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UK *Weekly* Community Update

Holyday Edition

North of Thames *Community*

The North of Thames Community held a Holy Day service at the peaceful Watford Peace Garden on the 16 Aug, featuring uplifting music from David Rennie and Peter Graham, a sermon on Tradition by David Hanna, and a blessing from Pastor William. Set in beautiful surroundings, the gathering provided a meaningful opportunity for the community to come together and experience the presence of our Heavenly Parent.

River South *Community*

At the Peace Embassy in Thornton Heath, River South celebrated Chil Il Jeol and Chil Pal Jeol on the 16 Aug with a full house despite many young people attending workshops abroad. The celebration included a sermon by Adza Mould on "Raising the Next Generation", worship, HDH discussions, welcoming some familiar faces and special treats for the children.

Birmingham & West Midlands Community

In Birmingham, approximately 30 people, including three Muslim women, gathered at 123 Bournbrook Road to celebrate the two Holy Days. Patricia delivered a message entitled Keeping Our Dreams Alive, followed by a potluck lunch and the sharing of items from the Holy Table, throughout the service and fellowship, participants reflected on their dreams and experienced a strong sense of Holy Community, with Muslim guests feeling warmly welcomed and embraced.

Scotland *Community*

The Scotland Community gathered at the Peace Embassy in Glasgow to celebrate the Holy Day in the warm and intimate setting of the Cheonshimwon prayer room, where a beautiful Holy Table was prepared for the occasion. The programme included a family-style Hoon Dok Hae reading and a time of sharing, during which several participants reflected on the inspirations they had received from the reading and surprise gifts were given out after.

Wales & West Country
Community members attend the

Peace Cup

From 13-16 August, Wika Y and the Kong family joined the Peace Cup, the European Culture and Sports Festival in Prague, where Mikey played football alongside participants from the UK, France, Germany and the Netherlands, helping his team secure **first place**. Alongside the sporting achievements, the event offered a wonderful atmosphere of fellowship and international exchange, with worship, cultural performances, a fashion show, and a variety of activities like firsbee and volleyball enjoyed by members, guests, and spectators alike.