## Letter to all the Faith and Light communities

24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear members of the Faith and Light communities around the world,

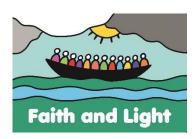
I am pleased to share with you a new update of the international Faith and Light logo, which becomes more modern and dynamic while keeping the spirit of the original emblem painted by MEB, a young man with Down's syndrome who participated in the Lourdes pilgrimage in 1971.

This update responds to the priorities approved by the General Assembly of Faith and Light gathered in Lebanon in 2018, which had asked the new board to work on the communication and visual identity of Faith and Light.

This is the initial emblem that inspired the creation of these two logos:



Initial emblem



Official logo until 2021



Updated Logo September 2021

The new logo is in line with our values:

- You will see that the essential elements of the original emblem are kept: the boat, the characters, the cloud, the sun and the rough sea, but more simplified.
- First, the round shape is a symbol of unity, divinity and harmony.
- The static boat has become a boat with a hull representing a half-globe of the earth to assert the notion of international movement.
- Our boat moves forward in spite of the storms and out of the clouds into the bright sunshine; the forward movement of the boat is suggested by the sails and the slight inclination.
- The small colourful characters represent diversity and joy.
- Blue is dominant, emphasising the various colours of the characters and the brightness of the sun. It is a symbol of peace, brotherhood and solidarity.

The only constant is Jesus who accompanies us and sleeps in the boat.

From now on, you will see this logo in all international correspondence and materials. It exists in three languages, English, French and Spanish. In addition, a new, more modern, lively and dynamic Faith and Light International website with additional features will soon be launched.

Several countries have adapted the emblem of Meb to create logos that reflect their provincial or national identity. If you wish to update your logo with the new international logo, please contact the secretariat for the source files.

Yours Sincerely, Hoda Elturk

President of the Board of Directors of Faith and Light International