

Online HARP Winter Workshop - December 28 - 31, 2020

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Perhaps with some disappointment this year the annual HARP winter workshop held in Glanow had to be moved into the online space, a challenge we never wished to face, but one we chose to tackle nonetheless. The appropriately titled Winter Challenge 2020: Take Away the Grey, held between December 28th - 31st, gave space for Blessed Children across Europe and the Middle East to connect, reflect, set goals, laugh, play games, challenge themselves, and take matters into their own hands in telling their 2020 story with less of the grey that many of us felt confined by. Highlighting this workshop, the challenge day had all teams walking the extra mile, completing sets of challenges all throughout the day, many times outdoing themselves in offering so much more than the challenges originally intended of them. A Facebook group was created as a place to share, connect and inspire each other when we were not altogether connected on Zoom. More than anything, the workshop became a testament to the resilience, creativity, and passion of the inspired and connection-seeking Blessed Children of our region, and we cannot wait to finally meet in person very soon.

Here are some testimonies from participants and team leaders:

"It was a really wonderful experience that really gives you the possibility to think and reflect about the new year, about last year, to, first of all, go in yourself trying to really meet God during this time."
Jonasz, Team Leader

"I participated in this workshop, it was very very nice and the perfect ending for this year. I'm so grateful having met so many people I've never met, thank you to everyone."
Laurene, Participant

"I'm very happy that I took part in this workshop. It was very special to me to see so many new faces, meet so many nice, kind people and hear from my elder brothers and sisters. I really feel we could end this year with very positive energy and start the new year with positive energy. It was very colorful, funny and a very good experience, thank you."
Talia, Participant

"This was a very interesting workshop. I think it cannot be better online. The only more exciting and better is the offline workshop and I think you've achieved everything that you could so I think it was very good. It was interesting to do team leading for the first time. I'm very grateful for this and I hope that we can go to an offline workshop."
Marko, Team Leader

"You've done it guys, you've taken away the grey. These past days have been quite fun to spend time with you guys, 2nd gens, with my team."
Mindaugas, Participant

"Anything was possible this year with a bit of creativity, and this workshop was the proof of this."
Agnieszka, Team Leader