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Dear Friends,

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On the evening of 5th August we arrived back safely at our little home in Burgenland after a journey of nearly 700 km (ca. 440m). When we look back at the six previous jam-packed days in S. Germany, we are amazed at the way our LORD helped us to fit in all the meetings!

Some dear Austrian friends of the DMG asked us to take a nearly new dish-washer with us to Buchenauerhof (the DMG mission centre). Our Sebastian, who was staying at the centre for a few days, took charge of it late on the evening of our arrival. On the following day we had an unforgettable last meeting with our dear friend Gisela Werner in hospital in Stuttgart. She had followed our progress into missionary work with great faithfulness since the early 1970's. Our German friends will remember her sending out our newsletters for a number of years. We were only with her for a short while, but during that time, in spite of her great weakness, we were able to reminisce together and we read her a 'thought for the day' and prayed for God's blessing. Three days later she went home to be with her LORD. Now she sees face to face that which she had believed!

During the next few days we were very busy as there were a lot of different meetings. After leaving Oberstdorf (near the border with Austria), we ended up in a very dedicated prayer group in the living room of Silvia in the nearby Austrian region of Kleinwalsertal. An African missionary from Kenya leads this group and they pray faithfully and regularly for a spiritual breakthrough in this valley. We are so GRATEFUL to all our friends for their warm hospitality and great generosity!

When we visited Gerlingen, we found Hans-Georg's mother very dejected. Following a bad storm on 4th July parts of the cellar of the family home had been flooded, which has never happened before like that! There was a lot of damage to the fittings and the brickwork. Please pray that the repairs will be carried out as soon as possible and that there will always be enough people around to help! Many THANKS!

WELCOME!

THE HIGHLIGHT of the past month was without doubt the birth of our 'little doll' LINA MARIE – our third grandchild, born 14th July (2780gr. (6lbs 2oz), 49cm (19¼ ins) in length). Someone congratulated us spontaneously with, "So pleased for you to have this new 'citizen of the earth'. I'm praying that this little one will become a 'citizen of the kingdom of heaven' in her early years!" That is certainly our greatest wish as her grandparents! THANK YOU so much for praying for our children and their families, especially for the grandchildren: **Timo (3)**, **Lenny (1)** and **Baby Lina**. What a tremendous privilege!

Visitors from abroad and other surprises...

July had a very international flavour for us...Karin returned from Chile and came to us for debriefing. She had found it a very positive experience and spiritually she had learnt an enormous amount during the 10 months she was serving there. Just after she had left, a DMG colleague from Vienna turned up on our doorstep with his Afgh friend. The friend was delighted to put on Hans-Georg's Afgh robe and Pashtun hat. He draped himself in the flag and we then took a lot of photos for his mother back in Afgh! He has been living in Vienna for six years and had never been invited into a family home... As we were eating lunch together, the doorbell rang and there was Kurt, one of the leaders of the recently established church in southern Burgenland. Even as these three were saying goodbye some time later, Hans-Georg was meeting his PIONEERS colleagues from Bulgaria, Slovakia and England for an important SKYPE conference. On the following Sunday a fellow worker and his family from Wienerwald came to lunch with us after Hans-Georg had preached at the service in Siegendorf. Soon afterwards we got visited by a young couple from Vienna who are looking to go into missionary work and who are seeking advice. To round off the month there were visits from Marlene who is preparing to go to South Africa – she spent two days with us – and our DMG Mission Leader, Dr. Detlef Bloecher and his family. Oh, nearly forgot! Our good Dutch friends from INTERSERVE, Annie and Ed Kramer spent a night with us on their way from Hungary to the Czech Republic.

What's on in August?

8th Aug.: Preaching at the Eisenstadt Forum, 13th Aug.: Journey to Leichlingen/Rhineland. Sunday (15th) preaching in the Kreuzkirche, Margret is taking the Sunday school. Please pray for us particularly on the journey there (1000 km / 625 m!) 17th Aug.: Missionary evening in Soltau, Lueneburger Heide (south of Hamburg, N. Germany): talk on Afgh.

AND THEN A PROPER HOLIDAY: staying with Marga in Soennebuell by the North Sea!

29th Aug.: Mission Sunday in the Lutheran church in Vollstedt/Husum (also by the North Sea)

31st Aug.: Visiting longstanding friends in Norderstedt (north of Hamburg): mission-evening with a group of teenagers in their home, 2nd Sept.: On our way back down south we have been invited to a youth camp in the Tyrol, to speak at an evening meeting about God's guidance in our lives. With all these plans and dates we always add 'God willing!'

We often wonder what God makes of our prayers. We still have so much to learn! But we are so GRATEFUL that you are ready to help carry our burdens and rejoice with us. It means so much to us! THANK YOU!

We would be glad to have your prayer requests and pray for you as well.



With greetings from Burgenland

Hans-Georg & Margret Hoprich with Annika & Manuel