

Missionary Seth Richards

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How can I, except some man should guide me? Acts 8:31

Dear Pastor and Church,

Salvation

A lady named Mano, that faithfully visits our church, has finally gotten saved! She started attending church services about four years ago and on Sunday, the 24th of December, she made a profession of getting saved that morning during the services. Praise the Lord! I do not know how many times I have seen this happen here in Germany. People can faithfully attend Sunday services for many years until they get saved. When talking to them about salvation, they state that they are not ready to get saved yet. Often it is the intellect of the German people that hinders them from getting saved as they are trying to understand and figure the gospel out with their mind instead of trusting and believing by faith with their heart. Praise the Lord Mano finally got saved after hearing the gospel regularly for four years. Praise the Lord! The whole congregation here is rejoicing. Please pray that Mano will follow the Lord in scriptural baptism.



Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Our Christmas Eve candlelight services are always very special and therefore an excellent opportunity to invite and bring visitors to church. This year we had three visitors, of which two were attending for the first-time. Praise the Lord! The gospel is preached, and we have great fellowship with delicious German Christmas cookies and traditional Christmas punch.

Upcoming Summer Internship

This summer, Lord willing, a young man named Andy will be doing a missions' internship at the work here in Ingolstadt. Andy is a student at Heartland Baptist Bible College, and I met him last May when he and a group he was traveling with (from my home church in El Paso, Texas) came to visit Germany. A few months later he asked me about the possibility of doing a missions' internship with me. The Lord had already been working in my heart and I had been praying that God would work in the life of someone from that group regarding the field of Germany. Whether or not God ends up calling Andy to Germany is not my decision, but if he does, I will do everything in my power to assist him as best as I can. Internships like this do cost money, and the work here in Ingolstadt is willing to do its part, but if any church would like to give to help this project, please get ahold of me or my home church for more detailed information.



Upcoming Surgery

As stated in my last letter, I am scheduled to have a hip replacement surgery in the month of January. Thank you for already praying for this. The surgery, hospital stay, and rehabilitation will put me out of the pulpit for a few months. The men in the work here in Ingolstadt have stepped up and divided up all the preaching and teaching services amongst themselves. What a joy to see that if the Lord took me home today, the work here in Ingolstadt would keep on going as it always has: preaching the gospel.

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