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Pupils at the Dominican school in Vienna attend presentation of the Bible published by Don Bosco Press for children and had a chance to meet the author, the Bishop, and a Salesian who sang with them.

"Every story in the Bible has a happy ending. God always has the last word", the auxiliary bishop of Vienna, Stephen Turnovsky (46 years of age) told the 150 children packed into the Centre. Dressed in black, at the centre of the 'Don Bosco Haus' hall in Vienna, he was smiling. Bearing the title 'I will be with you' the new Children's Bible was being presented. It is published by Don Bosco Verlag.

Bishop Turnovsky, for his part, is the bishop responsible for Youth Ministry in the Diocese.

Initially the bishop was sitting along with the pupils. Fr Alfons Friedrich (52 years of age), the Director of Don Bosco Verlag, Munich, was conducting the morning's events. When invited to come forward, the bishop expressed his gratitude for the event. He said that he loved the bible very much. "If I had to choose a book to keep, I would choose the Bible. I have read it from beginning to end. It is a moving and wonderful book".

The other guest was Fr Rudolf Osanger (60 years of age) Salesian Provincial, Austria, who was very happy to accept the invitation. The children were immediately taken by his happy smile. They were not yet aware that

Fr Rudi was the composer of many of the hymns they knew. Some of these were sung during the Mass they had just attended. Fr Osanger knows all about how to address youngsters: "I have brought something for you to sing today and I have discovered that you already know it pretty well. Your teacher whispered this to me". And smiling, the provincial took his guitar and began to sing *Freude kann Kreise ziehen*. The children began to dance and clap their hands. "All together", Fr Osanger cried in a loud voice and everyone

