

Fatima: Your Last Chance Conference Thank You's

From: Archbishop John Barwa, Orissa.

It is important to know what the Mother of Fatima asked and what should be done by us.

Other very committed people and I need to promote the Fatima Message.

We need conviction – committed people involved and fulfill my role as Archbishop.

Never get discouraged.

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**From: Father Dikotsi William Mofokeng, South Africa**

Many thanks to the Fatima Center for staging such a successful 2012 Fatima Conference around the theme: *Fatima: Your Last Chance*.

Having never been to one of the Fatima Conferences, I asked myself what the program would be like and who would be speaking. Wow, what incredible speakers lined up there: doctors, university professors, bishops and priests – all were awesome.

The entire Fatima Center hasn't lost contact with the people on the ground. During the conference, the Fatima

staff practiced random acts of kindness. They always smiled (Marie), they spoke to strangers (Mary). They all made us feel special and important.

On the flight home from Rome – I was so inspired, I don't think I really needed the airplane – I thought to myself, I'd love to be one of the messengers/ambassadors of the Message of Our Lady of Fatima. Yes, I do it in a small way here in my area – especially at the Shrine of Our Lady of Bethlehem. But how do I cover our Conference area (Southern African Catholic Bishops' area) with literature and insightful inputs on the Message of Our Lady of Fatima? In the priests workshop, India was put forth as an epitome for effective spreading of the Message.

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From: Father Clement Ettaniyil, Belgium

It is the need of the world to get to know more about the great Message of Fatima – as the world is facing more problems.

The conference helped to



Some of the clergy, press and laymen attending the Conference.



Cardinal Renato Martino (front right) with Doctor John Bonanni, his personal assistant beside him, listen attentively to Father Kramer explain how Masonic influences are still damaging the Catholic Mass and Liturgy of today.



Archbishop John Barwa, S.V.D., (front left) listens intently. Besides giving his own speech about the persecution of Catholics in India (see page 26), the Archbishop listened most attentively to the whole Conference. He was so interested in the Fatima Message that he stayed back from the Papal Audience on Wednesday morning to hear Father Gruner give three speeches about the history of Fatima from 1916 until 2012.



Father Cyprian, O.S.B., being interviewed and recorded between talks at our Conference. Radio, TV (RAI #1, the leading Italian National Network) and the print media were all there.



Staff capturing speeches on video masters for placement on Fatima TV in Rome and Fatima World Wide Web.



Pre-conference activity is very hectic. Left, Father Gruner discusses last minute instructions with Peter Dychtiar, Fatima Center TV Production Manager, while staff on right tests the cameras.

attain more convictions and practical suggestions to teach others who have never heard of it. I learned about the attitude of the Vatican toward Fatima. Thanks and prayers for the Fatima movement and your wonderful tasks. I appreciate this great work of Father Gruner and his teams. Please give more chance for spontaneous exchange during panel discussions to clarify more things. Thanks!

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**From: Bishop Thomas Msusa,  
Malawi**

I felt that the role of our Mother Mary in evangelization is very important in the world today.

It has helped me more to see the role of Mary in my life – and how She can help in peace-building. I also felt that I should be more faithful to the devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

My only comment is that we should deepen our faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God and learn to love one another in the Catholic Church.

We should also respect our separated brothers and sisters – they too are the sons and daughters of God. Let us continue to spread the love of God and see the role of Mary

as directing us to Jesus.

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**From: Father Prabodh Kumar,
India**

I learned more about proclaiming the Message of Our Lady of Fatima and to pray for the Consecration of Russia.

Yes, this Conference helped me more and therefore I will be working more for Jesus through Our Mother Mary.

I will be praying more daily Rosaries and teaching others to pray more Rosaries. I'd like more days for the Conference.

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**From: Father Augustine  
Kahiigi, Uganda**

I want to know more about the Fatima Crusade and to find ways I can help spread the Message.

I am convinced that I have a debt to save the people of God as requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary. I have learned more about the obligation of charity and the need to consecrate Russia.

Pray for Uganda – they fear to promote Fatima due to what happened in Nannugu. People known as Marians perished.

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Fatima that this has to happen, then it should happen. Disobedience, I believe, brought confusion in our world and disobedience will bring more confusion even today. But at the same time, Mother Mary's words should be followed and obeyed. As an Archbishop in the hierarchy of the Church, I can only say, because I have not much knowledge and information, for me what matters is the love of God and devotion to our beloved Mother Mary.

### **Who Should Do It?**

If this thing has to be done, it has to be done. But who

should do it? All of us should do it. The whole Church should do it, not just by one group.

All of us should know and be convinced that this is the urgency and this is the need of the hour. I am convinced, all of us know, all of us bishops, all of us feel that if it has to be done, it should be done, but it should be done with consent, with understanding, with the love of our beloved Mother Mary.

May Mother Mary bless us, may Mother Mary protect Her Church, may Mother Mary protect all Her children.

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#### **From: Father Iosevo Ratuvere Segamirawa, Fiji Islands**

I am the only one from the Pacific and I will certainly promote the Devotion.

I have come to know of the truth of Fatima. I personally am nourished and challenged (by):

the obstacles of the fulfilling of Our Lady's wish, the evil that tries to hinder the Message of Mary.

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From: Father Joseph Ladislaus, India

The Conference was very good and I loved the experience of it for the first time. I am really very thankful for giving me an opportunity to have participated in such a spiritual Conference conducted by Rev. Fr. Nicholas Gruner and his team. The Conference broadened my vision and knowledge about the message at Fatima and strengthened my spirituality.

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