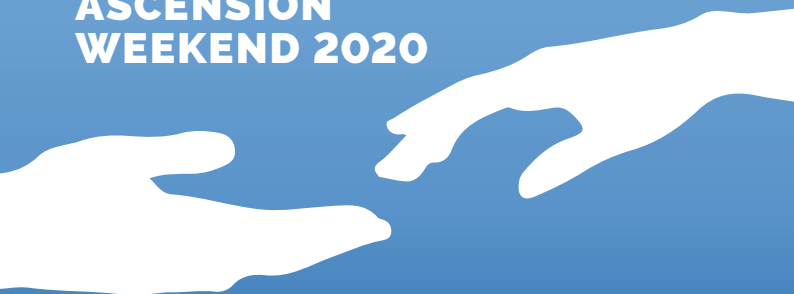


HERE I AM

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY
OF THE INTERNATIONAL
YOUTH CONVENTION
ASCENSION
WEEKEND 2020**



ANNIVERSARY GUIDE

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Preface to the anniversary | District Apostle Rainer Storck



Dear youth all over the world,

A whole year has now passed since we met at the International Youth Convention in Düsseldorf. I'm sure you too remember the four days fondly; the many encounters, the enjoyable events and especially the divine service with our Chief Apostle on Sunday. He called us to spread the message of God's love for all people.

On the occasion of the Ascension weekend 2020, the organisers of the International Youth Convention created a programme to commemorate the International Youth Convention. The programme contains live streams with the highlights of the IYC on the YouTube channel. In addition to the bigger events in the arena, various talks and concerts will be shown. The rich programme is a mix of all events of the IYC and will run from Thursday to Sunday. The International Youth Convention featured a great variety of events, especially with regard to music.

Finally, I want to address one point: In light of the corona pandemic, I am thankful to our God that we did not have to deal with such a catastrophe last year. Just imagine we would have had to cancel the IYC at the last minute and all preparations would have been for nothing.

When we now think back to the International Youth Convention, let us be thankful to our Heavenly Father and let us intercede for all people who are currently suffering from the coronavirus or its impact.

Kind regards,
your

Rainer Storck



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Together we experience the divine service on Ascension Day. The main part of the divine service will be in English, further contributions in Dutch and Lingala. The Bible text can be found in John 12:32: "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." Apostle David Heynes (UK) will conduct this divine service.

19.00 - 20.00 **Concert: Youth Celebration Choir**



500 young people sing a "Best of" of all youth days of the former district church Hestia/Rhineland-Palatinate/Saarland. Whether spiritual hymns, pop or worship songs or gospel - let yourself be drawn in and celebrate with the Youth Celebration Choir.

20.00 - 20.30 **Concert: Worship with the IYC Band**



Worshipping works best with an electric guitar, bass guitar, drums... That's what we think, the eight members of a band project exclusively founded for the IYC. We want to bring our passion for worship music to you and touch you deep inside your hearts and souls. Let yourself be drawn in by the multi-layered sounds, great rhythms and reverent texts.

20.30 - 21.30 **Concert: Rockin' Credo – Christian rock music**



Rockin' Credo – a creed in rock. That title describes the style and content of this band's music. They will cover well-known Christian songs and perform their own songs, too. Whether ballads or rock songs – all songs celebrate our faith in Jesus Christ.

Friday, 22 May 2020

19.00 - 20.00 **Opening event of the International Youth Convention**

Experience the moment when Chief Apostle Jean-Luc Schneider, head of the New Apostolic Church International, officially opens the International Youth Convention 2019. There will also be greeting speeches and a lot of music. Furthermore, the topic will be the motto "Here I am" that will be the common theme of all events. In the opening, we can find a level that unifies all international young people: Our emotions in faith and everyday life. Three emotions are displayed in a play: Positive emotions, negative emotions and confusion. Everyone will be actively addressed and included via various, also surprising moments in the play.

20.00 - 20.45 **Concert: Men's quintet "Die Bräutigang"**



Wise Guys, Pentatonix and the men's choir hymnal of the New Apostolic Church of 2007 – such different kinds of music, combined with modern and groovy sounds, presented by the "Bräutigang". The four boys from Cologne and their congregation angel Nils from the Siegen mountains are creating a festival for the ears. Let yourself be a-capellarised by the Bräutigang!





Friday, 22 May 2020

20.45 - 21.45 **Concert: Stugapella – Acapella from Stuttgart**



Having fun and joy singing and making music brought Stugapella from Stuttgart together. They started out with enriching divine services with their music, later more and more public performances followed on a few youth days and the ICC. They will also be in Düsseldorf with their wide repertoire, ranging from basta and the Wise Guys to Naturally Seven.

21.45 - 23.00 **Concert: “Rocking Bow Ties”**



Formerly known as the “Bäänd feat. Kurt Wagner”, the “Rocking Bow Ties” are now performing under their new name with a atmospheric mix of Christian and popular rock music. After their performances on the last few youth days of the district church West Germany, they now want to come to you.

Saturday, 23 May 2020

19.00 - 19.15 **Devotional with District Apostle John Leslie Kriel (South Africa)**



“I am with you” What have you taken in so far? After arriving, getting your bearings and maybe being troubled by thoughts and emotions? Together, we will pause for a short while and recognise why, for whom, for what reason we are here.

19.15 - 20.00 **Here we are! Podium discussion with the Chief Apostle**



What are the main challenges for Christianity and the Church today and for the future? How is the NAC evolving and what further changes can be expected? How can the Church reach out (even better) to the youth and give them inspiration in their belief in Christ? How can the youth take an active part in their Church, today and tomorrow? These, and further questions on the subjects of society, the youth, faith and the Church, are at the centre of the podium discussion with Chief Apostle Schneider.





Saturday, 23 May 2020

20.00 - 22.00 **#HereThereEverywhere – Jesus the Light In Us**

We are an international church and young people from all over the world. We are celebrating our diversity and we are learning from each other. The common theme of the events in the arena continues: On Saturday night you are invited to answer Jesus' call from the pop oratorio "I AM": "Here I am". The event "'HereThereEverywhere – Jesus the Light In Us" shows that we are one through a common light that is shining within us - despite differences in culture and personality. Accompany us on a monumental journey through all five continents - towards a common finale.

22.00 - 00.00 **Face the Lord – facing you**



A special kind of concert night: Meet God and see how He affects you. He is not only above you and around you, He is also in you. Young people from Austria invite you to a musical journey - to meet God within yourself. The preparations for the divine service with our Chief Apostle Jean-Luc Schneider come to their climax and you are a part of it.

Sunday, 24 May 2020

08.45 - 09.00 **Morning devotional with District Apostle Deppner**



"And you who seek God, your hearts shall live" Determining your position Have you ever doubted if it's all correct the way it is? Say Yes to yourself, to your path and have faith! On the youth convention, we are asking ourselves the question what our position is. This morning devotional is dedicated to that question - so that your heart is alive.

09.00 - 09.45 **Opening program IYC divine service**

10.00 - 11.00 **Video divine service with Bishop Peter Johanning**



Bishop Peter Johanning conducts the video divine service in Dortmund. The divine service will be broadcast live via YouTube. As every Sunday, the divine service is for all church members. He is planning to awaken memories of the International Youth Convention 2019 in his serving. In addition, there will be musical elements from the divine service with Chief Apostle Jean-Luc Schneider.

11.00 - 11.30 **Programme after the IYC divine service**

12.00 - 13.00 **Talk: "The Apostle ministry – Service in the Church"**



Is the Apostle ministry necessary? Is a reference to the Apostles mentioned in the new testament enough? How does the New Apostolic Church explain the necessity of the Apostle ministry? Speakers: Apostle Klaus Katens (NAC Berlin-Brandenburg) and Evangelist Reinhard Kiefer (NACI)





Sunday, 24 May 2020

13.00 - 14.30 **Talk: “Food disciples, or when our diet becomes a religion”**



Food becomes more and more important. It's no longer “The mains thing is it tastes good”, but: “It is (un)healthy? Or “Can I eat this with a good conscience?”
Animal suffering, organic production, environmental protection - food is more and more linked to ethics. Additionally, new eating rules are created, almost ideology groups: Veganism, paleo food, organic food, fairtrade. When the sausage from your supermarket becomes a sin, is that a kind of “food religion”?
Bishop Peter Johanning talks to Dr. Kai Funkschmidt (EZW)

12 14.30 - 16.00 **Talk: “Immortality of the soul – help for the departed”**



Apostle Herbert Bansbach and Apostle Gert Opdenplatz are talking about the topic immortality of the soul and help for the departed.

16.00 - 17.00 **Concert de la jeunesse France**



“A concert of all the French youth: 300 singers await you. Eight youth choirs from France chose two to three titles each for a common program. Prior to the IYC, they had three concerts in France: In Alsace, in Lorraine and in the region Paris. In Düsseldorf, we combine it all into one concert. The choir sings mainly NAC hymns, sometimes accompanied by instruments.”

Sunday, 24 May 2020

17.00 - 18.00 **Talk: „Making of – How to use the Divine Service Guide“**



Every minister knows and needs it: The Divine Service Guide in its handy format that fits into every suit jacket pocket. It contains the Bible text as foundation for the divine service, including clarification of context, main message for the divine service, theological thoughts about interpretation as well as a summary. But how are the monthly guides created that are published by the Chief Apostle? How are they supposed to be used? And why do some Bible texts not qualify as foundation for a divine service?

18.00 - 19.15 **Lacrimosa – A special kind of interview**



Musician and priest Tilo Wolff presents his Metal band Lacrimosa, which was founded in 1990. He talks about his work in the music business of the Gothic and Metal scene together with being a congregation rector in Switzerland. The main topic will be his access to music and how he deals with music as a New Apostolic Christian.
Moderation: Evangelist Peter Haupt

19.15 - 20.45 **International Christian poetry slam contest**



Young people were able to apply prior to the International Youth Convention and are now facing the audience and a jury. The guideline: They need to address a Christian topic. The results were diverse.





Sunday, 24 May 2020

20.45 - 22.00 **Closing concert: Thank You(th) –
Final Praise & Worship with the
GospelproJekt**



180 and 9,000 more come together to praise Jesus with one voice and to give thanks for this great weekend! At the end of the International Youth Convention, the GospelproJekt says thank you to all participants and especially to all the helpers with a join-in and thank-you concert. They are once again starting the great fireworks of worship and praise as choir, orchestra and band together with you.

Where can I watch the programme?

The programme from the guide will be broadcast as live streams on the YouTube channel of the International Youth Convention 2019. The channel is called “International Youth Convention” and can be found via the short link youtube.ijt2019.org.

The channel is not only accessible via a browser on a computer, but also via the YouTube app on smartphones and tablets. You can achieve the best quality, however, by using the YouTube app on a smart TV or on a video streaming device (Fire TV, Chromecast or Apple TV).

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