

# 2014

## Working document for the international jubilee celebration

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This working document is the result of the expert meeting held from 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> May 2010, taking into account the changes suggested by the various countries and the General Presidium to transfer **Message 2014** into a pilgrimage on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014 to Schoenstatt and then onto Rome, as well as laying down a unified spiritual preparation for the jubilee for the entire Schoenstatt Family world wide. The aim of the pilgrimage is the renewal of the covenant of love in all its missionary power and strength, with the ability it has to create unity. In other words, internally spoken the renewal of the Schoenstatt Family and externally spoken the development of a covenant culture.

**The heart of the jubilee celebration, 100 years covenant of love in 2014, in Schoenstatt and in Rome including the preparation, united with our father and founder is the renewal of the covenant of love with its international network, dynamic power and missionary strength (inner process) (mentioned in the following as *Covenant of Love 2014*).**

**The external process, within which this renewal takes place is in the form of an international pilgrimage.**

**The fruits from the renewal of the covenant of love we expect are the renewal of the entire Schoenstatt Family (the internal message of renewal) and a world wide covenant culture (the external message of renewal).**

**The symbolic gestures, used to depict the core process of the jubilee, both in Schoenstatt and in Rome, are centred around our MTA and missionary cross.**

The celebrations in Rome and in Schoenstatt can be compared to the foci of an ellipse and are part of one process. In both cases there is an appropriate framework, in Rome and in Schoenstatt, around the actual celebration itself.

The triennium (2011, 2012, 2013), like the jubilee year (2014) itself, is a time of internal and external preparation.

The layout of the jubilee has been developed in accordance with **Message 2014** that the celebrations be regarded as one unit. They should be kept simple, in order to concentrate on the main event.

## 1 The 18th October 2014

### 1.1 The heart of the jubilee celebration

**The heart of the jubilee, the 18th October, is the renewal of the covenant of love with our father and founder in the original shrine, united as a world wide, intercultural missionary family, ready and willing to be sent out anew.**

With joy and humility the Schoenstatt Family will gather from every nation, community and generation to renew their covenant of love, “the essence of our family”, “the source of our fruitfulness and the concrete way in which we live and follow Christ.” (Message 2014) This “Covenant of Love 2014” is missionary and international. It forms an international missionary family and creates a covenant culture around the shrines in ***nothing without you, nothing without us.***

In “**nothing without us**” we bring our covenant gifts in gratitude for all the fruits Schoenstatt has produced over the last 100 years through its presence and its growth. We also do this as a sign of our willingness to leave our mark, our “*Covenant 2014*”, on a new Schoenstatt century. Our covenant gift is our commitment towards a covenant culture expressed in all the missionary apostolic projects within the strategic fields of the apostolate: marriage and family life, youth, pedagogy, Church, and society.

In “**nothing without you**” we await with great trust the “*grace 2014*” as a grace of family renewal in all its unity, a connected and missionary family.

### 1.2 The Symbolic Gesture

The renewal of our covenant of love, including word and action, can analogically speaking be compared to the renewal of a sacrament which always includes word and action (Communicative change in the world).

1.2.1 **The Word:** The seal of the covenant of love took place in dialogue with our Blessed Mother and our father and founder. The founding action from 1914 and the dialogue between our Blessed Mother, our father and founder and the sodalists will now be repeated 100 years later. Our Mother Thrice Admirable, Queen and Victress of Schoenstatt and our founder will ask us, similar to 18<sup>th</sup> October 1914, if our hearts have caught fire and if we, as a world wide family, are willing to make her missionary task our own.

1.2.2 At the heart of **this gesture** is the re-instalment of **the MTA picture in the original shrine and the missionary cross:** “*Let me present the cross and the picture of Mary to the nations as the sign of redemption...*” (Fr. J. Kentenich)

With the renewal of our covenant of love, at the beginning of a second century of Schoenstatt covenant history, the Blessed Mother, symbolically speaking, will take up her throne anew, **with this very same picture** in the original shrine.

A new missionary cross will be erected near the original shrine containing the names of all Schoenstatt people world wide, the mission of all nations and shrines, and all our apostolic projects. In this way every one is a part of this missionary cross and will be sent out as a new Schoenstatt missionary. To express this everyone will receive a small missionary cross, either physically at the celebration or through the national representatives present at the original shrine.

The original shrine with the graves of our heroes and the *missionary cross 2014* express symbolically our **covenant of love 2014** which the entire Schoenstatt Family will renew in the spirit of the first hero sodalists.

One suggestion is that these elements of the celebration (the re-instalment of the MTA, the erection of a missionary cross) be held wherever the **covenant of love 2014** is being renewed especially at all daughter shrines in a similar manner. The mission of that particular shrine could then be placed in the cross with a visual sign of the original shrine (e.g. the roof slate from the original shrine).

The missionary aspect will be expressed in the form of the original pilgrim mother from Brazil, depicting the return current to the original shrine for the **covenant of love 2014** with the international, pilgrim, missionary family at its heart. The inclusion of the pilgrim mother also guarantees that for thousands of people this jubilee becomes *their* festival world wide.

#### **Explanation of actual gestures and their symbolic meaning: the MTA picture and the cross**

The **words from the Founding Document** will play a vital role in the celebration.

The highlight of the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014 will be the removal of the MTA picture from the original shrine. She will then be carried through the rows of people present, before proceeding at the renewal of the covenant of love to take up her throne anew in the original shrine.

The MTA and our father and founder with his Schoenstatt Family will take possession of the original shrine once again.

The missionary cross containing the names of all Schoenstatt people, national missions, communities, shrines, as well as all apostolic projects from the various fields will then be erected. A concrete proposal for this is the cross of unity with a specific symbol for our **covenant 2014**.

As a sign of our willingness to be sent out anew, everyone will receive a small missionary cross.

### **1.3 The Framework**

This core process is embedded in a framework of preparatory actions and events:

- The **Rite of Entry** (Entrance Liturgy) is the arrival at the place of grace. The stepping into the holy area should be experienced by all. Pilgrims will be welcomed by our father and founder and representatives of the Schoenstatt Family at *Schoenstatt's door of entry*. They will then be led with their national symbol and gift for the Blessed Mother to the original shrine.
- The **opening celebration** will take place on Mount Schoenstatt near the tomb of Fr. Kentenich. It will also be here that the father symbol, after its world wide tour, will have a special significance and role to play.

- A **vigil celebration** will be prepared by the youth. The father symbol, the original pilgrim mother and the mission cross will be handed over at Father Kentenich’s tomb and carried in procession to the original shrine.
- Just as we come on pilgrimage to the original shrine, so too will Our Lady go on pilgrimage during this time, to the people, to the places where we will celebrate, give thanks and pray together... As a missionary sign she will do this in the form of the **original pilgrim mother**.
- **“Spiritual Centre”** for adoration and confession.
- **Covenant Culture Marquees:** These will be places where all projects from the various fields of the apostolate world wide can be presented and experienced. **The actual covenant gifts each county should bring are their apostolic projects which have developed from the covenant of love.**
- Encounter with **Schoenstatt as a holy ground**.
- **Encounter with the various communities** in their homes here in Schoenstatt.
- Encounter with **our covenant history**.
- **Holy Mass** on 18th October.
- **Encounter with each other as a family** through cultural exchange, presentation, music...
- **Central Square – La Plaza de la bandera**.

**On the 18th of October 2014 the Schoenstatt Family will celebrate their covenant of love. All honoured guests, family and friends are welcome to celebrate with us. There will not be an extra programme for them. However, a special welcome and meal with the general presidium for all honoured guests will be considered.**

#### 1.4 The Timeframe

The opening celebration, the Holy Mass and the core renewal of the covenant of love, as well as the family festival are elements of the programme to be celebrated **by all at the same time**.

Each pilgrim group will go through the *Rite of Entry* as they arrive in Schoenstatt at a designated time.

Encounter with Schoenstatt as a place, with its history and with the covenant culture as well as all other offers of encounter made, can be planned according to each pilgrim/group when and if required. It is important that the time required for such encounters and meetings with each other be secured.

According to this programme we then have a schedule of 4 days:

	16.10. Thursday	17.10. - Friday	18.10. – Saturday	19.10 - Sunday
a.m.	Rite of Entry Visit to the original shrine as a group	OPENING in the Adoration Church with Holy Mass	Holy Mass Pilgrim Square	

	Encounter with Schoenstatt the place	Encounter with Schoenstatt the place	Encounter with Schoenstatt the place	Encounter with Schoenstatt the place
		Visit to the original shrine	Visit to the original shrine	Visit to the original shrine
	Adoration/Confession	Adoration/Confession	Adoration/Confession	
	Encounter with history	Encounter with history	Encounter with history	Encounter with history
	Covenant Culture Marquees	Covenant Culture Marquees	Covenant Culture Marquees	Covenant Culture Marquees
p.m.	Holy Mass in language groups		16.00 Jubilee celebration <i>Covenant of Love 2014</i> internationally linked up with a live transmission	Holy Mass in language groups
		Evening Vigil at the original shrine with a procession from Mount Schoenstatt	Family Festival	

## 2 Rome

### 2.1 The heart of the celebration

***At the heart of the celebration in Rome is the audience with the Holy Father as a world wide Schoenstatt Family, the sending out by him and the conclusion of our jubilee celebration.***

In the same attitude of our founder, *“Dilexit ecclesiam”*, we bring the fruits of the covenant of love, in joy and humility: a renewed Schoenstatt Family, in the *grace of 2014*, with our “servants of God” and our apostolic projects.

As a world wide Schoenstatt Family we present ourselves at the disposal of the Church with all that we have: our currents of life, our projects in connection with our covenant culture: *Omnia Matri Ecclesiae*. We will ask the Holy Father to send us out into the second century of Schoenstatt’s history.

### 2.2 The Symbolic Gesture

**At the beginning of the second century of our covenant history we will present the Holy Father our apostolic projects and ask him, under the sign of our mission cross and MTA picture, to send us out**

**anew into the fields of the apostolate already mentioned: marriage and family life, youth, pedagogy, Church and society – Nothing without us.**

**The expression of this sending out will be the blessing of our missionary crosses and the crowning of the original pilgrim mother (as a distinguished example of the missionary strength of the covenant of love and all apostolic initiatives): Nothing without you.**

***“Let me present the cross and the picture of Mary to the nations as the sign of redemption...”***

**Fr. J. Kentenich**

In accordance with *Omnia Matri Ecclesiae* the Holy Father will receive a document depicting our apostolic projects, a missionary cross and an MTA picture.

Finally, we will ask him to crown the original pilgrim mother as a sign of our willingness to be sent out anew into the missionary fields of the apostolate with Our Lady, and in the strength of the covenant of love.

There will also be a live transmission.

## **2.3 The Framework**

This core process is embedded in a framework of preparatory actions and events:

- The gathering of the Schoenstatt Family at Belmonte if possible, our international centre in Rome.
- Holy Mass in St. Peters Cathedral, the centre of the world Church.
- Encounter with other movements and communities.
- Encounter with Rome.
- Vigil in the Vatican Gardens, if possible, in preparation for the audience with the Holy Father.

## **2.4 Timeframe**

The elements of the programme which we will do **together** as a family (at the same time) are Belmonte, Holy Mass in St. Peters, the vigil in the Vatican Gardens, the main event with the Holy Father and sending out, as well as the encounter with other movements.

Further elements of the pilgrimage such as the encounter with Rome itself, Vincent Pallotti, in the footsteps of our father in Rome, the Cor Ecclesiae shrine, will not be conducted for all at the same time but in the specific times set aside either by the various countries, communities or individuals.

For this programme we therefore have a time plan of four days which is dependant, elements as well as time frame, on the given Roman situation.

23. - Thursday	24. - Friday	25. - Saturday	26. - Sunday
10.00 - 12.00 Belmonte – Arrival as a Family /Holy Mass together	10.00 Holy Mass St. Peters	11.00 Audience with the Holy Father (Rome 2014)	Departure
	18.00 Vigil in the Vatican Gardens	18.00 Holy Mass in St. Paul outside the walls with other movements. We prepare and include them in this celebration.	

### 3 The Triennium

#### 3.1 Aim

“A triennium should take place, grasping the **life trends** of our international family.”(Message 2014)  
Many hopes and longings come together as we look towards 2014 as a Schoenstatt Family. The triennium wants to gather and unite these hopes and longings in the Marian way of listening to God and to each other as well as our expectation of the “grace 2014”.

The aim of the triennium is to prepare together as a world wide Schoenstatt Family the *Covenant of Love 2014*.

#### 3.2 Form

##### Internal Process: trends of life

The inner process of this preparation requires our taking care of these **trends of life** together, which are flourishing world wide within the Schoenstatt Family and are a unifying factor – our father and his charisma, the shrine, the missionary impulse, and the growth of unity.

**Through our attachment to our father and founder and his charisma,**

**through our attachment to the shrine with all its dimensions and**

**through the attachment to our mission with its missionary power**

**our longed-for unity can grow.**

##### External Process: Covenant Culture

The external process is the development of a covenant culture of life as we make our way towards the Jubilee 2014: Open for the signs of the time, international, connected, missionary within the five fields: marriage and family life, youth, pedagogy, church, and society.

In this way our intercultural, connected, missionary family and a covenant culture will be our covenant gifts for the Jubilee 2014.

This covenant culture should also be expressed in our working together in preparation for the Jubilee celebration.

During the triennium we can develop covenant culture together in a special way through our apostolic projects.

Covenant culture is how we typically express the way we live and work: our attachment to God, to people, to nature and culture, to Church and the world, all based on the covenant of love.

### Emphasis during the preparatory years

As an international Schoenstatt Family we will conduct the triennium together as:

**A year of the father trend (18.10.2010 – 18.10.2011),**

**A year of the shrine trend (18.10.2011 – 18.10.2012),**

**A year of missionary trend (18.10. 2012 – 18.10.2013).**

The year 2014 (18.10.2013 – 18.10.2014) is our year of grace and jubilee year. It will be our **covenant of love year**.

Now the Blessed Mother can sing her *Magnificat* with her Family of the Father at the beginning of a new century.

### Opening of the triennium on 18.10.2010

The opening of the triennium emphasises two points: one at the original shrine (the evening of 17th October 2010) and the second at all the daughter shrines world wide, every shrine, wayside shrine, home shrine, every shrine in the work place, as well as every heart shrine (18<sup>th</sup> October 2010).

**At the original shrine:** On the eve of 18th October world wide representatives present in Schoenstatt, Germany, will pilgrim to the original shrine from the tomb of Father Kentenich, where they will officially open the 2014 pilgrimage to the original shrine. In the words of Isaiah about Jerusalem we can say: *“Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. /Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the arm. /Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; /the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. /Your gates will always stand open, they will never be shut, day or night, so that men may bring you the wealth of the nations— their kings led in triumphal procession.”* (Isaiah 1: 3-5, 11)

If possible the jubilee motto and logo will also be presented that evening.

**At all shrines:** We will set off around the globe on 18th October 2010 for our 2014 pilgrimage, which will then conclude with us all being together on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014. Together we will take the first



steps towards the original shrine: Nothing without you – Nothing without us. As a sign of this first step we would like to pray together for the first time our jubilee prayer.

### Responsibility

**The responsibility for seeing the triennium through in the above mentioned way at international level lies with the Team 2014. The responsibility lies especially with regard to securing a unified identity for the jubilee such as a logo, prayer, hymn etc. which will soon be developed, as well as the overall communication, so that life can flow and a network develop easily. The team acts in this process of the triennium with subsidiary power.**

The responsibility of seeing the triennium through in the above mentioned way at **national level** lies with each individual country.

### 3.3 Possible elements for arrangements on a broader basis:

#### By listening to the signs of the times

- We support each other by paying attention to the signs of the times.
- We purposely use our future conferences and meetings to prepare for 2014.
- We use the official published texts from Father Kentenich on the five fields of the apostolate as stated in the Message 2014.

#### Missionary

- *“ISO 2014”*: Everyone should be encouraged to apply for and receive the *jubilee 2014 stamp* for all their work and projects, old and new, which develop or have developed through the trends of life and have as their aim, the development of a covenant culture.
- The encouragement of all missionary initiative.

#### International

- A visual sign of connection with the original shrine in every shrine (Photo of the original shrine, slate from the roof of the original shrine, signage...).
- A communal prayer of preparation.
- The celebration of the regular Saturday Holy Mass in the original shrine world wide.
- The accompaniment of the pilgrimage of the father symbol.
- Paper with the logo 2014 for our contributions to the capital of grace world wide.

#### Network

- Meetings on a local, continental and international basis should be encouraged.

- Representatives could be sent to local and national celebrations.
- National teams should be set up and placed in the network for the preparation of 2014 in every country.
- The information received via the internet should be available to all and we should help others access this information in order to support this life stream.