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In January 2000 began Giorgia Fiorio a photographic project, "the Gift": a visual testimony and personal quest on the relation of the individual to the Sacred and around humanity's spiritual heritage.

Fiorio has for years documented different civilizations, different religions photographing Belief's innumerable forms of expression, sunk in their historical-cultural present, yet suspended in universal space-time, trace an intricate texture of paths. She found stunning similarities and unique rituals and ceremonies and the relentless quest for unity between individual's outer identity and the subconscious inner-self.

The act of sacrifice, the initiation to spiritual and body mortification, the ascetic practices of meditation and contemplation, the splitting of the self in a state of trance, the supersensitive knowledge, achieved through the experience and alienation from pain: in all these cases collapses the framework of rational thought to recompose itself in the inexorable bond of life and death cycle.

In 2009, her book and exhibition *Le Don / Il Dono* (The Gift) has received the patronage of UNESCO.



Navarre, 2008 - Trinidad de Lumbier cross-bearers



Mato Grosso, 2007 - Aldeia Kuikuro native park - Preparing the Taqwara - Ritual painting



Thailand, 2005 - Jia Chai Purification ritual

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Pentecost Island, 2004 - Nangol ritual



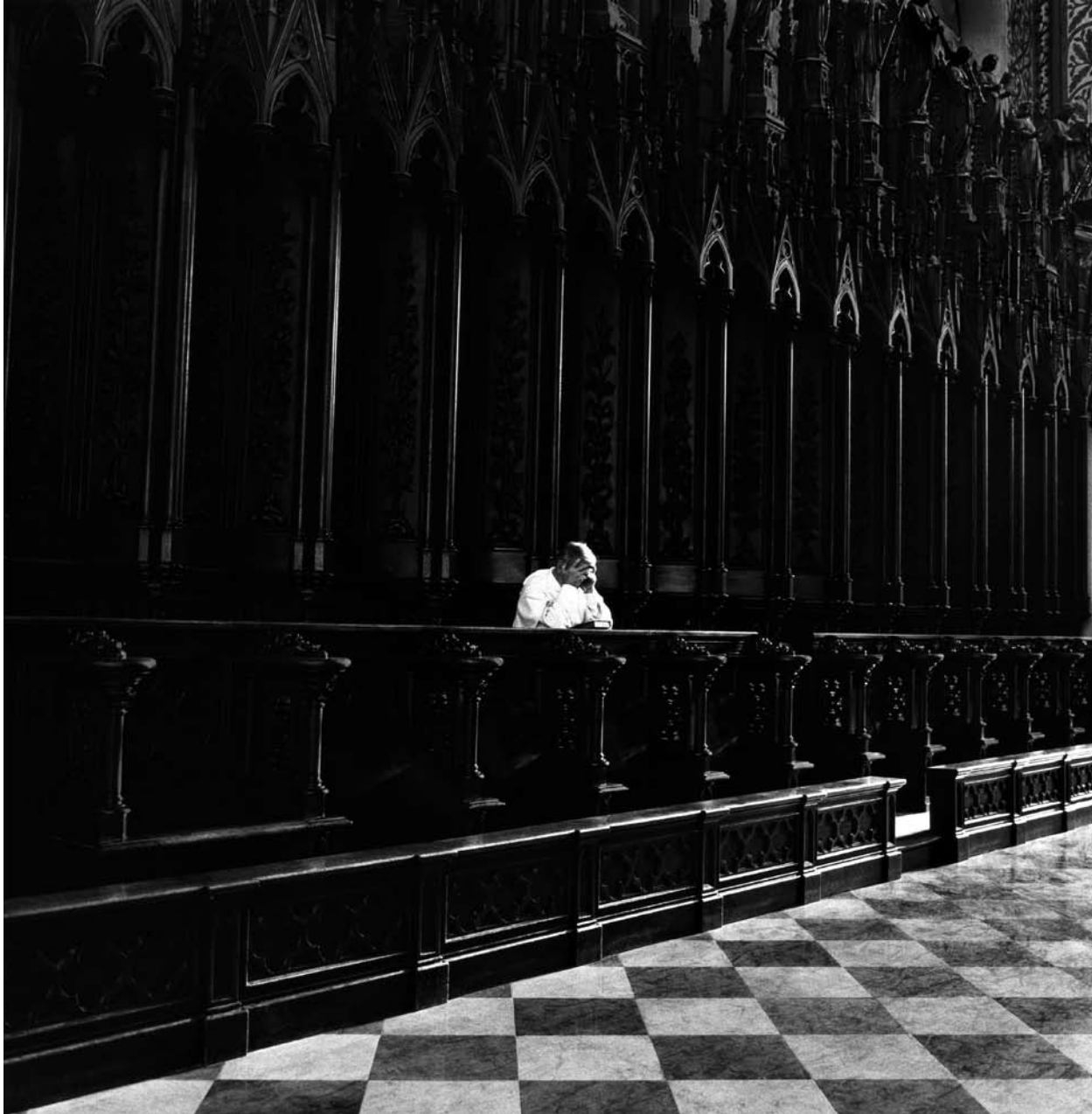
Allahabad (Uttar Pradesh), 2001 - Ganges banks - Brahmano during Yoga exercises



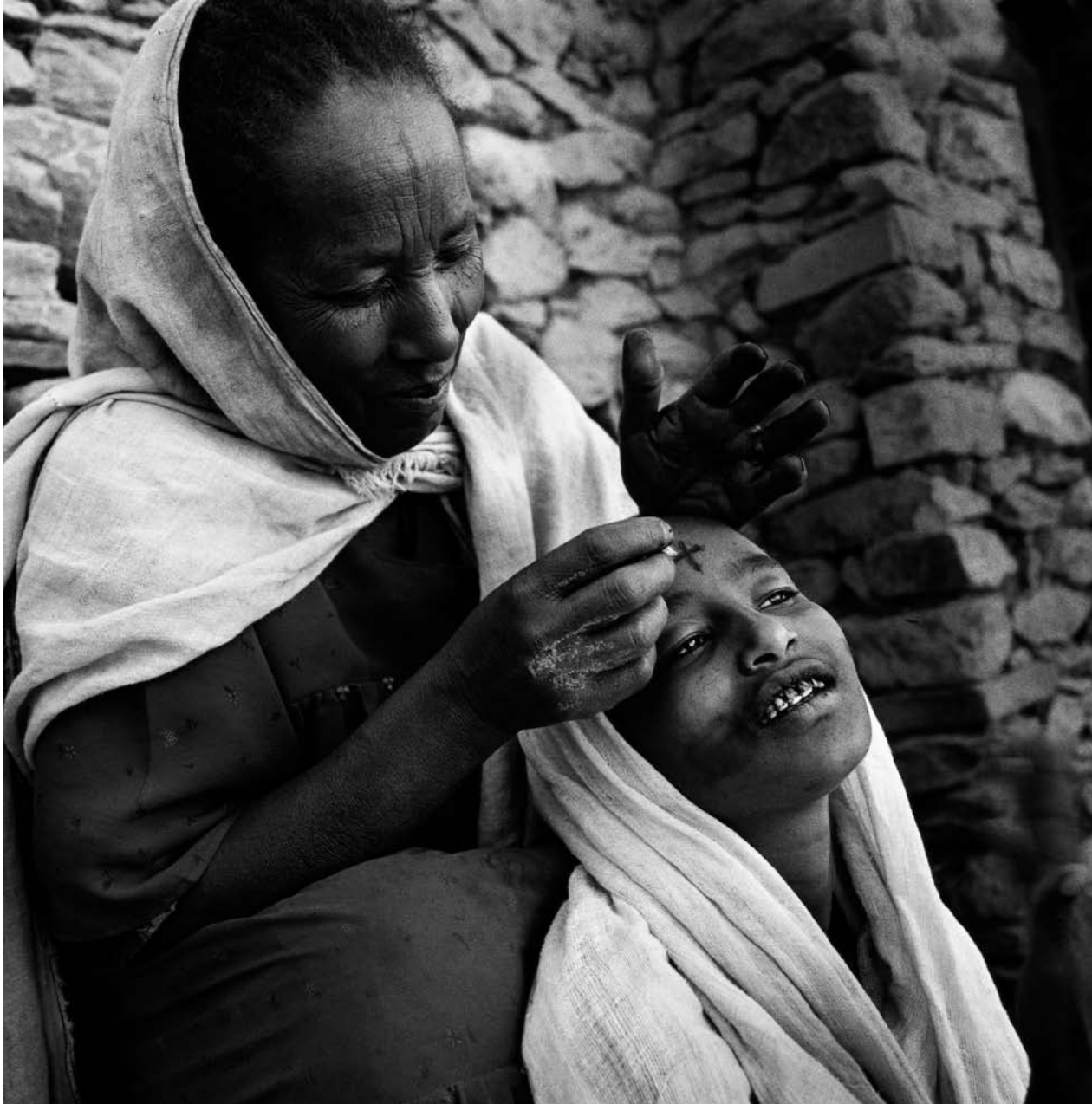
Plaine-du-Nord, 2000 - Bassin St Jacques - Vodoo celebration



Istanbul, 2004 - Galata - Mevlevi whirling dervishes



Krakow, 2000 - The Holy Trinity basilica - Presbyter



Axoum (Tigray), 2005 - Ritual tattoos



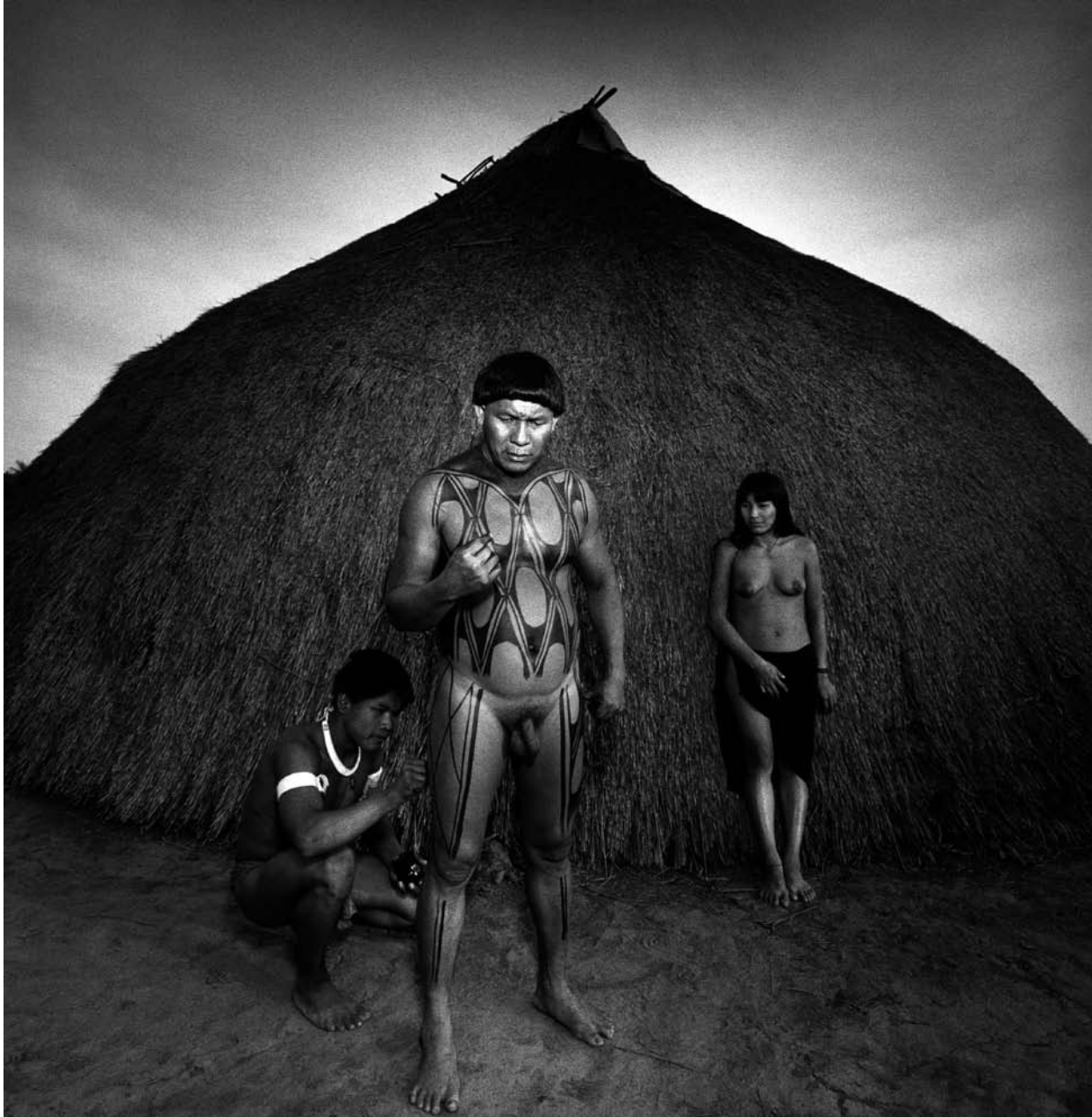
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Tibet, 2002 - Mount Kailash - Parikrama celebration - Pilgrim



Mato Grosso, 2007 - Aldeia Kuikuro native park - Preparing the Taqwara - Ritual painting



Mato Grosso, 2007 - Aldeia Kuikuro native park - Preparing the Taqwara - Ritual painting



Russian Federation, 2008 - Saint Anthony of Dymsk celebration



Andes Cordillera (Peru), 2006 - Qoyllur Riti religious festival - Pilgrims greeting the sun



Yamagata, 2006 - Yudono San falls - Takgii-kgjoo ritual - Master Yamabushi .