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PRAYER NEEDS:

Praise for God's financial provision of \$30,000 to print 10,000 more Bibles. Many thanks to all who gave.

Pray for wisdom, strength, guidance, good health and safety for us during our travels

Pray for wisdom for these important people who touch the lives of the military:

- 1. Udo Dickes
- 2. German and American Military Chaplains
- 3. Ak-Soldaten Seelsorge
- 4. Cornelius Vereinigunug
- 5. Roger & Margaret

BIBLES COME!

"The Lord will protect you from all evil; He will keep your soul. The Lord will guard your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forever." (Ps. 121: 7-8.) NASB

It is so good to know we serve this kind of God who watches over us so completely and lovingly!

When we were trying to find the right time to book tickets to return, Roger and I both found out we had some skin cancer that needed to be removed. Finally, we were able to get our appointments but it did delay our coming by 4 weeks. Yet, we did arrive just in time for our Bibles to be delivered to Sulzbach-Rosenberg and get them safely stored away with help from our wonderful church, "Open Door Mission Center".

So often we have had to depend upon the Lord to set our schedule from getting visas or booking tickets, which all has to be done weeks in advance, whether we are coming or going. God does guide our steps as we



Helpers from Open Door Mission Center

walk with him!

It was exciting that God, once again, brought in the money to print another 10,000 Bibles and right on schedule to get them printed to mesh with our return. So very thankful to all who helped with this printing.

Roger has been in contact with many of the German Chaplains and we will be making some deliveries over the next two weeks. Just last night, Roger contacted a new chaplain and he informed us he had been using our Bible for a while. It was so very encouraging to know that the Chaplains have been spreading the word about where to get the camouflage German Bible and that they were sharing with each other!

Yes, indeed, God is in control for "The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives. (Ps. 37:23) NLT Aren't you glad he does?



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Johann Guttenberg

We had the pleasure of making an excursion with the Cornelius Vereinigung to the famous city of Mainz. There we visited the historical 1000 year old Mainz Cathedral and shared a meal together.

On the plaza there was a statue of Johann Guttenberg who was known as the inventor of the printing press. The Guttenberg Bible was the first major book printed using movable metal type. This statue reminded me of the class trip with my son to the Guttenberg Museum here in Mainz back in 1982. It was a great joy for me to see these precious first Bibles. This invention did change the world and made it possible for the Word of God to abound and more people to come to know our wonderful Savior!

We feel a bit of a kinship with this man because now, we are printing Bibles in German on digital presses and making them available to all who desire to read them! Operation Centurion is a Christian non-profit organization reaching out to NATO soldiers and their families. The organization provides Bibles and Christian reading material. Roger and Margaret are the Founder and President of the organization. Bibles have been printed with camouflaged covers to be given out to Russian and German soldiers. Russian Military Bibles (28,000) have been previously distributed. Every Bible has the Plan of Salvation along with a foreword, written by Roger, to encourage the soldiers to accept Jesus as their personal Savior.

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BIBLES GO!

Soon after the arrival of our new shipment, Udo and Erika Dickes (lower picture from left to right—Udo, Erika and Marianne Taubmann) came to Sulzbach-Rosenberg to get 5,000 Bibles to take to the western side of Germany near Bonn and Cologne.

Udo is the director of Arbeits-kreis Soldaten who helps us with the distribution of the Bible. You may want to look at their internet site which is www.ak-soldaten.de. One of the great things about working here is the good cooperation between the Christian ministries. We also work closely with the Cornelius Vereinigung (CoV), as well. Their website is www.cov.de.

It is wonderful, too, that not only does our church help but Georg Taubmann (burgundy sweater, left front) and his wife, Marianne, graciously allow us to store our Bibles in their barn. Georg is the international director of Shelter Now. Chris and Antoine van den Assam (group picture on front far right), directors of Vision for Asia, have encouraged us from



the beginning by helping find our first apartment to taking us and picking us up at the airport.

All of this great interaction of ministries is bringing glory to God and giving Him praise!

"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity. We are definitely co-workers in God's service for "in unity the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore." Psalm 133

