# Let the peace grow



The project "Let the peace grow" was a cooperation by the youth centre "Jugendzentrum Gewölbe", the Catholic Youth of the region and the Muslim Youth of the county.

On 29th May 2015 at the "Long Night of the Churches" people who passed by at the town square were invited to write their thoughts, wishes and hopes on little paper leaves and to put them on a self-made "peace tree" made of old wood pieces.

The word "peace" was written in different languages and put visible around the tree. A lot of people stopped to hang a leaf on the tree. In the end of the evening, we closed with an interreligious peace prayer.



The second part of the project was the planting of a "real" peace tree on the 12th June 2015 in the "Schlosspark" in Steyr. The wishes and hopes were put in the soil so that it could nurture the tree.

On a board we wrote, that we experience the religious and cultural diversity in Austria as enrichment and that this tree is a sign for tolerance and a respectful living together. A lot of different organisations and the vice mayor were also there.

The tree is still in the park and we use it to go there to meditate or pray for peace.

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