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PRESS RELEASE

Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association UK Hosts Annual Peace Symposium

"Women as Ambassadors for Peace"

London, UK – 22 June 2025 – The Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association UK hosted its annual Peace Symposium today with the theme: "Women as Ambassadors for Peace." The event brought together women of all faiths, professions, and backgrounds to explore how spiritual values and moral leadership can help shape a more just and compassionate world.

The symposium was held on 22 June, in Britain's largest mosque, Baitul Futuh in South London and was attended by over 550 community leaders, faith representatives, journalists, and members of the public. The gathering serves as a platform to promote dialogue, mutual respect, and a shared understanding in the face of rising global tensions and societal divisions.



The event was held in Britain's largest mosque, Baitul Futuh in Morden

The event highlighted the work of grassroots charities supporting women, children, and the environment including the Guildford based halow project which supports young adults with learning disabilities and autism across Surrey and featured keynote addresses by women working on peacebuilding at the local, national, and global level.

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Marian Yun, of the United Nations World Food Programme, one of the speakers at the event, remarked, "By working with communities to improve opportunities for marginalised groups including women and girls, development aid can greatly help reduce conflict. When women have equal access as men to agricultural resources, it has been proven that they produce more, feed more, and they have the ability to lift communities out of hunger."

"We can all be ambassadors of peace and agents for change. In the world we live in today, empowering women and girls is not only a moral imperative, it is a smart investment in peace and global security."



Marian Yun, WFP



Anna Lubelska, Peaceful Schools Movement



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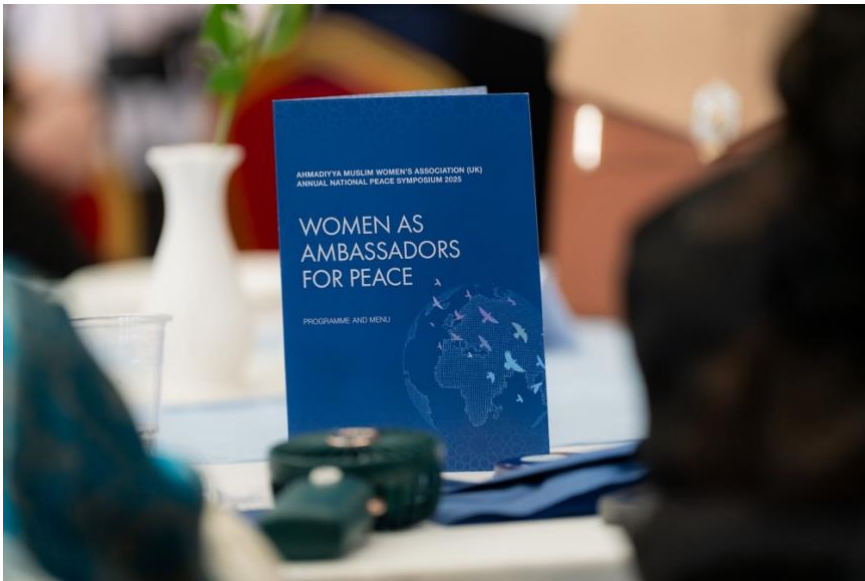
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National President of Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association UK, Qurratul-Ain Rehman, said, "This event is an opportunity for us to welcome our friends, colleagues, neighbours to our mosque and to share everything the Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association does."

Anna Lubelska, founder of the Peaceful Schools Movement, stated, "We all have the capacity to love, and the capacity to de-escalate conflict. Women can be strong voices for peace...[and] peacebuilders in our communities."



The event was attended by women of all faiths and backgrounds



The theme of this year's symposium was the role of women in peacebuilding

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The event also featured an exhibition on women in Islam, highlighting the often-overlooked contributions of Muslim women to peacebuilding throughout history.



The gathering was a platform for women to come together in the face of rising global tensions

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About the Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association UK

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Women's Association UK is a national Muslim Women's group established in 1922 with more than 14,000 members across Britain. It is an auxiliary organisation of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community UK which was established in Britain in 1913.

The Community has approximately 33,000 members across more than 100 chapters. The Community built the Fazl Mosque in Southfields London in 1924 which was the first Mosque in London and also the Baitul Futuh Mosque in South London, the largest Mosque in the UK.

The Community was founded in 1889 by Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (peace be upon him) who claimed to be the Promised Messiah and Mahdi awaited by all major religions, including the Jews, Christians and Muslims. The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is now established in more than 200 countries with tens of millions of members worldwide. Its motto is "Love for All, Hatred for None".

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is the largest organised Muslim Community in the world and is led by a system of spiritual successorship known as Khilafat. Its current Khalifa is the fifth successor to the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him); his name is His Holiness, Mirza Masroor Ahmad. His title is Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih V.

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