

Europe and the Middle East Second Generation Department 2023 Summer Workshops

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ESGD has announced the dates for their 2023 Summer Workshops in order for those who need to plan ahead to make a note in their calendars.

Dear brothers and sisters,

We are happy to inform you that we plan to hold at least three European workshops in the summer 2023 (see details below). We want to share the dates so that those who need to plan many months in advance can put it to their calendars. Please note that ODP+ WS will take place in July!

The ODP+ workshop is scheduled to take place 15th - 25th July 2023 in Seminarhaus Neumuehle, Bad Camberg, Germany.

Age group: 18 and older.

The ODP+ (Original Divine Personality+) workshop is a precious opportunity to go through some focused and stimulating spiritual training. Through the content, there is a chance to experience the core of True Parents' teachings, and also the core aspects of Second Gen education and care from years of experience. Indeed, the importance of connecting personally to God, True Parents, and other key relationships in our lives is a strong emphasis throughout the programme. In addition to the focused education, there will be many team challenges, sports and activities that will encourage you to bond and go deeper in creating and exploring true friendships.

The Senior+ workshop is scheduled to take place 13th - 21st August 2023 in Seminarhaus Neumuehle, Bad Camberg, Germany.

Age group: born in 2003 - 2007.

This workshop is designed for the elder HARP age-group as well as for young adults aged 18-20. As always, this is the best opportunity in the year to reconnect with friends from all over Europe, to build new friendships and to gain strength and clarity about our shared identity and path as blessed children. There will be relevant and relatable content to go deeper into what it means to live a daily life of faith, along with discussions and interactive activities. Through the mixture of challenging, reflective and team activities, we want to build an atmosphere where we create wonderful, lasting experiences that remind us of our potential and our connection as brothers and sisters.

The ROOTS 22+ workshop is scheduled to take place 23rd - 27th August 2023 in Seminarhaus Neumuehle, Bad Camberg, Germany.

Age group: 22 and older.

The ROOTS 22+ workshop will offer a chance for you to take time aside to invest in your spiritual journey; as individuals and as part of our community. Part of the programme will be talks and presentations to stimulate discussion and generate a focused and reflective atmosphere. Alongside this there will also be chances for connecting and enjoying sports, games and nature together, based on the interests of the group.

With the personal challenges that we are facing, as well as wider concerns regarding the future of our universe, we can find ourselves both overwhelmed and unsettled. Every now and then, we need to reconnect to our roots to regain direction and clarity, and a greater sense of hope and purpose. We hope this workshop, together with the investment of all involved, can provide an opportunity for an internal refresh and shift forwards: through Reconnecting, Open hearts and Open conversations, Truth-seeking, and Supporting each other as brothers and sisters.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact us at: education@esgdmedia.org

We are already looking forward to seeing you there!

Yours Sincerely,

The ESGD Team

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Looking back to the summer of workshops, we want to share some reflections and reports about what was experienced and created together.

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Dear brothers and sister,

Below you will find practical information about local travel to Bad Camberg. We believe it is helpful as you are planning your trip.

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Congrats to DONE Mission 021-022 graduates

The follow-up module to DONE 2021 has successfully concluded and we want to congratulate the graduates once again for all their effort and achievements and thank everyone who was involved in supporting and contributing.

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Summer WS: Update as of 4 July 2022

Dear brothers and sisters,

As we are preparing for the European summer workshops we want to provide you with an update. Luckily, there are no special COVID-19 regulations and restrictions; all workshops are going ahead as planned.

Below is additional important piece of information for everyone who has registered.

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DONE 022 – Development Of New Environments

Following the successful completion and development of the DONE educational programme over the past 14 years (2008 – 2021), including an unfortunate forced break in 2020 and then successfully completed DONE 021 and DONE Mission One 2022 in person...

We are happy to announce the opening of registrations for DONE 022 (in person). The educational training programme, DONE 022, is designed for Blessed Children over 18 years old, who are interested in participating in spiritual training and education.

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Spring WS with DONE

On the weekend of May 13th-15th, ESGD and the DONE mission programme jointly organized an international spring workshop, which brought together a group of 44 people from 14 countries.

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Registration for Summer Workshops

This year, we are planning to hold three European summer workshops for Second Gen (for both BCs and Jacob children), and **we are opening registrations**. Importantly, we are offering a new 22+ workshop for the elder age group and have adjusted and rebranded the Senior HARP workshop to respond to the desire of elder brothers and sisters to join (please read details below).

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International Spring Workshop 15+

Dear brothers and sisters,
We are happy to inform you about an International Spring Workshop and warmly invite Second Gen (both BCs and Jacob children) of age 15+ to participate. It will take place in Luzna seminar centre near Bratislava (Slovakia), from 13th May to 15th May 2022.

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Appreciation & WS Report

Matching & Blessing Workshop Best foot forward: New Start. Next Steps.

Dear brothers and sisters,
We are very grateful for the international online Matching and Blessing

education many of us could experience during two weekends of February. With over 80 participants from Europe, America and Korea, candidates and parents gathered together for internal guidance and sharing on what it means to put our “best foot forwards” in this essential area.

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Trak-Trek 2022

WS for DONE graduates

We are inviting all graduates of DONE from the last 4 DONE seasons – 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2021 – to attend an in-person weekend of the 11th-13th March.

Are you on track on your journey? How is the path we are trekking on? How are we trekking, despite challenges on the route? We wanted to provide an opportunity to gather in the DONE house for a booster shot of content and connection. The focus will be to internally re-orient ourselves, and to gain some new energy for the months ahead.

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European Summer Workshops 2022

Dear brothers and sisters,
We would like to inform you that we plan to hold at least three European workshops this summer 2022!

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Matching & Blessing Workshop: Internal and Practical Guidance

Best foot forward: New Start. Next Steps.

We are happy to invite you to an international online workshop on the topic of internal and practical guidance for the Matching & Blessing.

The Blessing is not just a ceremony to get through; it is a lifestyle which we need to grow into. Preparation matters; so how can we create more space for God to guide us through the matching, into blessed life? How can we try as hard as we can to make good things happen in this precious area of our lives? Essentially, we want to offer a focused programme that can support you to better understand where you are now and how you can move forwards.

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Congratulations to DONE 021 graduates!

We are very pleased to announce that the first module of DONE 2021 has successfully concluded. Despite the ongoing uncertainties due to the pandemic, we are grateful we could run the programme in person. We want to congratulate the graduates once again for all their effort and achievements and thank everyone who was involved in supporting and contributing.

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DONE 021 Update

Dear brothers and sisters,

We would like to provide you with an update on the DONE 021 programme. We are glad to confirm that all preparations are going well and DONE 021 will start on 20th September 2021. We are happy to announce that there are few more places available and we are extending the registration deadline to 29th August. We will communicate with participants directly about COVID-19 Regulations and requirements for coming to Slovakia.

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Summer WS: Update as of 30 July 2021

Dear brothers and sisters,

As we are preparing for the European summer workshops we want to provide another update. **We kindly ask each participant (and parents of those under 18) and staff to carefully read this information.**

In this update you will read about sponsorship for each workshop, requirement of a negative test results, safety measures related to COVID-19, and a reminder about travel restrictions.

It is still possible to apply for each workshop, but only a few more places are available!

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Summer WS will be in Camberg! Update as of 22 July 2021

Dear brothers and sisters,

We are grateful for your patience and understanding in the challenging circumstances which are ongoing. **Thankfully, we have good news – both the Senior HARP and ODP+ Workshops will take place** in Seminarhaus

Neumuehle in Bad Camberg.

Both workshops will take place with ***slightly modified dates***. This is so that we can better manage both workshops in the circumstances, and we trust that it can work out well.

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Summer WS: Update as of 30 June 2021

Dear brothers and sisters,

We would like to provide you with an update on the upcoming summer workshops, based on the current international travel situation related to COVID-19 and on German regulations for holding youth camps.

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Blessed Couples Webinar

Dear Blessed Couples (2020 & 2021 Blessings)!

We are happy to invite you to a webinar on the theme: **“Good Foundation = Good Game”**.

Building a strong, loving, God-centred marriage and family is a life pursuit. However, any successful building project needs to start with a good foundation. With this theme, we wanted to offer relevant content which can be encouraging and stimulating for those who are in the early stages of Blessed and married life.

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(S)OUP4(S)OUL

On the back of successful crowd-funding and helpful reviews of “We are not going to Mars” (you can read the [Report – Reflection – Reality here](#)), and restaurants reopening across the globe: We want to offer 2 evenings of spiritual food in a virtual pop-up restaurant “**SOUP4SOUL**”. For your degustation, we will have Soup prepared by Head chefs Mr. W. Haines and Mr. D. Wilson, and Sous-chefs Mr. & Mrs. P & Y Hanna. Ingredients will be locally sourced, and the flavours will be related to analysing the principle in order to help us approach contemporary challenges in life; staying grounded, but continually growing.

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DONE 021 – Development Of New Environments

Following the successful completion and development of the DONE educational programme over the past 12 years (2008 – 2019), and after an unfortunate forced break in 2020, we are happy to announce the opening of registrations for DONE 021. We are aware that the pandemic remains an ongoing obstacle, but we are hopeful that there will be the opportunity to gather in September 2021.

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Summer Workshops Registrations Open

Dear brothers and sisters,

We would like to inform you about the developments of our upcoming summer workshops in response to the COVID-19 and announced plan of European authorities to open borders and allow international travel in the summer season.

We successfully held two large summer workshops in 2020, carefully and successfully complying with the COVID-19 health and safety regulations throughout the programmes. We are confident to responsibly organize and lead workshops this upcoming summer, too.

We are planning to go ahead with two of the European summer workshops and **we are opening registrations.**

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Not going to Mars – Report – Reflection – Reality

Dear brothers and sisters!

Many of us attending the Easter workshop could experience a special connectedness beyond a mere zoom link. There was an unexpected magic in certain moments which could bring us beneath the surface of day-to-day life. The sharing platter of lecturers and topics provided good food for thought on the theme of why “We are not going to Mars!” (how to remain grounded in the Principle and spirituality). We explored words of truth and poetry, wisdom and philosophy, interwoven with personal reflections and stories. Honest thoughts, opinions and reflections were offered. We could take our pick, but we could also take something from it all. Here are a few reflections to share a flavour of the themes and questions that were explored ...

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European Summer Workshops 2021

Dear brothers and sisters,

We would like to inform you that we plan to hold at least two European workshops this summer 2021 (see details below).

We successfully held two large summer workshops in 2020, carefully and successfully complying with the COVID-19 health and safety regulations throughout the programmes. Therefore, if travel restrictions and regulations allow, we are confident to responsibly organize and lead workshops this upcoming summer too.

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We are not going to Mars!

Dear brothers and sisters!

We are calmly excited to invite you to **Intercontinental Easter 18+ WS** with the title "***We are not going to Mars!***" taking place on the 2nd – 4th April 2021 in zoom space. The workshop is designed for all Blessed Children aged 18 and older.

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DONE Graduates Zoominar: HDR

Building upon the positive foundation of the DONE REZOOMION 2021-01-02-2021 we are inviting all DONE graduates to a zoominar to encourage us on our ongoing pursuit of a principled spiritual path. The theme will be:

Honestly digesting reality

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DONE o2o update

Dear brothers and sisters,

After postponing the start of DONE 020 to spring 2021 we had to make final decision that the programme will not take place due to current travel restrictions. We are planning to run DONE 2021, starting early September, we will announce our plan and further details in May 2021.

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DONE GG Reunion 2020 final update

As promised for the year 2020, we were thrilled to announce that we would hold the event for all DONE Alumni: the DONE Great General Reunion 2020.

Unfortunately, we need to announce the final decision about DONE GG 2020

Reunion being postponed to next year – and becoming **DONE EG 2021**

Reunion.

(EG – Even Greater)

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Summer Workshops will be in Camberg!

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

We have good news – both the Senior HARP and ODP+ Workshops will take place as planned in Seminarhaus Neumühle in Bad Camberg! There will be additional rules that we will need to follow related to the COVID-19 health and safety standards. So far, all the provisionally registered participants come from countries which are on the “green list”, which means they can enter Germany freely.

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Summer WS 2020 news

Dear brothers and sisters!

Thanks for your provisional registration for the Senior HARP Workshop, ODP+ Workshop and volunteering as staff. As the initial deadline has passed, we wanted to give an update about the current situation.

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My Gap Year Not Ruined

DMC 020 poem, by participants and staff

When we started DMC,
I didn't know what was coming.
For some time, I was extremely bothered that my gap year got "ruined".

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DONE Mission One 020

Dear brothers and sisters,
We are very pleased to announce that DONE Mission One 2020 has successfully concluded. We appreciate efforts and achievements of graduates as well as investments and care of team leaders and everyone who was involved in supporting and contributing.

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European Summer Workshops Update

Dear brothers and sisters,
We would like to inform you about the new developments of our upcoming summer workshops in response to the COVID-19 reality. This summer we had to limit the variety of workshops due to unprecedented situation. We are planning to go ahead with two of the European summer workshops and **we are opening preliminary registrations.**

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DONE o20 – Development Of New Environments

Dear brothers and sisters!

Following the successful completion and development of the DONE educational programme over the past 12 years, (2008 – present), we are happy to announce and open the registrations for the 13th year of the DONE programme, beginning in November 2020. [Continue reading →](#)

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Projects for DONE Graduates UPDATE!

Dear friends from all around the world,
We need to adjust some plans due to travel restrictions and other circumstances of spring and summer 2020. We need to postpone both the **DONE GG Reunion 2020** and the **21+ DONE graduates WS**. Find key information below. [Continue reading →](#)

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Congrats to DONE o19 graduates!

We are very pleased to announce that DONE 2019 has successfully concluded.

We want to congratulate the Graduates once again for all their effort and achievements and thank everyone who was involved in supporting and contributing. [Continue reading →](#)

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DONE 019 is on the way

DONE 019 successfully started this week. We are a group of 40 from all around the world. After the kick off WS we are now ready to start DP academic studies. We appreciate support of all parents, families and friends of DONE participants and staff. [Continue reading →](#)

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How was ESGD summer 2019...

Looking back to the summer of workshops, we want to share some reflections about what was experienced and created together. [Continue reading →](#)

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European Blessing Preparation WS

Dear Blessed Families!

We want to warmly invite you to the upcoming European Blessing Preparation WS taking place in **Seminarhaus Neumuehle** (near Bad Camberg) in Germany on 28 November – 1 December 2019. [Continue reading →](#)

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24+ Matching Support WS

Dear Blessed Families!

We want to warmly invite you to the upcoming European **24+ Matching Support Workshop**. The WS is designed for Second Generation and Jacob Children who are at least 24 years old and their parents. It is tailored to the needs of young adults in this age group who would like to be matched and blessed. It will take place in Slovakia on 26 – 29 September 2019. [Continue reading →](#)

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Summer 2019 Motto

REPRESENT: Truth in Action

Our life of faith is not defined by our beliefs, but through our daily life. Our spirituality is not measured by our words, but through the good actions that we do. This summer, we want to take inspiration from True Parents and other models of truth in action. Because God does not need people who just have good beliefs; he needs people who are able to act on their beliefs. [Continue reading →](#)

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Matching & Blessing education in autumn 2019

Dear Blessed Families!

We would like to inform you about European workshops related to Matching and Blessing preparation designed for Blessed Children, Jacob Children and their parents. The dates and locations are already set and we will open registrations later in the summer. [Continue reading →](#)

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DONE 019 – Development Of New Environments

Following the successful completion and development of the DONE educational programme over the past 11 years, (2008 – present), we are happy to announce and open the registrations for the 12th year of the DONE programme, beginning in October 2019. [Continue reading →](#)

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Treasures of Heaven Family Camp

Dear brothers and sisters,

It is our pleasure to announce that this year's European Treasures of Heaven Family Camp will be held from 7th to 12th of August 2019 in the Netherlands. This annual family event is for Blessed Children (aged 16 and over) with special needs and their parents, supported by volunteering buddies.

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Spiritual Care & Spiritual Leadership Workshop

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We invite you to participate in a weekend workshop on the theme of 'Spiritual Care & Spiritual Leadership' taking place on 3rd – 5th May 2019 in Dunajska Luzna, Slovakia. This workshop will include guidance and support for those seeking to provide care and leadership for other Blessed Children.

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REAL 019

Following the successful completion of REAL 018 programme in Australia, we are excited to officially announce the second year of REAL, which will be taking place this July 2019! The programme is organized by BCs from Australia and New Zealand who you know well from European workshops. The REAL is run with support of the Australian Second Generation Initiative (ASGI) and the ESGD. [Continue reading →](#)

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DONE 018 Reflection

Dear Blessed Families!

DONE 018 successfully ended in December 2018 and we will soon start DONE Mission One after a break, after participants could return home and reconnect with their families and friends. It has been a very full, exciting and

intense period spent together and everyone could experience, learn and create a lot. [Continue reading](#) →

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International spring HARP WS

Dear HARP members and parents,

We are happy to inform you about an international spring HARP workshop and warmly invite all HARP-aged members (born 2005 and older) to participate. It will take place in *Luzna seminar centre* near Bratislava (Slovakia), from 10th May to 12th May 2019.

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European Summer 2019

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

We are pleased to announce that registrations for the ESGD Summer Activities 2019 are open! We hope that we can see many of you returning, and some new faces as well. We will announce the motto for Summer 2019 later in April. However, we wanted to open registrations as early as possible to help with your planning as families and for those interested in applying as staff, too. [Continue reading](#) →

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European Blessing Preparation WS

Dear Blessed Families!

We want to warmly invite you to the upcoming European Blessing Preparation WS taking place in **Seminarhaus Neumuehle** (near Bad Camberg) in Germany 28-31 March 2019. [Continue reading](#) →

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20+ Winter Retreat 2019

We warmly invite you to join the ESGD 20+ Winter retreat in the Low Tatra Mountain Resort in the **Liptov region** of Slovakia.

Options of winter sports, thermal spa, friendship and a quality time. Taking place from 6th to 10th February 2019 in lovely **wooden chalets** in Liptovsky Trnovec. Based on the feedback from participants we make the retreat one day longer! [Continue reading](#) →

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European Blessing Preparation WS

Dear Blessed Families!

We want to warmly invite you to the upcoming European Blessing Preparation WS taking place in Dunajska Luzna (near Bratislava) in Slovakia 20-23 September 2018. As we make ourselves ready for the Matching and Blessing it is very important that we have an in-depth understanding of it; the workshop can be a great help in this process. [Continue reading →](#)

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European Blessing Preparation WS

Dear Blessed Families!

We want to warmly invite you to the upcoming European Blessing Preparation WS taking place in Hopeaniemi Resort (near Helsinki) in Finland 7-10 June 2018. As we make ourselves ready for the Matching and Blessing it is very important that we have an in-depth understanding of it; the workshop can be a great help in this process. [Continue reading →](#)

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Blessing Preparation Workshops

Dear blessed families,

we would like to inform you about next European Blessing preparation workshops for Blessed Children and Jacob Children and their parents. There are 2 workshops planned at this point. We will hold them on geographically different locations in order to respond to a request from several communities. We would like to continue with this approach in near future, too. [Continue reading →](#)

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International spring HARP WS

Dear HARP members and parents,

We are happy to inform you about an international spring HARP workshop and warmly invite all HARP-aged members (aged 15+) to participate. It will take place in Slovakia, in *Luzna seminar centre* near Bratislava, from 4th May to 6th May.

The workshop is designed for Eastern European HARP members but we welcome participants from other countries, too. This is a joint project of the ESGD and the DONE mission programme. The workshop will provide a good chance for BCs to meet old friends from other nations and make some new ones, to refresh our minds and feed our spirits with good education and team activities. [Continue reading →](#)

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Blessed Couples Retreat

Dear Blessed couples!

We are happy to invite you to the Couples Retreat 24th–27th May 2018 (from Thursday to Sunday). It will take place in **Sporthotel Hostivice** in Prague, the enchanting Bohemian capital. The location provides the opportunity for each couple to have a private room, with communal lounge areas. As a group we will be able to share the schedule together in peaceful surroundings, and also to go out and explore popular Prague. There are sports facilities and wellness with sauna in the hotel. [Continue reading →](#)

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ESGD Summer 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are pleased to open registrations for the ESGD Summer Activities 2018! We hope that we can see many of you returning, and some new faces as well. Read about the **Summer Motto 2018**. Find key information and [registration steps here](#). After you apply, please wait until you get a confirmation and then book your travel!

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European Blessing Preparation WS

Dear Blessed Families!

We want to warmly invite you to the upcoming European Blessing Preparation WS taking place in Neumuhle (Germany) 7-10 December 2017. As we make ourselves ready for the Matching and Blessing it is very important that we have an in-depth understanding of it; the workshop can be a great help in this process. [Continue reading →](#)

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Treasures of Heaven Summer Camp 2017

Once again, the wonderful environment of the Camberg seminar centre will provide the setting for this year's Treasures of Heaven Summer Camp. The annual family event for Blessed Children (aged 16 and over) who have some mental and/or physical disability and their parents. We are looking for volunteers, too. [Continue reading →](#)

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Blessing & Matching related workshops in autumn 2017

Dear blessed families!

We would like to inform you about European workshops related to Blessing and matching preparation of Second Generation in November and December. We believe it can help families to plan and attend the workshops. [Continue reading](#) →

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Development Of New Environments – DONE 018

Following the successful completion of the DONE educational programme over the past 10 years, (2008 – present), we are happy to announce the eleventh year of the DONE programme, beginning in October 2018 and we open registrations now.

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International HARP WS with DONE Mission One

From the 28th of April to the 1st of May, the International HARP workshop was held in Dunajská Lužná, where 49 second generation from Slovakia, Slovenia, Croatia, Hungary, Serbia, Czech Republic, Austria and Germany gathered to participate. The workshop was organised and held by DONE

Mission One participants and staff, totalling 79 people altogether. [Continue reading](#) →

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Summer 2017 is calling

Dear brothers and sisters!

We are pleased to announce the Motto for ESGD Summer 2017 and open REGISTRATIONS for all activities. We are preparing various workshops for different age groups and hope to see many of you there. We keep investing into the education; both into exciting team activities, challenges & sports and into the content of lectures and guidance. In last years many participants from outside Europe have joined the ESGD workshops making them even more international 😊 [Continue reading](#) →

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International HARP spring WS

Dear HARP members and parents,

We are happy to inform you about an international HARP spring workshop and warmly invite all HARP-aged members (aged 15+) to participate. It will take place in Slovakia, in *Luzna seminar centre* near Bratislava, from 28th April to 1st May.

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Blessed couples retreat

Dear Blessed couples!

We are happy to invite you to the Couples Retreat 25th–28th May 2017

(from Thursday to Sunday). It will take place in [Sporthotel Hostivice](#) in Prague, the enchanting Bohemian capital.

The location provides the opportunity for each couple to have a private room, with communal lounge areas. As a group we will be able to share the schedule together in peaceful surroundings, and also to go out and explore popular Prague. There are sports facilities and wellness with sauna in the hotel. [Continue reading](#) →

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20+ WS on “genuine spirituality”

Dear friends, brothers and sisters,

We are very happy to invite you to our next 20+ workshop between **6th-9th April**. The workshop will be held at the [El Manantial Del Corazon](#) seminar center of Spanish FFWPU on the outskirts of El Escorial, north-west of Madrid. [Continue reading](#) →

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ESGD Summer 2017

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

We are pleased to announce the dates of the ESGD Summer Activities for 2017 – we hope that we can see many of you returning, and some new faces as well. We will work on and announce the motto for Summer 2017 later in April when registrations officially open at this site. However, we wanted to at least give you the dates to help with your planning as families and for those interested in applying as staff, too. [Continue reading](#) →

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Well DONE Graduates

Very soon, you will receive the name of becoming a DONE graduate. A ‘Developer of New Environments’.

That title represents many things. And amongst everything it will come to mean to you, I hope it will also remind you of the environment that you

created here, which I believe can always re-inspire and re-ignite your inner strength whenever you need it to.

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DONE 016 is back

A few nuggets of wisdom so far ...

“When you know who you are then you know how you should live”

“Clarity brings confidence”

“Life is not about finding yourself, it’s about creating yourself” [Continue reading →](#)

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DONE 016 update

Dear friends,

The first week of DONE 016 has passed and we all had chance to get to know each other and start the education. We are a very diverse group of 60 this year including participants and staff; with 35 nations and 6 continents represented, through all parents’ nationalities. It’s a really wonderful mix of personalities and characters. [Continue reading →](#)

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20+ Winter Retreat

We warmly invite you to join the ESGD 20+ Winter retreat in the Low Tatra Mountain Resort in the **Liptov region** of Slovakia. Options of winter sports, thermal spa, friendship and a quality time. Taking place from **18th to 22nd January 2017** in lovely **wooden chalets in Liptovsky Trnovec**.

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Be original in Ivory Coast

Joint project of the ESGD and Ivorian 2nd generation

We are very excited and happy to share that some ESGD members and supporting European 2nd gen have recently returned from Abidjan in Ivory Coast. We co-organised a West African summer workshop for more than 120 African blessed children. True Father emphasised during his European Tour in 2011 that Europe should have a significant role in supporting Africa. We are glad we could contribute to his wish and that such a co-operation could come about in precious area of education for Blessed Children. [Continue reading →](#)

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DONE 015 and DONE M1 Reflections

We are very pleased to announce that DONE 2015 and DONE Mission One 2016 have been successfully completed! We want to congratulate the graduates once again for all their effort and achievements and share some of their reflections. [Continue reading →](#)

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Reflection on Breaking or building

Breaking or building: time for honest reflection and forward thinking

Taking place between 6th– 8th May in Luzna, Slovakia, this was the third 'Breaking or Building' (BoB) 21+ workshop that we have organised in the last year. Altogether, we were 40 people including staff and lecturers, representing 12 different nations including America, Australia, New Zealand and various European countries. [Continue reading →](#)

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DONE Mission One 2016

We want to congratulate all the participants from DONE Mission One 2016, who graduated on Friday 6th May. We are very grateful for all their investment and effort, and want to especially thank the team leaders and staff who supported as well.

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SAWS 21+ WS: Breaking or Building?

Time for honest reflection & forward thinking

Dear friends, brothers and sisters,
We are very happy to invite you to another Breaking or Building workshop for elder Second Generation, taking place in Chiselhurst, near London, from

Friday 13th May to Sunday 15th May. We hold 2 workshops after each other in May to provide the opportunity for people in different parts of Europe. Do not miss out and join at least one of them 😊 [Continue reading →](#)

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International HARP WS

Dear HARP members and Parents,
We are happy to inform you about an international HARP workshop and warmly invite all HARP-aged members (aged 15+) to participate. It will take place in Slovakia, in the seminar centre in Luzna near Bratislava, from 29th April to 1st May.

The workshop is designed for Eastern European HARP members but we welcome participants from other countries too. This is a joint project of the ESGD and the DONE mission programme and the workshop will provide a good chance for BCs to meet from other nations, to refresh our minds and feed our spirits with good education and team activities. [Continue reading →](#)

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Second Gen Educators' WS

We are happy to invite you to our **Second Generation Educators' Workshop on 21-24 April 2016**, which is based on the tradition of annual European HARP Leaders' Workshops. One focus of this workshop is education for HARP (aged 12-18). Another focal point is education and further support for older Blessed Children (aged 18+). [Continue reading →](#)

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Blessed Couples Retreat

Dear Blessed couples,

We are happy invite you to our Blessed Couples Retreat 26th–29th May 2016 (from Thursday to Sunday). It will take place at the [San Lorenzo a Linari residence](#), in the wonderful Italian region of Tuscany. Registration is open now! [Continue reading](#) →

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SAWS 21+ Workshop: Breaking or Building?

Time for honest reflection & forward thinking

Dear friends, brothers and sisters,

We are very happy to invite you to the third Breaking or Building workshop for elder Second Generation, taking place in Dunajska Luzna (Slovakia) from Friday 6th May to Sunday 8th May. After the success of the BoB workshops in Rome (May 2015) and Luzna (November 2015) and in response to several requests, we would like to offer this unique workshop again. [Continue reading](#)

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Blessing 2016

Dear Blessed Families,

We would like to inform you about the upcoming Blessing in 2016, which will take place in Korea, on the anniversary of Foundation Day. **The Blessing is scheduled for February 20th 2016.** [Continue reading](#) →

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How was the “Breaking Or Building WS”?

With this ‘Breaking or Building’ SAWS 21+ workshop (November 2015), we wanted to offer time for elder 2nd generation to share in honest reflection and receive relevant content to help each other gain a better perspective on the issues that have real value in our lives. Altogether, we were 25 participants, representing 8 different nations and it was clear from the first evening, that everyone had come with this goal very much in mind. [Continue reading →](#)

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ODP + Workshop 2015

At the end of August, the ODP+ workshop was once again held in Camberg, Germany. Around 40 participants gathered from all over the world to challenge themselves to grow, dig deeper into the Divine Principle, their relationship with God and True Parents, and in themselves. A lot of the atmosphere that makes this workshop comes from the energy that [Continue reading →](#)

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Junior HARP WS

The biggest workshop in ESGD summer 2015. Main educators were Yebuny and Patrick. The WS was great 😊 [Continue reading →](#)

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Becoming deeply rooted (by Yebuny)

Since the day I started school, I can always remember working very hard to get the best grades I could, so that I would get into the best University I could, so that I would get the best job I could and reach my fullest potential. But not so long ago, I realised there was something quite fundamental that I was missing in all of that, a lesson that I can better express through the example of the bamboo tree.

Read the full story [Becoming deeply rooted](#)

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Development Of New Environments – DONE 015

Following the successful completion of the DONE educational programme over the past 7 years, (2008 – present), we are happy to announce the eighth year of the DONE programme, beginning in September 2015. [Continue reading](#)

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HARP WS by DONE

DONE Mission One and ESGD worked together in order to organise and host a workshop for Eastern European HARPies. The theme of the workshop was "HE4RT," focusing on four elements: developing a healthy heart, the loyal heart of a child towards a parent, the pure heart between brothers and sisters, and a giving culture of heart.

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Blessed Couples Retreat

During Easter holidays around 10 couples from different nations came together for a Blessed Couples retreat in Oostduinkerke in Belgium. The retreat consisted of guidance and discussions on the topics of how to build up a God-centered marriage and the meaning of leading a Blessed Lifestyle, as well as how to help heal each other and fill the relationship with true love.

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES APPLICATIONS ARE COMING SOON!!

Summer Applications for 2016 are coming soon!!

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HARP Education and Leadership Workshop

This workshop took place in Dunajska Luzna, Slovakia and was attended by 17 participants and 7 ESGD staff, representing nations including France, Germany, Austria, Finland, Italy, Hungary, Slovakia and Poland.

The purpose of the workshop was to bring representatives from different nations who are interested in creating, developing or supporting activities for 2nd generation in HARP. As there are vastly different situations in different nations depending on the national structure and demographics, we know that there isn't a 'one size fits all' approach that can be applied in any context. [Continue reading →](#)

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SAWS 21+ Workshop: Breaking or Building?

Time for honest reflection & forward thinking

Dear friends, brothers and sisters,

We are very excited to announce the upcoming SAWS 21 + workshop for elder Second Generation.

Moving forward in our faith and in our life is something which each of us is responsible for. Yet, with the difficult personal challenges that we all face including lifestyle choices and career options, as well as wider concerns regarding the future of [Continue reading →](#)

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ESGD Summer 2015 dates

Dear Brothers & Sisters!

We are pleased to announce the dates of the ESGD Summer Activities for 2015. We hope that we can see many of you returning, and some new faces as well. [Continue reading →](#)

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Blessing is a start of a new journey

True Parents started the tradition of "The Blessing", signifying that God gives us something special when we enter a blessed marriage. As we approach this important time in our lives, it is therefore worthy to remind ourselves of the real blessings we can receive from this. [Continue reading](#) →

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A Blessed Child and a Light Bulb (Essay by Geros, 2011)

... When we look at Blessed Children, we can easily be 'the fool' who fails to recognize their significance. Indeed, Blessed Children are not that different from other children. Their 'light' is not necessarily much brighter if we look at it from a very external perspective and try to evaluate their current performance...

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How was the Football WS

This year's football workshop took place in France, Chamarande from the 22nd to the 30th of July. We were a group of 21. We had a nice time and a great workshop 😊

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Aloha from Kona, Hawaii



It is already the 4th full day of the Aloha Reunion, a special 14d workshop for Blessed Children (15-16 years old) from around the world. True Mother expressed the importance of good education for our 2nd & 3rd Generation to raise children of filial piety who understand God's loving heart, with the hope of raising future leaders. In line with this purpose, the motto is "Let us become Filial Children to Heavenly Parent & True Parents!"

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Summer workshops!!!

Exciting times come with start of our workshops (21-day MOB and Football WS begin tomorrow). 😊

Thank you everyone who joined our prayer condition ending today! We're looking forward to seeing many of you in coming weeks. We'll keep you up-to-date also through [our facebook](#) and [twitter](#).

Let's have a great summer!

The ESGD team

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Quote of the week

"Prayer is like breathing. If you pray much, you will become spiritually brighter and your sensitivity to distinguish good and evil will become keen."

True Father

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Words of Prayer

How many hours do you spend eating every day? Would it not be almost an hour and a half? You spend on the average one and a half hours eating. For spiritual work, you must invest much more than the amount of time you spend on eating. I have come to understand this fact through numerous years of my life of faith. (70 171, 1974.2.9)

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Quote of the week

Don't let your busy schedule stop you to connect with God through prayer.

"...True prayer is measured by weight, not by length. A single groan before God may have more fullness of prayer in it than a fine oration of great length." C. H. Spurgeon (1834-1892)

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Quotes of the week

We have started a prayer condition to support the ESGD summer activities. We offer 3 quotes instead of one; they are good reflection points about prayer.

"Those who pray do not make serious mistakes; they know what to do."
True Father

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Quote of the week

"All major religious traditions carry basically the same message, that is love, compassion and forgiveness. The important thing is they should be part of our daily lives."

Dalai Lama

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Quote of the week

"Courage is rightly esteemed the first of human qualities, because, as has been said, 'it is the quality which guarantees all others.'"

– Winston Churchill.

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HDH inspiration

Reading a speech from 25 years ago to this day on the 27th Day of all things 4/6/89. Here is an extract from the closing of the speech:

Safeguard Your Purity

The younger second generation really should take precautions and do not even think about sex. In the Garden of Eden, did Adam and Eve kiss each other? While they were growing, they certainly noticed their physical differences because they were naked. But that was all. They didn't know

why. They just wondered, but that was the extent of it. When they kissed, that was a serious action.

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Quote of the week

“Every man must decide whether he will walk in the light of creative altruism or the darkness of destructive selfishness. This is the judgement. Life’s most persistent question is, what are you doing for others?”

– Martin Luther King Jr.

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Quote of the Week

Quote of the Week:

“For me, I am driven by two main philosophies: know more today about the world than I knew yesterday and lessen the suffering of others. You’d be surprised how far that gets you.”

– [Neil deGrasse Tyson](#)

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“Give light, & the darkness will disappear of itself.”

– Desiderius Erasmus



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ESGD Summer Motto 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are proud to present the motto for the Summer activities this year:

Let us be the one: to Practice/to Realise/to Carry On

With this motto we want to directly connect and refer to the Motto for this year onwards until 2020: "Let us become true owners of Cheon II"

Guk who practice true love in resemblance to our Creator, the Heavenly Parent!"

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