

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

20th September 2010

The [United Nations' International Day of Peace](#), or “Peace Day” was established by U.N. resolution in 1982. Every year, on 21st September, “individuals, communities, nations and governments highlight efforts to end conflict and promote peace” through numerous events, large or small, around the world.

This year's theme is “[Youth, Peace and Development](#)” and will link closely with the [Millennium Development Goals](#) Summit held at UN headquarters between 20th and 22nd September and with the 2010 [International Year of Youth](#). In addition, the organisation [Stand Against Poverty](#) will support the [International Day of Peace](#) with the [Stand Up Campaign](#) between 17th and 19th September, which over 100 million people attended last year.

The UN aim to provide an opportunity for all, whether at the individual, organisational, local or national level, to engage in [practical acts of peace](#) on the 21st September, as a way to commit to worldwide peace and encourage cooperation in achieving it. Millions of people are reported to participate in events ranging from lighting a candle or meditating to public forum and concerts, while being encouraged to make peace in their own relationships.

For more information about the [Millennium Development Goals](#), development and poverty issues around the world, you may visit the following pages:

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