

# THINKING ABOUT SERVING GOD IN GERMANY?

Or just to be Camper and support communication in English with Germans at Camp.  
See paragraph below: Camper only

## Short Term Summer Mission Trip for 2018

Would you like to serve the Lord in an unforgettable and possibly life transforming way? Are you able to work in a team, and adapt to some big cultural differences? Perhaps God is calling you to join a team this summer. The Reformed Episcopal Church is sponsoring Short-Term Mission Trips to Germany as years before. Please read the following information and ask the Lord if you can help out.

### “Anglican Bridge” 2018



*Picture July 2017 at Fritzlar (Boniface – Apostle to Germany Statue)*

Every summer, as a ministry, Bishop and Grace Meyer invite Teens 15-17 and young adults 18 -28 each year to what was called (for 25 years) “English Camp”, - now “**Anglican Bridge**” in an English-Speaking setting. In 2018 we have changed the name and format calling it now:

## Anglican Bridge & Links to Atlantic Bridge

Since 2017 we linked arms with another Youth Organization called. “Atlantic Bridge” <http://atlanticbridge.org/> through friendship with the European Director John Oostdyk.



Last year after meeting together at [www.knuellcamp.de](http://www.knuellcamp.de) camp for retreat and planning, we went on a Reformation Tour to Wartburg (Luther), the Czech Republic (Most), Herrenhut (Zinzendorf) and a final meeting in the City of Dresden (Germany). More:

<http://atlanticbridge.org/index.php/informer/news/item/journey-through-the-land-of-luther-and-of-hus>.

Beside young people from Germany we are inviting now also others from the European Union. Presently we expect small teams from: the Netherlands( 16-10 from), 10 from Hungary, 10 from Czech Republic, 3-5 from UK.

### Summer Team from US needed: Camp & Tour

We also would like to welcome 6-10 team members from the USA to form two REC teams after the “Anglican Bridge” Camp to go on a mission trip for one week to support one of our REC Mission Churches in Germany:

Team to **Berlin** (Rev. David Ayres <http://christchurchberlin.de/>)

On Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/anglican.church.berlin/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/anglican.church.berlin/?ref=page_internal)

The other European participants will depart to different Mission Tours into Czech Republic and Hungary. At the end of separate Mission Tours most Groups will meet in the German City of Dresden for a final combined Youth Mission Meeting. The REC team will stay in Berlin with their host-church till Sunday and participate either in German or English Worship services. Overnights during that time are planned to be in a Youth Hostel.

### Opportunity and Blessing

It will be a great opportunity for you to attend and to use your God given gifts in sharing and serving. Singers, musicians, sport-enthusiasts, actors, organizers and others - ready to help wherever needed are wanted! Bishop Meyer is looking for **young people from 18-30 years old as staff and helpers**.

(If younger 15 – 17 years you need special permission by your parents and recommendation by your pastor. *If you are 15-17 and not a staff member at “Anglican Bridge” Camp you are welcome to register as a PARTICIPANT.*

As a Summer Team Member (staff) you will have a lot of contact with German and European young people, worshipping, working, sharing meals and leisure time, sports, music and drama. There are many opportunities to use whatever gifts God has given you to encourage and disciple German and European young people. And last, but not least support the Anglican Way at “Anglican Bridge” at Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

**Come and serve as Short Term Mission Member 2018 at**  
**“Anglican Bridge” and Mission Tour**  
**in Germany July 12.- 31. 2018**  
(or longer – see below)

**1. General Information**

Arrive before actual **Anglican Bridge Camp**: (July 18<sup>th</sup>). If possible ! **July 13 in Frankfurt**:

Cost of Air Fare: [www.expedia.com](http://www.expedia.com) or

[https://global.cheapflights.com/flight-search/DFW-FRA/2018-07-12/2018-07-31?sort=bestflight\\_a](https://global.cheapflights.com/flight-search/DFW-FRA/2018-07-12/2018-07-31?sort=bestflight_a)

or <https://www.travelocity.com> or others. (prices from \$ 700,- up (i.e. Baltimore – Frankfurt)

You arrange your own ticket. We will pick you up at the Frankfurt Airport or at Train Station Treysa (Schwalmstadt) close to Camp. See separate information Arriving by AIR:

**2. General Schedule - Short Term Mission Members**

July 12 Wednesday – STM-Members (leave at their desired home Airport US – (late noon or evening)

July 13 Thursday - arrive at Frankfurt Airport – we pick you up and take you to [www.knuellcamp.de](http://www.knuellcamp.de)

July 14. – 18. Sleep-in on Friday (jet-leg), Introduction on Saturday, participate Sunday at Church Service and afternoon visiting St. Boniface Memorial and Cathedral in Fritzlar; Monday-till Wednesday-> Preparation for “Anglican Bridge”.

**July 18.-22. ANGLICAN BRIDGE / ATLANTIC BRIDGE**

**July 23-29 Mission Tour: Team to Berlin**

On our travel to Berlin we will visit Eisenach (Wartburg Luther’s Captivity), Wittenberg (Luther’s Seminary & Museum). In Berlin several days ministry with Rev. Ayres)

**July 29** Sunday evening returning to Knuell Camp from Berlin

**July 30** Monday. Feedback about *Anglican Bridge* and Mission Tour, packing, final evening fare well in local Country Hotel:

**July 31** (Tuesday) Early Morning Frankfurt Airport, returning to the US.

***Alternative:***

*Stay longer to work with us during the next event: “Summer Music Festival” July 28.- August 5. [www.sommermusikfest.de](http://www.sommermusikfest.de). Return to the USA some days after August 6. or 7. Without extra cost. You help in our restaurant and cleaning areas. Notify us if you are interested, we pay you 100,- Euro extra for these days.*

### **3. Expected Cost for Summer Team Members in Germany in Euro / €:**

#### **At Knuell Center, days prior to Anglican Bridge Camp:**

No cost for staff members (Work-Study: K.-Camp pays for you).

*(Morning: work projects / food preparation, etc. 3 ½ hrs morning.*

*Afternoon: 3 hrs practice and preparation for A.B.-Camp).*

**Participants / Camper only!** From US or UK not working and not part of staff – **you pay \$ 100,- extra**

#### **During “Anglican Bridge” Camp:**

- Sight seeing trip City – Fritzlär or Eisenach 15,- €;
- Meals and overnight for staff per person during ABC 75,-€
- Extras to think about: 20,- € pocket money ?? during Camp, coke, snacks, ice cream etc.

#### **Germany – Tour:**

a) Eisenach, Buchenwald, (Weimar) Wittenberg, Berlin.

- \* overnight & 2 daily meals during a 6-day tour in a German Youth hostel in Wittenberg/ Berlin 220,- €  
    You pay one daily lunch yourself, (McDonald, German Bratwurst stand etc.)
- \* Travel expenses in Germany, from and to Airport (2 x) 40,- €
- \* Germany tour to Berlin and public transportation in Berlin (700 Miles, trips) 150,- €
- \* Entrance fees, Berlin & Boat trip - Spree River 55,- €
- \* Country Restaurant – final evening 35,- €

**\*Total for overnight / meals and travel expense for Summer Team (or US Camper) Members are Euro 500,- €**

**At present exchange rate about US \$ 620,-**

**\* Think about pocket money and some for souvenirs, gifts etc**

#### **\* Exceptions and possible reduction:**

During mission tour, if team members are invited to sleep overnight in Christian homes instead of in a youth hostel the calculated price will be reimbursed to you at the end of the tour.

# Procedure of Acceptance

## **Application:**

Send in the registration form not later than **March 30th 2018**.

If earlier and you are accepted, you might be able buy a cheaper air ticket.

## **References:**

If this is your first Mission to *REC Germany* and *Knuellcamp* we need to hear from your Pastor or two persons outside of your family who would support your serving on the Summer Team in Germany. Ask the two people you named on the form for references to send us separately an email, etc. - not more than one page - stating some reasons to support your going on the mission trip, and 1) in what way it would profit you 2) as well as the ministry in Germany. (should arrive till March 30th at Knuellcamp).

## **Evaluation:**

Evaluation and decision about number of people being accepted will be finalized between now and **April 6<sup>th</sup>**. You will receive an answer as soon as possible if you apply earlier.

If you are serious about coming, it is imperative that you act very soon. (we need to book your overnights at Youth Hostels as early as possible – air tickets are now still reasonable).

## **Application Fee**

### **“Anglican / Atlantic Bridge” & Mission Tour:**

we ask you to confirm sending in a check of Dollar **250,-** (payable to GERHARD MEYER; Memo: Anglican Bridge 2018. Send Check to Address:

**Gerhard Meyer,  
Richbergstr. 11,  
34639 Schwarzenborn,  
Germany**

For questions use email – [grace.meyer@gmx.de](mailto:grace.meyer@gmx.de) (or if necessary Mobil +49-15788789509)

This **first payment** will cover the down payment for the advanced booking of the **youth hostel only**. The **second payment** is due by arrival in Germany. (via check or you can withdraw money from most German Bank machines.)

## **LATE ARRIVAL**

If you arrive later than the regular team arrival, you can take the train at Frankfurt airport terminal, change train only once at Frankfurt main train station into the train going to Schwalmstadt (Treysa). There we will pick you up and take you to the Camp. (We will tell you details what to look for at train via email.)

## **Passport / Money**

Make sure you possess a valid ID Card or Passport for Germany.

Money: you can use your Credit or Debit card at every German Bank or Money machine to get Euros. Contact your Bank to allow you to withdraw Euro in Germany from your Bank Account

# Application Form for SUMMER TEAM Germany ANGLICAN BRIDGE & TOUR 2018

Must be sent in by: March 30, 2018 to: [grace.meyer@gmx.de](mailto:grace.meyer@gmx.de)

Name:	Birth date:	Age:
Address:		
Email:		
Phone:		
Are you a Christian:		
Are you a member of a Church?		
If you are minor, we need <b>printed name</b> and <b>signature</b> of your parents here:		

Details:

List talents & skills (Ex: play piano/sing/use Microsoft word, etc.):

List previous experiences with volunteering/service/ church / community work:

*(if you need more space use extra page and return with email)*

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You are responsible to arrange your own travel to and from Germany, as well as for private insurance coverage for losses, sickness or injuries. Knuellcamp and the German Reformed Episcopal Church will not be held liable for any of such circumstances. You need to sign later a detailed discharge for members in these organizations.

References: (**one** must be your Pastor OR **two** non-family members)

Name:	Relationship:
Address:	Phone: (    )
	Email:
	Years Known:

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## **What to bring and to consider when you come to KnuellCamp:**

[www.knuellcamp.de](http://www.knuellcamp.de)

Schwarzenborn (a little village) is located 30 miles south of the city of Kassel and is about 80 miles north of Frankfurt. The camp itself is located on top of the Knuell mountain 2000 feet high.

### **1. Type of clothing and bathroom accessories.**

Because of different weather over the years, bring clothing for both cold and warm weather, dry and wet. Several years ago, morning temperatures were as low as 5 degrees Celsius / 40 degrees Fahrenheit. Other years, it was so warm that campers could sleep in sleeping bags in tents, or just on the grass. So we have to expect both kinds of weather. (In the Knuell mountains (2000 feet) it is usually 5 degrees colder than in the valley (650 feet).

\* bring:

- a) pants and jackets (or long jogging outfit – in case it is colder at night)
- b) if it is warm enough: shorts and t-shirts etc.
- c) bring one outfit for Sunday, no suit but something better than jeans, no tie necessary
- d) bring towels and soap and shampoo.
- e) bring enough clothing for at least one week. (During the 9-day camp we might not have time to wash)

\* way to wash: We have one washing machine for the staff.

\* clothes will be dried outside on a clothes line or inside in the heating room.

**2. Money issues. Click: [http://www.waehrungsrechner-euro.com/euro pfund / dollar](http://www.waehrungsrechner-euro.com/euro_pfund_dollar)**

### **3. Other items to bring along:**

Bring your Bible, something to write on and at least one pen. In case you are a musician, bring your instrument along if possible.

Bring some of your email addresses, you may want to send greetings or a report to someone, while you are here (friends, church, supporters), we have a wireless connection at the Knuell Camp. If you play softball and have your own glove, bring it along. In case we will go into a swimming pool or nearby lake bring your bathing clothing.

**4. Extras to bring: - Only from US – Peanut butter; orange and lime jell-o, package of bread filling (flavor chicken)**

### **5. Final information before arrival.**

Please send your flight information (departure time from which town, airline, flight number and arrival time in Frankfurt) at least 2 weeks before arrival, so we can plan ahead to pick you up. If some do not arrive at the same time at Frankfurt airport, we will get in contact with you. For any emergencies use this cell phone No. +49-737280923 at Frankfurt airport in case we miss each other: Bp. Gerhard's Mobil:

We will ask you to wait for us so we find everybody before we leave together as a group.