

## FFWPU UK: See All The Upcoming Interfaith Initiatives This Year

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This year, there are a number of interfaith initiatives that will be taking place and you can be part of them! Find out more below.

We're excited to announce a few upcoming interfaith events that we'd love for you to be a part of! The events are about bringing people of different faiths together to share their beliefs, learn from one another, and promote understanding and peace. Our founder, True Father, was a huge advocate for interfaith dialogue and cooperation. He believed that by coming together and sharing our beliefs, we can build a world of peace and harmony, a family under God.

So come join us for the different upcoming events and help us promote understanding and cooperation among people of different faiths. We can't wait to see you there!

### **The London Interfaith Fun Run 2023**

Starting in September, on the 3rd of September, the London Interfaith Fun Run will take place again. This could be an amazing way of spending True Father's Seonghwa, representing our True Parents in a fun and friendly competition or by spreading God's word to all those who attend and are ready to hear.

When? 3rd of September 2023, from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Where? StoneX Stadium, Greenlands Lane, Barnet, London, NW4 1RL, United Kingdom

Entry fee? £2 per person, having £3 automatically go to our charity for each registered runner from our side.

You can read about last year's event and our member's experience [here](#). Everything you need to know

about the run and updates can be found [here](#).

[Click Here To Register For The London Interfaith Fun Run!](#)

### **The Week Of Prayer For World Peace 2023**

Later this year in October, from the 15th of October to the 22nd of October, the [Week of Prayer for World Peace](#) event will be held online to allow as many people as possible to participate - from any faiths or region in the world.

When? Sunday, 15th of October at 3PM London Time

Where? The zoom link is:

[us06web.zoom.us/j/82952967543?pwd=bmJWSzA3U1d3ZzVocDlzbkQ5K3dTZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82952967543?pwd=bmJWSzA3U1d3ZzVocDlzbkQ5K3dTZz09)

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Please join in and together send out prayers, meditations and heartfelt wishes for peace. Gatherings are held worldwide to celebrate the week and a leaflet of interfaith prayers and reflections is available each year. Do join in whichever way feels right for you. Find out more about it [here](#).

### **The Interfaith Week 2023**

When? Sunday, 12th to Sunday, 19th of November 2023

Where? All across the UK, multiple locations - stay tuned!

Each year, [Inter Faith Week](#) begins on Remembrance Sunday, and runs until the following Sunday. It is hoped that the additional Sunday provides the opportunity for other weekend events to take place as well as those linked to Remembrance Sunday. Remembrance Sunday was chosen as a start day to encourage people to remember together the contributions of all faiths and none, and to consider how best to create a just, peaceful, and harmonious world.

In Scotland, the [Scottish Interfaith Week 2023](#) will be revolved around the theme of community.

Come back here to find out more about what your community will be doing for this week and what events you can join!

If you are organising an event or know of an event happening this week - let us know! Email us at [comms@ffwpu.org.uk](mailto:comms@ffwpu.org.uk) with all the details.



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# FFWPU-UK Members Turn Out In Force For London Interfaith Fun Run!

FFWPU-UK was well represented at the recent London Interfaith Fun Run that was held over Bank Holiday Monday as family and friends joined together to fundraise for important causes.

[Update – 30/11/2022](#)

Recognise anyone below?



## Russell Gough shares his experiences as coordinator of the Fun Run:

It was a great day at the Saracens StoneX stadium in Barnet. The weather was fine and not too hot for a run!

We arrived around 09.00 to construct our FFWPU stall. We were one of 20 plus faith communities represented at the "London Interfaith Fun Run" in its second year.

I was asked to coordinate outreach at the event. Not dwelling too much on the precise mode of outreach intended, I was determined to at least display to the curious, the works and vision of our True Parents.

Did we outreach well? We "represented" to other faiths present, the Mayor, the Lord Lieutenant of London, we blessed, we spoke to individuals who were curious and we had the most colourful stall (in my opinion). In that sense, we did quite a good job!

I had one good experience visiting a group which educates and empowers refugee women. I was able invite them to the next online WFWP event. Due to the number of stalls and busy program, however, I couldn't visit any more.

The runs themselves were enjoyable, though testing, and created a great team spirit to help cement the unity of the event. Been there, done that. Got the T-shirt!

Going forward we could have a coordinated kit (shorts, socks...green hair!) to distinguish our runners from the pack. Greater numbers too. I think we had 16 this time. Also, we could donate to the interfaith Fun Run, as a good gesture.

It may also be a way to get more involved with interfaith issues and offer our expertise.

The new DP intro pamphlets worked better. A cheaper give-away version would be better for such events. The roll-out display boards were very effective and eye-catching.

The "Brahma Kumari" stand gave out many Indian sweets and goodies to eat. Possibly our members could wear hanboks and give out Korean sweets as well! Performing Korean Band? Japanese Choir?

It was all over by 3pm. Overall a good experience. Happy to do it again. – **Russell Gough**.

### Original Story:

Our members joined Londoners of different faiths and beliefs for a day filled with activities for the young and old, with sponsored runs raising funds for amazing charities.

Volunteers for the event were organised by Russell, Akiko and Joe G. while Bruno and Elizabeth Klotz helped run the display which allowed for attendees to learn more about our organisation.

Our River South Pastors, Adza and Nittaya M., were among our members who took part in the run while Robert T.'s family participated in the short 1km walk. Their daughter was our youngest participant at the event (pictured below).

The Fun Run was a precious opportunity for our members who attended as it sent a message that we are one and the same, regardless of differences, we are on the side of friendship and community.

If you want to read an alternative article, please visit: <https://faithbeliefforum.org/london-interfaith-fun-run-creates-change-and-new-connections-between-communities/>

We would like to thank all of those who supported the event and made it a success!



More photos can be found here: <https://www.interfaithrun.org/gallery>

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# The London Interfaith Fun Run 2023 Date Is Out – Register Now!

Register now to join us on the starting line on the 3rd of September and to send a message out of being on the side of friendship regardless of differences!

[Click Here To Register Now!](#)

### Update 8th August 2023:

The registration fee has now been reduced to £2 per person, having £3 automatically go to our charity for each registered runner from our side. [Register Here.](#)

Join hundreds of runners and spectators from diverse faith & belief communities for the third [London Interfaith Fun Run](#), taking place on 3rd September 2023 at StoneX Stadium, Barnet. This incredible event is a day of togetherness, positivity, and fun, for all communities.

Challenge yourself on the 5km or 10km routes or run with friends on the 1km route. All routes are strictly non-competitive, and you can take it at your own pace. You can also enjoy the buzzing festival area with performances from different cultures, opportunities for interfaith encounters, and free activities for all ages. [The London Interfaith Fun Run](#) is an amazing opportunity to send a message of being on the side of friendship regardless of differences.

The event is free to attend for spectators, with a small admin fee for runners.

This event is organised by [The Faith & Belief Forum](#) and [Maccabi GB](#) with the generous support of Dangoor Education and other sponsors. They are also delighted to have the support of the Greater London Lieutenancy's Council of Faith.

We look forward to seeing you at the starting line on Sunday 3rd September!

**When?** 3rd of September 2023, from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

**Where?** StoneX Stadium, Greenlands Lane, Barnet, London, NW4 1RL, United Kingdom

**Entry fee?** £7.50 for runners with advance booking and £10 for runners on the day

You can read about last year's event and our member's experience [here](#).

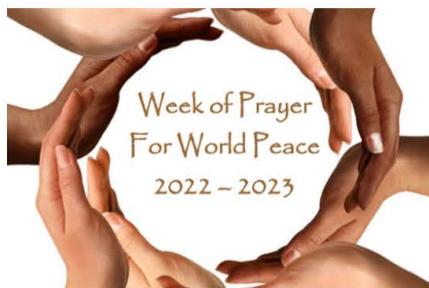
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One day Seminar – 3-step Personal Empowerment Join us for an empowering evening at Lancaster Gate on Saturday, 2nd of September 2023 at 10:00 am.



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## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

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# WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

*The week of Prayer for World Peace takes place from the second to third Sunday in October each year, which in 2023 will be from Sunday, 15th October to Sunday 22nd October*

The Week of Prayer for World Peace Annual Gathering will again this year only be on line. This is to allow as many as possible to participate. It will be held on Sunday, 15 October at 3:00 London Time. The zoom link is:

Join Zoom Meeting

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Every year more people are joining in worldwide, including communities and schools in New Zealand, India, Pakistan, Germany, Canary Islands, Australia, Italy and many more. Please let us know how you celebrate. See our details in the contact info at the bottom of the page.

For dates and details of this year's events please see our [blogs page](#).



## THE INTERNATIONAL PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lead me from death to life, from falsehood to truth  
Lead me from despair to hope, from fear to trust  
Lead me from hate to love, from war to peace  
Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe

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# Inter Faith Week

12-19 November 2023

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## INTER FAITH WEEK 2023

12-19 November 2023

### THE AIMS OF THE WEEK ARE TO:

- Strengthen good inter faith relations at all levels
- Increase awareness of the different and distinct faith communities in the UK, in particular celebrating and building on the contribution which their members make to their neighbourhoods and to wider society
- Increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious beliefs

### THE REVD CANON HILARY BARBER AND NARENDRA WAGHELA, CO-CHAIRS OF THE INTER FAITH NETWORK FOR THE UK, WHICH LEADS ON THE WEEK, SAID:

*“Inter Faith Week is a fantastic opportunity for people of all faiths and beliefs to: mix and learn in neighbourhoods, workplaces, schools and universities and other contexts; visit places of worship of their neighbours and find out why their faith matters to them; get past stereotypes and misunderstandings and increase religious literacy; celebrate; dialogue; and volunteer together to help their local community.”*

— Canon Hilary Barber and Narendra Waghele

86 DAYS TO GO

### WHAT'S NEW

**FRI 14 JULY**

[2023 Flyer](#)

**MON 15 MAY**

[PRESS RELEASE: IT'S SIX MONTHS TO GO TO INTER FAITH WEEK 2023!](#)

**TUE 8 NOVEMBER**

[PRESS RELEASE: Thousands uniting to mark Inter Faith Week 2022](#)

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[Press release: It's six months to go until national Inter Faith Week 13-20 November 2022!](#)

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## Community

12 – 19 November 2023

Striving for change on our own is an insurmountable challenge. Striving for change together is when we can have the biggest impact.

Scotland's people continue to be a positive movement for change. Over recent years we have stood together for our planet, the rights of women, refugees and all those affected by injustice around the world.

But big change always starts small. By tending to our friends, our neighbours, and our local communities, we can challenge loneliness, break down stereotypes and nurture resilient relationships.

This Scottish Interfaith Week we invite people across Scotland to open their doors and organise meals, workshops, coffee mornings, family fun days, concerts, gatherings and more.

Local choirs, book clubs, interfaith groups, places of worship, schools, family support networks, and other community groups are the perfect places to start!

Through building sustainable communities, we can create a collective voice for change.

*Event submission will open in Summer 2023.*

*SIFW brings people together whilst promoting dialogue, understanding and co-operation between Scotland's diverse religious communities and cultures. We encourage everyone to participate and the SIFW team are always happy to help you with your ideas and through promoting your event.*

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A week to celebrate Scotland's religious diversity



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# About Interfaith Scotland

Scottish Interfaith Week was established by Interfaith Scotland in 2004. As the national interfaith organisation for Scotland,

Interfaith Scotland works to ensure good relations between the diverse religion and belief communities of

Scotland and also to share good practice in interfaith dialogue, education, engagement and training nationally and internationally.

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Scotland is a modern multi-faith and multi-cultural country where all people can live together in harmony, and where people of all faiths and ethnic backgrounds can follow their religion or belief and achieve their potential. These events are tremendously important in bringing together different communities united in a common purpose. We all want to live in a Scotland where mutual trust, respect and understanding form the basis for our lives and our relationships with others. I know that these basic principles will underpin the various events being held up and down the country during interfaith week.

Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister of Scotland



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