



The 2nd International Christian Peace Academy (ICPA)

Today's international community continues to search for a genuine path to peace amid unseen walls of division. Throughout history, Christianity has served as a strong foundation for the values of love and reconciliation. At the same time, the contemporary Christian world faces various internal and external challenges. Although Christians share one common Scripture, differences in interpretation shaped by context and tradition have at times made communication more cautious and complex. These differing perspectives can make it difficult to present a united voice and invite deeper reflection on the role of religion in contributing to healing within society.

What is needed today is not the assertion of one's own position, but a willingness to listen carefully—within the framework of Scripture—to the foundations that others hold as meaningful in their faith. Exploring why certain understandings have developed within particular traditions, and examining them through the biblical text itself, can help reduce psychological distance between denominations and lay a foundation for mutual respect. Such practical reflection leads us to an important question:

“How deeply do we understand the foundation of hope that each of us finds in Scripture?”

When we share our understandings with openness, Christianity can function not as a source of division, but as a language of coexistence and cooperation. Trust among communities can then grow naturally. The International Christian Peace Academy (ICPA) was established as an educational platform to make this possibility tangible. ICPA does not seek to promote a specific doctrine or define a single correct answer. Rather, it is designed as a space where the meaning of Scripture is explained directly on the basis of the biblical text, and where the perspectives of different traditions are shared in order to broaden understanding. Through reflection rather than debate, participants are invited to view other denominational perspectives



with greater balance, contributing to a foundation for harmony in a pluralistic society.

The 2nd International Christian Peace Academy(ICPA), to be held in 2026, builds on this purpose by addressing a theme that holds significant meaning within Christian faith. On Saturday, March 7, the lecture titled “**On the Seventh Trumpet**” will focus on Revelation 11:15. This passage declares that when the seventh trumpet sounds, “the kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.” The lecture will explore what this trumpet and its sound signify, and what this proclamation may mean for us today. It will also consider how this passage has been understood within different Christian traditions.

The lecture will not aim to determine right or wrong, but will proceed by sharing understandings grounded in Scripture and listening attentively to one another. In doing so, participants may come to respect the ways others perceive the promise of Scripture, and such recognition can contribute to the strengthening of trust within Christian communities.

ICPA is a program that leads to understanding through learning rather than persuasion. Reflecting together on Scripture allows participants to reconsider assumptions and expand the possibilities of coexistence. It is a space where individuals from different backgrounds share biblical wisdom, seek to understand one another’s faith as it is, and explore a better path forward together—this is the 2nd International Christian Peace Academy (ICPA).