



Germany
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Prayer Letter
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Dear brothers and sisters,

“Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” 1 Timothy 2:4

Thanks to God’s guidance, the two students I mentioned last time have been very active in fellowship activities. In addition to regular Christian gatherings, they have also attended the seeker’s course we offered them, from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., never missing a session. They are more dedicated than the Christians, who often take time off and skip meetings. Before we know it, they have only two months left of language study, and they will soon face their exams. It’s inevitable that they feel a bit anxious, especially the younger student, who finds it difficult to concentrate on her studies and always feels she isn’t grasping the grammar well. We have all encouraged her and prayed for them. Yesterday, I began to urge her on and encourage her to study diligently. Thank the Lord, she was actually willing to spend time reading “A Wanderer’s Song”—proof that she is seeking the Christian faith! In addition to their classes, they also participate in some small groups for oral practice. One of these is a group offered by a German church for refugees to learn German. The church teachers also share the Gospel with those learning German, and after hearing it, the girls come back to share with us or ask questions.

I’m grateful that I had the opportunity to serve in Hannover once in both April and May, and each time I was able to interact with the local believers. In April, I visited an elderly man in his 80s whom a sister had previously introduced to me so he could join our online Bible reading class. He attended a few times but lost contact later due to internet connection issues. So I went to visit him this time to learn more about his background. It turned out he had a favorable impression of some members of a heretical group and was willing to talk with me, but he still hadn’t accepted the Christian faith. Last Sunday, I saw a sister I hadn’t seen in a long time. She asked me to meet for breakfast to chat, and an elderly sister standing nearby wanted to join us. Later, she told me that God had transformed her, giving her the courage to make such a request. It turned out she used to be a very fearful person; she had been deeply traumatized by a murder case, to the point where she couldn’t bring herself to look people in the eye and had developed depression. Later, a friend encouraged her to go to church and asked me to call and encourage her as well. Gradually, through God’s Word, her fear subsided, though she still didn’t speak much to others. During the pandemic, and now that she’s retired, she has been attending a Bible study group to this day. Through studying God’s Word, she has become very proactive in answering the Sunday school teacher’s questions. So she was very happy to take the initiative to ask me to set aside some time to catch up with her—even though we’ve known each other for over twenty years, this was the first time.

Time flies; three years have passed in the blink of an eye. I’ll be returning to California in mid-June, so we’ll have a chance to meet and chat then. Feel free to reach out.

Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:

1. Thank the Lord for leading two students to attend the Gießen meetings consistently! Pray that the Lord will help them not only to learn about the Christian faith but also to accept Christ's salvation! Pray that the Lord will help them with their German studies, pass their exams successfully, and find employment!
2. The elderly man in his 80s living alone in Hannover has limited mobility and relies on a wheelchair to get around; he also faces various issues with his cell phone. Please pray that the Lord would send local Christians to assist him with his daily needs, influence him through their good deeds, and bear a beautiful witness for the Lord, so that his view of Christianity may be transformed!
3. Thank God for the significant spiritual growth of the sister I've known for over 20 years! May the Lord grant her more wisdom and courage to understand God's will and serve Him!
4. Thank the Lord that a sister from our Bible reading group led her husband to attend the Easter Camp! Her husband had previously begun accompanying her to church, but after being led astray by others, he was unwilling to go anymore. Thank the Lord that at the camp he met other Christians with whom he connected well. Now, when he is home, he occasionally joins us to chat or listen to the Bible broadcasts. May the Lord remove the stumbling block from his heart so he may accept the Lord's salvation soon!

Thank you for your prayers! We look forward to the day we can gather together!

Serving Him,
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