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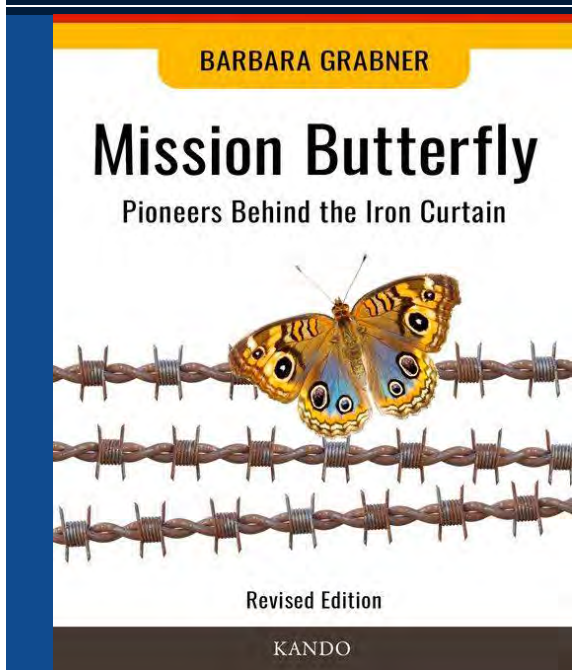
National Service in February
We are very happy to announce that the next in-person national service will be held at Gladesmore Community School on Sunday 27th February. More details coming soon.

Cheon Il Guk Diary 2022
The Cheon Il Guk diary for 2022 is now available! Stock is limited so orders will be fulfilled on a first-come, first-served basis.

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'Mission Butterfly' eBook
A revised edition of 'Mission Butterfly' is available in eBook format, and now includes a project that was only briefly mentioned in the 2006 printed book: the Hummingbird Project, created in the early 1980s, which took care of emigrants from the Soviet Union living in Western Europe.
Another new addition is an account by Marie, an early member in Czechoslovakia, who died in prison under unexplained circumstances, and the story of Diana, the first member in the East Germany.
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II Shim Program - Last Chance to Register!

Good news! The deadline to register for the II Shim Program has been extended to 21st January. The program will take place every Saturday between 5th February and 19th March. Watch the promo [here...](#)

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True Mother's Address at 2nd Prayer Rally

The transcript for the speech given by True Mother during last Sunday's Prayer Rally can now be downloaded from our website.

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This Week In Our History: 1,275 International Couple Blessing

We begin this new series by taking a look back on the 1,275 International Couple Blessing, which was held on January 12th, 1989, at the II Hwa Company compound in Yongin, South Korea. Congratulations to all those couples who are celebrating their anniversary today!

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Our Global Community: World Religion Day

This Sunday (16th) is World Religion Day, a day that is annually marked by many religious organisations around the world as a way to encourage interfaith, understanding and tolerance.

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True Peace Magazine - January 2022 Edition

True Parents' messages featured in this issue:

- A Historic Dialog
- Attaining the Heavenly Kingdom on Earth
- There Is No Time To Lose

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| Featured Article |

Bringing the Peace Arch Back - Françoise Murphy

One day, as I was going home after working in the Peace Garden the whole morning, someone approached me and asked: 'Where is the arch in the Peace Garden? I did not see it recently. What happened to it?' I had to explain to him that the Peace Arch had been destroyed not once but twice. Concerned by what happened, he told me: 'You have to put it back, will you?' I said, 'Yes we will'.

After the Peace Arch had been destroyed, Paul Bruni who volunteers at the Peace Garden managed to fix it and we put it all back together again, but 10 days later it was once again on the ground. I must say I was quite upset at this senseless act of vandalism. The arch meant a lot to me, and I thought for the town as well. In 2003, the Peace Arch was used to conduct sisterhood ceremonies between women from the Christian and Muslim community and later between women from all backgrounds. In 2017, as we did not use the arch anymore and as coordinator of the Watford Bridge of Peace, I decided to donate the arch to the Peace Garden. From that time on, it stood at the entrance of the labyrinth and was chosen as a central point for gatherings on various occasions, like in 2018 for the inauguration of the Peace Garden by Elected Mayor Baroness Dorothy Thornhill, as well as for vigils after terrorist attacks around the world and for more.



This summer, we had two groups of young people from NCS who volunteered for a week at the Peace Garden. They did a tremendous job and from their own initiative decided to raise funds for the Garden. Cllr Rabi Martins, who had facilitated for them to come, suggested

that the money raised by the volunteers should be used to bring the Peace Arch back. I **must say I was moved by the generosity of the young people and by Rabi's support. But** that was not all. As I was sharing at one of our WIFA meetings about the situation with the arch, one of our committee members Sri Mohan offered to build a much stronger arch. Sri Mohan and his friend Bob came to the Peace Garden a while ago and took all the measurements to build the new arch and discussed how they would go about it.

We created a WhatsApp group 'Peace Garden Arch Project' and over Christmas Bob sent us some photos showing us what he had managed to do at this stage.

We are getting there. Everyone is keen to see the result and bring the arch back. We will have a special event to inaugurate the restored Bridge of Peace arch and invite everyone including the Mayor, Watford officials and the young people of NCS who donated so generously.

Looking forward to seeing the arch standing back at the entrance of the Peace Garden, a symbol of the friendship between all of the communities of Watford.

For more information on the Watford Bridge of Peace: www.watfordbridgeofpeace.org



| Upcoming Events |

Please click on the title of the event(s) that you are interested in for further details:

[Community Worship Services](#)
Sunday 16th January

WEEKLY

[UK Weekly Devotion](#)
Every Friday at 6am

[Early Morning Devotion via Zoom](#)
Every Saturday from 5am–6.30am

JANUARY

[Level 2 EUME Matching & Blessing Preparation Online Workshop](#)
Friday 28th to Sunday 30th January

FEBRUARY

[Matching & Blessing Workshop: Internal and Practical Guidance](#)
Saturday 19th, Sunday 20th and Saturday 26th February

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