

Birth to Three

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Fall is finally arriving here in the north; a few leaves have slowly changed in colour to yellow, orange, and red. Slowly seems to be the year's theme, go slowly forward and sense into the new. Life is not the same as it was, and may never be quite the same. Are we, as those here in this time of life, able to embrace this and move forward into a new way of being with each other? Time will tell.

This feeling of moving forward into a new way certainly pertains to our work with Birth to Three as well. The beautiful plans we had in place for the second Birth to Three Conference at Sophia's Hearth has been cancelled for this year with the intention of rescheduling for next fall. We will be bringing Birth to Three offerings to the February Conference. Watch for the conference announcement to learn more.

On a positive note, the Dignity of **The Dignity of the Child** International Early Childhood Congress (Pregnancy, Birth and Early Childhood) conference is planning to go ahead in the spring. The theme is, ***"I feel good in your eye. How do trust, warmth and autonomy arise in the interaction between adult and child?"*** Organized by the interdisciplinary working group CARE I of the Medical Section and the Pedagogical Section at the Goetheanum. This event was initially planned for June 2020 and was postponed and will now take place from 19 – 22 of May 2021. <https://archive.newsletter2go.com/?n2g=tcrd2tir-of613hbn-ovu>
Registration information will be coming soon.

In the spring and summer, we met many times together by zoom to share experience and expertise and navigate working with the young child during a pandemic. Those zoom meetings were invaluable to all of us as we worked to open up once again in new ways, and in many cases, more regulated than ever before. Now that many of you are back up and running the day to day in a new reality, we would like to connect to sense the needs arising out of your experiences. Join us for a call on October 5 at 3 pm EST "Sensing the Needs of Birth to Three." Zoom link here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87376183699?pwd=ZmRUYmwrY3pESW5lSm1CRXQzM0NEdz09>

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We look forward to reconnecting through the fall and into the spring.

With warmth, Heather Church and Magdalena Toran.

Birth to Three Working Group