

**Movimiento internacional
Somos-Iglesia**

**Movimento Internacional
Nós somos Igreja**

**Movimento Internazionale
Noi siamo Chiesa**

**Mouvement international
Nous sommes Eglise**

**Internationale Bewegung
Wir sind Kirche**

International Movement We are Church

www.we-are-church.org

- 1995 **Church Referendum** 'We are Church' started in Austria, Germany, and Southern Tyrol
2.5 million signatures for a renewal of the Roman-Catholic Church according to the intention of the
Second Vatican Council
- **The creation of a Church of brothers and sisters**
 - **Full participation of women in all aspects of Church life**
 - **Removal of the obligation of clerical celibacy**
 - **A positive attitude towards sexuality and recognition of the primacy of an informed moral conscience**
 - **A message of joy and not threat or discrimination.**
- 1996 **International Movement We are Church (IMWAC)** founded in Rome
- 1997 Participation at the **Ecumenical Meeting in Graz/Austria** (despite the intervention of Cardinal Ratzinger)
- 1997 **Incontro Internazionale Del Popolo Di Dio** to present signatures to the Pope at the 35th anniversary of the opening of Vatican II
- 1998 **'Pope for the Time to Come: Bishop of Rome and Universal Pastor'**
More than 145 major groups around the world endorsed the document.
- 1999 **Forum of European Christians** shadowing the Bishops' Synod for Europe in Rome
- 2001 **Synod of the People of God** – with participants from around the world shadowing the **Xth Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops** in Rome
- 2002 **We are Church-YOUTH at Challenge the Church** parallel to the 'WorldYouthDay' in Toronto/Canada
- 2003 **IMWAC-Council** in Barcelona/Spain
- 2004 **IMWAC-Council** in Brussels/Belgium
- 2005 **Conclave-Project "Visions of a New Church"** April 14-16 in Rome
- 2005 **'We are Church – worldwide'** 10th anniversary of the Church referendum in Innsbruck/Austria
- 2005 **We are Church-YOUTH** initiates 'WorldYouthDay4all' during Catholic WorldYouthDay August 2005 in Cologne/Germany
- 2006 **IMWAC-Council** June 16-18 in Freising/Germany
- 2006 **Third letter to Pope Benedict** asking for dialogue on the **10th anniversary of the International Movement We are Church** (founded in Rome, Nov. 25, 1996)

The We Are Church movement has a presence in or is co-operating with similar groups in Austria, Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Catalonia, Chile, Colombia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Finland, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Kenya, Malta, Mexico, New Zealand, The Netherlands, North America, Norway, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Scotland, South Tyrol, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, Venezuela

We Are Church cooperates with other reform movements around the world e.g. European Network Church on the Move, Women's Ordination Worldwide (WOW), North Atlantic Federation for a Renewed Catholic Priesthood

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