

WFPW Kenya celebrates International Day of the African Child 2016 in Nairobi

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The WFPW Kenya organized and commemorated the Day of the African Child which is an International Day which takes place every year on June 16th. The Day of the African Child has been celebrated every year since 1991, when it was first initiated by the Organization of African Unity. It honors those who participated in the Soweto Uprising in South Africa in 1976. In Soweto, South Africa, on June 16, 1976, about ten thousand black school children marched in a column more than half a mile long, protesting the poor quality of their education and demanding their right to be taught in their own language. Hundreds of young students were shot, the most famous of which being Hector Peterson. More than a hundred people were killed in the protests of the following two weeks, and more than a thousand were injured. This day also raises awareness of the continuing need for improvement of the education provided to African children. The theme for our event this year was "Conflict and Crisis in Africa: Protecting all children's Rights"

To mark this day, on the 16th of June 2016 WFPW Kenya organized a program at the Sandota Education center in Ruai Nairobi which is a school in the slum areas of Nairobi. The children of the school children received gifts like books, Toys and dolls which are donations gotten through WFPW Russia Chapter and also food donations from WFPW Kenya.

The WFPW Kenya Chairperson Mrs Susan Kone gave a speech on the Mission and Vision of WFPW its Founders Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon and also presented copies of True Father's Autobiography to the director of the School Mrs. Odhiambo and the teachers. They were all so happy and they thanked WFPW for the kind donations and for making the day a happy and memorable for all of them and especially the Children who were all smiles after the occasion. They were also grateful to be chosen as the venue to commemorate the special Day.