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***IMAGES OF FAITH in Wycombe*** is for everyone who wants to know a bit more of our varied culture and faith in Wycombe. People who live and work in our area follow seven world faiths and these are our focus: Baha'i Faith, Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism and Sikhism. This booklet is accompanied by the DVD that you will find inside the back cover.

We introduce the core beliefs and practice of the seven faiths peppered with personal stories of local people which bring each section to life. The words are theirs, not ours. They are the words of individuals who responded when we asked them to tell us how to present their faith. So this production is an anthology rather than a comprehensive overview.

Our intention in this project is to give you a wider perspective of the spectrum of beliefs and traditions in our community. We hope that in taking a step towards seeing each faith as a body of real and living individuals you will be taking a step away from mistrust and suspicion. We believe that this can contribute to reducing the likelihood of violence against unfamiliar groups in society.

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## ***Sources for further information on major world faiths:***

Inter faith Network for the UK <http://www.interfaith.org.uk/>  
University of Derby multifaith centre <http://www.multifaithcentre.org/>  
BBC—religion & ethics <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/>  
Wycombe Sharing of Faiths <http://www.wsof.org.uk/>  
Diversiton <http://www.diversiton.com/>  
Suffolk Inter-faith Resource [SIFRE] <http://www.sifre.org.uk/index2.htm> for Diversity game details

Communities and Local Government—race, cohesion & faith <http://www.communities.gov.uk/communities/racecohesionfaith/>  
Wycombe District Council <http://www.wycombe.gov.uk/>

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