

WFWP Stuttgart, Germany's Community and WFWP Committee Meeting

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Seven committee members from various cities joined the Stuttgart, Germany congregation for a worship service on Sunday, 6th October.

Christian Hausmann delivered a short, inspiring talk entitled; "Is God Masculine or Feminine?" One important statement made was that God is the unity of masculine and feminine characteristics and that when a man and woman display these characteristics, God is reflected in their unity. Following this talk, the sixty or so members of the audience met in smaller groups and exchanged ideas about some points which had been raised in the sermon.

After a tasty lunch prepared by the hosts, Magda Haugen, head of WFWP Germany, led an informal meeting open to all which drew an attendance of about 18 women. Magda opened the meeting with a report about the 24th conference for peace in the Middle East, held from 30 Sept to 2 Oct in Berlin. It was of great interest to hear about the investments made for peace by all the different participants. We were especially moved by Magda's experiences with Dr. Sun Jin Moon, Senior Vice President of WFWP International, who had really invested herself in the conference and who approached all the participants and spoke deeply from her heart to the members after the conference. Dr. Moon had listened to their stories and shared her own difficult experiences.

Following this report, each of those in attendance had the opportunity to introduce herself and to make a comment about what was important in her life.

The final program point concerned important topics and considerations for the Women's Federation in the weeks leading up to Foundation Day 2020. One wish is for our organisation to stage an important public project and to connect with other women's organisations. It is especially important to engage WFWP's younger women members. We also considered who we can invite to participate in the upcoming CSW64 meeting 2020 in New York.

In closing, a very warm thanks goes to Magda, who prepared this meeting, and to all the participating women.

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