FFWPU UK: Get Involved With World Interfaith Harmony Week

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World Interfaith Harmony Week falls in the first week of February every year with the aim of promoting harmony between all people, regardless of their faith. Here is how to get involved.

Proposed by King Abdullah II and Prince Ghazi bin Muhammad of Jordan, World Interfaith Harmony Week is a UN resolution for a worldwide week of interfaith harmony. The week falls of the first week of February each year.

When first proposing the week of interfaith harmony, King Abdullah II said: "It is [also] essential to resist forces of division that spread misunderstanding and mistrust especially among peoples of different religions. The fact is, humanity everywhere is bound together, not only by mutual interests, but by shared commandments to love God and neighbour; to love the good and neighbour.



"This week, my delegation, with the support of our friends on every continent, will introduce a draft resolution for an annual World Interfaith Harmony Week. What we are proposing is a special week,

during which the world's people, in their own places of worship, could express the teachings of their own faith about tolerance, respect for the other and peace. I hope this resolution will have your support."

UPF (Universal Peace Federation) will be having their own World Interfaith Harmony Week programme over ZOOM on February 4th from 6pm. This event will be an opportunity to introduce to a wider audience a proposal to establish a series of Youth Service Projects in the United Kingdom, which would enable 18- to 30-year-olds, to collaborate with their peers from a variety of ethnic, religious and social backgrounds, while developing altruism, friendship beyond difference and community service.

Birmingham community's Dr David Earle will be sharing his experiences when organising Religious Youth Service Projects while Tim Miller will be giving an outline for a proposed Youth and Peace Development Project.

For more information on the event and to sign up, please visit: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/world-interfaith-harmony-week-upf-uk-youth-for-peace-and-development-tickets-136285659075

The week of interfaith seeks to spread the message of harmony and tolerance among the followers of the three monotheistic faiths and all of the world's religions. It also seeks to promote the common basis of "Love of God and Love of the Neighbour, or Love of the Good and Love of the Neighbour" among religions to safeguard world peace. Its message invites everyone, excludes no one, and is purely voluntary.

For further information about World Interfaith Harmony Week, please visit the <u>UN World Harmony Week web pages</u> and the <u>World Interfaith Harmony Week website</u>.

