

FFWPU UK: Help out with The Big Help Out App or in your local communities!

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As the King's Coronation is approaching, a number of initiatives across the country have sprung up in preparation for the major event.



The Big Help Out app was created to raise awareness of volunteering throughout the UK and provide opportunities for people to experience volunteering and make a difference in their communities. To mark His Majesty The King's Coronation, the app was launched and thousands of organisations across the country are now getting together to give us all the chance to help out in our own local communities.

To honour the King's lifetime of public service, everyone is urged to dedicate Monday, May the 8th to volunteering. No matter what you are good at and whether you can only spare one hour or the entire day, there will be something to suit everyone! From checking in on someone who'd like a bit of company or volunteering for a charity. The more people who join in, the bigger help we will be.

If you already know of a volunteering initiative in your community, or if you have started one yourself, let us know, we want to hear all about it! For example, the River South Community hosted the Volunteer Day (poster on the right) where everyone was invited to offer talents and skills in exchange of other people's talents and skills. Keep an eye out for that - it's an amazing opportunity to help others, living for the sake of others, while finding some help for yourself!

Similarly, the Wales, West Country and West Midlands Holy Community, has an ongoing partnership with monthly activities and opportunities to volunteer. This Saturday, the community will be volunteering at the Cosmeston Lakes Country Park - stay tuned to hear more about that next week!



More information about the app Big Help Out can be found [here](#).

Note: The photo above is from another volunteering project at our very own Wonjeon in Stanton Fitzwarren, where volunteers helped create a wild camping area, put up signs, clear the path for the Woodland Walk, and create a new picnic area within the woods. This project was initiated by Elliot Y. and Simran R. on behalf of Youth and Students for Peace UK (YSP UK). You can read more about it [here](#).



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“The Energy Was Mightily High” – YSP For Project Spring Revival

We were blessed to be able to offer our dedication and time to the Wonjeon in Stanton Fitzwarren over the bank holiday weekend for our Youth and Students for Peace (YSP) project.

Our goal was to create a wild camping area, put up signs, clear the path for the Woodland Walk, and create a new picnic area within the woods. This goal is in line with YSPs aims of supporting the UN's sustainable development goals (specifically goal number 15: protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems).

The energy was mightily high and the sun was beaming. It was brilliant to see a wide variety of people (and guests) attend the event and come together, a strength of our movement is the sense of community and our ability to come together for goodness. I hope that the woodland area of the Wonjeon can be enjoyed by our community. Please come and visit! There are picnic/BBQ facilities, a nice forestry walk and the opportunity to camp (not to mention the lovely Holy Ground there).

– Elliot Yamamoto





Participate in YSP's Project Spring Revival where you can help revive beautiful woodland by creating a wild campsite, removing problematic trees and building a woodland path.

UPDATE – 16/4: Please note that this weekend project has been postponed by one week to the last weekend of April (Saturday 30th April and Sunday 1st May).

We invite you to help revise the beautiful, holy and special woodland of Stanton Fitzwarren. This will be done by creating a wild campsite, removing problematic trees and building a woodland path with picnic areas. Watch the promo video below or [directly on Vimeo!](#)

When? Saturday 30th April & Sunday 1st May 2022

Where? Stanton Fitzwarren, Swindon.

Schedule:

Saturday

13:00 Arrival

13:30 Orientation

14:00 – 16:00 Clearing area for wild camping, removal of trees and building a camp fire.

16:00 Break

16:30 Continue renovations

18:00 Camp fire and BBQ

19:30 End of day

Sunday

10:00 Arrival

10:30 Orientation

11:00 Clear woodland walk path, picnic areas and fix signposts in place

12:00 Refreshments

12:30 Continue Renovations

14:00 Clear up and end of project

Register for the project by clicking [here!](#)

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