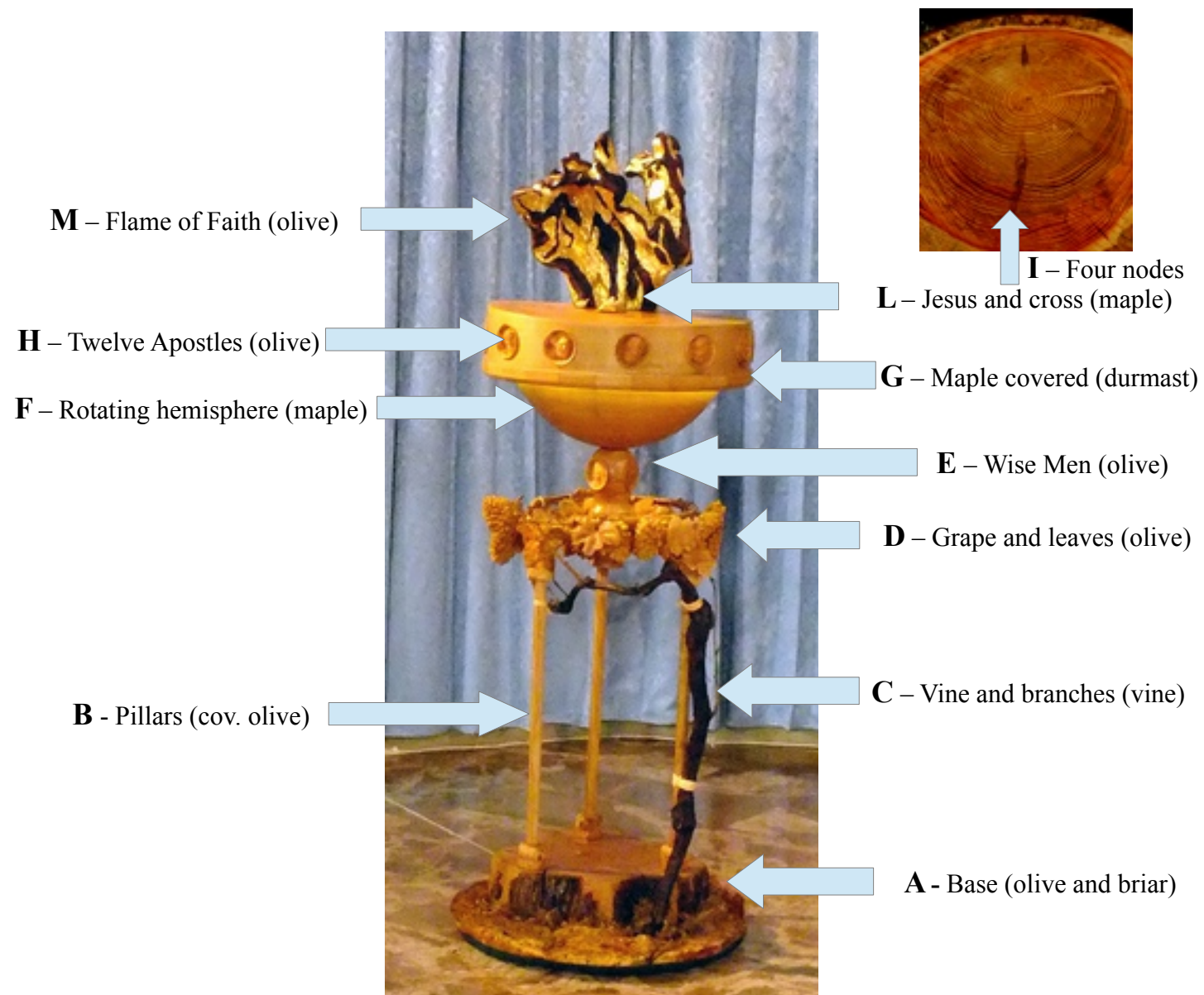


TREE OF FAITH

Sculpture work realized in the Year of Faith 2012-2013



Caspar



Melchior



Balthasar

The base of the Tree of Faith **A** is composed by olive wood and briar (rooted in Faith). From the base, start out three pillars **B** (with symbology the Holy Trinity) who bear the vine **C** formed by branches, grape and leaves **D** (vineyard of the Lord). Over up the vine we can see the three faces of the Wise Men **E**: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar who first (with Faith) have gone to look the Messiah. The Wise Men look at a rotating hemisphere **F** that symbolizing the world (the Universe) and the passing time (you can see the growth rings from one in the center ... to the present days). Over the hemisphere there is a trunk of wood of maple covered by a foil of durmast **G** and with the faces of twelve Apostles **H**. This maple was cut at the age of 90 years in a position where on its surface are visible four nodes in a cross shape **I**. The main character is Jesus **L** at the center of the cross formed by the nodes on the trunk of the maple. The flame of the Faith **M** that arises from Redeemer it was done with a strain of olive wood half-burned, treated and covered with leaves of pinchbeck. All the characters were carved from the drawings that Lorenzo Ferri had done together to Maria Valtorta (little John). Vinicio

