



March 2011

Blessed be your name...

In May we will be closing on our fifth year in Germany. When we first trusted the Lord and responded to

Prayer Requests:

✠That we would trust in the Lord with all our heart and lean not on our own understanding... that we would

acknowledge Him in all your ways and let Him make our paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

✠God's direction for our meeting place – again ☺

Praises:

✠Uli's part-time job

✠new helpers for worship, translation and kids

✠many university students

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the call, we had no idea what would await us here. It has not been easy to be so far away from friends and family, from sunny weather and beautiful beaches, from well paying jobs, and from simply taking in the blessings of a big home church. Yet the Lord has established us here, given us new friends, has helped us to adjust to the German culture and weather, and has continued to build His church here in Wiesbaden.

Blessed be your name, when I'm found in the desert place. Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name...

Ministry Update:

Even though we are truly blessed, we have spent some time in the wilderness. Two very trusted and committed people, whom we thought would become leaders and pillars in our fellowship, fell by the wayside. After a period of waiting and wondering, the Lord has added at least a dozen new young and energetic people to our group.



Sarah (with violin) and Simon joined the worship team

We have new help in our worship team,

several folks who can translate, one wonderful young lady helping with the kids and a few more interested.



'Miss Esther' – new kids teacher

Just this week our building situation has been put on high priority again. The church we are sharing the building with is no longer willing to be in such a large building and have terminated the lease. We are looking to the Lord for His direction – we cannot afford this building by ourselves and are praying for an affordable solution with more parking and enough space. Please pray with us!

Blessed be your name, when the sun's shining down on me, when the world's all as it should be, blessed be your name...

Family Update:

Ron is still doing some free-lance work at Berlitz language school, but is supplementing his income teaching English at our Christian school five periods a week. On Sundays he finished teaching through the book of Ephesians just in time to start the Gospel of Luke for Christmas.



Damaris (right) shared about her time as a missionary in Africa

In February through the wonderful provision of our Lord Uli started to work part-time as a book keeper at a local mission's organization to the Arabic speaking world. She is delighted to use her experience and gifts in the kingdom of God and to help support the family at the same time. It's back to school for a while, but she loves it.

Anja had her first ballet recital in Fall and celebrated her 9th birthday with a pajama sleepover party – a first for our family! She is growing up into a beautiful young lady with a heart to sing to the Lord in our worship team.



Anja's sleep over party

Alex is still all boy loving soccer and riding his bike. He has a tender heart for the Lord and asked Jesus into his heart. He loves to read his Bible and likes to help his grandparents.



Alex with Grandpa

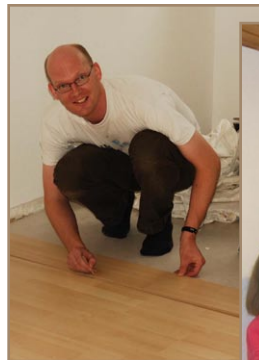
Uli's Mom had a successful hip replacement surgery in January and came home the day we celebrated Uli's Dad's 80th birthday. Unfortunately he had a mild heart attack two days later and was hospitalized for two weeks. Right now he is in rehab and we hope that he will regain his strength and be able to come home soon.



Christmas with Family

We are praising the Lord for being with us in the wilderness experiences as well as in the sunshine. We are thanking all of you who have prayed for us, because we believe that the prayers have sustained us many times. And we are thankful for those of you who have supported us financially. We still need you! Even though our financial situation has improved with Uli's new job, Ron is still not receiving an income as a pastor and does not have enough work right now. So we would like to ask you to please pray about supporting us and our ministry here in Germany.

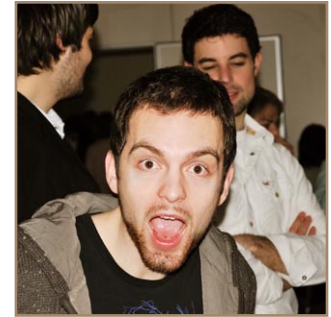
Mit Gottes Segen,
Ron, Uli, Anja & Alex



Marcel helps with a move



Miss Uli's' class



Our Web-Master Michael



Maggie (right) helping with worship



New girls wanting to help



Joshi & Nathanael at the PC



Family fun at a Youth Hostel