



"The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Psalm 126:3

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Dear Praying Friends,

As we sit down to write this letter, we can't help but smile as we look back over the past few months. The Lord has been so faithful to us, both in the ministry and in our family. There have been joyful reunions, bittersweet goodbyes, answered prayers, and sweet reminders that God is always at work even when we cannot see the whole picture. Thank you for faithfully praying for us and investing in the ministry here in Germany. You truly are a part of all that God is doing.

PCS Season

Spring and summer always bring PCS season, which means many of our military families receive orders to their next duty station. Saying goodbye is never easy. These families become more than church members, they become family.

One of the greatest blessings this quarter came from a young single airman we had the privilege of ministering to before he transferred to Ohio. While here, we had many opportunities to invest in his life and share God's Word with him during our Friday evening bible studies. Recently, we received the wonderful news that he trusted Christ as his Savior and has since followed the Lord in believer's baptism at his new church.

"I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase." 1 Corinthians 3:6

Encouragement

In April, we had Pastor Wayne Surface and his wife, Diane, visit. Even though their visit was short, their encouragement to keep on keeping on was a blessing. The fellowship was a breath of fresh air and time spent together reminded us how grateful we are for faithful servants of the Lord who invest in others.

Gary also had the privilege of serving on an ordination council this quarter. It was an honor and encouragement to participate in recognizing God's call upon another man's life for the ministry.

Ladies Growing Together

In April, we enjoyed a Persian-themed fellowship where one of our ladies shared her testimony of coming to know Christ. Hearing how the Lord continues to save precious souls never grows old.

Then in June we traveled—at least through food and fellowship—to Romania! Our devotional centered on Psalm 34:8

"O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him."

What a fitting reminder that the goodness of God is something we don't just hear about. We experience it personally.

A Moment We Won't Forget

One of the sweetest moments of this quarter wasn't during a church service, it happened when Gary received his hearing aids.

His hearing loss had become increasingly difficult in his left ear (Being on Submarines for 20 years around the loud machinery didn't help). When the hearing aid was finally fitted and turned on, the emotion of hearing clearly again was overwhelming. As familiar sounds returned and conversations became understandable once more, there were some tears shed.

Sometimes we don't realize what a blessing something is until it has been gone for a while. We are so thankful that the Lord provided for this need.

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Family News

Our daughter and her family are preparing for their own PCS move, we would appreciate your prayers as they begin another chapter the Lord has planned for them.

Our sweet grandson is already 15 months old! He is talking up a storm, and every new word seems to make us laugh. We are so thankful for FaceTime and the joy the Lord has given our family through him.

We're also praising the Lord that our son recently began working on base. Not only has the Lord provided him with a good job, but he has become an incredible help to us in the ministry. Whether it's lending a hand around the church or helping with ministry needs, his willingness to serve has been a blessing.

God Even Cares About the Little Details

For nearly two years, we prayed that God would provide a dependable ministry/personal vehicle. When we found a 2018 Fiat Talento diesel van with about 90,000 kilometers, we liked it but the asking price of €19,990 (\$25,000) was more than we wanted to pay. After researching the price, year and mileage for a diesel, we prayed: "Lord, if this is the van You have for us, please let them lower the price." If you know anything about buying vehicles in Germany, you know dealerships generally never negotiate. So we asked anyway. The salesman said, "We normally don't but I can take €150 off." We laughed afterward because we asked the Lord to lower the price but we never asked Him by how much.



Since purchasing the van, it has already become a tremendous blessing. We've been able to pick people, help with transportation needs, and use it in ways we simply couldn't before. Rental vehicles are so expensive when renting months at a time.

To each of you who gave specifically toward this vehicle, thank you for being a blessing! Every time we use it, we are reminded that God used His people to answer a prayer and that His timing is always perfect.

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19

Please continue praying with us:

- Pray for the new incoming military families and soldiers the Lord will bring our way, that we may reach them with the Gospel and help them grow in Christ.
- Pray for our daughter and her family as they prepare for their upcoming PCS move.
- Pray for our sound system to work properly.

Thank you for loving us, praying for us, encouraging us, and faithfully supporting this ministry. Your investment is reaching far beyond Germany. As we saw with the young man who came to Christ after transferring to Ohio, the seeds planted here continue to bear fruit around the world.

May the Lord richly bless each of you.

"Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account." Philippians 4:17

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