We are church: Open letter to the Bishop of Rome, Pope Benedict XVI, and to the German bishops

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On the occasion of Pope Benedict's visit to his home country Bavaria/Germany in September 2006 the Roman Catholic reform movement We Are Church sends an "Open letter to the Bishop of Rome, Pope Benedict XVI, and to the German bishops".

The letter depicts in 10 points an undisguised reflection of the present situation of the Roman Catholic Church in our country. The open letter calls upon the Pope and the German bishops to show more courage, based on Christian confidence, and asks for an open and serious dialogue with all people in the Church. For, quoting the open letter: "In Germany, in Europe and world-wide the Roman Catholic Church has to face dramatic changes and challenges that can only be dealt with by the people in the pews and the bishops together."

> Wording of the "Open letter to the Bishop of Rome, Pope Benedict XVI, and to the German bishops" (PDF)

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