

MARIAN SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF SCHOENSTATT

Dear friends,

three years ago, thanks to your help, we were able to take a group of young people to World Youth Day in Lisbon. That experience changed their lives and had a huge impact on our community. It's incredible how a pilgrimage to holy places can transform someone's life; as priests working with youth, we can testify that what they say about pilgrims is true—they always return by a different path, transformed and eager to share their joy with others.

Two years ago, thanks to your assistance, we began renovating our small apartment where we welcome young people every day. Thanks to the renovation, our apartment is increasingly becoming a place of fraternity and friendship, a place of encounter with Jesus and growth in faith. In that apartment, men of faith continue to be formed, future fathers, and we hope, holy husbands, fathers and priests.

But this is not over; there is still so much to do! Pope Francis has invited us to the Youth Jubilee in Rome this summer. Therefore, we want to take 25 young people on pilgrimage. Without your help, it would be impossible for many of them to participate in this experience, so once again, we turn to you to help them fulfill this dream.

This April 2nd, we will have a dinner to help cover many of the costs of this trip and also continue paying for our renovation expenses. Our goal is to raise \$30,000.

Please, prayerfully consider donating to this year's fundraiser and attending on April 2nd. We would be honored with your presence.

United in prayer,



Fr. Gonzalo Villaseca



Fr. Jeff Koedel

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