

Dear friends and prayer partners,



I would like to share some highlights of this past year 2017 with you.

(Grace Ann Meyer).

January

- The first two days of the New Year we spent with our 6 grandchildren. We took them to Eastern Germany, Eisenach and Eisleben, and had a lot of fun together.

- Then there was the Alliance Prayer week where all the Evangelical Churches in the various towns come together and pray. Bp. Gerhard met with Christians from different Churches in the City Hall of Neukirchen, where the Mayor of the City participated.
- We hosted 5 groups at Knuellcamp, More: www.knuellcamp.de
- Bp. Gerhard spent one weekend in Neuss to support one of our Mission Churches.

February

- Bp. Gerhard attended two ecumenical meetings.
- We hosted two groups at Knuellcamp.

March

- We hosted one group at Knuellcamp
- One of our Deacons was ordained to be Anglican Presbyter in Neuss and Mönchengladbach: Marc Jankowski
- The new Anglican Catechism (also for Children and Confirmation. 3in1 – 360 Pages) was printed and released before our Synodical Council. The translation and editing of all Scriptures verses was started in 2015. This was our contribution to the 500th year Reformation Celebration. More: www.gebetbuch.org

April

- We hosted two groups at Knuellcamp.
- Our REC / Anglican Synodical Council for Germany met.
- Over the Easter holidays we offered special meals (Good Friday and Easter Sunday) in the www.knuell-jause.de
- Bp. Gerhard had the privilege of baptizing our youngest grandson Conrad Nolte.

May

- Several Refugees were baptized.
- We hosted one group at Knuellcamp.
- We met with four groups of people to get to know them and discern if we could work together in the future.
- Bp. Gerhard drove to southern Germany for a Confirmation in one of Mission Churches in Nürnberg.
- Bp. Gerhard spent one week on a biking vacation with his 3 brothers on the Island of Mallorca, Spain.

June

- Bp. Gerhard flew to England to participate at the Free Church of England Convocation and met with the Archbishop of the Anglican Church of North America.
- Together we flew to Dallas to participate in the General Council of the Reformed Episcopal Church and the installation of the new Presiding Bishop, Dr. Ray Sutton. Grace added 5 days to the trip to visit her mother and sister in Penny Farms, Florida.
- We hosted two groups at Knuellcamp.

July



We celebrated our 11th Jausen Festival, beginning with an Open-Air Church Service.

- We hosted 4 groups at Knuellcamp.
- We welcomed Joni Evenhoe from the US to work 2½ months with us.

August

- We hosted 2 large groups at Knuellcamp (130 and 400 people)
- Bp. Gerhard participated in two larger ecumenical meetings at Frankfurt Cathedral and Erfurt Cathedral, plus a discussion at the Wartburg, Eisenach, celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

September

- We hosted two groups.
- Bp. Gerhard held a church service in a senior home.
- We took a much needed vacation for 10 days at the largest European Lake District north of Berlin.
- www.benedikt-seminar.de Weekend seminar teaching
 - Winter semester started.
 - One student was installed Lay-Reader.



October

- Bp. Gerhard flew to England to attend the Anglican Unity Forum
- Bp. Gerhard hosted an ecumenical meeting at the Knüll.
- Our congregation of Christ Church undertook a Reformation Tour to Eisenach, Wartburg. This display drew about 3 Million people during the Reformation Jubilee Festivities. Returned to Camp in the evening, and ate two large delicious homemade pizzas baked in our small bakery.

November

- We hosted one group at Knuellcamp.
- A new commander was installed at the German Army Base here in Schwarzenborn. Bp. Gerhard was invited and made contacts with many of the high-ranking officers.
- Bp. Gerhard participated in an Ecumenical meeting and introduced our newly printed Catechism.

- Grace offered her Thanksgiving dinner in the Jause. 26 people had registered. They all enjoyed the food and several of the people who attended for the first time mentioned that they will be back to Knuellcamp Jause.

December

- We hosted three groups at Knuellcamp.
- Bp. Gerhard flew to England, on his way back he visited the Mission in Mönchengladbach.
- Grace attended a Plum Pudding evening with women of the English Church in Leipzig.
- Christmas celebrations were December 24th & 25th with the congregation in Schwarzenborn. We ate together Dec. 24th after the church service with most of the participants. Enjoyed the 26th with our Family.

Regular ministries:

- Each Sunday: Church Service at Christ Church
- Tuesday: Bible Study or Evensong
- Wednesday: Bible Study for Iranian people
- Friday: every 14 days Bible Study for Iranian people in Kassel (45 km away)
- Since our Co-worker in the Jause (*the Knuellcamp snack bar open to the public*) left a year ago Grace has been running the Jause 5 hours a day, 6 days a week. A shifting of ministry has taken place. As of May 2017 we have hired Klaus Buder as Camp Director for PR, office work, receiving groups and guests, and to get the buildings ready. Grace still does do the cooking for all the groups and the accounting and of course keeps contact with the guests, since many contacts exist from years past.

We are grateful for the Lord's presence and His help and wisdom.

May you have a fruitful year 2018.

*In His Service,
Bp. Gerhard and Grace Meyer*