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**These things I have spoken
to you, that My joy remain
in you, and that your joy
may be full.** (John 15:11)

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Jump into the present moment!

Dear friends of the word!

She seemed rather shy and timid when she got into the van to join the go4peace adventure. We were on our way to Koszalin in Northern Poland to – together with teenagers from many different European countries- work for peace. Nevertheless she was alert and open for new experiences.

After 10 days together the group had to prepare a performance. Dance, song, experiences... everything had to be looked at in order to come up with a fitting program. At the end of the program a 'message for peace' dedicated to our host city Koszalin was to be read out. Paulina, that was the young woman's name, had already signed up for the workshop 'cleaning4peace'. She would have travelled to the Baltic coast to clear a section of the beach and she was looking forward to be by the sea. But who could write the peace message. Her name was mentioned, especially since she was fluent in German, English and Polish. "Paulina, could you imagine to help with the wording of the message for peace and then translating it into Polish? The next evening she was on stage in front of hundreds of people. She said: "I could sense that the others needed my help. I immediately dropped the idea to travel to the coast. We worked all day to write and translate the message, and I was so happy that I could help. That was a really strong experience for me.

Dear friends of the word, when I meet Paulina I can always sense this real and sincere joy. She discovered that the joy which was promised to us by Jesus is always present but – just like an underground watercourse- just under the surface. You have the chance to get to drill into it at any time. If you jump into the NOW, if you really live in the present, then the spring of joy will start to gush out. **Jump into the present moment!**

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