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Press Release

JESUS-BIKER® hands over a BMW motorcycle to Pope Leo at the "PEACE-RIDE® to Rome II" – New charity event planned for orphanage in Uganda

Schaafheim/Rom – An extraordinary project combines faith, charity and high-powered machines: On the 29th May 2019, the JESUS-BIKER® presented Pope Francis with a Harley-Davidson, a gift with special symbolic significance. The Pope personally signed the machine's tank, which gave it not only ideological but also considerable material value.

In collaboration with Harley-Davidson Würzburg Village and with the participation of Father Karl Wallner from Missio Austria, the so-called "Pope Harley" was later auctioned in England. The auction proceeds of 54,000 euros went entirely to a children's home in Uganda – a sustainable contribution to children in need and an expression of lived Christian solidarity.

As a sign of the connection with the Christian biker movement, Pope Francis was also appointed an honorary member of JESUS-BIKER®. He received a specially made cowl that was also signed by him and now holds an honorary place in the possession of the JESUS-BIKER®.

Following the success of the first campaign, a new project is already being planned - this time for the benefit of Pope Leo XIV. A unique one-off motorcycle is currently being built for him: a BMW R18, donated by BMW Munich. The bike will be finished by the renowned Motorrad Witzel from Sennfeld, which will give the bike an individual and high-quality look.

The exact location and date of the planned auction have not yet been determined. A solemn handover and an auction in Rome are being discussed – preferably on the same day. As with the first project, all proceeds will again benefit the orphanage in Uganda. This time, a fixed minimum bid has been introduced, which takes into account the value and importance of the project.



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With this initiative, JESUS-BIKER® once again demonstrates how faith, social commitment, and passion for motorcycles can be impressively combined. Their goal remains clear: help for the weakest – on two wheels and with all their heart.

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Subject to the schedule for the PEACE-RIDE® to Rome II

20.07.2025 Departure Schaafheim – Gathering festival, church service in Altötting (opportunity to take photos with the Pope's BMW and to give the JESUS-BIKERS® a written message for the Pope)

21.07.2025 Departure Altötting – Meeting festival in Verona

22.07.2025 Arrival in Rome

23.07.2025 Encounter with Pope Leo XIV

**Press representatives wanted to accompany us on the
PEACE-RIDE® to Rome II!**

Information about JESUS-BIKERS®: www.jesus-biker.de