

## UPF Turin, Italy visits arboretum memorializing Italian soldiers who died in World War I

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Turin, Italy - Participants of a UPF Peace Road event visited an arboretum created in memory of Italian soldiers who died in World War I.

Approximately 30 UPF supporters and friends from the city of Turin and the Piedmont region took part in the event, held on August 22, 2021, under the title "Honoring a Legacy of Sacrifice."

Participants walked, prayed and meditated in Remembrance Park, located on the top of Maddalena Hill, the city's tallest hill. The park was created in 1925 to honor the almost 5,000 soldiers from Turin who died during World War I.

The participants were moved by the number of plaques lining the roads and paths, each bearing the name of a soldier who died in sacrifice for his fatherland over one century ago. As they walked in meditation, from time to time they read quotations on peace from saints and sages of the past and present.

When they reached the Altar in Memory of the Fallen Soldiers, they read together two important quotations from Father and Mother Moon about the value of sacrifice but also the pointlessness of war, and the need to build a world of peace.

As they reached the top of the hill, they stopped at the 26.5-meter statue of Victory, which bears a lamp that sends a beacon of light and hope throughout the plain. ... Here again the participants had a moment of meditation, offering their determination to contribute to a better world of harmony and understanding beyond differences of religion, race and nationality.



### **Peace Road Video in the Italian Language**

The video "Peace Road, An Unstoppable Global Project Toward World Peace" is now available in Italian.

UPF-Italy President Carlo Zonato is the host of the video, introducing this unique goodwill project that dates back to 1981, when UPF founder Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon proposed an International Peace Highway that would connect all the nations of the world.

The Peace Road initiative embodies the conviction of UPF that humanity is one family under God and that if people could meet each other in daily life, through culture, trade, and travel, the historical fears and misunderstandings that often divide us from our closest neighbors would dissolve.