

WFWP Birmingham, UK: Peace Studies Evening

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On Tuesday April 21st, we held a Principles of Peace study evening, attended by over 60 people from a wide variety of religious and cultural backgrounds, including Muslim, Christian and Sikh leaders, as well as those from the grassroots which included some refugees and asylum seekers. Also, many were from our Women's Peace Group. There were a number of people attending for the first time, which brought a very nice, fresh feeling to the evening.



The main presentation discussed the "Origin of Conflict and Suffering in our World". People are clearly disturbed by the number and level of conflicts in our world at the moment, and could relate well to the

presentation, which included many quotations from all our sacred scriptures. Following the presentation, Patricia invited several people to share their perspectives and thoughts on the topic, including some of our faith leaders, and the voice of young women.



Rev Maureen Foxall then sang "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace", followed by a quiet time during which we remembered all those who are suffering in the many dark corners of our world.

We concluded by sharing lovely food together, when new friendships were made, and old friendships renewed.

In conclusion, a wonderful evening of learning and a shared concern for peace, empowering us all to continue with our personal and collective efforts towards peace, in myself, my family and the wider world.

Thank you to all those who supported this beautiful event.