

UPF Kathmandu, Nepal celebrates of World Interfaith Harmony Week 2021

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Kathmandu, Nepal -- In celebration of World Interfaith Harmony Week 2021 and the inaugural International Day of Human Fraternity, UPF-Nepal organized a forum on February 5, 2021 at the Nobel Academy in Kathmandu, Nepal. Around 85 people participated in the program.

Representing Hinduism was Prof. Swami Vinod Ananda, who spoke on the topic of peace starting from one's own self. He added that where there is peace, there is harmony.

Representing Christianity was Prof. K.B. Rokaya, who highlighted that World Interfaith Harmony Week contributes to the advancement of world peace. UPF focuses on three aspects: peace, interreligious harmony and the promotion of family values, which are needed the most in today's society. Prof. Rokaya also emphasized overcoming challenges in one's life and that one must prepare to die happily with no regrets.



Representing Islam was Mr. Moulana Abul Kalam Mia, who spoke on developing a good character.

Representing Buddhism was Ven. Bhante Piya Dassi, who said, "An education of peace is what builds an ideal world rather than an education of violence." He also stated that "Science without religion is lean and religion without science is blind."



The chairperson of the program, Mr. Surendra Shrestha, founder of the Nobel Academy expressed his gratitude to UPF.

Mr. Binod Dangi, secretary general of UPF-Nepal, recited the motto of World Interfaith Harmony Week: "Building bridges across boundaries." All the religious leaders expressed their solidarity for the International Day of Human Fraternity.

