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Dear fellow laborers in Christ,

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Greetings from the wonderful Kaiserslautern, Germany! The blessings of God are truly amazing, and we are undeserving of all that He does for us! Every morning I get to hear the birds sing and do what they were ultimately created to do, give glory to God. It is a challenging reminder to me of why I was created! Apart from all the busy schedules, ministry, and things that need to be done, I ought to take time each day to do what I was created to do and that's to sing His praises and bring glory to Him!

We have been quite busy since returning to Germany. The first Sunday in October was our church's very first "Friend Day" along with-it being GBC's fifth Anniversary. We were excited to have many first-time guests along with the Crafts who made a special visit. It was a very special service but most of all the seed of the Gospel was planted in the hearts of many people. We rejoice in the blessings of God and the calling He has placed on our lives to bring the Gospel to the U.S. Military. The very next week Bro. Gale Hash, from Sioux Falls, SD arrived to Germany. Bro. Hash is 84 years old and answered the call of God to come to Germany for one year to be a help to the ministry here. By faith he came and is already begun to be a blessing to our folks, assist in soul-winning efforts, and minister to others through Sunday School. We are excited to see how God will use Bro. Hash while he is here. Please keep him in prayer as there are some logistical hurdles to face for him to be here for the year.

The Cornerstone Sunday School class, our first here at GBC, has been going very well. It has been wonderful to witness the growth of people each week and to see their excitement about what they are learning and how God has spoken to them. The changes are not always drastic but, little by little, God is shaping and molding them to be more like Christ. It has already begun strengthening the body of GBC. We are excited to start our second class, Ambassadors, this coming Sunday. Please pray that God would continue to use these classes to grow individuals in their walk with God and our church corporately to be a Christ honoring vessel for the spread of the Gospel and the training of disciples.

Lastly, we ask you to pray concerning the conflict in Israel as it has and will continue to have a direct impact on our church and the military community here in Germany. We know God's hand is on Israel and that His plans will be accomplished for His glory. As of now we are in no immediate danger but are asking God for wisdom should the conflict broaden to Germany.

We cannot possibly thank you enough for your love and prayers for our family. We are overwhelmed at how privileged we are to represent you dear folks in Germany. It is because of churches like yours, made of people who sacrificially give, that we can give the Gospel to those who have surrendered their lives to serve our great country! We love you all!









For His Glory,

The Kitchen Family