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Moravians in Conversation

Wednesday 19 november 2025

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Dear Unity sisters and brothers,

All are invited to share the next "Moravians in Conversation" online gathering on

Wednesday, November 19, 2025.

This quarterly event brings together Moravians from the four geographical regions of the Worldwide Moravian Church to share the Daily Text and a focused discussion relevant to the church today.

We'll meet at the following hour:

16:00	Berlin
17:00	Cape Town
10:00	Kingston
10:00	New York

Here is the link:

Moravians in Conversation

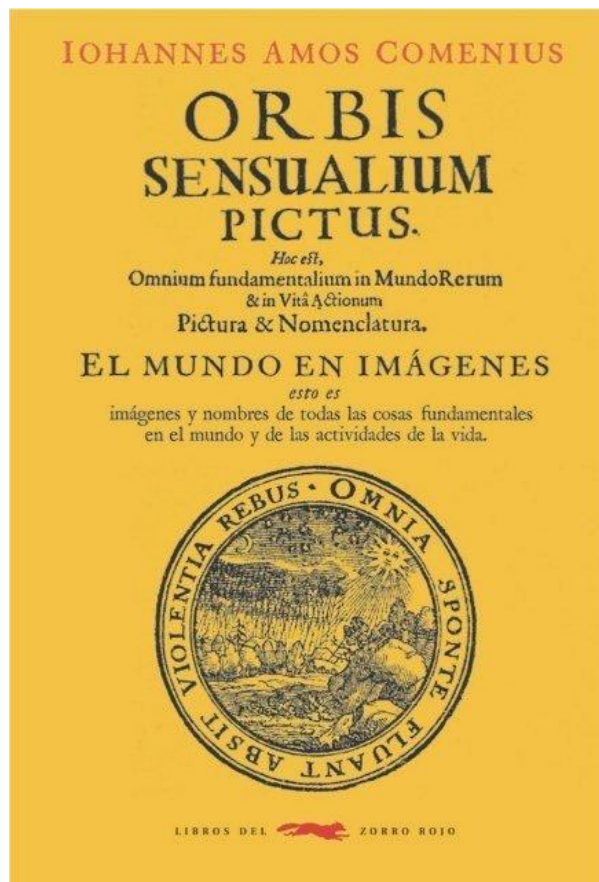
Zeit: 19.Nov. 2025 15:30 Amsterdam, Berlin, Rom, Stockholm, Wien

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At this meeting, we will focus our thoughts on the topic of **Peace and Violence/War**. We live in a world of more and more violence and wars. How can we deal with the war in Ukraine? What can we do for the people in Palestine? What do I feel when I am facing violence either from criminals or soldiers or others?



One of our ancestors, Johann Amos Comenius, also lived in violent times. But he always longed for peace. In one of his books (*Orbis sensualium pictus* – the visible World) he wrote at the beginning as a summary of his theology, pedagogy and philosophy:

Omnia sponte fluant – absit violentia rebus
Let everything flow of its own accord – let
there be no violence in things

The following questions are offered for reflection in the small group. Identify a facilitator in your group who will also report to the total group:

- 1) **Do you have any personal experience with dangerous and violent situations? Have you been in war situations (also civil war)? Have you been threatened by criminals or others? Are there other situation you faced violence?**
- 2) **What is your opinion about war and peace? Can war be justified? How can I/we react when we are threatened?**
- 3) **What tells the bible about peace and war? Which verses are important for you?**
- 4) **Sometimes God fights for his people and destroys the enemies – Is this a justified war?**
- 5) **Comenius said: no violence in all things. Could this be reality? Is this peace?**
- 6) **What can we do for a world without violence?**

Please share this invitation with anyone who might have an interest in this conversation. We will be together for approximately ninety minutes.

Niels Gaertner

(It was planned that Dorothea Rohde writes the invitation, but she is absent in the moment. So I take over the responsibility for the invitation and changed the topic)