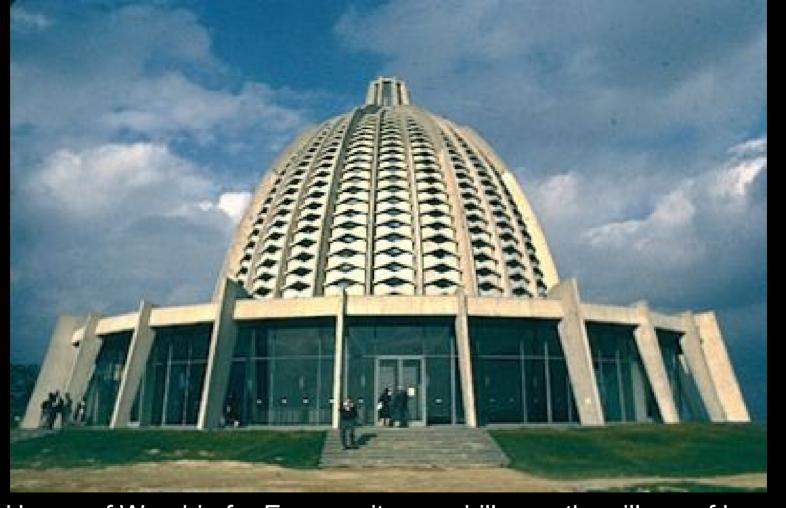
Bahá'í Houses of Worship Ma<u>sh</u>riqu'l-A<u>dh</u>kár

Langenhain, Germany, 1964

Class prepared by Arthur Lyon Dahl

'Abdu'l-Bahá

It befitteth the friends to hold a gathering, a meeting, where they shall glorify God and fix their hearts upon Him, and read and recite the Holy Writings of the Blessed Beauty.... these are none other than the Mashriqu'l-Adhkárs, the Dawning-Points of God's Remembrance, which must, at the direction of the Most Exalted Pen, be established in every hamlet and city.... ('Abdu'l-Bahá, Selections from the Writings of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, §55)



The Bahá'í House of Worship for Europe sits on a hill near the village of Langenhain not far from Frankfurt, Germany. I visited the site with my family in May 1960, before construction began in November 1960. It was dedicated in 1964.



Langenhain, Germany, 1960

Langenhain Germany 1964

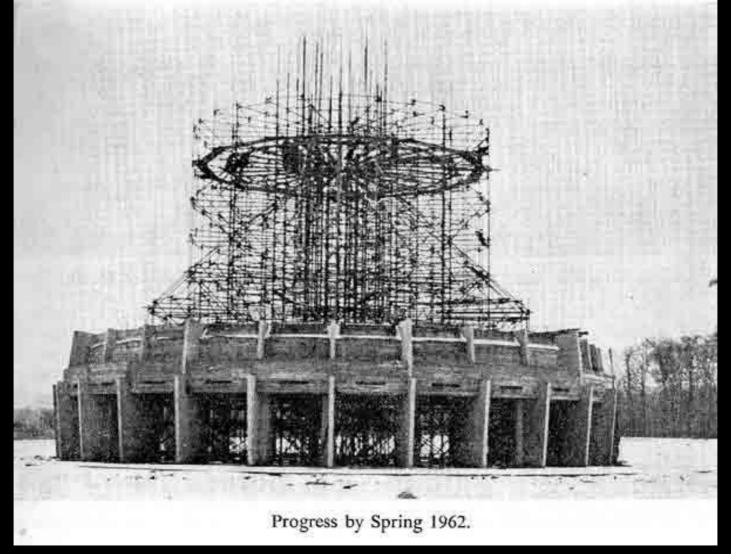


HAND OF THE CAUSE AMELIA COLLINS LAYS THE FOUNDATION STONE



Hand of the Cause Amelia Collins, representing the World Centre of the Faith, addressing the Hands of the Cause and believers gathered at the site of the Mother Temple of Europe on the occasion of her placing the Sacred Dust from the Shrine of Bahá'u'lláh in the foundations, November 20, 1960. This event was publicized in the two German newspapers, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung and Hochster Kreisblatt.

Laying the cornerstone, Langenhain, Germany, 1960



Construction, Langenhain, Germany, 1962



Entrance, Langenhain, Germany

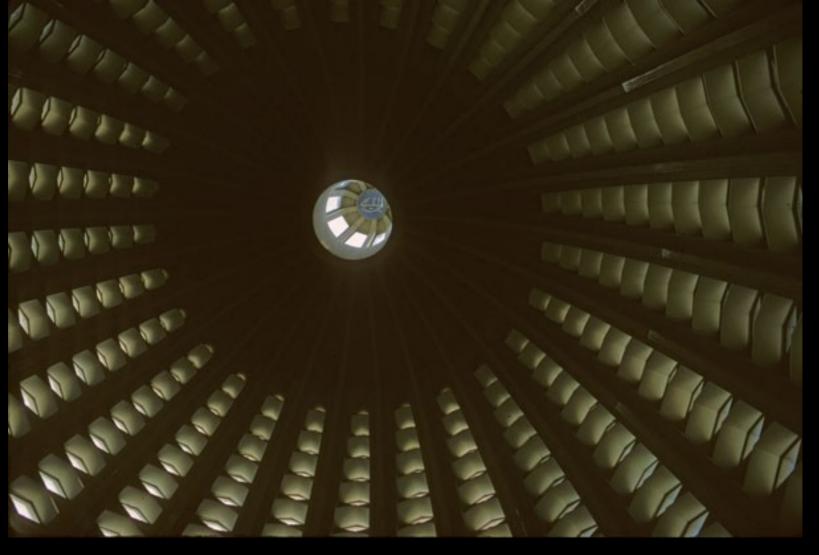








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