



World Peace Blessing in Stuttgart

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It was a fantastic success - richly blessed by our Heavenly Parents and accomplished on the foundation of good cooperation between many members.

The whole thing really started 17 years ago, with the establishment of the Interreligious Table.

In 2011, the MIHR Foundation and members of the Round Table joined to form the House of Religion (now House of Religion, Stuttgart) as a platform for interreligious dialogue and cooperation, following the model of the House of Religions in Hannover. This is where Mrs. Yesil Tanay, participant of several ELC conferences and World Peace Blessings, has been active since its inception.

On Saturday 30.06.2018, the MIHR Foundation and UPF Stuttgart hosted an event which was attended by about 110 brothers and sisters of the MIHR Foundation. A speech delivered by Dr.

Boran, chairman of the MIHR Foundation in Europe, on the topic of marriage and the family, served as an introduction to the second part of the event, the World Peace Blessing.

Karl Christian Hausmann showed several pictures of Blessings from all over the world, demonstrating the interreligious and international character of the World Peace Blessing, and stressed the importance of marriage and the family in all cultures.

Hubert Arnoldi, as the officiator, then gave an explanation of the different parts of the ceremony; forgiveness and reconciliation, Holy Nectar and Holy Water ceremonies and the three marriage vows.

A total of 12 couples and 60 singles were blessed.

Before that, Hubert had explained that those who were widowed could participate in the ceremony in spirit for their deceased partner. Participation by those who were not yet married could



be taken as a preparation for a future partner.

It was wonderful to experience how all gave great joy to God or Allah as Heavenly Parents through the clear affirmation of the marriage vows.

Dr. Boran offered in closing a Blessing prayer, supported by representatives of various religions as co-officiators.

A 'Dance of the Dervishes', in which the Dervishes in swirling white skirts twirl round their own axis in order to express their focus on God, brought the event to an end.

It was again clear to us that sweat, tears, internal pain, but above all unity, are what make success possible.



