

## Multipolar Dialogue in Europe Christmas with Chiara Lubich

December 21, 2022
for Churches using the Gregorian calendar
January 5, 2023
for the Churches using the Julian calendar

6 pm London; 7 pm Brussels, Vienna; 8 pm Bucharest, Kiev, Vilnius; 9 pm Moscow, Minsk

Christmas will soon be with us. In these times of war we wish to come together, from so many points of Europe, for an hour of contemplation of the mystery of God's love for us. We will gather around the Child Jesus, this time without the lights, without the Christmas tree and without the angelic ringing of bells, but we will be imploring Him to bring us *His* Peace. And we will listen to meditations by Chiara Lubich from her book "Christmas Joy".

## You are cordially invited

to participate in your own Christmas celebration but also in that of other church communities

to give witness to the unity of Christians before Jesus Christ who has brought among us the way of life from Heaven. The meeting will be held via Zoom. You can find the link and other information on

https://www.multipolar-dialogue.net

## The evening will unfold as follows:

At the beginning, a *candle* is lit and the *Gospel passage* of the birth of Jesus is read.

Then representatives from *different nations* will read excerpts from Chiara in their own language, with translations into Italian, English, and other languages.

After the reading, each person will recite a *brief spiritual thought* or *personal prayer* or else present a *Christmas carol* from their homeland.

The evening concludes with a moment of *prayer* invoked with one heart and one soul: the Lord's Prayer together with a supplication for a just and lasting peace.

Buon Natale \* Merry Christmas

Христос ся рождає- Славімо Його! Christ is born - praise Him! (Ukrainian version) Христос рождается - славите! - Christ is born, praise Him. (Russian version)