

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

September 4, 2016

Prayer Items

- ❖ The Lord's Move in Germany
- ❖ Freshers' Fayre on UK Campuses
- ❖ SPOPS at UCI

For additional details regarding the above prayer items, please refer to *Detailed Prayer Burdens*.

Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, Messages 65 & 66

Bible Reading

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	1717-1718	655
Tuesday	1719-1720	656
Wednesday	1721-1722	657
Thursday	1723-1724	658
Friday	1725-1726	659
Saturday	1727-1728	660

Morning Revival

Crystallization-Study of Exodus (Vol. 7), Week 38 (2016 Summer Training)

Oak Glen Project

Due Date	Goal	%
6/30/2016	\$512,500	62.5%
12/31/2016	\$615,000	75.0%
6/30/2017	\$717,500	87.5%
12/31/2017	\$820,000	100%

Actual Contributions	
As Of	Amount
9/3/2016	\$472,250.27

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: The Lord's Move in Germany

- ❖ Pray that the upcoming three months of shepherding trips would continue the labor begun early this year to feed and nourish these young believers and keep them in the community of the saints until they can be fully gained by the Lord for Christ and the church.
- ❖ Pray that more saints from outside Europe will be burdened and available for this crucial stage in the Lord's move in Germany. For information and to apply to participate in a trip, go to: Germany2016.amanatrust.org.uk.
- ❖ Pray for the churches in Germany to quickly be built up in the small group and vital group church life to be the shepherds tents, the loving container, and the best receiving stations to receive, feed, perfect, and build up these new ones.
- ❖ Pray for the refugees to have a spirit of wisdom and revelation to see the mysteries of God's eternal economy and to be quickly brought on in life and truth and enter fully into the church life as remaining fruit.
- ❖ One item that has been a constant frustration in the work is the lack of translators.

Often the translators are some of the refugees themselves who are still very young in the Lord. Pray that the Lord will give each place where the saints are laboring adequate translators to co-labor with them in this work.

Freshers' Fayre on UK University Campuses

Most universities in the UK are starting their new academic year in the coming weeks. This is the most crucial time for making new contacts on campus. Please pray:

- ❖ That the Lord will open the way to contact some local seeking ones during this critical time and gain them as remaining fruit.
- ❖ That the Lord will raise up key students to co-labor on many campuses throughout the UK and Europe.

Student-Parent Orientation Programs (SPOPs) at UCI

- ❖ Pray for the 93 students contacted over the 10 SPOPs this summer and especially the 27 still in contact with us and the 17 doing the Gospel of John Bible Reading Challenge.

LETTER FROM THE GOETZ FAMILY

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We are so sorry that this little report of our migration to Germany is so long overdue. In a few days it will be three complete months since we arrived in Dusseldorf and started the process of immersion into life in Germany. We are so happy to be here and feel so blessed by the Lord to be able to participate with Him in His move on the earth. We are the most unqualified of all the saints, yet it seems that the Lord glanced in our direction when the call came, and we were able to give the Amen and go!

Being in Europe and particularly being in Germany is a major change for us. Every aspect of our life needed to be adjusted to be able to live here. In Dusseldorf, being a campus city means that many, if not most, of the people know some degree of English. So language has not been an issue. However, for our full integration into German life, we both feel it is important for us to go to school and learn to speak German. Joyce's classes begin September 1. The course that I will take will be in January and February.

Just last week we finally received our shipment of goods that we shipped from Irvine. It feels now that we have finally moved in and are completely here. It is a good feeling to get

things settled and put away, so we can jump more fully into the labor here.

The church in Dusseldorf is a small church of about 40-50 saints. However, since the gospel move to Germany began earlier this year, we regularly have 70+ in our Lord's day meetings. There are always about 20 of the refugees coming every Lord's Day. It is such a joy to see them walking to the meeting hall from the train station as they arrive from many of the surrounding cities to be with us.

We have the Lord's Table together in three languages: Deutsch, English, and Farsi (last LD we also had translation into Turkish). Every week there are new ones who have been invited by the refugees to come to our meetings. After the Lord's Table we break into two groups. One group is for the prophesying meeting and the second group is what we call a teaching meeting for these new ones. We've been covering lessons from a series developed for this group of new ones called "A Healthy Walk with God." It is a twelve lesson series covering some of the more basic aspects of the Christian life and truth.

Week after week we speak these things to them and help them to call, pray-read, sing, and testify of their experiences in the Lord. It is

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Upcoming Events

Church-related Websites

General: churchinirvine.org

Blog: members.churchinirvine.org

Calendar: calendar.churchinirvine.org

Offerings: offerings.churchinirvine.org

YP: youngpeople.churchinirvine.org

Children: children.churchinirvine.org

This Week

4TH **9:30am-12:00pm** Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts

6TH **7:30-8:30pm** Prayer meeting by districts

7TH **7:30-9:00pm** Ministry meeting at MCC and simulcast at Hall 3

8TH **10:00-11:00am** Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3

9TH **Evening** Small groups in the homes

10TH **6:30-9:00pm** Young people's meeting at Hall 1

11TH **9:30am-12:00pm** Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts

This Week's Truth Pursuit—Life-Study of 1 Corinthians

Message #:	Message 65	Message 66
Title:	Dealing with the Matter of Resurrection (1)	Dealing with the Matter of Resurrection (2)
Scriptures:	1 Cor. 15:1-11	1 Cor. 15:12-28
Verses to Pray-read:	1 Cor. 15:4—"...He has been raised on the third day according to the Scriptures"	1 Cor. 15:22—"For just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive."
Radio Msg:	52	53

LSM Radio Broadcasts can be found at: <http://www.lsmradio.com/audio/1corinthians.html>

LETTER FROM THE GOETZ FAMILY (CONT'D)

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so precious to see our babies learning how to call, sing, pray-read, and speak. Every one of them has a story and when they begin to tell you how they came to Germany, it will break your heart. These dear people lost everything, including their dignity, and all their possessions to get here. Now as they hear the gospel and the ministry opened up to them, they understand why God brought them here.

The next wave of gospel trips, which are beginning now, are really shepherding trips to feed these newborns and keep them covered and fed. On the side of the church we are doing our best to prepare the container to receive not just a few, but hundreds of these immigrants from the Middle-east. While the German government can be commended for opening up their borders to receive these suffering peoples, the German government doesn't have the heart of love and care that these dear ones need. Only the church can become the refuge for them. What they find with the saints is a real, safe, secure, and joyful place to settle down into. They have come home.

When we baptize them, they fully know and understand that because of their baptism, they can never go home to their country. In many cases they can never see their families

again. We have never experienced such costly baptisms before, where they are truly cutting the shorelines and launching into the deep. One by one as they are baptized, they are burning the bridges as they call on the Lord going into the water.

There are too many stories to tell and there is not enough room in this letter to be able to pass on all that is happening. We miss all the dear saints from Irvine more than you can know. Having the understanding that you are there and you are backing us in this labor gives us the boldness and confidence to be here and to do what we do.

I would like to mention a few items for your prayer: [the first few items for prayer are listed under Detailed Prayer Items]

On a personal side, our interview with the immigration department is next Wednesday, September 7. They will be the ones to decide whether we can have a long term visa to stay here for the Lord's interests. Please pray for our interview and that the government will grant us a longer term visa to stay in Germany for the Lord's present recovery.

Thank you all for your loving care for us, for your prayers, and for your support. We will do our best to write further reports from time to time. Amen.

In His grace, Tom & Joyce

2016 THANKSGIVING CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

This year's Int'l Thanksgiving Conference will be held in San Jose, CA from Thurs, Nov 24—Lord's Day, Nov 27. All meetings will be held at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center, Exhibit Hall 1, located at 150 West San Carlos St., San Jose, CA 95110.

Childcare will be provided for all children from K-6th grade. Additional information regarding registration for the children will be provided in the coming weeks.

Lodging for the conference is available at the following 3 hotels. A group rate of \$95 per night plus tax for up to quadruple occupancy is available. Reservations must be made before Nov 10. For reservations:

Marriott (attached to Convention Ctr): Call 800-314-0928 (ask for *Living Stream Min-*

istry group rate) or go to Https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=15053802

Hilton (attached to Convention Ctr): Call 408-287-2100 (ask for *Living Stream Ministry 2016 Thanksgiving Day Conference group rate*) or go to http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/S/SJCSHHF-LIV-20161121/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Hyatt Place (not attached to Convention Ctr): Call 408-998-0400 (ask for *Living Stream Ministry 2016 Thanksgiving Day Conference group rate*) or go to <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/glsmt>.