

The Talley Family

Church Planting in
Königs Wusterhausen, Germany



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Dear Prayer Partners,

The roll-out of immunizations in Germany has been slow, so the government is experimenting with various regulations to get the coronavirus under control. Lockdowns are usually announced in advance, which ends up creating super spreader events as everyone floods into the few stores that are allowed to be open to making necessary last-minute purchases. The latest of these lockdowns was to be for five days during Easter weekend. Churches were strongly encouraged not to have any in-person gatherings during the entire weekend. Easter weekend is one of the state church's largest festivals, so they cried foul saying the government had targeted them unfairly. Due to the number of complaints, they canceled the lockdown. Nevertheless, they are still limiting us on what we are allowed to do.

We are continuing to hold live services and Bible studies with a combination of personal and virtual attendance as necessary to keep within the regulations. Singing is not allowed. Everyone but the speaker is required to wear a medical mask. The number of people listening to the podcast and attending services via the live stream has increased in recent weeks. We will be **DISTRIBUTING 5000 FLYERS THIS MONTH**, one side of which specifically advertises the live stream and the other providing a link to a page on our site where people can register for in-person attendance.

Jeremiah wrote a letter to the captives in Babylon, who faced challenges worse than these, instructing the people how to live. One particular verse of that letter is especially applicable to us today: And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace. (Jeremiah 29:7) **PLEASE PRAY FOR US THAT GERMANY WILL LIFT THE BURDEN OF COVID RESTRICTIONS SO THAT WE MAY FREELY PREACH THE GOSPEL.** Pray also that God will open doors of opportunity and that the seed of the gospel will find good ground on which to grow.

We had to put the furlough that we had scheduled for this spring on hold due to the difficulty of international travel. Pray that God will give us wisdom as we seek His will concerning the need to report to our supporting churches. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support!

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "The Talleys".

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