

Global Day of Parents

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The Upper Austrian chapter of UPF organised an interreligious celebration commemorating the „Global Day of Parents“, a day initiated by the United Nations in 2012. After an introduction to the respective UN resolution, five religious leaders gave remarks on the importance of parenthood according to their Holy Scriptures and practice. The Family Federation youth band of Upper Austria enriched the program with their musical performance.



Mrs. Chutimon Harrucksteiner, an Ambassador for Peace from Thailand, gave the Buddhist perspective. Pastor Tsibu (originally from Ghana) of the International Bible Church in Linz and Mr. Johann Reiter, an active member of his catholic parish, gave insights into Christian views on parenthood. Mr. Lopo Saudin, the Imam of the Bosnian Mosque in Steyr, gave testimony to parenthood according to the Quran and the Prophet. Mr. Hans Ledermüller concluded the celebration by sharing the perspective of the Unification Movement, pointing out that Rev. Moon introduced the „Parents Day“ already in 1960.



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