

Globe Mission

On the go with the Bedfords



Just Passing Through... (by Karin)

Pray with us:

- We thank God for all the friends, churches and family we got to visit and share with.
- Pray for a good return trip to Guatemala on June 25th and that we reacclimatize quickly.
- Pray for our planning the rest of the year for the women's and children's ministries.
- Pastor Juan Carlos and Miriam are still struggling with health and finances for the land to build their church building. They also have to move out of the house they're renting. Pray for provision
- Pray for more students for our Discipleship Training School starting in July.

We've been in Germany now for almost 8 weeks and are thankful for all the wonderful encounters— friends, churches and family. I'm enjoying this time, but it does seem like we arrive and it's already time to go. We've driven around a lot, always living out of our suitcases and that's tiring, even though we are really thankful. And we are super thankful for the apartment a friend is letting us use, yet I miss my home in Guatemala. But is Guatemala really my home? I've been thinking about this lately and then I remember that **we**

don't have here a lasting home, rather we are home with Jesus!

For this world is not our permanent home; we are looking forward to a home yet to come.

Hebrews 13:14 NLT

So am I really at home with Jesus? Some days yes, other days are a struggle and I feel far away. Do you have days like that? I always check my heart and I want to run



back to God, because I know, that in Him I do have a home where I am loved and welcomed in! You can't find that in any other relationship. Only God can give you life in abundance! And that's what I want, every day! I just need to watch out, that I don't wander away from home... and it happens so easily.

God bless you all!

Karin and Joe



You Call Forth Songs of Joy (by Joe)

“Saw seven today!” I told Karin. I’m fascinated with the leaping deer that I startle as I go jogging through the woods and vineyards above Marktbreit, where we are currently staying. I enjoy the views of the hilly farmland so much and I’m so thankful to God for His creation.



Deer at dusk

In the last few weeks, we have been surprised a number of times by unexpected gifts from God. In Kitzingen, we met a couple from Stuttgart that we haven't seen for many years. They were on vacation here and spotted us as they walked through the scenic part of the town. We enjoyed catching up with each other.

Often we have visited our friends here and took time to listen to their struggles and joys. We have our stories to tell, but we also want to hear theirs. It's encouraging to be lifted up and also to lift them up in prayer and faith filled words. Many times, God speaks through prayers and we experience God's presence and peace.

Just this week, we were about to get our train tickets to Frankfurt airport to catch our flight on the 26th of June, but Karin had a feeling she should wait. But the prices go up after a while. Karin then had an impression to ask Jonathan, a friend from church. She felt a little foolish asking, “Are you by any chance going by Frankfurt on that day?” Jonathan wrote back, “Yes, indeed! Be glad to take you!” Later, he told us this must have been from God, since he usually doesn't plan trips more than a couple of days in advance! Thank You, Lord Jesus!

In all things, we give thanks to our God who cares for us:



Joe with Josh and his wife, Tabia

The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy. Psalm 65:9 NIV

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