



**NEW  
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FOR A  
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1939 Una città non basta (1)  
Lo vuoi conquistare ma resta all'amore  
brido, e vuoi trasformare un paese  
in regno di Dio, ~~la~~ <sup>la</sup> tuoi calca  
renditi degli amici che abbiamo  
i tuoi sentimenti.  
Unisciti con loro nel nome di Cristo  
chiedi a loro di fargli ogni  
~~cosa~~ ~~Bio~~ ~~che~~  
Pot ~~far~~ <sup>staremi</sup> ~~poter~~ <sup>era</sup> con loro un patto: di  
2. <sup>Per sempre</sup> ~~giurarsi~~ <sup>amore</sup> ~~amore~~ <sup>perpetuo</sup> e <sup>costa</sup>  
~~per d'ogni~~ ~~che~~ ~~che~~, affinché  
regnatore del mondo sia sempre  
ecco a voi e vi ha condotti, ora;  
te distributo il vostro io nell'aus  
venga <sup>in</sup> ogni passo, i terga ogni le  
verità nel ogni giorno, la Madre col  
l'amore.  
Quindi, prendi le misure della città

Name:

My Gen Unit:

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The booklet you have in your hands will help deepen the **MANIFESTO** that Chiara Lubich gave us, the **third generation: *Gen 3 and Teens for Unity.***

We want to repeat again today the experience of Chiara and her first companions when they were in Trent, **'colouring' our cities with love.**

***If God is with us, one city is too little.***

This is how the Manifesto ends: together let us aim at the whole world, to build a united world.

***"Let's love, love, love: so that at the end of our life we won't regret the fact that we have loved too little!"***

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from the Manifesto

**If you want to win over a city to the love of Christ, (if you want to transform a place into the kingdom of God), first make your plans.**



“Love one another as I  
have loved you”.  
(Jn 13,34)



from the Manifesto

**Gather round you friends**  
who share your feelings.  
**Unite yourself with them**  
**in the name of Jesus and ask them**  
**to put God before anything else.**



**Then make a**  
**PACT with them:**  
**promise one another constant**  
**and perpetual love,**  
**so that the Conqueror of the world**  
**may be always among you**  
**and be your leader.**

**Then size up the city.**





Al Collegetto



Chiesa Cappuccini



P.zza Cappuccini 2



Chiesa S. Marco



Palazzo Geremia



Le Androne



Piazza Fiera



Chiesetta S. Chiara



Ex Ospedale S. Chiara



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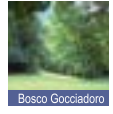
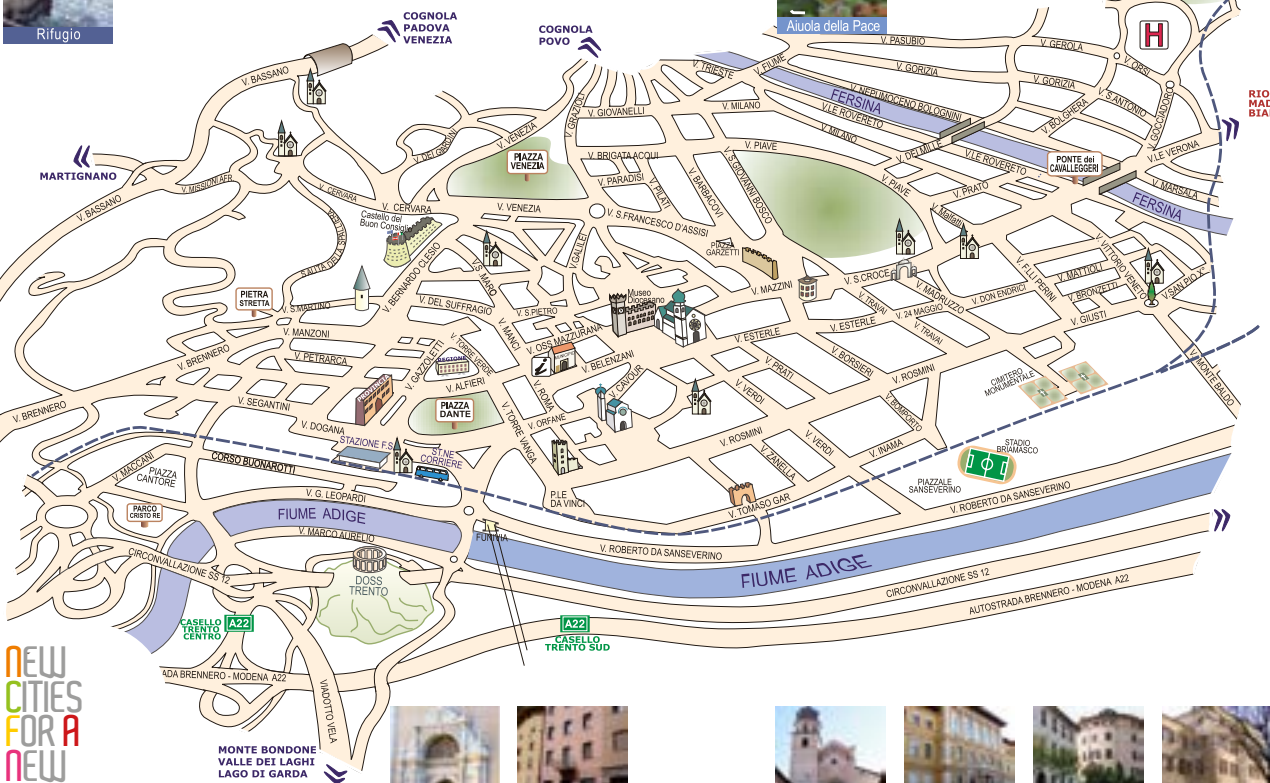


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# Trent: the City of Chiara



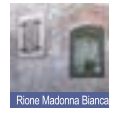
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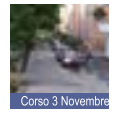
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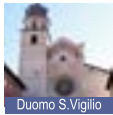
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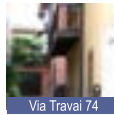
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Il Torrione



Ist. Maria Bambina



Via Travi 74





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from the Manifesto

**Seek out its spiritual head,**  
go with your friends to see him.  
Present your plans to him, (winning  
over the young people of the city)  
and if he does not consent,  
do not take even a step, for  
otherwise you will ruin everything.

**If he advises you and offers you  
some guidelines accept them as  
a command and make them an  
order for you and for your friends.**

Assure him of your loyalty for  
Christ has commanded it, and offer  
to help him – with your spiritual  
contribution – in his heavy  
responsibility.



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from the Manifesto

**Then look for the poorest, the destitute, the forsaken, the orphans, the prisoners.**

***Run with your friends to visit Christ in them, to comfort them, to reveal to them that the love of God is close to them and watches over them.***

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“*If someone is hungry, bring food to that person, and if someone is naked give him clothes.*”

from the Manifesto

If you have no clothing or food, **ask for them from the Eternal Father** with faith because they are necessary for his Son Christ, who you wish to serve in every human being. And he, God will hear you.

Loaded with all these goods go through the streets, **go up into attics and down into cellars,** seek out Christ in public and private places, at the stations, along the railways, in the slums, and caress him above all with your smile.



“Whatever you did to the least of my brothers you did it to me”.  
(Mt 25,45)



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LET'S PUT OUR IDEAS TOGETHER



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from the Manifesto

**Then promise him eternal love,**  
so that the places you are  
unable to go, may be reached  
by your prayers and your  
sufferings, united to the Holy  
Mass, to the Sacrifice of the altar.

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from the Manifesto

Leave no one alone,  
and do not be sparing in your promises,  
because you go in the name  
of the Almighty.



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THE CONSENSERINT

“A particular prayer  
is what we call “consenserint”,  
with which we always ask  
the Holy Spirit, a prayer that  
is in line with our  
communitarian spirituality:  
‘Truly I tell you—Jesus says—  
if two of you on earth agree about  
anything they ask for, it will be done  
for them by my Father in heaven.’”  
(Mt 18,19).

Chiara





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from the Manifesto

While you are gladdening the Lord in your brothers and sisters, **God will take care to fill you and your friends with heavenly gifts** (with joy).

**SHARE THESE WITH ONE ANOTHER,** 

so that the light may not grow dim and love go out.

***If your action is determined and your speech filled with wisdom, many will follow you.***

**Divide these people into groups so that with them you may leaven the city that you wish to undermine with your love.**

Keep going.



**“I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children”.**  
(Mt 11,25)



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TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER



from the Manifesto

If others, having got to know your life and seen with their own eyes the gifts you have (received from heaven), ask you to talk, then speak,

**BUT LET THE CORE OF YOUR SPEECH  
BE THE THINGS YOU HAVE LEARNED  
FROM LIFE** *(the experiences).*



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from the Manifesto

Base what you say on the Gospel which you and your group have absorbed, as your first, safe, inexhaustible, eternal source.



Exerpts from Chiara's letters: "Hurray for the Gospel" and "This is how I wish the gen 3 to be" 1974

Dearest Gen 3,

I would like to hand over something to you that will be 'historic' in the life of the gen 3.

It is the Gospel.

As I have told you many times, the attribute of the Gen 3 is and will always be holiness.

Now holiness is achieved by living the Gospel.

My handover to you will not only be words of encouragement but the book itself.

You can read it at leisure...

A saint said that if you want to learn something well, you have to study it; if you want to know it better, you have to look for a teacher to teach you; if you want to know it well, you have to know it so well that you can teach it.

This is how I wish a gen 3 to be: a young person who teaches the Gospel to others.

The Gospel was, is and will remain the book that renews each person and all society. We need to feed on it from an early age in order to sanctify ourselves and change the world.

I hope you all live the Gospel so well that whosoever sees you may say, "Behold, there is another little Jesus passing by on earth."  
I greet you all.

Chiara





**“** Having consoled, helped, enlightened, made happy, those who were the dregs of society, **you have laid the foundations of the building of the new city.**

from the Manifesto

Then gather your friends together and repeat **the beatitudes** to them, so that they may never lose the spirit of Christ and of his preferences (*for the most poor*).

**After that look further afield and tell everyone that every neighbour, rich or poor, beautiful or ugly, gifted or not, is Christ who passes by.**



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3 “Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy” (Mt 5,7)

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LET'S GET OUR HANDS DIRTY



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from the Manifesto

Let your Task Force be at His service and **each of you weep with those who weep, rejoice with those who rejoice**, constantly share sufferings and joys as well as any sacrifice, without ever ceasing.

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from the Manifesto

**Alternate your action with the deepest prayer** lifted up by your army in perfect unity so that – through Christ – the greatest glory may be won from that place.

And if the struggle costs, know that there lies the secret of success, and that he who urges you on has paid with his blood.



**FORGIVE AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO THINK ILL OF YOU, for if you do not forgive, you will not find mercy.**



**“I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some.”  
(1Cor 9,22)**

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“ And if suffering consumes you, sing out: **“Behold Jesus Forsaken! Behold my spouse, my friend, my brother”** so that in the hour of your death the Lord may say to your soul: **“Arise, and hurry, my friend, my dove, my fair one, and come away.”**”

from the Manifesto

CAMERA DEI DEPUTATI 20-9-49. 58  
 Ho un solo nome sulla terra: Gesù  
 abbandonato: non ho altro Dio fuori  
 di Lui. In Lui è tutto il Paradiso sulla  
 briciola e tutta la terra col'uscita.  
 Perciò il suo è mio e null'altro.  
 Il suo è il Dolore universale e quindi  
 mio.  
 Andrò per il mondo cercando il mio  
 qui attiro 5.04



“My God, my God,  
 why have you  
 forsaken me?”  
 (MC 15,34)

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from the Manifesto

Do this for a city until victory,  
to the point, that is, that good  
overcomes evil and Christ  
through us can repeat:  
**“I have overcome the world.”**

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from the Manifesto

**But with a God who visits you in Holy Communion every morning, if you wish, one city is too little.**

He is the one who has made the stars, who guides the destiny of the ages.

**Come to an agreement with him, and aim further: at your country, at everyone's country, at the world.**

Let your every breath be for this; for this your every action; for this your resting and your moving.

Having reached the other side, you will see that which has most value, and you will find a reward proportionate to your love.

**Act in such a way that in that hour you will not have to be sorry for having loved too little.**



**“That all may be one”  
(Jn 17,21)**



And how can you change the heart of people?  
We can change it with love.

Well, Gen, **let us make a competition with you**, the littlest ones, the ones whom I am sure God loves most; the ones whom I too love most, so as to share in this predilection of the heart of Jesus.

**We shall have a competition between all of us to see who will love most of all.**

And this is the wish that I leave you, the wish with which I finish my manifesto.

**Let's love, love, love: so that at the end of our life we won't regret the fact that we have loved too little!**

Chiara

Chiara Lubich: Il manifesto to the third generation  
(Message to the gen 3 - 1970)



“ And so, Gen, it seems to me that this is **your Manifesto.**”

from the Manifesto

In the year two thousand you will be still young, you will be adults.

To a certain extent you will be able to govern the world. You can form it as you want it if you have begun now to change the heart of people.

The structures will change, **the boundaries will also change**, many things will have a new appearance because the Holy Spirit will help us, but only if from now on as little children you will already have faith in God that he will make use of you to change the heart of people.



LET'S CELEBRATE



**“** Have we made our city  
a little more beautiful?  
Let's meet again with  
all those with whom we  
worked on the project  
to share the changes that  
took place, recognize the  
goals achieved and...  
**let's celebrate together.**

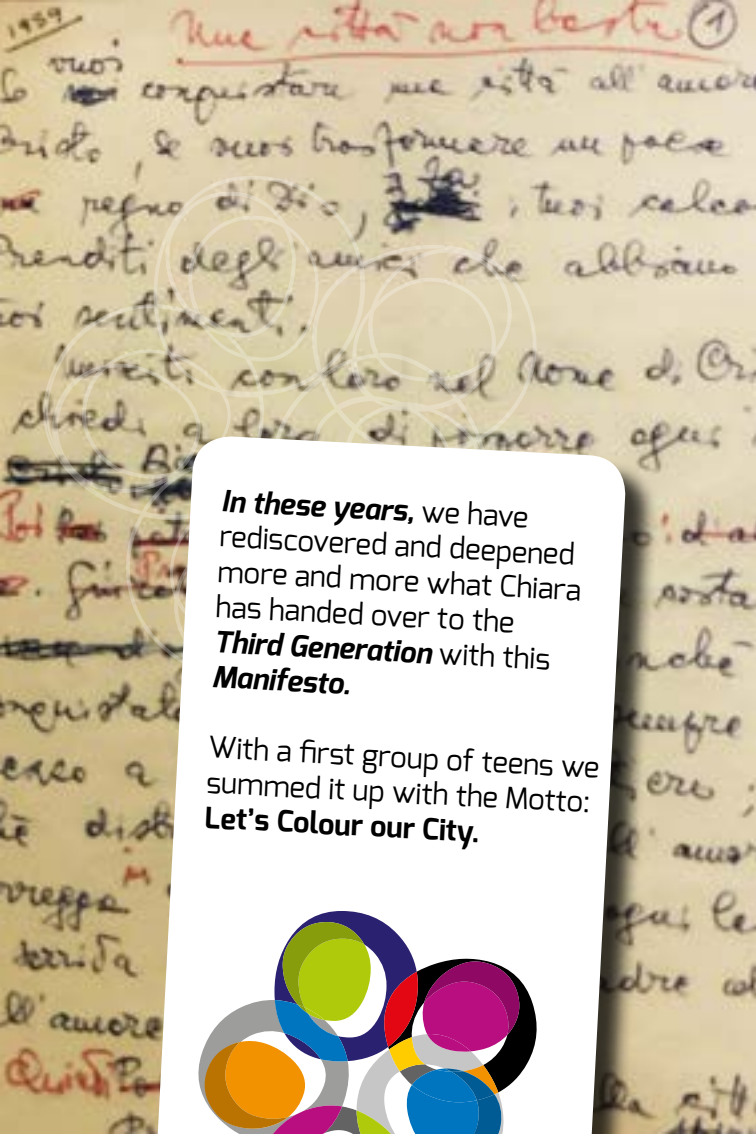
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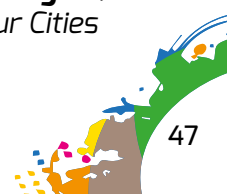
*In these years*, we have rediscovered and deepened more and more what Chiara has handed over to the **Third Generation** with this **Manifesto**.

With a first group of teens we summed it up with the Motto: **Let's Colour our City.**



Through this experience a participatory method to accomplish this Manifesto was developed.

**6X1** was born: **six Steps to reach a goal**, of making New our Cities and so make a **New World**, a **United World**.





*6x1 is a useful method for living activities effectively with the community. It is a path that reinforces in those who participate in it the ability to become active citizens.*



**OBSERVE**  
**LET'S LOOK AROUND US**

- Acquire a broad and conscious vision of the different aspects of the city.
- Discover together the existing problems in the territory.



**THINK**  
**LET'S SUM UP OUR IDEAS**

- Assess the seriousness and urgency of the problems detected.
- Participatively choose the problem on which you plan to intervene with a project.



**INVOLVE**  
**TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER**

- Formulate clearly and precisely the causes and effects of the problem we have identified.
- Involve all those who are sensitive to this issue and figure out how to work together.

*6x1 helps plan activities in a way that is consistent with the goals of the group and allows for full participation of every one involved. The whole group gradually develops a **"vision" for working together** in their town or district, enabling them **to identify the real needs of the area where they live and to focus on what could be their specific contribution to resolve them.***



**ACT**  
**LET'S DIRTY OUR HANDS**

- Draw up the objective of our project.
- Precisely describe the timeframe and responsibilities for carrying out the project.



**EVALUATE**  
**KNOW HOW TO IMPROVE**

- Experience the moment of evaluation as an essential part to strengthen the group and as a moment of collective learning.
- Give meaning to every moment lived, even to those that would seem to be failures.



**CELEBRATE**  
**LET'S REJOICE**

- Discover and enhance the contribution that everyone has made to achieving the objectives.
- Share the joy of the results achieved with all those who participated.



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This symbol beside the sentence highlights the possibility to deepen and live a tool of the Collective Spirituality.



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