



YOUR MISSIONARIES
THE RICHARDS
TO GERMANY



DEAR PASTOR AND CHURCH,

WATCH-NIGHT SERVICES— Praise the Lord for the opportunity to end the past year worshipping our Lord and Savior in His house with a watch-night service. We had great food and uplifting fellowship that ended with the traditional German new year’s fireworks. It was a great time to be able to visit with one another, reminisce about the past year, and share how God has blessed. It was a great encouragement as we also discussed prayer requests and outreach efforts for the upcoming year. The Lord really blessed this past year, and we are looking forward to continuing the good fight in the upcoming year. May the Lord find us faithful and diligently working to reach the lost, and living for Him when He returns.



OUTREACH EVENTS AND THE GREAT COMMISSION— January and February were also full of outreach events, like our “Healthy Resolution” potluck and friend day in January when everyone brought salads and healthy food options. Since so many started off the year wanting to focus on eating healthy it was very well attended. Then, in February we had an international potluck to help highlight the Great Commission, but I also used this as an opportunity to explain that the Great Commission starts with “Jerusalem”, in other words ‘at home’ and encouraged people to not just think about Missions as being other countries, but also right next door or across the fence. This was further highlighted when our veterinarian and her husband, who we have been witnessing to for quite some time, attended for the first time a couple of Sundays later. This was a great illustration of the principle that you don’t have to go halfway around the world to reach the lost for Jesus. That said, please pray for the salvation of these first-time visitors; thank you very much.

NEW TRACT FOR THE OUTREACH MINISTRIES— It is a great joy and privilege to be able to share with all of you that



Missionary Jeremy Randle and I co-wrote a tract together focusing on the salvation message. We have been praying for God to direct us to a better bible tract for the people we encounter in this area, but God laid on my heart to write our own, in which I included my personal testimony. Now, after lots of prayer and many edits, we have sent the first large order to the printers. Please pray that these tracts will help God’s Word reach the hearts of many in order for those who are lost to be able to accept the Lord as their personal savior before it is too late. For now, the goal for 2024 is to put one of these new tracts in each mailbox in Metzingen and, when that is done, start working on the surrounding towns. If you could please pray for these outreach efforts with us, we would greatly appreciate it. Thank you very much. Also, if you feel led to financially support these tract printing efforts, please send any contributions to our sending church: Hillcrest

Baptist Church in El Paso, TX (Pastor Joe Dickinson) with the subject/note: Missionary Bill Richards Tract Printing Ministry. Thank you very much. We are greatly looking forward to seeing how the Lord blesses through our tract ministry this year.

PRAYER REQUESTS –

More fundamental Baptist missionaries	The Church in Ingolstadt, Germany (Missionary Seth Richards)
More to be saved and baptized in Germany	More to follow the call for service <i>“Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;”</i> - Matthew 9:37
Faithfulness in the Last Days - <i>Hebrews 10:25</i>	That my son-in-law, Missionary Jeremy Randle, will be able to raise his support as Germany needs fundamental Baptist missionaries who are faithful soulwinners and following the Lord’s will.

In Christ,

Bill Richards

“I bare you on eagles’ wings” – Exodus 19:4