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Take the plunge!

Jesus said (to Peter), "Come!" (Matthew 14:29)

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Dear friends of go4peace,

Should I or should I not? How often do we find ourselves in moments without knowing how to continue. Life always presents us with new decisions. Something attracts us. We smell new opportunities in life. But we don't know if we will succeed. Our need for security makes us cautious, often holding us back.

It was not easy for Peter to deal with uncertainty either. Should he rely entirely on Jesus? He felt like being in a ship, tossed to and fro by the waves. However, if he wanted to surpass himself, he had to take the step out of his certainties. Jesus encouraged him and cried, "Come!" (Matthew 14.29)

Her home country could not offer a young student the future opportunities she dreamed of. So she decided early on to go to another country after graduating from high school. It was not easy to leave her family behind and to see them only every so often. Nevertheless, she dared to take the step trusting in Jesus' promise never to leave us alone. Months and years followed in which it was not easy for her. She often felt alone. But she kept the strength to keep at it and go her own way. Now, after successfully completing her studies and finding a good job, she says: "I'm happy that I took the step after graduating from high school!"

Once a decision has been made, it does not mean that everything will go smoothly. But we can trust in Peter's experience. When he threatens to drown, a saving hand pulls him into the boat. **Take the plunge!**

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