



# PURE LAND LEARNING COLLEGE ASSOCIATION INC.

MULTI-FAITH MULTICULTURAL CENTRE

EVERYONE MATTERS - TOOWOOMBA, A MODEL CITY OF PEACE & HARMONY



## Youth Engagement: Exploring and Experiencing Multifaith Hospitality

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On 2 August, high school students and teachers from various schools in Toowoomba spent the day learning about and exploring the various faith traditions, and experiencing hospitality from three places of worship. For many of these students, it was their first time entering the place of worship, and it was a good experience to learn about the diversity of faiths and cultures, and their beliefs. In their own words, they "learnt about different cultures and religions, and how they are all very similar".



- Students listened to youth speakers presenting on their perspective on Christianity (left) and learning about the Labyrinth meditation at St. Luke's Church -



- Visiting the Multifaith Gallery (left) and doing the Thoughts Experiments at Pure Land Learning College Association -



- Trying out the Muslim dress (left) and group photo at the Garden City Mosque -

## All for Peace - Toowoomba Standing Together



**Universal prayer for peace** People from across our faith and community groups gathered together on 21 September to celebrate International Peace Day amidst the beautiful flowers of St Luke's Church during Carnival Week. After an acknowledgement of country, we watched a short video report on the real difference this day makes to people's lives and the transformation of violence across the world (see more at [www.peaceday.org](http://www.peaceday.org) and <http://internationaldayofpeace.org>). We also lit candles together for peace intentions

- A 'big sing' led by Women in Harmony after the candle lighting and shared prayer for peace -



and shared in the universal prayer for peace. The prayer was written by Satish Kumar out of the Hindu tradition and first used by Mother Teresa in an Anglican church in London. It is now said daily at noon by people across the world to make a great wave of prayer from all kinds of faith traditions. Why not try this yourself either as a simple shared affirmation for peace or as part of your own prayer tradition?

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