

UPF - Office Opening and 60 year anniversary of the Unification Movement

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We had a dedication ceremony for our newly renovated UPF - Office in Hamburg. At the same time we celebrated the 60th anniversary of the Unification Movement. In total, more than 70 people attended our event, including Ambassadors for Peace and many Africans from the evangelical church „Chapel of Prayer“, of which we have rented the rooms. There were other religious communities represented such as the Hindu community, from the Protestant Church and the Scientology - movement, Lutherans and Buddhist were present. In the beginning sausages and steaks from our grill master Siegfried Pries were served. Siegfried had built a tent roof on the lawn, to be prepared for any weather. Children and young people were on the playground and sports court to play frisbee and football, as a preparation for the upcoming Pentecost Festival in Bad Camberg .

Our musical program began with songs by Merta Reinhold and then followed by some musical songs of Analena , a young artist , accompanied by Ilona

Raasch on the violin. Extremely instructive was the presentation by Dr. Dieter Schmidt, who described the oriental personality patterns (wood, fire, metal, water) from the perspective of Chinese Medicine. Based on the Asian Yin / Yang - principle, it is a basic method for self-assessment and guidance in understanding of our fellow human beings.

To illustrate the characteristics that are associated with the elements, Dieter and Azucena were playing „doctor and patient " what also gave the lecture a high entertainment value.

With a „Happy Birthday" and the traditional cutting of the birthday cake, all participants celebrated the 60th anniversary of the Unification Movement, which was founded in 1954 after the stop of the devastating Korean War. At this time a happy mood was set up and there was plenty of drinks, cakes, fruit and salads to really provide for each guest.

Finally we saw African gospel music with Josiah Johnson and Lilian Kunu in which all could sing along and so the event came a round conclusion.