



"From the foundations, one can recreate the work of the teacher"

Meeting of Waldorf Kindergarten Teachers in Bogota, Colombia

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Since 2002, every second year, the kindergarten teachers working in Colombia meet all together. 39 Early Childhood teachers attended the last meeting, from January 16-to 18 2015.

The theme was "Christian Festivals in the Cycle of the Year". The purpose was to understand the significance of the four major Christian festivals and their relationship to the creating of a healthy environment for children

permeated with spirituality, and to have an adequate basis for the pedagogical practice in each one of the Waldorf kindergartens in Colombia, so that from the foundations one can recreate the work of the teacher and avoid making the mistake of falling into pure didactic pragmatism and methodology.

We also thought and reflected on the new characteristics of children today and their social-cultural settings. Quite apart from the very diverse social and economic conditions in our country, the fundamental rights of early childhood are challenged by adverse situations. There is great urgency for the training of early childhood teachers in Colombia to give shelter to our children and meeting their multiple needs in the different locations in which they live.