



REPORT for the 2016
World Interfaith Harmony Week Event

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1-1 Participation Background

The HWPL World Alliance of Religions' Peace (WARP) Office meeting is an innovative movement that has shown itself to be an effective tool to break down walls and create bridges between religions in all areas of the globe. Sharing the same aim with the World Interfaith Harmony Week (WIHW), HWPL WARP Office aims to bring understanding and harmony between religions to work together.

We largely sympathize with the intent of the WIHW to achieve a culture of peace through mutual understanding and interfaith dialogue. Therefore, HWPL participated in this event, with a sincere duty and mission to inform the urgent need of religious dialogue, with scriptures as the basis, to the global community.

*** What is the HWPL WARP Office?**

The HWPL WARP Offices is one of the core peace initiatives of HWPL. It has been running for over an year, and is the practical movement to achieve the promise made at the 2014 World Alliance of Religions' Peace Summit where representatives of each religion promised to become one under the Creator.

Starting from the very first WARP Office, held on October 31, 2014, in Irvine, United States of America, currently there are 138 WARP Offices in 70 countries (as of March 3, 2016) actively uniting to practice the interfaith peace dialogue.

The HWPL WARP Office is a forum for dialogue centering on world peace in interfaith relations and scriptural texts. It aims to prevent the conflicts caused by religious misunderstandings and bring forth peace through gaining deeper understandings of the standards and teachings of each religion and the concept of peace spoken about in each Scripture.

1. Event Overview

1-2 Participation Summary

From the 4th to the 7th of February, 2016, there were 12 WARP Offices in 11 countries that participated in the WIHW Event throughout Asia, Africa, Oceania, the Americas, and Europe.

Through the 12 WARP Offices that participated in the WIHW Event, we realized that the unity was not a distant dream, seeing how the religious leaders made considerable amount of efforts to understand each other and accept the good teachings regardless of differences.

In light of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, special events were held in addition to the Dialogue of Scriptures. The religious leaders wrote the words “Harmony, Harmonize, Peace” in traditional Chinese calligraphy, a peace walk and a special “Peace Song” performance were held by children. Not only that, international media, women, and youth also participated in support of this practical solution to peace.

What was noteworthy was that, for the very first time, leaders from five different faiths (Buddhism, Taoism, Catholic, Protestantism, and the Orthodox Church) participated in the WARP Office meeting in China. All religious leaders from the participating 12 WARP Offices agreed on cooperating in the peace works with HWPL and to continue attending the WARP Offices, tearing down the walls against other religions.



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01

HWPL UNITED STATES NEW YORK WARP OFFICE



In honoring the World Interfaith Harmony Week, the USA New York WARP Office held a meeting with the topic 'The Role of Religions for Peace and Justice'. The meeting was held with approximately 60 special guests; participants including 8 Ambassadors, 30 religious leaders, 20 peace organization leaders and more. It proved to be a fruitful time where each guest, a leader in their own way, were able to think deeply about what they could do to help achieve peace in their own respective roles.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 5th of February, 2016 12:00-13:45

Location: United Nations Headquarters

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	12:00-12:03	Opening	Opening address
	12:03-12:08	Special Performance	Song 'Peace on Earth'
	12:08-12:23	Video	Peace Movement
	12:23-12:45	Speech	Government and UN Agencies
Two	12:45-13:05	Speech	Religious Leader
	13:05-13:15	Special Performance	Song 'Si, Mi Chiamano Mimi' (from the opera La bohème composed by Giacomo Puccini)
	13:15-13:30	Speech	Introduction of Guests
	13:30-13:40	Closing	Closing remark
	13:40-13:45	Photo	Group Photo

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02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Denis Régis	The Permanent Mission of Haiti to the United Nations / Permanent Representative
2	Ravi Karkara	UN Women / Senior Advisor of Deputy Executive Director
3	Nkoloji Nkoloji	The Permanent Mission of Botswana to the United Nations / Deputy Permanent Representative
4	Lee Thomas	African Methodist Episcopal Church / Reverend
5	Gurcharanjit Singh Lamba	PTC / News Anchor
6	Dileepkumar Thankappan	International Gurukula Community / President
7	Mohammed Haidara	The Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the United Nations / Senior Counsellor
8	Hanifa D. Mezoui	United Nations Alliance of Civilization / Senior Advisor
9	Manzoor Hussain	Dunya International / Executive Editor

2. Details of Event Result

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03. Speech

Topic: Interfaith Role in Achieving Peace and Justice

Denis Régis (The Permanent Mission of Haiti to the United Nations / Permanent Representative)

“People tend to believe that conflicts begin where dialogue ceases. This is why it is appropriate to welcome the commitment of groups and organizations engaged in promoting interfaith harmony as a necessary and a universal aspiration; an effective tool that is able to defeat those who support the clash of civilizations.”

Ravi Karkara (UN Women / Senior Advisor of Deputy Executive Director)

“We see very clearly that interfaith harmony is the nucleus of bringing together men and women from all directions and all ages across the world. While the focus is on the Sustainable Development Goal #16, I don’t think we would attain any single goal without the support of the interfaith community.”

Nkoloi Nkoloi (The Permanent Mission of Botswana to the United Nations / Deputy Permanent Representative)

“I come from a country that celebrates peace and that celebrates different religions. We work everyday to teach and to sow the seeds of peace. Peace is the only thing that we have in the world that we can all be proud of. I’ve never had anybody say they don’t like peace. As a small peace loving nation, we want to continue to embrace other religions.”

Lee Thomas (African Methodist Episcopal Church / Reverend)

“We, as religious leaders, need to stand up and speak out, because one thing that I discovered [is that] no matter what denomination, no matter what background, no matter what religion, we all have a common denominator, that we believe in a Creator, that we believe in peace, love, and harmony. We will continue to fight, we will continue to dialogue and we will continue to work with HWPL and Chairman Lee to make this possible, because I believe that all things are possible, if we believe.”

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Gurcharanjit Singh Lamba (PTC / News Anchor)

“So if the media, instead of actively taking sides and participating as a party, which will not be effective, but [instead] if it can act as a catalyst, that is the need. But how can that be done? I think, it’s a small, small effort, which has been started by Mr. Lee and Ms. Kim. That is wonderful, that is really, unimaginable. And his zeal for this thing. He is not merely bringing the people together, but making them think about how these things can really be achieved.”

Dileepkumar Thankappan (International Gurukula Community / President)

“We are making a change. We are making peace here. Because we have peace we have understood what we have to establish in the world. We are doing good work. We will continue with the small meetings or big events. Whatever we can do.”

Mohammed Haidara (The Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the United Nations / Senior Counselor)

“We in Nigeria recognize the work that HWPL is doing. HWPL is a true exemplification of existing mechanisms in the world that promote harmony and peaceful coexistence. What we see happening with the HWPL is the actual practical action, because the ability to bring people, the religious leaders across the world in this kind of movement, is second to none and I’d like to commend the HWPL for this. For us in Nigeria we never shy away from engaging in the interfaith discussion (like the meetings initiated by HWPL), because in Nigeria, those of you who know, we are accepting of all kinds backgrounds.”

Hanifa D. Mezoui (United Nations Alliance of Civilization / Senior Advisor)

“In the very early stages of school [if] we would have a curriculum on religions, my faith would get bigger. If I know what is yours and you know what is mine, if we really have this kind of positive thinking and positive learning, then the world would definitely be a better place.”

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Manzoor Hussain (Dunya International / Executive Editor)

“The responsibility of the media is to inform, educate and entertain. And this responsibility can never be fully kept without an accurate and unbiased reporting to the people. As you know people at large are the final authority to influence the government to act upon policies that are based upon social justice, that lead to peace and stability, both, economic and political. All my friends in the media must know that it's not an ordinary work we are doing. And it's not easy either. It is a task in which we have to work long hours, get paid less, risk our lives, and sometimes make the ultimate supreme sacrifice of laying down our lives for the cause of truthful and accurate reporting.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02

HWPL UKRAINE LVIV WARP OFFICE



The 1st WARP Office meeting was held in the city of Lviv, Ukraine, just in time for the celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week. Religious leaders who attended the meeting discussed on the topic, 'Understanding and Communication Between Religions,' and was surprised at the fact how people of diverse faiths can come together and have a sincere discussion.

Despite the short time, it was a very meaningful gathering as people came together for peace with open hearts to understand other religions. Religious leaders who agreed with the aim of the WARP Offices showed positive interest in participating in the Religious Scripture Comparison Meeting.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 12:00-14:30

Location: RIUS Hotel Conference Hall

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	12:00-12:10	Opening	Welcoming and Introduction of speakers
	12:10-12:25	Introduction of HWPL	Introduction of HWPL and the Peace Project
	12:25-12:30	Congratulatory address	
	12:30-12:35	Testimonials	About the WARP Summit
	12:35-12:40	Introduction of the WARP Office	Introduction of the WARP Office
	12:40-12:45	Video	HWPL WARP Office Video
	12:45-12:50	Testimonials	About the WARP Offices
	12:50-13:30	Question and Answer	Topic: Understanding and Communication Between Religions
	13:30-13:45	Video	Peace Movement
	13:45-14:30	Closing ceremony and Interview	-Closing remark -Participant Interview - Group Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Tariq Sarhan	Islam / Muslim Administration in Ukraine "Umma" Director of Education
2	Oleh Drevniak	Orthodox / Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church Dean of Lviv
3	Vasyl Lutzysyn	Orthodox / President of Lviv Theological Seminary of Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church
4	Bohdan Voznyak	Orthodox / Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church Priest
5	Siva Fainerman	Judaism / Teiva Progressive Jewish Religious Organization
6	Olga Yanko	Hinduism / International Society for Krishna Consciousness in Lviv
7	Volodymyr Nechyporenko	Hinduism / International Society for Krishna Consciousness in Lviv
8	Dakkuri Alan	Islam / Islam Culture Center of Mohammad Asad in Lviv
9	Shishanov Vladimir	Protestantism / Evangelism Priest

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: Understanding and Communication Between Religions

Question: What Influence Does the Peace in the World of Religion Have on the Peace in the World of Humanity? And What Is the Role of Religious Leaders?

Tariq Sarhan (Islam / Muslim Administration in Ukraine “Umma” director of education)

“Our role is to return people back to the peaceful God. All religions aspire to achieve peace. War is a fruit of personal choice and property of a person. We have to teach love. That way we can show love to God.”

Oleh Drevniak (Orthodox / Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church Dean of Lviv)

“Of course religious leaders should become one, but first we have to ask ourselves, ‘What have I done for peace?’ We have to start with our own selves. We have to learn to love our brothers through reading the scriptures. And then peace will come to our hearts and to the whole world.”

Vasyl Lutzyslyn (Orthodox / President of Lviv Theological Seminary of Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church)

“I think the hope for wanting peace and safety brings us together. In the scripture it says, ‘be peaceful, do not be afraid’. If all religious leaders desire peace then discussing about peace will be natural. Religious leaders are the representatives of their respective religion and a leader of that organization. Therefore it will also be natural for the congregation to also discuss about peace.”

Bohdan Vozyak (Orthodox / Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox Church priest)

“Peace is truth. This truth is what all religions should spread, respect and live in their lives. God is not a God of Power but a God of Truth. A person without truth will not be able to win a person with truth. So in any difficult or hard situation, if we become one, we will be able to overcome it.”

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Siva Fainerman (Judaism / Teiva Progressive Jewish Religious Organization)

“War is a result of human weakness and not having a peaceful discussion . We must do something so that there is no war. In our center, we study the scripture during our Program. Whenever I have the opportunity or the knowledge, I talk about the Quran.”

Olga Yanko (Hinduism / International Society for Krishna Consciousness in Lviv)

“Not only should religious leaders talk about their religion, but they themselves should follow the rules of their religion and be role models. Not only to spread the message, but also to keep it. If you want to change the world, you have to start with yourself.”

Volodymyr Nechyporenko (Hinduism / International Society for Krishna Consciousness in Lviv)

“One of the conditions for peace to be achieved is to have the ability to listen to other people. We have to be thankful to our spiritual leaders. Due to them we are able to read (and understand) the scriptures. There are many religions in this world, but there is only One God. All people bow down to God. Like how the sun shines light for everyone, God also shares the same mercy to all people. God is Almighty and has no limits, and can't be really say is in only one religion. Instead all religions are under God.”

Dakkuri Alan (Islam / Islam Culture Center of Mohammad Asad in Lviv)

“In order to teach about peace to other people, you first have to be here and discuss about peace together. We have to discuss that we can live peacefully. I came from Syria, a war zone. I wasn't directly involved in the war, but because of the war I cannot see my family. Therefore, war that arise due to religion must cease. And religious leaders should live peacefully and become closer to God. You, yourself have to live in peace in order to be able to teach peace.”

Shishanov Vladimir (Protestantism / Evangelism Priest)

“Showing love to other people.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

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HWPL INDIA DELHI WARP OFFICE



In New Delhi, India, the 2nd WARP Office meeting was held on the topic 'What God Wants from Mankind'. In celebration to the World Interfaith Harmony Week, students from the region also participated as audiences, asking questions to the religious leaders after listening to their speeches. The youth also urged for religious leaders to continue to participate in the WARP Offices until peace was achieved, also making the promise that they too, as youths, will do everything they can in their roles.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 7th of February, 2016 14:00-15:35

Location: Jawaharlal Nehru University

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	14:00-14:10	Registration	
	14:10-14:15	Introduction of Participants	Welcoming guests
	14:15-14:30	Video	Peace Movement
	14:30-14:40	Introduction of Audiences	Introducing the roles of each sector
	14:40-14:45	Introduction of UN WIHW	World Interfaith Harmony Week
	14:45-14:55	Introduction of HWPL Peace Activities	Mindanao Peace Agreement
	14:55-15:15	Speech	Topic: What God Wants From Mankind
	15:15-15:20	Impression of Attendance	Impression of audience attendance
	15:20-15:25	Signing Ceremony	World Alliance of Religions Agreement
	15:25-15:35	Closing remarks	Closing and Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Ghulam Rasool Dehlvi	Islam / All India Ulama and Mashaikh Board
2	Joseph Kim	HWPL / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist

03. Speech

Topic: What God Wants From Mankind

Ghulam Rasool Dehlvi (Islam / All India Ulama and Mashaikh Board)

“Creator of man, sustain of man, God, and the nation of man has created man of life. These things can never be understood until we properly understand the scriptures, the message of prophets, Buddhist etc. that have been sent differently to us all. Just as how a machine works, we never understand without properly setting the drawing and design from the one who made it. Similarly, the sole purpose of man, the chief objective of life, creation of this world can’t ever be understood without getting deeper into God’s message in the scriptures.”

Joseph Kim (HWPL / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist)

“How can we recognize the will of an invisible God? There will no be differing views about the fact that we can know about God through the scripture. If there were no scriptures, it would be difficult to know God’s Will. I believe we will be able to understand God's Will more through the meetings of scripture comparison. Inside of scriptures, there is a voice of God recorded very carefully.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

04

HWPL CHINA SHANGHAI WARP OFFICE



In light of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, there was the 15th HWPL China Shanghai WARP Office with participants from the 5 major religions in China; Buddhism, Taoism, Catholic, Protestantism and the Orthodox Church. The topic for discussion was, 'The Beginning and End of Religious Scriptures'.

Also, as it was the Chinese traditional holiday, the 6 speakers together completed a calligraphy of the words "Harmony, Harmonize, Peace", illustrating their willpower to achieve peace. Witnessing this kind of scene, it seems like religious peace has already been fulfilled in China.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 4th of February, 2016 18:00-21:10

Location: Shanghai

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	18:00-18:05	Video	Religious Peace
	18:05-18:10	Opening	Introduction of Event and Participants
	18:10-18:15	Congratulatory address	
	18:15-19:05	Question and Answer	
	19:05-19:15	Break Time	10 minutes
Two	19:15-20:00	Speech	Topic: The Beginning and End of Religious Scriptures
	20:00-20:10	Questions from the Audience	Questions from the Audience
	20:10-20:50	Q&A	Answers from the Religious Leaders
	20:50-21:00	Calligraphy	"Harmony, Harmonize, Peace"
	21:00-21:10	Photo	Commemorative Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Long Zhang Ming	Orthodox / Priest of Hong Kong
2	Niu Su Qing	Catholic / Jesus ShengXinTang Priest
3	Ya Yun	Buddhism / JingAnShi Master
4	Cheng Run Lei	Taoism / HuShangTai QingGuan Taoist Leader
5	Wu Pei Ying	Christianity / Leader of a Youth organization

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: The Beginning and End of Religious Scriptures

Question: Briefly Introduce about Your Scripture (Who/When/How/Purpose)

Long Zhang Ming (Orthodox / Priest of Hong Kong)

“The scriptures used in Protestantism, Catholic and the Orthodox Church are all the same, the Bible. But there are small differences in how they have translated. Prophecies are one of the expressions of thought. Therefore each has mixed some of its own doctrine in the translation process. The Orthodox Church practice their faith with the Bible as the standard. We also regard, however, the Sacred tradition as important as the Bible. The sacred traditions is a book that has been passed down in the Orthodox Church that have come from the 12 disciples to the believers. These books help understand the Bible more.”

Niu Su Qing (Catholic / Jesus ShengXinTang Priest)

“The Bible of 700.000 letters that has been recorded by the Creator through moving the hearts of people, was recorded 3445 years ago. The people recorded as the Creator required. It wasn't recorded by one person, but by many people from different angles. The main purpose was to allow people to learn about the definitions.”

Ya Yun (Buddhism / JingAnShi Master)

“The Buddhist scripture is the recording of what the Buddha said into words, which is connected like a line. In order for the line to not be broken, many scriptures were created. The purpose of this was to connect the thoughts of the Buddha and to deliver it easily so that the future generations can practice it easily too. The Buddhist scripture was recorded one year after Buddha entered into Nirvana by his followers in approximately BC550.”

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Cheng Run Lei (Taoism / HuShangTai QingGuan Taoist Leader)

“In Taoism there are three leaders. Also, in each era they entered into the world and recorded the Tao Te Ching approximately 2,500 years ago. The scriptures of Taoism is the recording of what was heard and seen of the law of King Daode Tianzun in writing. The purpose was to practice good and to return to nature and to human nature.”

Wu Pei Ying (Christianity / Leader of a Youth organization)

“In Christianity there is one text, which is the Bible. The author is not man but the one we call God. But the ones who recorded (scribes) the Bible were the people chosen by God. The first one to record the Bible was Moses and the last being Apostle John. The first book in the Bible was recorded approximately 4,500 years ago and the last book in 95 A.C. It was recorded through the Spirit of God and the purpose of it was to give life.”

Question: How Will You Work to Improve the Harmony Between Religions?

Long Zhang Ming (Orthodox / Priest of Hong Kong)

“There is no problem of harmony between religions between the clergy. This is because the ideology of religion is similar. So we should also pass down this kind of philosophy to the congregation.”

Niu Su Qing (Catholic / Jesus ShengXinTang Priest)

“One must have good will in their minds and hearts. I think interfaith dialogue and discussions are necessary. Each possess their own religion, and since each has their own truth, we must respect each other. Also, since love is a commonality throughout all religions, we have to coexist and harmonize in love.”

2. Details of Event Result

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Ya Yun (Buddhism / JingAnShi Master)

“There are commonalities between religions, as well as differences, however, we should respect each other. There is no need for conflict. If there is a conflict, it is because they have not fully understood about the religion they believe in. Under the assumption that each of the religions understand each other while performing accordingly to the will of their religion, each religion has to be developed (improved).”

Cheng Run Lei (Taoism / HuShangTai QingGuan Taoist Leader)

“We have to solve the misunderstandings between the devotees (believers).”

Wu Pei Ying (Christianity / Leader of a Youth organization)

“Firstly, the walls in the hearts of the religious leaders should be teared down. Through interfaith dialogue, unity and harmony of religions have to be achieved. I am very thankful for the WARP Offices for helping to solve the misunderstandings between religions.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

05

HWPL MYANMAR YANGON WARP OFFICE



The 10th HWPL Myanmar Yangon WARP Office was held at the Yangon YMCA on the topic, 'What Makes Your Holy Scripture Trustworthy?' The evidence within each scripture was different, and the religious leaders all agreed that it was important to base our faith on what was written in the scriptures, as well as to know the Will of God.

In celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, there was a special "Peace Song" performance by 20 children from the orphanage, expressing their hopes for peace and harmony. They also handed out roses, with hand-written messages of peace, to all the audience members. Seeing the children, who are regarded as being in the smallest position in society, hand out gifts to the leaders of society and religious leaders, was very touching.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 14:10-16:30

Location: Yangon YMCA

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	14:10-14:20	Opening	Introduction of UN WIHW and the WARP Offices
	14:20-14:40	Video	Peace Movement
	14:40-14:50	Reciting message from the Chairman of HWPL	U Nyunt Maung Shein (Islam/ The Islamic Center of Myanmar President)
	14:50-15:00	Performance	'Peace Song' performed by 20 children
Two	15:15-16:15	Question and Answer	Topic: What Makes Your Holy Scripture Trustworthy?
	16:15-16:30	Closing & Photo time	- Announcement of next meeting - Commemorative Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Ashin Siha Nyana	Buddhism / Principal of Sitagu Missionary College of Thanlyin
2	Young Ran Kim	Christianity / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist
3	U soe Thein	Islam / Islamic Religious Affairs Council Author
4	Brajesh Verma	Hinduism / Hindi Literary Society Author

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: What Makes Your Scripture Trustworthy?

Ashin Siha Nyana (Buddhism / Principal of Sitagu Missionary College of Thanlyin)

“Finally All the religious scriptures and God told to do good things and peace on earth. so we must obey and follow their footsteps. For the standard, we must base on the rules of our religion not on the humans. If we base on the humans, who are filled with angriness, greediness, for the standards, it will [be] like that we ignore the bless of God and like pushing our world to the unpeaceful conditions.”

Young Ran Kim (Christianity / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist)

“The Bible was recorded by approximately 35 people with different positions and background from different historical and geographical environments for a period of 1,600 years. But we can surely know that the author of the Bible is God and He Himself led all this process because the will and purpose of the entire Bible is exactly the same from Genesis to Revelation.

The obvious evidence that the Bible is God’s Word is that it takes place and comes true as it is written (Deuteronomy 18:18-22). God has told people before it happens, so that when it does happen, people will believe it. This is the reason the Bible is written (John 14:29). When the entity of the prophecy appears, the prophecy becomes an evidence for that entity. God surely fulfills the prophecy in the Bible, even every single detail, when the appointed time comes (Num23:19, Is14:24, Is55:10-11, Mt24:34-35, Rv22:18-19).”

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U Soe Thein (Islam / Islamic Religious Affairs Council Author)

“In the Quran there were facts concerning about the history. Quran revealed the true and authentic facts of history to be trustworthy. In the ancient prophets, for example Prophet Noah (Alaihissalam) and his followers. There came the story about the Noah's Ark. The remains of the Ark could be seen as fossil up in the mountains of Mt. Ararath in Turkey. (The site of the Ark is situated 300 kilometers in the eastern part of Armenian border).

Another example of the trustworthy of the scripture of Islam is the historical site in Amman (Jordan), a cave where the Seven young men had taken shelter from the cruel King (Quran 18:9-22). Those seven young men kept away from the cruel King to value their respective beliefs, and and at last they were dead in the cave. Still their bones could be found in the cave.”

Brajesh Verma (Hinduism / Hindi Literary Society Author)

“One can receive inspiration, an ideal and to visualize the vast human life by practicing the Dharma. It is better to practice it, which leads to the way for a good conduct, moral character and better human behavior than to have the knowledge of Dharma. The experiences of Dharma is the last resource to know the truth. The practice of the Dharma introduces the important values of complete human life.

Hinduism is a dynamic religion which has no end, but continues with traditional. Hinduism allows all to think freely and to practice it. Hence, with all the above positive human ideals and harmony in life, which proves the Hindu holy scriptures, such as Vade, Upanishad, Darshan and Bhagavad Gita are very trustworthy.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

06

HWPL RWANDA KIGALI WARP OFFICE



The 4th HWPL Rwanda Kigali WARP Office was held on the topic 'What Is the Origin of Evil in Your Scripture?' In celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, guests from youth, women, leaders of society and the press were invited to honor the event together.

Through the speeches of the religious leaders, we were able to find out that the origin of evil was similar in the Bible and the Quran. Since God is good and love, it was a time for religions to become one with love.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 5th of February, 2016 14:00-16:10

Location: Glory Motel

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	14:00-14:30	Video	Peace Movement
	14:30-14:32	Opening	Introduction of UN WIHW
	14:32-14:33	Special Performance	Peace Song
	14:33-14:48	Video	Peace Movement
	14:48-15:00	Break Time	
Two	15:00-15:03	Big Smile Photo	Commemorative Photo
	15:03-15:40	Speech	Topic: What Is the Origin of Evil in Your Scripture?
	15:40-15:45	Photo	Outdoor Photo
	15:45-16:00	Interview	Interview of Participants and audiences
	16:00-16:10	Closing	Announcement of next meeting

2. Details of Event Result

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02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Simon Pierre Rwaramba	Protestantism / Evangelical Pentecostal Christians Pastor
2	Sheikh Ibrahim Kayitare	Sunni Islam / Mufti
3	Sheikh Bizimana Abdallah	Shia Islam / Imam
4	Joy Cho	HWPL / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: What Is the Origin of Evil in Your Scripture?

Simon Pierre Rwaramba (Evangelical Pentecostal Christians / Pastor)

“In the Old Testament Satan sinned when his pride made fall from perfection (Ezekiel 28:15–17). When he sinned, he was cast out from Heaven (Isaiah 14:12). This must have been after day 6 of creation week because God pronounced everything very good (Genesis 1:31).

In the New Testament, other names reveal more about Satan’s current nature. Devil (diabolos) means ‘false accuser, Satan, slanderer’ in Greek. Satan is called a dragon in Revelation 12:9 20:2, as well as the “evil one” in several places. Revelation 12:9 calls him “that ancient serpent” or “serpent of old,” and Matthew 4:3 calls him the “tempter.” Other names for Satan include Abaddon (destruction), Apollyon (destroyer, Revelation 9:11), Beelzebub or Beelzebul (Matthew 12:27) and Belial (2 Corinthians 6:15).”

Sheikh Ibrahim Kayitare (Sunni Islam / Mufti)

“In Islam evil is from a person, which means a person is a source of evil, who planned it and implement the evil. But [God] didn’t create human for doing bad things, but God created human beings to live in peace. Which means the purpose or mission of human beings on earth was to make peace and develop the world so that the world may be sweet for everyone.

As we have seen that a person is source of evil, but it depends on the person’s character. Human beings are created differently from any other creature, which mean he is different from animals or angels and all environments even those invisible things. In the Quran we see that all creature has been created in order to serve God, but only two creatures that we have seen are the source of evil; human beings and the devil. But human beings were created with freedom of choosing to do good or evil. Either you can decide to do adultery, killing or to give to the poor etc. Which means the freedom that God gave him [was] to choose whether to do either good or evil and then God will ask us why we chose it.”

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

Sheikh Bizimana Abdallah (Shia Islam / Imam)

“According to the Holy Quran, Prophet and Imam Sayings, an Evil refers to anything which is against Allah’s command. And whatever is against Allah’s command is prohibited.

The origin of evil is from Satan due to is the first being who committed evil and attempted to Adam (Peace be upon him) and Eve while they were leaving in the heaven without any problem.”

Joy Cho (HWPL / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist)

“Now Satan, that is the fundamental of evil, appeared because of his greed and arrogance. In humankind, Satan made Adam and Eve eat the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil. Why did he do that? Because he wanted to take this world for himself. In that, arrogance is editing the Word of God written in the scripture (I Corinthians 4:6). The pure truth of God’s Word was to not eat the fruit, but the Satan put his thought and them eat it. That is arrogance.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

07

HWPL SWEDEN STOCKHOLM WARP OFFICE



The 11th Sweden Stockholm WARP Office was held with leaders from five different religions (Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, Krishna and Sikhism) to discuss the topic, 'Understanding and Communication Between Religions'. The Dialogue of Scriptures provided a friendly environment for religious leaders to understand and communicate with other religions.

They all listened to each other's speeches with much attention and agreed that the WARP Offices provided a positive platform for dialogue. After signing the World Alliance of Religions Agreement, all participants joined in an energetic peace walk, grabbing the attention of the public.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 18:30-20:40

Location: Kista Husby Centrum

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	18:30-19:00	Registration	Explain notes of precaution
	19:00-19:15	Opening	Introduction of Event and HWPL
	19:15-19:20	Video	Introduction of WARP Office Video
	19:20-20:22	Speech	Topic: Understanding and Communication Between Religions
	20:22-20:30	Signing Ceremony	Explanation of Agreement & Signing
	20:32-20:36	Closing	Commemorative Photo
	20:36-20:40	Closing Event	Peace Walk

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Mohan Ranjan Balendran	Hinduism / Ganesha temple Chief Priest
2	Kashif Virk	Islam / Stockholm Ahmadiyya Imam
3	Tapas Das	Krishna / ISKCON Stockholm Priest
4	Gurkilpal Singh	Sikhism / Stockholm Sikhism Teacher
5	Bhante Sobhana	Buddhism / Vihara Buddhist Temple Monk

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: Understanding and Communication Between Religions

Question: Do You Think Peace in the Religious World Will Influence the Peace in the Whole World?

Mohan Ranjan Balendran (Hinduism / Ganesha temple Chief Priest)

“In Hinduism, we have something called ahimsa, which means that you act in a non-violent way. This moral principle in Hinduism has the aim to convey that not to kill other lives and creatures. Dharma in Hinduism signifies our act, the way of right living. In our religion and also in others religion we talk about how to not harm another life, therefore an ahimsa-path is the greatest to achieve peace.”

Kashif Virk (Islam / Stockholm Ahmadiyya Imam)

“According to the Quran, it says Allah is a God of peace and many people come back into light from darkness. It is really leading all the people into a good path. This elemental principle is Islam principle. Muhammad said only forgiving and treating other people with kindness is the way.”

Tapas das (Krishna / ISKCON Stockholm Priest)

“The question is whether in our scriptures it is mentioned when and how a peaceful nation will come. And the answer is, with modification, yes. And the modification is twofold: first of all the scripture does not use the word “nation”, but rather more or less the “whole world”. Secondly, it is not mentioned that it will happen at a certain exact time, rather it will happen as a gradual development with different variety of strength in different places in the world.

In the Bhagavad-gita (5.29) one can find the basic understanding for peace, often called the peace formula: “One who knows that the Supreme Lord is the controller and protector, the enjoyer and the friend of all living beings, can attain peace”.”

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

Gurkilpal Singh (Sikhism / Stockholm Sikhism Teacher)

“I think by cooperating together and study the causes of the conflicts we can solve many problems. Like our guru said “come and sit together my brothers take off your duality and connect you’re self to the truth.””

KBhante Sobhana (Buddhism / Vihara Buddhist Temple Monk)

“How can we achieve peace? If we erase those bad actions then our minds will be peaceful. And if we seek for confession and love other beings, [we] will be peaceful forever.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

08

HWPL AUSTRALIA MELBOURNE WARP OFFICE



The 10th HWPL Australia Melbourne WARP Office was held in celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, with leaders from Scientology, Sikhism and Protestantism as speakers to discuss the topic, 'The Origin of Scriptures'. Being a small gathering, the atmosphere was more intimate and friendly.

Participants were satisfied with the meeting as it was a time to get to know more about other religions. The meeting ended with a meaningful ceremony, signing the World Alliance of Religions Agreement and receiving peace badges.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 15:00-17:30

Location: Hawthorn Library Meeting Room

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	15:00-15:10	Opening	Welcoming and Introduction of the WIHW Event
	15:10-15:15	Video	About Religious Conflicts and Disputes
	15:15-15:25	Introduction of WARP Offices	Watching related video
	15:25-16:15	Speech	Topic: The Origin of Scriptures
Two	16:15-17:20	Question and Answer	
	17:20-17:30	Closing	- Signing Ceremony - Commemorative Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Colin Butler	Church of Scientology of Melbourne / Director of Special Affairs
2	Dya Singh	Sikhism / Sikh Youth Australia Consultant
3	Esther Shin	Protestantism / Jesus Loving Church Doctor of Theology

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: The Origin of Scriptures

Question: Does Your Scripture Clearly Explain Who the Author of Your Scripture Is?

Colin Butler (Church of Scientology of Melbourne / Director of Special Affairs)

“No exact scripture like other religion. Every aspect of Scientology was covered by R Hubbard that was applicable to so many situations. Scientology, fundamental, can coexist with any religion and any philosophy, because truth is truth.”

Dya Singh (Sikhism / Sikh Youth Australia Consultant)

“Sikh scriptures were formulated by the masters themselves. Scriptures are not called scriptures anymore. The Name of the scripture is Guru Granth Sahib. 80 percent of the scriptures are poem and music. Revelation of the scriptures came through music.”

Esther Shin (Protestantism / Jesus Loving Church Doctor of Theology)

“Bible is composed of two parts – The Old Testament and the New Testament. Therefore the Bible is a book of Testament. Testament means covenant, i.e. a promise. Bible is God’s word, which is a book of promise. The Old Testament is 39 books and the New Testament is 27 books, therefore there are 66 books. 66 books, 1189 chapters, 31,173 verses are all talking about two promises.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

09

HWPL JORDAN AMMAN WARP OFFICE



In honor of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, the 5th Jordan Amman WARP Office was held at the Friendship Auditorium of Princess Sumaya University for Technology (PSUT), to discuss the topic, 'Promises Written in the Scriptures'.

There were many students as audience members, as well as some being volunteers to help out with the event. With active participation from the audience, speakers were able to have a discussion in a more serious manner. There was also a time to listen to the voices of the audience, which made the meeting much more enjoyable and open.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 12:30-14:10

Location: El Hassan Youth Award Office, Friendship Auditorium,
Princess Sumaya University for Technology

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	12:30-12:40	Registration	
	12:40-12:55	Opening	Video about the WARP Offices
	12:55-13:00	Introduction	Topic Introduction
	13:00-13:40	Speech	Topic: Promises Written in the Scriptures
	13:40-14:00	Presentation	Listening to the Voices of the Audience
	14:00-14:10	Closing	Commemorative Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Hanna Kildani	Catholic / Parish Priest
2	Ahmed Shannaq	Islam / General Secretary of the National Constitutional Party
3	Yunjin Kim	Christianity / Researcher of Religious Scripture

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: Promises Written in the Scriptures

Question: Are There Any Significant Promises and Fulfillment of God Recorded in Your Scripture?

Hanna Kildani (Catholic / Parish Priest)

“In the Genesis the Lord promised the birth of Jesus from a virgin. This promise was fulfilled in the New Testament by the annunciation and later the birth of Jesus from Virgin Mary in Bethlehem. (Isaiah, 7: 14)”

Ahmed Shannaq (Islam / General Secretary of the National Constitutional Party)

“Quran says “Allah has promised those Who have believed among you and done righteous deeds succession to authority upon the earth and that He will surely establish for them [for] they worship Me, not associating anything with Me.” (Sura-Al Noor -Aya 55.) Also Quran says “Allah has promised the believing men and believing women gardens beneath which rivers flow, wherein they abide eternally, and pleasant dwelling in gardens of perpetual residence; but approval from Allah is greater. (Sura Attaubah -Aya 72 Contents Explanations)””

Yunjin Kim (Christianity / Researcher of Religious Scripture)

“According to the Christian Bible in Numbers 23:19 it is written, “God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?” God will fulfil all the promises he makes in the Bible.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

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HWPL BAHRAIN MANAMA WARP OFFICE



The 8th Bahrain Manama WARP Office was held on the topic, 'The Last Days'. The location for the meeting was provided by HWPL's Publicity Ambassador, and attended by 5 speakers and 14 audience members.

Despite having busy schedules, the religious leaders happily participated in the WARP Offices in time to celebrate the World Interfaith Harmony Week.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 11:00-12:40

Location: Bahrain Association for Religious Coexistence &
Tolerance

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	11:00-11:10	Opening	Welcoming
	11:10-11:25	Introduction	Introduction of speakers and participants
	11:25-12:00	Speech	Topic: The Last Days
	12:00-12:30	Question and Answer	
	12:30-12:35	Questions from the Audience	
	12:35-12:40	Closing & Photo Time	- Announcement of next meeting - Commemorative Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Ebrahim Nonoo	Judaism / Jewish Community member
2	Zachariah Thomas	Christianity / Mar Thoma Church Father
3	Teja singh	Sikhism / Sikh Community Center member
4	Bae	HWPL / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: The Last Days

Question: Does Your Scripture Promise About a Savior at the Last Day? If so, How Can We Recognize Him/Her?

Ebrahim Nonoo (Judaism / Jewish Community member)

“Moshiach is not identified by his ability to perform earth shattering miracles. The following are the criteria for identifying the Moshiach, as written by Maimonides:- If we see a Jewish leader who (a) toils in the study of Torah and is meticulous about the observance of the mitzvot. (b) influences the Jews to follow the ways of the Torah and (c) wages the “battles of G – D” such a person is presumed Moshiac. If the person then rebuilds the holy temple in Jerusalem, then we are certain it is him.”

Zachariah Thomas (Christianity / Mar Thoma Church Father)

“According to Mark 13:24-27, after great suffering, the sun will be darkened, moon will not give light and stars will fall from heaven. And then Jesus Christ will come with great power and glory.”

Teja Singh (Sikhism / Sikh Community Center member)

“Nanak, the mortal does not even think of the name, which shall deliver him in the end.”

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

Bae (HWPL / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist)

“In the Christian Bible, the pastor who does the work of God's salvation, the Savior, is recorded in many different names. Some of them are found in the book of Mathew, John and also in Revelation. According to John 24:45-47; he is referred as the faithful and wise servant, and in John chapters 14, 15 and 16; he is the one who teaches us the promises in the Bible, and according to Revelation chapters 2 and 3; he is the One who overcomes the Nicolaitans, and in Revelation chapter 10; he is the one who receives the open book and in chapter 22; the messenger that Jesus has sent for the churches.

This messenger will come and testify to what he has seen and heard from God and Jesus. In other words we can recognize him from his testimony about the Bible.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

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HWPL MALAYSIA KUCHING WARP OFFICE



In celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, the 2nd Malaysia Kuching WARP Office was held at the Islamic Information of Center for the Dialogue of Scriptures. Religious leaders from Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Sikhism gathered together to discuss the topic, 'Purpose of Creation'.

The speakers, as well as the members of the audience, was surprised after hearing the speeches and realizing that all had the same message. They also agreed that discussions like this, based on the scriptures and not individual thoughts and opinions, was really needed in Malaysia.

The Mayor of Kuching also attended the meeting. And after witnessing, with his own eyes, the religious scripture comparison meeting, he mentioned about making more people participate in the meeting to become witnesses as well.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 09:30-11:00

Location: Islamic Information Center

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	09:30-10:00	Registration	
	10:00-10:05	Introduction	Welcoming of participants
	10:05-10:10	Congratulatory address	Piara Singh Gill (Sarawak Indian Society/President)
	10:10-10:15	Introduction	WIHW Event and the WARP Offices
	10:15-10:55	Speech	Topic: Purpose of Creation
	10:55-11:00	Closing	Announcement of next meeting

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Kumar Sambhawam	Hindusim / Hindu Temple Association
2	Law King Ing	Buddhism / E-Outreach Organization
3	Ustaz Suharman Edward	Islam / Islamic Information Center
4	Jijar Singh	Sikhism / Gurdwara Sahib

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: Purpose of Creation

Question: Does the Scripture State How We Are Able to Go Back to the Original State of Peace?

Kumar Sambhawam (Hinduism / Hindu Temple Association)

“To go back to the original state of Peace we have to follow the 3 stages of yoga, which are: Karma Yoga or the Path of Action (karma), Bhakti Yoga or the Path of Devotion (bhakti) to Ishvara (God), and lastly Jnana Yoga or the Path of Knowledge (jnana).”

Law King Ing (Buddhism / E-Outreach Organization)

“In Buddhism, I say we need to be humble and good to others. Having that good deed will bring us back to how we were once made.”

Ustaz Suharman Edward (Islam / Islamic Information Center)

“We also have 3 aspects to when it comes to this. From my answer from the second question, if we follow those things the creator told us to do, we will be able to go back to the original state of peace. It is very straight forward. Just do what the Creator said and follow it.”

Jijar Singh (Sikhism / Gurdwara Sahib)

“In Sikhism we have 3 stages like Hinduism. But basically we need to put all our thoughts and energy together to meditate with God, to be with Him and [to be] like Him.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

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HWPL UNITED STATES FULLERTON WARP OFFICE



At the University of California, the 17th United States Fullerton WARP Office was held to discuss on the topic, 'The Overall Flow of the Entire Scripture from Beginning to End'.

In celebration of the World Interfaith Harmony Week, the meeting started with an opening performance by the youth members, depicting the effects of religious conflicts. A performance choreographed by the youths themselves, it sent an earnest message for their desire for peace, and the participants who watched the performance firmly agreed that religious peace must be achieved.

The participants, in one voice, agreed that in order to solve religious conflicts, there have to be in-depth discussions amongst religions, and the discussions should be based on the scriptures that record the true will of God, instead of their own thoughts and opinions.

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

01. Event Overview and Program

Date and Time: 6th of February, 2016 17:00-19:30

Location: University of California

Part	Time	Program	Details
One	17:00-17:30	Registration	
	17:30-17:35	Opening address	Welcoming
	17:35-17:45	Performance	Youth Performance
	17:45-17:50	Introduction	Introduction of Speakers
	17:50-17:55	Speech	Topic: A Discussion of the Overall Flow of the Entire Scripture from Beginning to End
	18:50-19:15	Speech	HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist
	19:15-19:30	Closing	- Peace Song - Commemorative Photo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

02. Speaker Information

No.	Name	Position
1	Bhai Sahib Satpal Singh Khalsa	Sikhism / Ambassador of Sikh Dharma)
2	Waqas Syed	Islam / Deputy Secretary General of the Islamic Circle of North America
3	Muhammad Shaheed Aadam	Islam / Educator at SML Education
4	De Hong	Buddhism / Founder of The Engaged Buddhist Alliance
5	Yukinori Yokoyama	Buddhism / Reverend of Long Beach Buddhist Church
6	Mohammed Zafarullah	Islam / Baitul Hameed Mosque
7	Keshav Das	Hinduism / Priest of Irvine Mandir
8	Hum Dac Bui	Cao Dai / Head of Internal Affairs of Cao Dai International
9	Hong Dang Bui	Cao Dai / Reverend of the Cao Dai Center Anaheim Temple
10	Susanna Furios	Scientology / Director of Public Relations of the Church of Scientology of Los Angeles
11	Agatha Ogochukwu Chikelue	Catholicism / Reverend of Archdiocese of Abuja)
12	Hari Maru	Hinduism / Deacon of Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Chino Hills
13	Falokun Fasegun	Ifa / Priest of Ile Orunmila Afedefeyo

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

No.	Name	Position
14	Sukhi Dillon	Sikhism / Lady President of the Sikh Center of Orange County
15	Jahsun Ifakolade Edmonds	Ifa / Member of Ile Orunmila Afedefeyo
16	Avinder Singh Chawla	Sikhism / Secretary General of the Sikh Center of Orange County
17	Paul Singh	Sikhism / Director of Media Relations of the Sikh Center of Orange County
18	Ray Moten	Christianity / Pastor of Joseph of Jacob United Church of God in Christ
19	Paul Matharu	Sikhism / President of the Valley Sikh Temple
20	Baljit Kaur Sahni	Sikhism / Member of the Sikh Dharma
21	Ram Krishan Singh Khalsa	Sikhism / Head of Sikh Dharma Argentina
22	Juan Carlos Urquhart de Barros	Anglican / Archbishop of the Old Episcopal Church
23	Enrique Jose Albornoz Cano	Anglican / Archbishop of the Sede Episcopal Church
24	David William Limo Pajar	Anglican / Bishop of the Episcopal Church of El Salvador
25	Jorge Arturo Estrada	Christianity / Pastor of the Revival Center
26	Instructor Ted Moon	HWPL / HWPL WARP Office Research Specialist

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

03. Speech

Topic: A Discussion of the Overview of the Scripture from Beginning to End

Question: With What Event Does Your Religious Scripture Begin?

Bhai Sahib Satpal Singh Khalsa (Sikhism / Ambassador of Sikh Dharma)

“Guru Nanak was the founder of Sikhism about 547 years ago. For 3 days when he went to the river to take his daily bath he did not come out of the river. Everybody thought he drowned but after 3 days he came out of the river and did not speak. The next day he spoke of what he has heard and said there is no Hinduism and no Islam. He then gave the first prayer of the Sikhs. He said that there is 1 God, no caste, and that everyone is equal.”

Muhammad Shaheed Aadam (Islam / Educator at SML Education)

“Our religious scripture was revealed to the prophet Mohammad when he was meditating in a cave when he would seek solitude. He then heard the voice of the angel Gabriel who spoke to his heart who told him to, “Read.” But the prophet said he cannot read but the angel told him to read and it was impressed upon his heart.”

Mohammed Zafarullah (Islam / Baitul Hameed Mosque)

“The Holy Scripture of Islam is the Qur'an in the name of Allah. Our Scripture is connected to Allah and once you realize that then you achieve peace.”

Keshav Das (Hinduism / Priest of Irvine Mandir)

“The Hindu Scripture talks about knowing the knowledge of God. It has been written by saints during their meditation. According to our scriptures, or the Vedas, this started when there was a dissolution of the universe. In the Vedas there are a lot of distinct teachings about how to live in harmony with people and how to live your daily life. Hindu is not a religion it's more a way of life and philosophy. There is no date when the Vedas started it was revealed by God verbally.”

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

Agatha Ogochukwu Chikelue (Catholicism / Reverend of Archdiocese of Abuja)

“My religion does not just begin with scripture and end with scripture. The church existed before 500 years before the Bible was compiled and was striving. In the Catholic religion we use the scriptures but also the traditions of the church. It begins with love, ends with love, it is all about love, and that is what Catholicism is all about. It is also about compassion, forgiveness, and justice. For God so loved the world that He sent his one and only son so for those who believe will have eternal life.”

Ram Krishan Singh Khalsa (Sikhism / Head of Sikh Dharma Argentina)

“Guru Nanak was the founder of Sikhism as one who was chosen by God to initiate this philosophy of life. He wanted to express the spirit of unity and communion within all people so we can live together as one. Our scripture has the characteristic of being the expression of songs and praise not only for guru Sikhs but of holy ones and great people from other religions. It is to create a body of worship towards God.”

David William Limo Pajar (Anglican / Bishop of the Episcopal Church of El Salvador)

“The Bible begins with the Creator with the beauty of diversity and mankind as the administrator of it as it says in Gen 1:31. God saw all that He created and said that it was good.”

De Hong (Buddhism / Founder of The Engaged Buddhist Alliance)

“The end of the Buddhist scripture is dealt with the passing of the Buddha and him entering the Nirvana. In summary he said to work on your own salvation. He said all the physical things in the world are not permanent but that they are always changing.”

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

Hum Dac Bui (Cao Dai / Head of Internal Affairs of Cao Dai International)

“Cao Dai is about the oneness of religion. In the 1920s, God revealed the teachings of Cao Dai soon after World War I but unfortunately Vietnam fell into communism so the scriptures were not able to be received from God. But we can receive a “word-less” scripture from God which is love. Love will make us happy and bring us closer to God. That is when we can receive the scripture of God within our hearts. We just need to love each other to have the key to God.”

Susanna Furios (Scientology / Director of Public Relations of the Church of Scientology of Los Angeles)

“Scientology is the study of knowledge and it is further defined as the study of the relationship to one's self and other life. This religion was founded by Ron Hubbard in 1911. Scientology is a study of life and how you apply it so there is no beginning or end.”

Falokun Fasegun (Ifa / Priest of Ile Orunmila Afedefeyo)

“In our religion, we have 256 odus or scriptures so it's hard to explain such deepness within Ifa. There are 1680 verses in each scripture. We believe that the scriptures have a feminine energy so it gives birth to everyone we believe in everyone's lives. There is a principle called “Alashee Wada” which is the spirit that brings unity and peace. One of the symbols in Ifa is the circle so there is no end in Ifa.”

Ray Moten (Christianity / Pastor of Joseph of Jacob United Church of God in Christ)

“In the beginning, it says that God created light and that's where Christianity begins. But when it comes to the end it says that there will be a creation of a new heaven and new earth, the home of righteousness, where peace will be achieved there long after.”

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

Juan Carlos Urquhart de Barros (Anglican / Archbishop of the Old Episcopal Church)

“The Bible ends with Revelation. But throughout the Bible we can see that God is love. The prophets who wrote the Bible can be seen as like antennas where they capture the heart and will of God. We also can say that each writer who wrote the Bible did it in such a way as a poet. In Revelation primarily, it is full of symbols and images that are difficult to be able to translate. So we need to understand what it is that God is trying to tell us. Revelation is centered around Christ who resurrected. Revelation is a battle between the church of God and the demons.”

Question: What is the common thread that connects all the messengers in your religious Scripture together?

Bhai Sahib Satpal Singh Khalsa (Sikhism / Ambassador of Sikh Dharma)

“The Sikh religion had 10 gurus. Guru means one who is a remover of darkness. It took 239 years from 1409 to 1608 for the compilation of the Guru Granth Sahib, which is the holy scripture of Sikhism. We consider him a living guru. We put the holy scripture to bed at night and in the morning we read it with the opening prayer. There were also 36 other leaders from different religions also included in the Guru Granth Sahib.”

Waqas Syed (Islam / Deputy Secretary General of the Islamic Circle of North America)

“The beginning of God is before the existence and creation of everything. This is the God of Muslims, Christians, all the other religions. We believe religion started with the creation of mankind. There were 240 prophets in history and the message has been the same, to worship the one true God. We believe the series of all the messengers conclude with the prophet Mohammad. The conclusion of creation is the day of judgment.”

2. Details of Event Result

2-1 Event Result

Muhammad Shaheed Aadam (Islam / Educator at SML Education)

“I had to do some research on this. In Gen 29:9, it was said that “then his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him” him being Abraham. I had to find out what connects Judaism, Islam, and Christianity together and that was Isaac and Ishmael. They came together to bury their father.”

Yukinori Yokoyama (Buddhism / Reverend of Long Beach Buddhist Church)

“There are all different types of Buddhist scriptures so I will only mention my tradition of Zen Buddhism. We have this idea that “God” is beyond our conceptualization of life. There are different teachings in Zen Buddhism that go past the concept of black and white and beyond our understanding.”

Hari Maru (Hinduism / Deacon of Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Chino Hills)

“Religion is the highest gift from God to mankind. Most important thing is that with creation we do not know when it was created. So when the Creator made the creation, this universe is one family. So we cannot understand God through intellectual ability or through logic. We have to first be peaceful to each other but not only just to humans but also to the animals. All creation is our friend.” / 

2. Details of Event Result

2-2 Participant Interviews

14th USA New York WARP Office

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I'm very impressed with today's event and I can only say that we need more of these kind of events. We need to support the initiative of HWPL in the interest in the mission of peace.

Mohammed Haidara

(The Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the United Nations / Senior Counsellor)

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This is a very good event for peace and for the harmony. Personally I really like this program, because the messages that people are delivering here is the present in me. We all should work together. I believe in work with HWPL we can promote peace and harmony in the world especially through interfaith dialogue. This gathering should be on a regular basis. Not something once in a year, but every two months, every three months. It should be often.

Mohammed Farrukh

(Pakistan Post / Reporter)

2nd Malaysia Kuching WARP Office

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Today was very good because we get to understand each other better and we are reminded of the importance of the peace movements that is actually promoting peace which the world needs very much right now. We need to practice and promote interfaith harmony because there is lots of misunderstandings among the faiths. If we understand each other better than everything will be better.

Law King Ing

(E-Outreach Organization / Honorary President)

2. Details of Event Result

2-2 Participant Interviews

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Mohammed Farrukh

(Pakistan Post / Reporter)

10th Australia Melbourne WARP Office

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It was a lovely event and I thoroughly enjoyed sharing the teachings of my own religion, Scientology. I believe these Interfaith Dialogues are important ways for us to break barriers and understand each other, ultimately fulfill peace.

Colin Butler

(Church of Scientology of Melbourne / Director of Special Affairs)

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Thank you for inviting us to this event. It was a pleasure for us to participate. HWPL is making a sincere effort towards global wellbeing amongst humans so it is only right that one at least participates. It is our dharma/duty to do so.

Dya Singh

(Sikh Youth Australia / Consultant)

2. Details of Event Result

2-2 Participant Interviews

17th USA Fullerton WARP Office

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I've attended previous WARP Offices before but it seemed like all the leaders are now getting comfortable in meeting and wanting to come. The way I get to engage with other religious leaders at the WARP Offices is different than when I meet with other leaders outside in other places.

Yukinori Yokoyama

(Reverend of Long Beach Buddhist Church / President)

“

It was an excellent, wonderful, and well organized program tonight by HWPL. The young people are the key. It was a miracle seeing so many young people tonight wanting to work for peace. I would like to continue working with HWPL.

Mohammed Zafarullah

(Baitul Hameed Mosque / Imam)

“

My experience with HWPL was incredible. Seeing all these different religious leaders come together to have dialogue was amazing to see. I would absolutely love to continue working with HWPL.

Susanna Furios

(Church of Scientology of Los Angeles / Director of Public Relations)

“

This is my first time being here but I felt a very good feeling being here. I like the goal of HWPL. It's not often you see organizations like HWPL that try to unite people because other people and places try to divide. My hope is that young people will have a proper understanding about religion and that is when peace can be achieved.

Hari Maru

(Deacon of Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Chino Hills / President)

2. Details of Event Result

2-2 Participant Interviews

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This time I really started thinking about the young people. It really made me think about all the damage religion does when we don't understand each other.

Falokun Fasegun

(Ile Orunmila Afedefeyo / Priest)

“

It was excellent today. HWPL is doing such a wonderful thing working to bring peace. I enjoyed when Instructor Ted said God is one and how the heavens provide the light, air, and rain. It was an excellent speech. I would like to do anything I can help HWPL in the future.

Sukhi Dillon

(Lady President of the Sikh Center of Orange County / President)

2. Details of Event Result

2-3 Special Programs

Introduction of Campaign

The BIG SMILE CAMPAIGN started as a Peace Campaign for the World Interfaith Harmony Week. The aim is to spread peace around the world by bringing out more smiles from the religious leaders, like how the sun gives light, to everyone.

How to Participate

After each WARP Office meeting, all participants will gather and put their arms around each other's shoulders with a big smile to take a group photo for commemoration of the harmony. All participants of the WARP Offices, as well as the religious leaders around the world and the global family can participate.

Expectations

The expectations of this campaign is to improve the impressions of people of faiths, and for religions to become one through the cessation of conflicts and disputes.

2. Details of Event Result

2-3 Special Programs



A Project to Bring Out More Smiles from Religious Leaders
Participating in HWPL WARP Offices All over the World!

What is the Big Smile Campaign?

It is a campaign to spread the happy virus, sharing happiness and laughter with people across all faiths, our family of peace worldwide, starting from the smiles of the religious leaders who take an active part in HWPL WARP Office meetings.

How to Participate

After each WARP Office meeting, all participants will gather and put their arms around each other's shoulders to take a group photo. Lastly, put on a BIG SMILE !

“ The bigger and brighter smile you put on your face,
the more you will feel peace.
Always greet others with a smile that
embraces differences.
Peace begins with that smile. ”

The photo that has the “Best Smile” will be selected and will be prominently displayed on the HWPL Newsletter and the HWPL WARP Office Journal.



3

Promoting WIHW

3-1 Press Release

3-2 WIHW Promotional Banner

3. Promoting WIHW

3-1 Press Release

Total of 25 releases in 11 countries

eterai.com :

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Blast times :

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portal.lviv.ua :

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3-1 Press Release

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South Asian Insider :

<http://thesouthasian.info/12febpdf/12feb.pdf>

Pakistan Post :

www.pakistanpost.net/issues/issue-1194/pages/p7.htm

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3-1 Press Release

New Sarawak Tribune :

<http://www.newsarawaktribune.com/news/54051/Kuching-holds-second-peace-conference/#.Vr1CIUPM-bc.facebook>

Monday 07 Mar 2016

New Sarawak Tribune

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Kuching holds second peace conference

By : NewsDesk
Date Posted : Thursday 11-Feb-2016

KUCHING: A peace conference was held at the Islamic Information Centre here in honour of the World Interfaith Harmony Week hosted by the United Nations.

The event, themed Soaring up to the World with Two Wings of Kuching, was hosted by Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) and was the second conference held in Kuching after the first on 23 January.

The United Nations declared the first week of February as World Interfaith Harmony Week in 2010 through a unanimous vote during the General Assembly, and this week is dedicated to creating harmonious relationships between religions through understanding and cooperation.

The Kuching peace conference was not only a time for religion, but a place for women and youths to gather for peace and harmony.

During the first half, leaders from four religions gathered to find and compare answers to the given topic in each scripture, and during the second half, the women and the youths discussed the importance of their roles in achieving peace.

The topic of the comparison of scriptures meeting of the first half was Purpose of Creation.

After the meeting, Law King Ing, the representative of Buddhism, said, We need the interfaith dialogue very much because there are so many misunderstandings among faiths.

"In Buddhism, we stress tolerance. If you understand, then you can better tolerate and accept anything which is a better way to achieve peace.

During the second half, the women and the youths, who are amongst the biggest victims of war, gathered to discuss their roles within the achievement of world peace.

Norjanah Razali, a women representative, said, We need to ensure that women have opportunities to play their full role in peace and security. Wherever there is conflict, such as Mali, Syria, the Middle East, women must be a part of the solution.

Meanwhile, Alexandra Utan Alam, a youth representative, said, One individual may be weak, but the power of many people is strong.

"Let's work for peace since youths are also working for it. Youths are tomorrow's decision-makers."

The Mayor of Kuching North City Commission (DBKU), Datuk Haji Abang Abdul Wahab Abang Julai, who oversaw the event, said, "What has been said by the women and the youths, the ability of women and youths in trying to inspire peace, is true.

"We can achieve peace by getting women and youths altogether to participate in this movement, then perhaps we could win the battle and inspire peace living citizens.

The peace conference closed with a peace song sung by every participant while holding hands.

The chairman of HWPL, Man Hee Lee, who hosted the peace conference, and the World Peace Delegation, have been to 24 World Peace Tours to achieve peace and their latest stop was the Philippines.

As a result, all of Philippines are being overcome by peace through events such as the erection of the second HWPL Monument of Peace in Mindanao, Cotabato City State Polytechnic College's establishment as the first HWPL Peace Academy in the Philippines, and the creation of HWPL Peace Hall at the Museo Dabawenyo to exhibit the peace works of HWPL.

HWPL plans to continue peace activities in Malaysia, not only in Kuching, but also in the cities of Penang, Kuala Lumpur and Johor Bahru.

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Bahrain's religious figures discuss 'end of the world'

07-Feb-2016



Religious figures representing various communities and religions of Bahrain came together yesterday to discuss the "end of times" as taught in various scriptures.

They discussed how the religions perceived the concept of "end of times." The conference was jointly organised by Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) and Bahrain Association for Religious Coexistence and Tolerance on Bahrain Association for Religious Coexistence and Tolerance premises in Ras Rumman.

"The first week of February was unanimously adopted as World Interfaith Harmony Week by the UN on October 20, 2010. In this week, all groups from different faiths participate in worldwide peace event, which is held from every corner of world to enhance mutual understanding, harmony and cooperation," HWPL said in a statement yesterday.

"In Bahrain, religious leaders participated in WARP Office at Bahrain Association for Religious Coexistence & Tolerance office. They had a time to discuss and share their perspectives under the topic of "The end of the age" based on their religious scripture to find an answer for peace in religion," the statement added.

"The Jewish religion does not necessarily give any specific time for the end of the world. However, there are references to the end of times in the Jewish scriptures," said Ebrahim Nonoo, who represented Bahrain's Jewish community at the conference.

"Everyone should understand each other's religion in order to bring harmony," he said, adding, "It is written in the Jewish scriptures that there will come a time when everyone will be united to follow the God in one religion."

"The religions have the same motives, such as to bring people together. It is when people do not understand their religion, that they begin to fight," opined Chairman of Bahrain Association for Religious Coexistence and Tolerance Yousif Buzaboon.

Rev Dr. T.T. Zachariah talked about Christianity's teachings about the end of times. "Bible talks about the end of age in many passages in the old testament and new testament. In the Bible, Jesus spoke about his second coming and the end of the age. In Mark 13:24-27, it says there will be great suffering before the end of age," he said. "Only father knows about the time of second coming of Jesus. So we must be ready at all times," he added.

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3-1 Press Release

Gulf Daily News



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3-1 Press Release

Bahrain News Agency :

<http://www.bna.bh/portal/en/news/710026>

Bahrain hosts World Interfaith Harmony Week 6

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Manama, Feb. 8 (BNA): Bahrain Society for Religious Coexistence & Tolerance (Ta'ayush) has hosted the World Interfaith Harmony Week.

Religious leaders of Hinduism, Judaism, Orthodox and Sikhism participated in WARP Office. They had a time to discuss and share their perspectives under the topic of "The end of the age" based on their religious scripture to find an answer for peace in religion. After all programmes, the all religious leaders decided to become one in advance any other people for achieving peace.

The first week of February was unanimously adopted by the UN on October 20, 2010 as a World Interfaith Harmony Week, in which all groups from different faiths participate in worldwide peace event in every corner of world to enhance mutual understanding, harmony and cooperation.

Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) holds peace dialogue of World Alliance of Religions' Peace ('WARP') Office concurrently in 12 countries such as Asia, Africa, America, Europe, the Middle East and Oceania.

HWPL's WARP Offices were already held 28 times at 7 offices in 6 countries including U.A.E., Iraq and Lebanon in the Middle East which is known as an explosive warehouse of the world, crying for peace more loudly. Now, HWPL WARP office which is holding over 120 offices in 62 countries is one of the core peace activities with the Implementation of International Convention for the cessation of wars and becomes a way to bridge the religions in all areas of the globe.

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<Source: Bahrain News Agency>

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HWPL: World Interfaith meetings held in Bahrain and Jordan for peace, coexistence, harmony

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Peace and Harmony observed at WARP Office in UN Interfaith Harmony Week

World Interfaith meetings held in Bahrain and Jordan for peace, coexistence, harmony

Manama, Bahrain/ Amman, Jordan - The first week of February was unanimously adopted as a

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3-1 Press Release

Muscat Daily :

[http://www.muscatdaily.com/Archive/World/HWPL-holds-events-in-Jordan-Bahrain-seeking-peace-4lks/\(language\)/eng-GB](http://www.muscatdaily.com/Archive/World/HWPL-holds-events-in-Jordan-Bahrain-seeking-peace-4lks/(language)/eng-GB)

HWPL HOLDS EVENTS IN JORDAN, BAHRAIN SEEKING PEACE



February 09, 2016

MANAMA - The Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) has organised several events across the world to mark the World Interfaith Harmony Week ending on Sunday.

According to a press statement, interfaith discourses were held simultaneously in Jordan and Bahrain, where various religious leaders compared each other's scriptures for promotion of peace in the region.

'In Jordan, Catholic and Islamic religious leaders tried to find a way for keeping prophecies written in each scripture in order to leave peace as an inheritance for future generations. It was notable that all religious leaders signed peace agreement for cessation of war and world peace showing their role of each religion in establishing world peace,' it said.

In Bahrain, the religious leaders of Hinduism, Judaism, Orthodox and Sikhism shared their 'perspectives to find an answer for peace in religion'.

The United Nations in 2010 adopted the first week of February as World Interfaith Harmony Week. HWPL holds peace dialogue of World Alliance of Religions' Peace (WARP) Office concurrently in 12 countries, including some in the Middle East and Oceania.

<Source: Muscat Daily>

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3-1 Press Release

MITV :

<http://www.myanmaritv.com/news/harmony-peace-world-interfaith-harmony-week>

The screenshot shows the MITV News website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for LOGIN, SUBSCRIBE, PRIVACY, CONTACT, and a SEARCH box. Below this is the MITV NEWS logo and a 'LOCAL' banner. A timestamp indicates 'Mysanar Time 9:14PM, March 07 2016'. A secondary navigation bar includes HOME, ABOUT US, MI LIVE, NEWS, PROGRAMS, IMIN-RECIPE, TV SCHEDULE, and GALLERY. The main headline is 'Harmony For Peace: World Interfaith Harmony Week', dated '2:59 PM MMT, Sun February 7, 2016'. A large photograph shows a group of people seated in a hall for a 'Dialogue of Scriptures' event. The article text describes the event's purpose, its designation by the UN, and quotes from religious leaders. A sidebar on the right contains a 'NEWS ARCHIVE' section with dropdown menus for 'Month' (set to 1) and 'Year' (set to 2016), and a 'Search' button. Below that is a 'LATEST NEWS' section with several news items, each with a small thumbnail image and a truncated title.

World Interfaith Harmony Week was celebrated in Yangon, aiming to have more understanding and peace between different religions and to build trust among each other regardless of their faiths.

The United Nations has designated to celebrate this kind of annual event since the first week of February 2011.

Members of Interfaith groups exchanged views on teaching of the scriptures of different religions. They hope to build more trust and peace through this kind of event.

Venerable, Sitsgu Int'l Buddhist Academy, Dr. Ashin Thihanyans Linkers Biwunsa: All religious scriptures instruct to the good points and peace as well as to have mutual understanding and respect each other. Interfaith dialogues will solve religious conflicts and have peaceful coexistence among the different groups.

Thanlyin-Methodist Church, Rev. Lu Aye: In Myanmar, there are different religions and all scriptures are based on passionate, forgiveness and peacefulness. The religious scriptures teach how to build peace and all need to follow their religious rules.

One of the group leaders pointed out that mutual understanding is one the important facts to achieve the culture of peace.

Vice Chairman (Islam), Interfaith Dialogue Group, Nyunt Msung Shein: At present, many

<Source: MITV>

3. Promoting WIHW

3-2 WIHW Promotional Banner





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Achievements and Future Directions

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01. Status of WARP Offices held during the WIHW Event

(11 countries, 12 offices)

Africa: Rwanda

The Americas: United States

Asia: China, India, Jordan, Lebanon, Myanmar, Malaysia

Europe: Sweden, Ukraine

Oceania: Australia



4. Achievements and Future Directions

02. Total Status of HWPL WARP Offices

(70 countries, 138 offices)

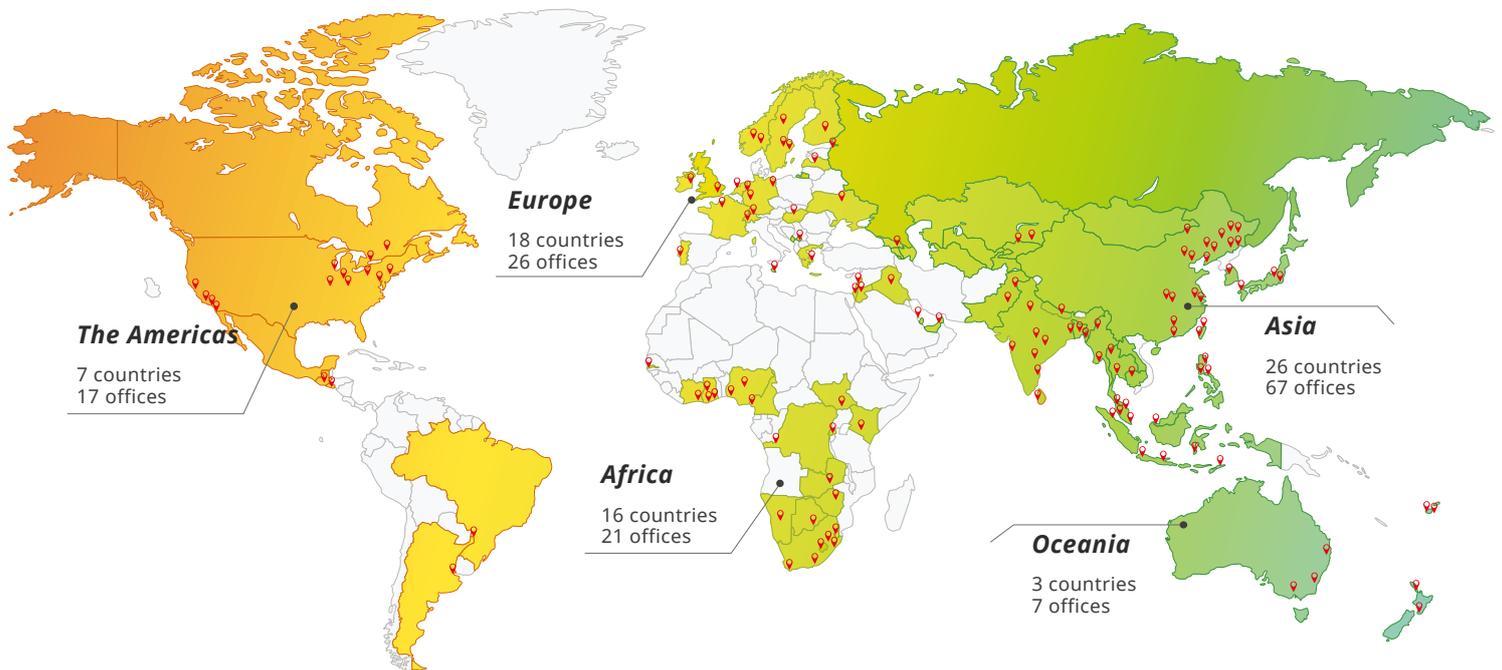
Africa: 16 countries, 21 offices

The Americas: 7 countries, 17 offices

Asia: 26 countries, 67 offices

Europe: 18 countries, 26 offices

Oceania: 3 countries, 7 offices



(as of March 3, 2016)

4. Achievements and Future Directions

03. Future Directions

Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light aims to achieve peace by establishing the HWPL WARP Offices in every country this year, thus bringing forth understanding and harmony between all the participating religious leaders and people of faith from diverse religions through the Dialogue of Scriptures.

Participating the HWPL WARP Offices in each region to celebrate the World Interfaith Harmony Week has become a focal point in the work of peace. The HWPL WARP Office Dialogue of Scriptures, a meeting aimed at returning to the basic teachings of religion through religious scripture comparison, is a revolutionary interfaith peace activity to achieve the underlying mutual understanding and harmony between all religions.

Through participating in the World Interfaith Harmony Week Event, it was a time to demonstrate to the local communities of the positive outcomes of the Dialogue of Scriptures in bringing harmony between religions. It was also a time for all religious leaders who participated in the event to once again think about their influence and role within the religious communities.

HWPL is confident in its endeavor to achieve peace and harmony between religions through the future establishments of the WARP Offices around the world, just as the aim of the United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week.