



Dear Friends of the House of One,

The month of June has brought us both, the Christian Pentecost and the Muslim feast of Ramadan in one month. In our House of One pavilion in Wittenberg we celebrated both feasts, together with visitors of the 'Weltausstellung Reformation'!

This newsletter will be the last before we take a short summer break. We will be back in September to provide you with all the news on the House of One.

Meanwhile we would be happy to see you at one of our events and hope you have a wonderful summer!

## Review

### **Pentecostal service at the House of One pavilion in Wittenberg**

With the sound of trombones and trumpets we celebrated a Christian Pentecostal service followed by a picnic at the House of One pavilion in Wittenberg on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

Pastor Hans-Jörg Heinze (ev. Kirchenkreis Wittenberg) held a sermon on the 'House of Europe' and the importance of standing up for common values and common goals – no matter where you are from or what you believe in.

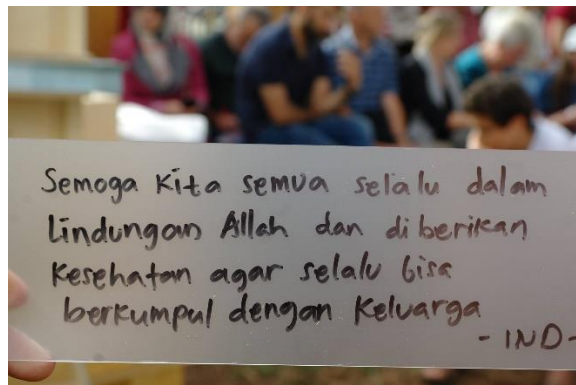
During the service the visitors wrote their wishes for peace, tolerance and freedom down, which were then hung up in the 'clouds'. At night these wishes illuminate the streets of Wittenberg.



## Wish clouds and Sugar Feast at the House of One pavilion in Wittenberg

Together with refugees, we celebrated the end of the Muslim fasting month Ramadan with a 'Sugar Feast' at our pavilion in Wittenberg on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Following an introduction to the Muslim 'Eid al-Fitr' (festival of breaking of the fast) and a talk with the refugees about their countries, Ramadan and fasting, the participants had the opportunity to write down their wishes for the 'wish clouds' at the 'Religion and Ecumenism' gate of the 'Weltausstellung Reformation'. After that, we celebrated together with music, food and a kids' program.



## Church service accompanying the Berlin Run4Peace

As in recent years, the House of One clerics – Pastor Gregor Hohberg, Rabbi Dr. Andreas Nachama and Imam Osman Örs – celebrated a multi-religious service before the run. Bishop Dr. Markus Dröge held the sermon.

Some 4,500 runners started at the 12<sup>th</sup> Berlin Run4Peace organized by the 'Schulstiftung der EKBO'. With the help of sponsors each runner donated a fixed amount for every finished round. The money thus collected goes to projects supporting civil conflict transformation.



Watch a video of the service here:

<https://www.facebook.com/HouseOfOneBerlin/videos/1315086551944097/>



### Inter-religious prayer at the IGA 2017

The House of One clerics visited the IGA Berlin 2017 on June 20th. At the pavilion 'Dialog der Kulturen' (dialogue between cultures) they celebrated a common midday prayer.



### Upcoming events

Until September 10<sup>th</sup> you can visit our House of one pavilion at gate 6 of the 'Weltausstellung Reformation' in Wittenberg. From July 5<sup>th</sup> to July 10<sup>th</sup> the exhibition's focus lies on the topic 'Inter-religious dialogue'. In this context we will be celebrating a

**Kabbalat Shabbat ceremony at the House of One pavilion, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 8.30 p.m.**

To get in the mood for the Shabbat we will be having another wish cloud event. After a welcoming address of Rabbi Alexander Grodensky and House of One Imam Kadir Sanci, Rabbi Alexander Grodensky and cantor Svetlana Kundish will hold the common service.

With the subsequent Kiddush we are celebrating the beginning of the Shabbat. For the lighting of the candles, we are expecting special ambassador for the Reformation anniversary in 2017, Margot Käßmann, as well as Rabbi Prof. Dr. Walter Homolka. We will also be hearing a reading from the Koran.

### **Last but not least:**

Greetings from the House of One garden at the Petriplatz: The raspberries are ripe as can be and our mint plants are flourishing. Time to begin the harvest!



**With kind regards**  
**Your Team House of One**