

FROM THE VATICAN, 19 AUGUST 2019

TO THE PARTICIPANTS  
IN THE TENTH WORLD ASSEMBLY OF *RELIGIONS FOR PEACE*  
LINDAU FROM 20-23 AUGUST 2019

HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS WAS PLEASED TO BE INFORMED OF THE TENTH WORLD ASSEMBLY OF RELIGIONS FOR PEACE, AND HE SENDS CORDIAL GREETINGS TO ALL THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING IN LINDAU. AS THE PARTICIPANTS REFLECT ON THE THEME CARING FOR OUR COMMON FUTURE-ADVANCING SHARED WELL-BEING, HIS HOLINESS PRAYS THAT THIS ANNIVERSARY ASSEMBLY MAY BEAR FRUIT IN A RENEWED COMMITMENT TO THE WORKS OF CONCORD AND FRATERNITY AMONG RELIGIOUS LEADERS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES. FOR THE “AUTHENTIC TEACHINGS OF RELIGIONS INVITE US TO REMAIN ROOTED IN THE VALUES OF PEACE; TO DEFEND THE VALUES OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING, HUMAN FRATERNITY AND HARMONIOUS COEXISTENCE” (DOCUMENT ON HUMAN FRATERNITY FOR WORLD PEACE AND LIVING TOGETHER). SUCH VALUES LEAD TO PEACE WITH ONESELF, WITH OTHERS AND WITH ALL CREATION, SO THAT EVERYONE MAY REDISCOVER “THE GRANDEUR OF GOD'S GIFT AND OUR INDIVIDUAL AND SHARED RESPONSIBILITY AS INHABITANTS OF THIS WORLD, CITIZENS AND BUILDERS OF THE FUTURE” (MESSAGE FOR THE WORLD DAY OF PEACE 2019). UPON ALL PRESENT, POPE FRANCIS INVOKES THE DIVINE BLESSINGS OF JOY AND PEACE.

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