



## Towards 2014

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### Editorial

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#### [We are coming home!](#)

It is the month of Mayan without a doubt; this is a very special month.

Each day gives us the opportunity to renew our love for Mary, and just like Joseph Engling we can collect and bring her the most beautiful May blossoms.

We can begin each day by renewing our covenant of love; spiritually in the Original Shrine and in the evening spiritually fill the jar with all our gifts of love.

On each day of this beautiful month we want to come home from every corner of the earth, we want to spiritually go in pilgrimage to our shrine and in this way prepare our hearts for the day on which many of us will reality physically come home.

We want to bring along in our hearts all our brothers and sisters in the covenant who will not be able to be there on 18th October 2014.

#### [Videos of the month](#)

### Letter from Team <sup>2014</sup>

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Welcome to Schoenstatt. More than 20 young people from Ecuador, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Germany, Paraguay, Spain, Uruguay and the USA have just completed their official introductory course as volunteers at the beginning of their six months stay here in Schoenstatt. Among those volunteering there are 12 young men and 12 young women from various professional backgrounds. Some are students, journalists; we have a constructional engineer, a secretary, a teacher and a bookkeeper. In the coming months their job will be to make sure that the Pilgrims in October will experience a celebration never to be forgotten. Furthermore, every Wednesday the volunteers pray the rosary in the Original Shrine for the entire International Schoenstatt Family. Vamos contigo! Why not join them in prayer!

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*The place where we as a worldwide international family get together – An introduction to the concept for the Pilgrim Arena.*

Next to the Original Shrine and the resting place of Father Kentenich, we have the Pilgrim Arena as the

third central place of our jubilee pilgrimage in Schoenstatt. This arena which was set up for the 100 year birthday celebrations of Father Kentenich in 1985 and was also used in 2005 for the international youth festival held before the world youth day in Cologne, will be renovated so that it has a seating capacity for 12,000 people. The renovation plan was presented at the May reception of the Schoenstatt Movement by Lothar Ruf who is Professor of Construction Management and Engineering as well as Project Management at the Technical University of Darmstadt. Not only will everything be proofed or benches renewed, but the drainage, electrics and new points of access will be renewed and put in place. This necessary work shall be completed by the beginning of October.

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So you would like to publish an article on your homepage before the jubilee celebrations or you may need more information regarding these jubilee celebrations? As of now we have our very own new press aid working in the office – Clemens Mann. He will now coordinate all issues pertaining to public relations for the communication team and will be responsible for our Facebook page, as well as the newsletter. He will also liaise with the media. You can contact him at:

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Since April 2013 the organizing team for the international Jubilee pilgrimage 2014 uses its Facebook page "[Towards 2014](#)" to keep more people informed about the preparation of the Jubilee. Do you want to be informed about the life around the Original Shrine during the jubilee year? Are you looking for information about the jubilee celebrations? Interested in our volunteers? Simply click on our "Like" button and you get a direct line to the Office 2014. Please help us reach more people! Recommend us! Invite your friends and acquaintances!



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