Religions for Peace
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Message from the Team

We have had a great first quarter for 2025 at Religions for Peace UK, focussing on collaboration both within our network and beyond. Whether in conversations on gender justice, interfaith engagement or shared action for peace and sustainability, the power of working together has been at the heart of our recent activities.

We're excited to continue building on this momentum, especially through initiatives like our PeaceBuilders Network, which aims to raise visibility and awareness of like-minded individuals and organisations to help make our collective work more impactful. The network makes it easier to connect by field of work, region, and expertise, creating opportunities for deeper collaboration.

As we step forward, we're especially excited about new initiatives, and we hope we can count on our community to continue supporting and engaging with our work.

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Upcoming Events



The Impact of AI: An Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

9 April 7PM BST

We're excited to launch *AI & Society: Understanding the Impact*—a five-part webinar series by Religions for Peace UK. This series explores how AI affects everything from daily life to global security, aiming to equip individuals with the tools to engage with it responsibly.

The first session, *Artificial Intelligence (AI): An Introduction*, offers a clear, accessible overview of AI, its history, and its future.

Register HERE

Understanding the Multi-religious World Through Art

23 April 7PM BST

Join us in this practical session, led by art therapist Rosa Lin, will explore how creative expression can help children understand their own spirituality and develop respect for others' faiths.This session is perfect for parents, carers, educators, and anyone interested in child development.



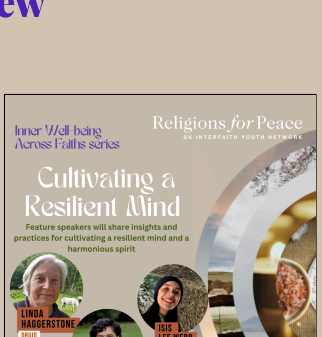
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Q1 Review

Inner Wellbeing: Cultivating a resilient mind

On 29 January, RfPUK hosted the "Inner Well-being Across Faiths: Cultivating A Resilient Mind" webinar, featuring speakers from Druid, Humanist, Baha'i backgrounds. The discussion explored mindfulness, meditation, and inner peace across different belief systems, offering valuable insights on building resilience.



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Integration trip for refugee & asylum-seeker guests

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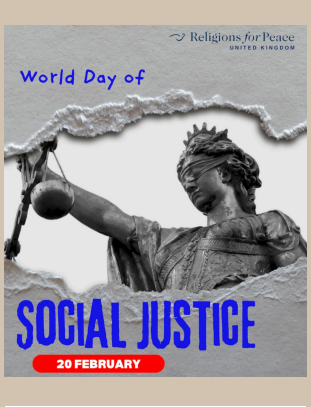
On 25 January, the UK Interfaith Youth Network in partnership with Hillsong Church UK hosted a trip for refugees and asylum seekers guests from diverse backgrounds. We visited the Victoria and Albert Museum, engaging with religious artefacts and toured the Science Museum's Faith, Hope & Fear exhibit. The day fostered connections, understanding, and shared reflections, highlighting the importance of interfaith collaboration and building lasting bridges.

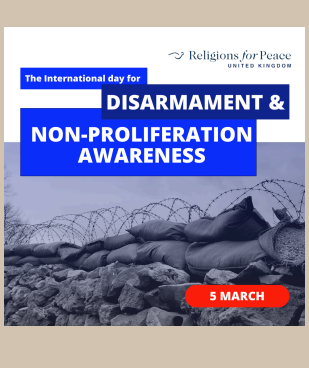
World Interfaith Harmony Week 2025: The Importance of Interfaith Collaboration

On 5 February, our online session featured Greshma Raju, Founder of EcoPeace Teen Café; Ralph Boer, Leader of Hillsong Church's London Refugee Response Team; and Alavari Jeevathol (AJ), National Coordinator of Young Humanists UK. The discussion focused on the importance of interfaith collaboration in addressing societal challenges. Speakers shared their experiences of breaking barriers and building bridges between faith and non-faith communities.



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Footsteps to Peace - Knowing who is working behind the scenes

We are excited to announce we have launched our new programme, Footsteps to Peace.

Throughout this project, we aimed to raise awareness and inspire action by recognising these pivotal moments in the calendar and showcasing the efforts of individuals and groups dedicated to creating a more peaceful world. Check out our past posts to learn more about these significant observances and the impact they have in advancing peace.

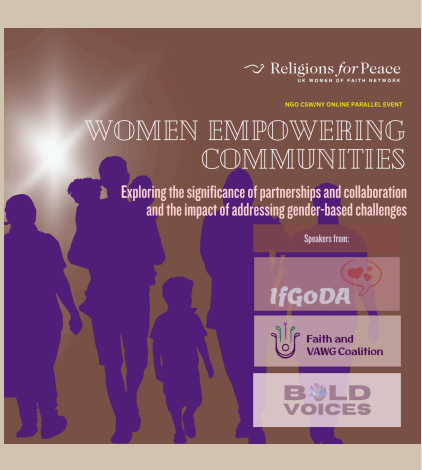
Read 20 February Post

Read 5 March Post

NGO CSW/NY Parallel Event 2025: Women Empowering Communities

On 12 March, our Women Empowering Communities webinar was held as part of the commemoration of the 35th Anniversary of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women held in Beijing.

Speakers from Bold Voices, the Faith and VAWG Coalition, and the Scottish Interfaith Group on Domestic Abuse emphasised the power of education, advocacy, and collaboration in creating real change. The event received over 50 participants worldwide, showing global commitment to addressing these crucial issues.



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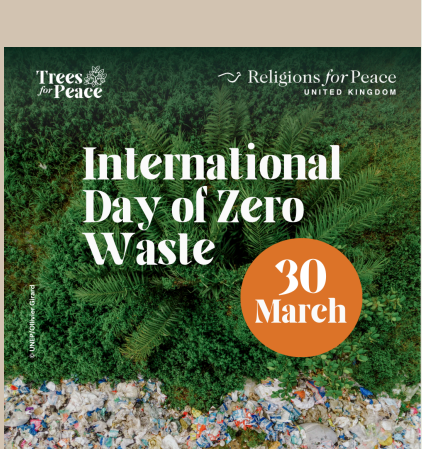
EcoAction: Community Efforts to Environmental Sustainability

Our latest EcoAction session on 26 March expanded its focus from individual and household actions to community-wide efforts. Our guest speakers - Jon Hutchinson (GroundWork), Annie Merry (Faiths4Change), and Carole Destre (community leader and sustainability officer) - shared valuable insights into incredible community projects and how they are run, covering aspects such as community involvement and collaboration. This inspirational session highlighted how these initiatives drive real change in local communities.

Trees for Peace Campaign Conclusion

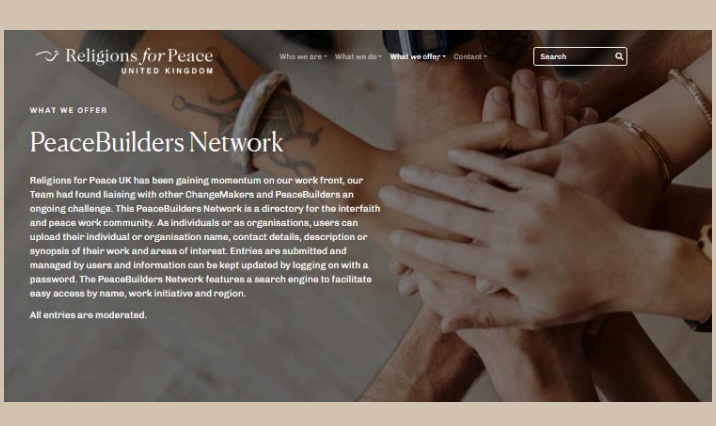
Our Tree for Peace campaign has reached its conclusion. In the past year we shared posts on social media focusing on key environmental observance days. Through these posts, we provided information, called for action, and highlighted the inspiring work done by organisations dedicated to environmental conservation and sustainability.

This campaign made donations to our Trees for Peace Grove managed by Trees for Life in Scotland, as well as contributing to their nursery. Let's continue the efforts to nurture and protect our planet for a more just and peaceful society.



Read our concluding post

Join our PeaceBuilders Network



Religions for Peace UK invites individuals and organisations involved in interfaith and peace work to join the PeaceBuilders Network. This directory connects ChangeMakers and PeaceBuilders, allowing users to share their work, interests, and contact details while accessing a searchable database of initiatives worldwide. Entries are user-managed and moderated to ensure accuracy and relevance.

Join the Network

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