



Dear brothers and sisters,

"For it is the will of my Father that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and that I will raise him up at the last day." John 6:40

Charlie from America, though young, was taken away by the Lord! Our Charlie from the Giessen Fellowship lived to be 82, a few days earlier than Charlie from America, was taken home to heaven by the Lord. Charlie from America's memorial service was attended by hundreds of thousands of people. Our brother, however, was the first brother from the Giessen Fellowship to leave this world, so his family was at a loss. The funeral home ultimately scheduled the service for a weekday, and few could attend the memorial service, but an 89-year-old German gentleman, carrying a cane, traveled by train to attend the ceremony. This German gentleman was the first person to help our older brother and his family, and they later became good friends. The older brother was a professor who, even after retirement, actively shared the gospel with others, sharing it in his group with friend's back home. Because they could not attend the funeral, the family requested that the memorial service be recorded so that it could be sent to relatives and friends later. The memorial service was usually attended mostly by the elderly, but coincidentally, the brother's nephew was also there that day. He could help with the recording, and he also had better equipment. He had originally come from China to participate in a marathon; he was not a believer, but God had unexpectedly sent him to help and to observe a Christian memorial service. His cousin-in-law even applied the evangelistic method she had learned the previous week to him.

In September, a short-term mission team from Hong Kong was serving near Frankfurt. One day they were free, so I invited them to teach the brothers and sisters how to use five-colored ribbons for evangelism. We originally wanted to invite new members as well, but the fellowship leader was busy with funeral arrangements, so we had our own members learn first and use it later when the opportunity arises.

Prayer and Thanksgiving Items:

1. Thank the Lord for the time that allowed me to accompany the bereaved family and lead the memorial service before leaving Germany! Pray that the Lord will comfort the brother's family, especially giving his wife the courage to return to her home! Pray that the Lord will use the recording to help his relatives and friends come to know God! Pray that the Lord will move his nephew to continue seeking to know God after hearing the gospel.
2. The Giessen Fellowship will be holding a welcome event for new students in October. May the Lord draw new members to participate!

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

Postscript: The above was written before leaving Germany for Thailand to attend the 50th anniversary celebration of the China Evangelistic Mission. Everyone was busy. After returning from Thailand to participate in the commemorative activities organized by the Hong Kong branch, I was still traveling and, because I hadn't saved the document to the cloud, I only managed to send this prayer letter upon my return. My apologies!

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Thanksgiving and Prayer for Attending the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the China Evangelistic Mission:

1. I am grateful for the opportunity to attend the 50th Anniversary Retreat of the China Evangelistic Mission (October 8-15, 2025). I am also grateful for the opportunity to meet more China Evangelistic Mission missionaries, learn about their ministry, and encourage and pray for one another through this group activity!
2. I am grateful to the organizing committee of the China Evangelistic Mission and her missionaries in Thailand for arranging visits to churches in several areas of Northern Thailand, including those of the Chinese, "Blang", and Akha ethnic groups. I also witnessed how the children of believers led by Pastor Guo Cheng, the founder of the China Evangelistic Mission, have become leaders in the church today. The baton of evangelism continues to be passed on. I thank God for the many ministries accomplished in Thailand through His servants!
3. I am grateful to be able to worship God with over 1,200 brothers and sisters of different ethnicities and languages on the Sunday of the 50th Anniversary Celebration, and to have a foretaste of worshiping with brothers and sisters of all races, languages, peoples, and nations in the Kingdom of Heaven!
4. Standing on the Thai-Myanmar border, I couldn't help but think of several brothers and sisters in our German Chinese church from Myanmar. Because of the war, they haven't been able to return home to see their families for many years! Pray that the Lord will end the war there and restore freedom and peace to the people! Also pray that the Lord will protect the work of the missionaries serving in Myanmar, including their theological education!
5. I am grateful that a missionary during my trip showed concern for my brother in Hong Kong. Through her introduction, I met a missionary in Hong Kong who was willing to visit him because he was showing signs of a mild stroke! I am grateful to this missionary for her compassion for missionaries serving abroad who cannot care for their own families, and for her burden in serving the families of these missionaries! Pray that the Lord will bless her ministry! Pray that the Lord will heal my brother's physical weakness!

Let us offer thanks as sacrifice of thanksgiving together, and may the Lord accept it!

May the Lord bless you with a joyful Thanksgiving!

Serving Him,
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