really appreciated meeting and talking with other BCs in the same situation. Since then, we have held four more Interact webinars.



MMM – Make the most of Marriage

MMM is an EUME-BFD initiative, set up in 2020, that provides a monthly online event for couples to connect, share and learn something new in order to create a thriving community of fulfilled Blessed couples.

Blessing Ceremonies in EUME

In the past, couples travelled to Korea to participate in the Cosmic Blessing Ceremony. However due to the restrictions imposed by the corona pandemic, we have had to set up Blessing ceremonies in various church centres throughout the EUME region, with a live two-way internet connection to the main ceremony in Korea. Participants expressed that they had a deep experience of connecting to our True Parents and also that they were grateful that they could celebrate their Blessing together with their physical family and friends. We set up a Watch Party, so that all members had the possibility to attend this precious event.

30 couples attended the Cosmic Blessing in April and 25 couples attended the Peace Blessing in October.



Roots and Healing

“Roots and Healing” is another BFD initiative group we started last year on the national or community level. We invite Blessed couples to meet and share about the parent-child relationship, with a focus on families with children who are distant from our movement.

There is much pain in the heart of these parents and sometimes the family keeps distance from the community because they do not find their place or ways to share their hearts.

We provide a confidential platform where they can be totally free to share, without experiencing judgment or criticism. In this environment we can grow together and feel there is a way out of any situation if we are truly brothers and sisters. The purpose is to take steps to resolve the pain experienced by our Blessed couples and search for ways for the children to reconcile and come back.

So far, regular meetings have been held in Italy, Austria and Germany.

BLESSED FAMILY DEPARTMENT

East Europe Region

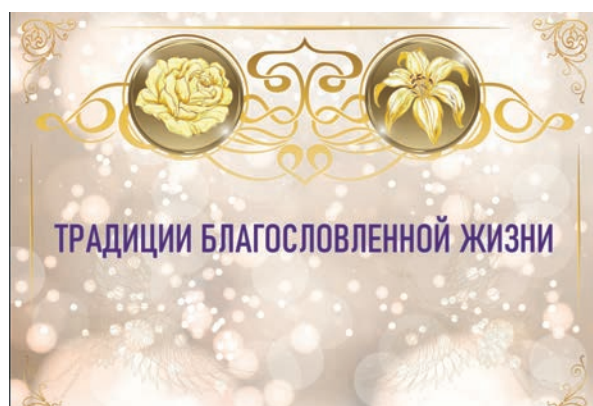


“Accept Your Heart”

Webinars

(coordinator - Bayarma Efremova, Russia)

That is our new program to address the most difficult issues and challenges in lives of our blessed families and members, like depression, abusive behavior, gender identity confusion, etc. It is done by joint efforts of our core staff and professionals in the field. We held already seven webinars, 30-60 participants each time.



Tradition book in Russian

(new edition)

We are translating new edition of Tradition book into Russian in a format of weekly jeongseong. Every week we issued one new article as a text and video file which we then shared with all Russian speaking blessed families of our region.

Education for blessed family counselors

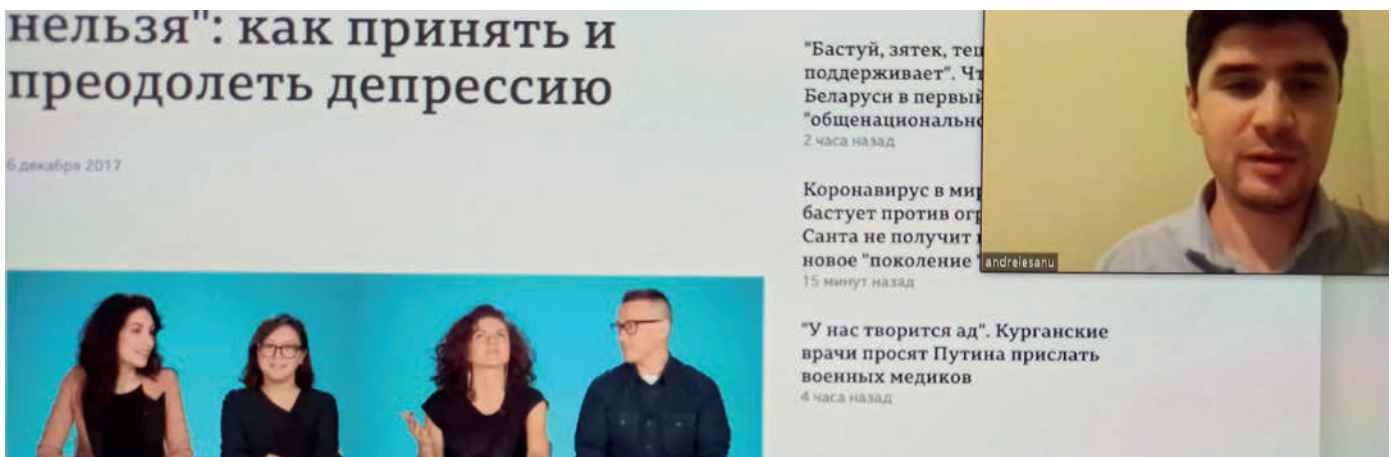
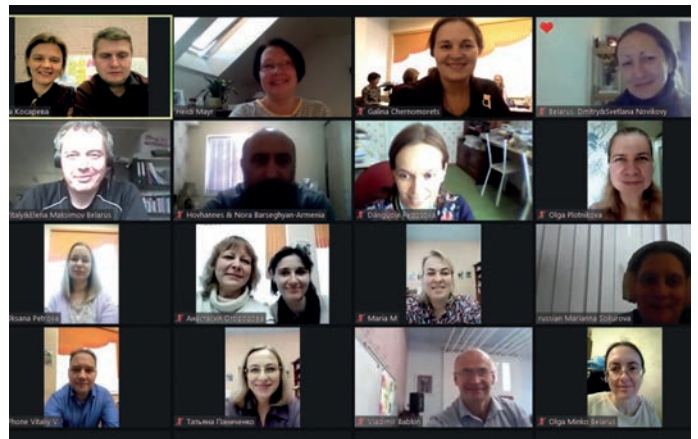
YSP Moldova was registered and became a member of the National Youth Council of Moldova. For the first time Youth Peace Talks were held with the four youngest members of parliament, and the Youth Hero Award was given to one of these MPs. First and Second Generation youth recited True Father's poem "Crown of Glory" on television.



"God, Me and Family"

by Kermen Vjaterē (Latvia) and Tamila Kavalskiene (Lithuania)

New program for blessed wives and mothers to help them grow in heart and recharge while fulfilling their most important roles in family. It is held online in small group format. The program was created with support and under supervision of EER BFD.



YOUTH AND STUDENTS FOR PEACE

By Bogdan Pammer, Director, IAYSP Europe and Middle East



In 2021 young people in our region were seriously affected by conflicts in the Middle East as well as the COVID 19 pandemic and its sociopsychological and economic implications. In this period IAYSP Europe and the Middle East, with its empowering message, could reach a total of 18,679 people through 99 events conducted both on and offline. Chapters mobilized young people for service projects such as trash collecting, building eco-parks, or distributing hygienic kits.

A regional Youth Forum titled **“RISE TOGETHER – Surviving the Pandemic and Staying Sane”** was held online. A panel of mental health experts discussing the effects of the lockdown on young people, answering questions from the audience, and introducing solutions and tools necessary to overcome these difficult times.

Other **Youth Peace Talks** on topics such as “UN in peacekeeping”, “Volunteering in the Sociocultural Sphere” and “The role of youth in the UN sustainable development agenda” reached young

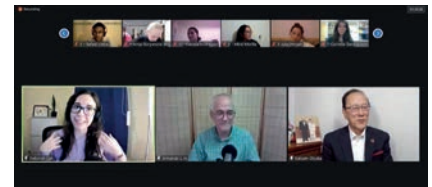
MPs, students, activists and other VIPs.

To draw attention to the situation on the Korean Peninsula, a youth forum was held titled: **“Imagining a Unified World: The Youth’s Contribution to Peace on the Korean Peninsula”?** as well as Korean cultural evenings.

To celebrate the **International Day of Happiness**, IAYSP EUME organised a regional online Youth Rally titled **“RISE to Happiness”**. Participants saw how youth across Europe and the Middle East contributed in small and big ways - through Responsibility, Integrity, Service, and Empathy - to others’ and their own well-being and happiness.

We held a Youth Heroes’ Award Ceremony to celebrate the seven newly appointed Youth Heroes across the region. 13 Peace Designer Training workshops were held, collaborating with four schools, with a total of 124 graduates. A team of young educators could develop a more in depth syllabus to upgrade this programme and make it more appealing.





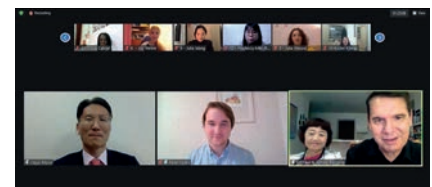
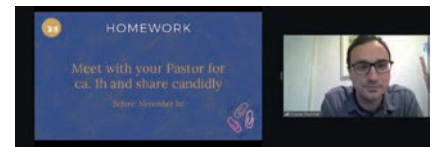
OVERALL PROGRAMME

FOUNDATIONS IS A 40-DAY COURSE ON SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. THE COURSE IS DIVIDED INTO 6 WEEKS WITH 6 DIFFERENT TOPICS.

THE PROGRAMME CONTAINS:

- DAILY HDH AT 6AM CET
- FRIDAY & TUESDAY ONLINE SESSIONS 7PM-9:30PM CET
- 2 ASSIGNMENTS PER WEEK

- 1. A TREE WITH DEEP ROOTS**
1. GOD IS MY HEAVENLY PARENT (FRIDAY 18 OCT)
2. TRUE PARENTS ARE MY PARENTS (TUE 19 OCT)
- 2. SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**
1. FUNDAMENTAL & PRACTICAL (FRIDAY 22 OCT)
2. CONFIDENCE & CREATIVITY (TUE 26 OCT)
- 3. MATURATION OF THE UNIFICATION MOVEMENT**
1. THE TRUE PARENTS REBIRTH A "NEXT-LEVEL BELIEF" (FRIDAY 29 OCT)
2. TRUE MOTHERS AND THE AGE OF WOMEN (TUE 3 NOV)
- 4. THE WORDS TO CHANGE A NATION**
1. TRUE PARENTS' PROUD GOD'S HEADLINES (FRIDAY 5 NOV)
2. ADOPTION AND SOCIAL HEART TRAINING (TUE 9 NOV)
- 5. TODAY'S GROWING PAINS BRING TOMORROW'S SURESHINE**
1. HOW CAN I GROW WITH AND THROUGH DOUBTS AND DISAPPOINTMENTS? (FRIDAY 12 NOV)
2. HOW CAN I HELP SOMEONE ELSE TO OVERCOME CHALLENGES IN THEIR PATH? (TUE 16 NOV)
- 6. IMPROVING YOUR COMMUNITY - BUILDING YOUR TEAM**
1. ELEMENTS FOR HEALTHY COMMUNIT (FRIDAY 19 NOV)
2. THE CHURCH DATA AND (TUE 23 NOV)



NORDIC SPRING SESSION #5

JUNE 26TH AT 2PM (CET)

For a deeper understanding of our True Parents join this special Nordic Session #5.

Monika and Bokjin are living in Korea and serving directly our True Parents in the Cheon Jeong Gun Palace. You can definitely be excited for deep testimonies and recent stories about our True Mother. There will be an opportunity to ask them

SPECIAL TESTIMONIES
MONIKA LAJDOVA AND BOKJIN LEE

Nordic programs 2021

Throughout the year a group of young 2nd gen took the initiative in organizing online workshops and monthly sessions to guide youth throughout the pandemic. The sessions were on various topics but all related to the present guidance of our True Mother about the culture of Hyo Jeong. The invited speakers were sharing their testimonies with True Parents and their understanding of the providence. Altogether 493 participants joined 8 programs.

Launching of the Hyojeong Youth Academy

By Vicky Ben Zvi, General Affairs, HJ Youth Academy Europe and Middle East

The HJ Youth Academy

In response to the unprecedented challenges of the last 2 years, the Europe and Middle East region has adapted with new programmes. True Mother continues to share a powerful message of hope, and raising young people is one of her key strategic priorities. The HJ Youth Academy has been established in response to True Mother's hopes.

First online programme: Foundations

The HJ Youth Academy was officially launched on October 15th with its first online programme: Foundations, a 40-day course on spiritual leadership for young people and young leaders aged 18-39. The HJ Youth Academy aims to provide education, training,

and support for current and future young leaders, so that they may effectively serve God's Providence led by True Parents and build the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. The Academy's first programme, Foundations took place online between 15th October and 23rd November, 2021. Over 12 sessions delivered twice a week, participants could receive education relevant for spiritual growth. This included world-class speakers from our global Unification family, regular assignments after each session, an option to join a daily hoon dok hwe group, and a space for genuine fellowship with others across the EUME region. The programme could bring together 72 participants from all over the region, with certain participants joining from Korea and USA.

EUROPEAN SECOND GENERATION DEPARTMENT



Soul Identity: Senior HARP, ODP+, DONE021

ODP+ Workshop

The ESGD organized variety of workshops in 2021 both online and in person with more than 500 brothers and sisters joining throughout the year. One of the memorable online experience was the Easter workshop. Many of us attending it could experience a special connectedness beyond a mere zoom link. There was an unexpected magic in certain moments which could bring us beneath the surface of day-to-day life. The sharing platter of lecturers and topics provided good food for thought on the theme of why “We are not going to Mars!” (how to remain grounded in the Principle and spirituality). We explored words of truth and poetry, wisdom and philosophy, interwoven with personal reflections and stories.

“What stayed in my mind was the question if I want to be a well-protected individual or if I want to become a strong person” (Earthling 26, participant)

The highlight for all workshop lovers was the summer when we could offer two European workshops in person: Senior HARP and ODP+ WS. With the motto “Soul Identity” we wanted to create a space for soul-searching, connection, and re-evaluation; that will help us discover our soul identity.

We are grateful we could run DONE 021 in person with participants and staff from Europe, America and Canada. There was a variety of lecturers and education, focused on studying the Divine Principle and how to apply the wisdom in our daily lives as well as dedicating the final week to Matching and Blessing content. A highlight of this year’s programme was a trip to the mountains, which gave a unique opportunity for contemplation and inner connectedness with God. We started the second module in mid-November; it will run online until Christmas. DONE 021 journey will continue in 2022.

Our special thanks go to all educators, staff of all workshops and DONE programme who supported participants and contributed to significant experience for their lives. We thank to all donors for their kind help. We thank all participants for investing into their growth and spiritual life, and their commitment into growing a deeper relationship with God and True Parents. Throughout programmes we were reminded of our potential, linked to our identity and our roots. We believe each one of us has an important role to contribute to The Holy Community of Blessed families.

Sincerely
The ESGD team



Participants of the DONE 021 program on a hike
in the Slovakian mountains



The Senior HARP Workshop participants in
Neumühle, Bad Camberg Training Center

WITNESSING DEPARTMENT

By Martine Masner, Director Witnessing Department Europe and Middle East



GPA missionaries in Romania

Meaningful Highlights of 2021

From January to June, we supported local CARP chapters during Covid restrictions by organizing monthly public lectures online on various topics. The attendance was an average of 60 people.

In January, around 30 young people attended **workshop “Learning, how to teach the Divine Principle”** over several weeks and learned how to become Divine Principle lecturers.

Regular **online Divine Principle lecture series** were organized for guests. A total of 457 participants took part in four different lecture series that took place from January to June 2021.

In summer, the Witnessing Department organized an **online 14 Day Divine Principle Workshop** with two lectures every day from some of our best lecturers in the EUME Region. We had over 500 registrations. In Nigeria, they organized a physical workshop for 50 participants, and they were viewing

our workshop live over the internet. The clergy and community leaders were very impressed with the presentations, and all of them received a certificate of attendance.

More Divine Principle workshops took place physically mixing guests and 2nd Generation youth throughout the region in Albania, Romania, Ukraine, Russia and other countries.

A **new Divine Principle Online Study website** was created in October 2021. So far over 120 signed up for the Divine Principle course on the website.

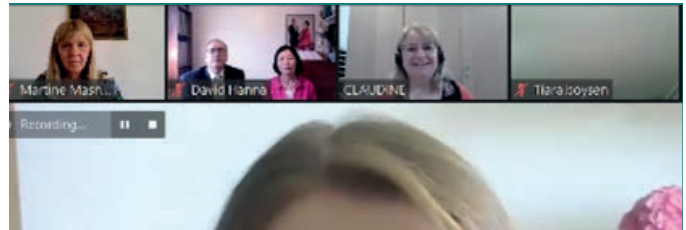
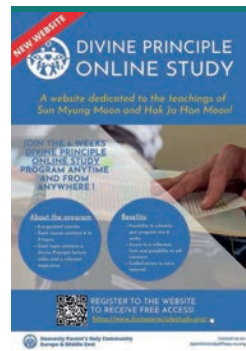
www.divineprinciplestudy.org

Young missionaries were dispatched to our region - thirteen already came to Albania from the USA. In the beginning of 2022, six CIG Missionaries from GPA came to Romania and fourteen to Albania. More missionaries should be coming from Korea and the EUME Hyejeong Academy in 2022.

Finally, we are **helping communities** in outreach for Tribal Messiahship activities. During the year, we held several meetings with communities to help them to increase their Cheonbo Victors and find ways to educate 43 couples. In the last CB Festival, the EUME Region reached 452 Cheonbo Victors.

Upcoming Activities in 2022

The Witnessing Department will continue helping communities to multiply their Cheonbo couples and in the education of 43 and the development of Family Values events (FFWPU). The department will support missionary programs (education and outreach to youth) and will create new online programs and a youth community platform. Finally, if the external circumstances allow it, we will hold the 15 Day Divine Principle Workshop in July in Gafelnz, Austria.



Regular study series on the Divine Principle teachings and related topics

WHAT CAN YOU LOOK FORWARD TO?

HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE WORKSHOP?



CHEON SHIM WON PRAYER HALLS

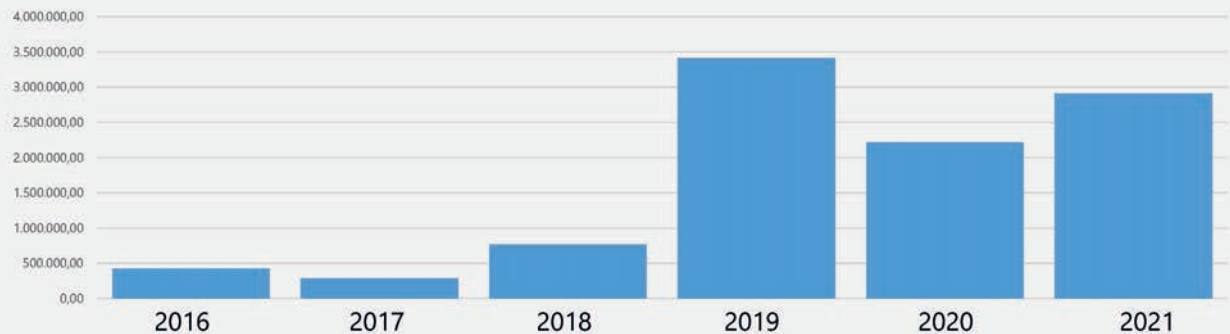
A selection of newly established Cheon Shim Won Prayer Halls (November-December 2021)





OVERVIEW DONATIONS AND EXPENSES

TOTAL Donations in EUME



Thanks to True Parents' grace and our members' devotion, our total giving over the last three years is outstanding.

Let's make the year 2022 the best year ever!

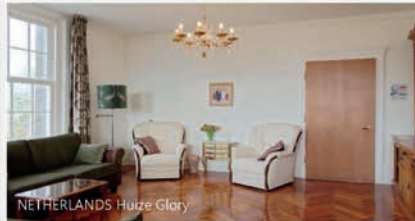
Expenses

Monthly

RUSSIA	7.000,00
ALBANIA	7.000,00
KOSOVO	700,00
Department Wages	11.070,00
Regional Vice Presidents	2.500,00
Middle East National Presidents	2.500,00
EUME Office	6.500,00

Building / Renovation Support

ALBANIA CIG Peace Embassy	2.286.670,70
RUSSIA Moscow Peace Embassy	66.140,88
GERMANY Neumühle	36.130,69
CZECH REPUBLIC Peace Embassy Loan	35.150,00
ITALY Colle Mattia	34.000,00
POLAND Gdanow	28.000,00
ALBANIA - Korca City	24.138,00
SLOVENIA Peace Embassy	20.000,00
CZECH REPUBLIC Peace Embassy	20.000,00
AUSTRIA Gafenz	20.000,00
GERMANY Stuttgart	20.000,00
BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA Peace Embassy	18.830,50
SLOVAKIA Peace Embassy	15.000,00
MOLDOVA Peace Embassy	15.000,00
NETHERLANDS Huize Glory	12.500,00
POLAND Warsaw Peace Embassy	12.433,86



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