

Burdens related to Europe (week of 31 March 2019)

1) Report on the Leipzig book fair

Please see the attached report on the Leipzig Book Fair that took place on 21-24 March.

2) Follow-up of the spring university conference in De Hoof, Netherlands (29-31 March)

Please pray that the students from all over Europe who attended the university conference will open their entire being to the word that they heard and allow this word to operate in them and dwell in them richly. Pray that a good number will consecrate themselves to attend the FTTL.

3) Spring weekend retreat at Bower House, London (6 April)

4) Brexit

Please continue to pray for the Lord's sovereign rule over this crucial matter.

5) The Lord's move in Germany

Please continue to pray for:

- A potential meeting hall property has been located for the church in Berlin. Please pray that preliminary evaluations will be completed in a timely way, that the property will be in good condition purchase, and that the city will approve it for church use
- The growth, building up, and blending of the saints and the strengthening of the Lord's testimony in Hamburg, Zurich (Switzerland), Vienna (Austria), and Bielefeld
- The visit of 24 FTTT trainees and two serving brothers. Teams of four trainees will blend and labor with the local saints in Berlin/Leipzig, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, Hamburg, Munich, and Stuttgart
- The growth in life, rising up, and functioning of the students in the labor on the university campuses following the university conference in the Netherlands held on 29-31 March

Gifts to support the Lord's move in Germany should be given to LME and designated "European Gospel Work." Click on **Offerings** at www.lordsmove.org and follow the instructions. An application for those who are led by the Lord to emigrate for the Lord's move can be downloaded by clicking on **Application** on the home page of the LME website.

6) UK Building Project (London)

To give through LME for the training facility at Woodland Camp, click on **Offerings** on the home page of the LME website and follow the instructions. Designate offerings for "UK Building Project." More information on the UK building project can be found at www.amanatrust.org.uk/uk-building-project.

7) Printing and distribution of Bibles for Europe

Offerings for future printings of Bibles should be given **directly to LSM** and designated "Printing Bibles for Europe." For instructions on giving to LSM, click on **Information** at the top of www.lordsmove.org and then download a PDF via the link **How to Give**. Offerings for the distribution of Bibles in Europe can be given to LME. Click on **Offerings** on the home page of the LME website. Please designate offerings for "Distribution of Bibles in Europe."

8) Radio broadcasts in the UK and Spain, continuing distribution of the Recovery Version and ministry publications in the European languages, and shepherding of seeking ones.

9) The raising up of the Lord's testimony in major cities in Europe, including Lisbon, Portugal; Vienna, Austria; Thessaloniki, Greece; Zagreb, Croatia; Belgrade and Novi Sad, Serbia; Geneva and Zurich, Switzerland; Bilbao, Spain; Amsterdam and Rotterdam, the Netherlands; and Tirana, Albania.

Burdens related to Israel

To receive prayer requests for Israel, please write to isra.news.new.man@gmail.com and ask the brothers to add you to the mailing list. Please include your name and locality.

Dear saints,

From 21-24 March 2019 we participated in the Leipzig Book Fair, which was a coordinated labor between Bibles for Europe and Lebensstrom. From the four-day event we gave out a total of 5,060 German New Testament Recovery Version Bibles to an audience of 286,000 visitors and sold some ministry books as well.

This is a second largest book fair in Germany after the one in Frankfurt. The vast majority of the visitors in Leipzig were typical Germans, many of whom were from the Greater Leipzig Area. In addition, people of all ages were willing to receive a copy of the New Testament. A new one came to a dinner with the saints on the first night, and the local saints are still in contact with this new one. Several other Bible recipients left their contact information with the saints. We pray that the Lord will operate in the hearts of the Bible recipients and grow in them as they read His word. We also pray that the hungrier ones will begin to order the ministry books in German. May the Lord gain many for the church life particularly in the City of Leipzig.

For this four-day event seven saints came from Düsseldorf/Frankfurt, 21 saints from Berlin, and 11 local saints plus two children from Leipzig. The visiting saints experienced the blending and warm hospitality from the local saints as they labored together to distribute the New Testament. Every day the saints sensed that they were laboring in and for the Body and that their labor was being carried by the prayers of the Body. The saints look forward to more events this year for the Lord to further spread His word in this country.

Below are the testimonies from the saints who participated in the Bible distribution:

"I offered the Bible to three young people, but they rejected it laughing. Although I thought they despised it, after a few seconds the three of them came back and asked for the Bible. It was so encouraging see that the young people were so open to the ministry."

"I enjoyed talking to typical Germans. Their standard reply was: I already have a Bible at home. Some still gave us a chance to show them what makes this New Testament different from others. After showing them some verses or reading a footnote with them, about 90% took the Bible. Many of them expressed a real interest and thankfulness."

"A frequent question was: What does "Wiedererlangungs-Übersetzung" (Recovery Version) mean? I enjoyed sharing with them that we need to recover or rediscover the truths in the Bible just as Martin Luther recovered justification by faith. The verses that helped him see this truth have always been in the Bible but nobody saw the light. Because most Germans are familiar with the story of Luther (Wittenberg is just one hour north of Leipzig), they were happy to receive a Bible that would help them follow Luther's footsteps."

"The first New Testament that we passed out on the first day was given to a fellow exhibitor who came to look for us as soon as the fair started. He was a brother who used to meet in the church life in Frankfurt and Stuttgart over 40 years ago. From his interest and his questions I could see that the recovery was still very much on his heart."

"We had some good interactions with a 20-year-old seeking one from Bielefeld who already had the Recovery Version. He and four others got it online and are reading it. He bought a Christian editorial company last year and has a burden for an online shop to inspire Christians to read again. He knows Watchman Nee."

Thank you for all your prayers.

The saints who participated in the Leipzig Book Fair