## Winter phase of the Peace Road project in Russia, Ryazan

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It is again the January 19<sup>th</sup> on the calendar - the holiday of the Baptism of the Jesus Christ in Russia. This means that the winter phase of the international Peace Road project begins in Ryazan. Like last year, we took over the baton from St. Petersburg, where the project was a couple of days earlier.





By tradition, a group of activists from the Universal Peace Federation bathed in the Epiphany ice hole, and then a creative meeting was organized. The name of the meeting was the line from Igor Mazinin's poem "Let's be friends with each other". On this day, all participants were able to express themselves in different ways: poems, songs, dances, performed by the participants, created a wonderful heartictic atmosphere.

The next day, on January 20, we organized a path of the Peace Road on Ski. Children and adults on tubing and skiing had a great time in nature. After that, they had a delicious tea and pleasant chat in a cozy cafe.

I am glad that every year more and more new participants join us on Peace Road, they come not only from different parts of Ryazan, but also come from other cities. Every year there is someone who throws himself a challenge for the first time: first time swimming in the Epiphany ice hole, first skiing ... Our project brings people together, they become more opened people; there is more joy and light in their lives.



