

Cafe' Einfach So

As of April, the Cafe' Einfach So experienced a significant and positive change. Previously, we had only been open on Tuesdays, and only in the church building, which limited the amount of visitors each week to only a few. However, the Lord opened the door for our church family to rent the facilities of a historic bakery in the old city of Leutirch. We are now open 3 days a week. The community's familiarity with the old bakery, its location right next to the main market street, and our extended opening hours have provided greater visibility and a more steady flow of visitors. The Cafe's concept is simple: "Good coffee and gospel conversations." We have chosen to purchase our baked goods from local bakeries. This keeps our workload down and allows us to support our local shops instead of becoming a competitor. And here's the kicker everything we offer is free. When guests ask if the coffee and bakery goods are actually free, we reply, "it's all already been paid for and prepared for them Einfach So (by grace). This allows us to introduce them to the biblical concept of God's grace through Jesus Christ. We have been able to share the gospel with more locals through this ministry than any of our efforts to date. As a result, one lady has trusted Christ as her Saviour, and visitors have attended our church services. Additionally, the Cafe' has provided contact with our local public servants. For example, the city mayor took part in our grand opening. He showed genuine interest in learning more about the meaning behind "Einfach So". Before leaving, he gifted the Cafe' a beautiful book, and asked to be photographed with the crew of volunteers. This photo and very positive article appeared in the local newspaper a few days later. Praise God for free advertising!

Basketball

One of the greatest gospel opportunities in our local village has been by means of basketball. As the NBA has gained popularity, the interest in basketball as a sport has increased. The basketball program Daniel started one year ago has expanded to two teams. Additionally, Daniel has been allowed to offer basketball programs in three local schools. This has provided contact with families, and even some witnessing opportunities. In July, the Leutkirch church will host its 2nd basketball camp, which will allow us to teach basketball skills, as well as the gospel of Jesus Christ to the campers.

Liechtenstein

In the midst of all we have going on in Germany, God has still allowed us to continue to meet for Bible study twice a month in Liechtenstein. Now that the weather is changing we are meeting at the park facility in the town of Triesen (pictured above). We hope to meet more people by evangelizing, and by holding our Bible studies publicly. By God's grace, we purpose to be faithful where He has us, and trust Him to do the work that only He can do.