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Dear Pastor and Church, dear praying Friends

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Ministry news: Only a few more days until our Gospel Meeting. This is indeed a very special time for us, and much effort has been put into this meeting. Everyone knows the organizational activities that come along with this ... and we are engulfed in it. Besides that, and which is far more important, we have been praying and pleading with the Lord to bless our meeting, to stir up saints and to draw lost sinners to Church and, once there, to Christ. I am totally convinced that one is not a Christian and a child of God because one's tradition and/or upbringing, but because of a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, in which one trusts the Lord totally as personal savior from God's wrath and hellfire. Just recently we had an off-the-street visitor in our Wednesday night service; a young man, I'd say in his late 20s. After some small talk, he asked to be baptized. I replied and asked him for the reason for his request. He said, that's what the Bible would say. Well, at least that is a correct answer. I inquired further and asked him when he was saved. His answer to me was not a surprise at all, for he said, he was always a believer. Well, to shorten the story, I gave him the biblical gospel and charged him with it. He never came up with a definite statement of having been saved, or getting saved, wiggled with excuses and arguments like a worm on a hook, said he'd be in Church on Sunday, left – and never came back. Folks, people need to be saved by acknowledging they are hell-bound sinners, by turning to the Lord Jesus Christ and trusting Him completely, totally and solely for their salvation by the work of the Lord Jesus on the cross of Calvary. And that is exactly the message we preach and that we want to confront the people with during the Gospel meeting. Again, please pray for the Lord to bring those in that are willing to hear – and then hopefully act upon what they have heard.

All of our people are looking forward to the meeting with great anticipation. There is a good spirit in the Church, and an awareness, that there is an enemy and adversary, the devil. We have been praying for the Lord to keep us save, not only physically, but also spiritually. With all that is going on it would be so easy to get involved in a personal issue which would bring hurt feelings, grudges and resentments. May the Lord keep us save from this!

<u>Personal news:</u> On the personal side, all seems to be fine right now; glory to God. It is almost scary, and I am expecting the devil to attack at any time. In the Church bible study, we cover Ephesian 6:10-18 right now (the armor of God for the fight of faith). Our bible study suits the time and our personal challenges. Our children are doing well; praise the Lord. We are looking forward to some time with the family here and there during the upcoming holiday season. From us here in Germany to all of you that read this and that are praying for us: have a great holiday season and remember: Christ is the reason for the season. Thank you for all you are doing for us!

May the Lord bless you; all because of Calvary

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