

## The McCormack Messenger

June 2015



#### More details

Those of you who read our March newsletter may remember it lacked full information regarding our return. That was because at that time we didn't precisely know our future role with Wycliffe. As we said in March, we are moving back to our Minot ND home. We will no longer be teachers of missionary children, directly enabling their parents' work. Instead we will be helping to send new Wycliffe Bible Translators to the mission field. Specifically, David will be a Wycliffe Human Resources Financial Liaison or HRFL. In this role, David will help new Wycliffe members with their financial paperwork necessary to get to the field. An important part of this role will be helping these new missionaries set and understand their budget. With today's technology, this can all be done by phone, internet and computer. This will be a full-time role of 40 flexible hours per week, but we believe it will be a less demanding role than the former teaching load. We are reaching an age where we recognize we must slow down. We rejoice that while slowing down we can continue in support of Bible translation.

Helen's future role with Wycliffe is still undefined. Opportunities and needs do exist for her as well, but for the immediate months a time of retreat is needed. Her role at BFA has been particularly demanding and she has been advised by Wycliffe personnel to wait several months before making any long term commitment.

#### **Financial matters**

You are probably wondering about the budgetary requirements for entering this new role. From what we can tell, the cost of living in Minot is comparable to the cost of living in Germany. (Food will be more expensive but gas will be cheaper, for example.) We welcome continued financial partnership from those who God leads to continue with us in this new calling. Wycliffe requires that we have full financial partnership (which thankfully we have) in order to enter our new role.

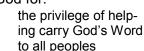
#### Finishing well

Teaching children of missionaries has been our great privilege since 2007. We thank God for His strength and for the partnership of many people with us in this task. Graduation is June 12 and teachers have meetings until June 18. Then we will finish packing, with the intent to arrive back in Minot on June 25.

<u>Please note below our Minot address and phone number which will be effective on June 25. The email addresses remain unchanged.</u>

### PRAYER A





- many faithful partners
- people who have volunteered to help in various ways as we move back into our Minot home

#### Please pray for:

- Good adjustment to Minot life and service
- A replacement Discovery therapist for BFA



A yummy German Salad with greens, carrot salad, celery root salad and potato salad nestled under the greens.

See the pictures and stories on the back.

To read our previous newsletters, see www. trinitychurchminot.org/#/ trinity-church/ missionaries

Personal Contact Information: "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel." Philippians 1:3-5a We would love to hear from you.

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# Final months in Kandern

The Catholic Church in Kandern was the site of David's last concert with the Kandern City Band (Kandern Stadtmusik). At the end of the concert, David was given an autographed picture of the band. Even with limited German speaking skills one can read music and connect with the German community.







The close of a school year is a busy time. BFA student are involved in sporting events and music concerts. The girl at the left of the string ensemble is one of Helen's students. During the Easter spring break, many students were involved in mission/service trips. Some BFA students are pictured below with African youth.



This spring eight students chose to declare their com-

mitment to follow Jesus through public baptism. One is pictured at the right.

We never cease to marvel at the beauty of God's creation...especially in this part of the world. Pictured at the lower left is Kandern, located in a valley of Germany's Black Forest (Schwarzwald).

Black Forest Academy's main campus, pictured at the lower right, has been our center of service since 2007. BFA's mission is to provide a quality, international Christian education that equips students to influence their world.





