

The Klaus Family in Germany

Dear praying family and friends,

Greetings and salutations from the beautiful state of Bavaria in Germany!

I was planning to write a 1st quarter letter (which this is) and see that I need to fill you all in on December as well! So I will try to keep things moving along here! What a privilege it has been to serve Christ here in Europe and see Him working in people's lives! Every December we are privileged to organise a Christmas Gift in a Shoebox drive for our missionary to the Gypsies in Romania. This year was no exception - but with a bit of added excitement. The day we loaded the vehicle to be sent off to Romania, our volunteer-driver left the church to go home and get some rest before the overnight trek down. 5 minutes into his drive home he called to say that someone lost control of their car and spun into him, totalling the van (and the vehicle that lost control.) Amazingly, no one was hurt and only a few of the boxes damaged. The Lord paved the way and within two hours we were able to find a replacement rental vehicle and have the gifts reloaded and on their way. Even though it was a frightening event, it was a great faith-builder to see God's hand so evident in the day! The gifts were delivered, the Gospel was presented, and many children were able to experience the love of Christ! Our daughter Bethany and her husband Titus, and of course, our granddaughter Maria were able to visit also in the Christmas season - and we enjoyed every second of it! In January we said goodbye to a godly lady who had been a part of our ministry for many years and one of our great prayer warriors. She had been in the nursing home for several years and finally went to see her Saviour. It was a sweet time of looking back at her life and looking up at her Lord! February also kept us busy with discipleship, teen meetings, young adult ministry, and all of the normal counselling that takes place in the ministry here. (We still feel the effects of the last year of ministry, where one of our dear members took her life) We are thankful to see things starting to turn and grateful for God's comfort. In March we were privileged to visit our good friends in Madrid, Spain, for a missions conference at their church. God is using them mightily and we were THRILLED to see the church there doing so well! Last week Julia and I travelled to Austria for Julia to be able to attend the "Heart 4 Europe" ladies counselling seminar. It was a very helpful time of education and for me a blessing to be able to spend time with and get to know some other pastors serving here in Europe. We came back refreshed and are



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looking forward to the next weeks of service. What do we have coming up? On May 1 we will be hosting a Bavaria-wide fellowship day for the churches here. We expect between 200-300 people to come and spend the day with us at our church property. Please pray as there is much to organise. We want the day to be a refreshing time for our church families here, but also to provide an environment for Christ to be shared with



Men's prayer breakfast

those who have not trusted him. (We always have a few visitors) We are also gearing up for our next baptism in May. There are three young people (ages 20, 15, and 13) who will be baptised and there will be several unsaved guests and family members present. In the meantime, I have been meeting regularly with two men who have been visiting the church and seeking spiritual truth. One was a part of the Jehovah's Witnesses for many years before leaving the organisation last year and visiting our church. We have had MANY good and candid conversations and I am

encouraged to see God working in his life! I will close this letter by saying thanks so much for your part in our ministry! It is such a privilege to be able to proclaim the Word of God here in Germany and we are grateful for those who make it possible! If you have any specific prayer requests, please share them with us - we want to be praying for your needs as well. May the Lord give you much fruit in your ministries!

mit lieben Grüßen, Keith und Julia Klaus

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