

The Klaus Family in Germany

Hallo liebe Familie und Gemeinden.

If it seems like we have disappeared over the past few months, we haven't! We are thanking the Lord for a ministry that keeps us hopping and excited to share what the Lord has been doing here in Germany over the past several months.

I will start this report from June - Julia was invited to speak at a ladies' conference at the Breckerfeld Bible School (about little over 5 hours from us). She was able to be a blessing and a help, and we enjoyed being able to make new connections here in Germany. June also provided an opportunity to hold a family seminar in Nidderau, Germany with the Falkenberg Family and their church there. We are so blessed to have these opportunities to share God's Word in His churches!



Ladies Weekend at Breckerfeld Bibel College

The ministry here at home in Oberpfraundorf has also been thriving - in July we were able to do some street evangelism in Regensburg with our teens. The summer months are always filled with preparation for our regional teen/children's camp and other outreaches and activities. This year's camp theme was "The Power of the Gospel" and it was exciting to see some of the young people that we have ministered to over the years now taking leadership roles in the camp and counseling and teaching as well. The future looks bright as the Lord continues to equip his church. At the beginning of September, we held our second ever tent meeting on our property. German Pastor Frank Krause from Landshut came and presented the Gospel and we had several visitors and good contacts through the weekend. Please pray that the Word of God will continue to work in their hearts!

Immediately following the meeting, we left for a few days of vacation - unfortunately while we were away one of our senior members (Alfred) passed away unexpectedly. The following week after we returned, we held the funeral and again the Lord was able to use His Word to minister to hearts. We are thankful for the relationship we have been able to develop with the family (they live some distance away) and are praying for a continued relationship as we share Christ with them. Just a few weeks later, another one of our senior members (Siegfried) became ill and after a short stint in the hospital, went to see his Savior. (Siegfried's wife had passed away in January) It has been a season of loss in that regard, but we rejoice in knowing that to be "absent from the body" is to be "present with the Lord". Through these events the Lord has opened many doors to minister and counsel and share the power of the Gospel!

November was also filled with our annual "Mission Possible Retreat" in Rothenburg - I help with the music and technology and Julia oversees the children's program for the week. It is always an opportunity to be a blessing to our fellow laborers here in Europe and although we always come home tired, we are also refreshed in the Lord. This year we brought the special gift of COVID home from the conference, but the Lord allowed us to get our feet back under us quickly for the following weekend, when we hosted the regional teen weekend at our church. We had around 100 teens and workers join us as we studied the topic "Know your adversary" from the Word of God.

The last Sunday of the month was our annual Thanksgiving outreach. There is much interest in our area in the traditional "American Thanksgiving" and we provide a traditional turkey dinner -

preceded by a presentation of the Gospel (tied into the Pilgrim's story). We had about 100 attendees (I would guess around 30 visitors) and it was a blessed day!

Tomorrow I will be holding yet another funeral for a man whom I have never met - we have a connection to the family through a music teacher and they have asked us hold the service. Please pray for wisdom, that I will be able to share the Word of God in a clear and comforting way while also conveying the importance of the Gospel!



Our young adults helping with "Clue" live action

As we come to the end of the year, we are focused on our "Christmas in a Shoebox" outreach. Every year we send a shipment of shoeboxes filled with gifts to our Missionary Mirci Pricop in Romania to distribute to children in the Gypsy villages where he ministers. This year we have a couple more churches participating and we are so thankful for a church in the Netherlands that has jumped in to help with the cost of transportation! And of course, our Christmas Eve service is just around the corner. We are praying for the many guests who will be there to see the children and their "Weihnachtsspiel". Please pray that the Lord uses this service and the message to work in hearts!

On the family front - we will be in the US for a couple of weeks immediately after Christmas - all 3 children will be joining us in Wisconsin and traveling from Colorado (Levi), Alabama (Kaleb), and Virginia (Bethany). We look forward to the time with the grandbaby and get to meet Bethany and Titus' foster son for the first time. This will be a joyful time!

Thanks so much for your prayer and for all you do to be a blessing and help to us! In the digital version of this letter there will be a link or two to give you a glimpse of life here in Bavaria. God bless and Merry Christmas.

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