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Dear friends and family,

Some of you have not been able to open our PDF files and others have filters that take the pictures out of our newsletters if they are not in PDF form, so we will try sending this plain newsletter, attaching pictures and also a PDF file! We really appreciate your interest and input!

Thanks for your prayers for **Kontaktmission's annual missionary gatherings**. Being onsite, we were able to help out more than we have in past years. One of our jobs was picking up people we had never met from various train stations, but we found the train stations and the people we were looking for!

One group was a Polish family who spoke no German or English, but had a young German girl acting as their interpreter. Imagine being the mouth and ears for a family of four for a week! We felt we became friends in spite of the language barrier!



We “conversed” with some Romanian church planters via gestures and pictures--pointing at the wedding ring to ask if they were married, pointing at a baby and at us to ask if we had children, whipping out the family picture ...

Another highlight was meeting Michael Müller, a German church-planter who works in Mongolia!

It is hard to say which was more exciting, meeting new people or reconnecting with friends we hadn't seen since last year— from Germany, Albania, Belgium, Greece, Lithuania, Austria, Portugal, Spain, Italy, and the U.S.! (Workers from Israel, Georgia, Russia, the Ukraine, Slovenia, Slovakia and Argentina were not able to attend.)



Mark helped with power point presentations, sound, video recording, and slides.

German director Dieter Trefz reminded all of us of the importance of *Missionsgedankenentwicklung* (the development of missions awareness) in the churches we plant!

Tragedy: Two-and-a-half-year-old Elias Niethammer (pronounced like “neat hammer”), son of Austrian church planters, became ill during the missionary meetings and was taken to nearby relatives, then to a clinic, where he died, evidently of an intestinal blockage. Please pray for the Niethammer family in this time of great shock and sorrow.

Visit to potential future ministry site: April 20-21 we will be making a visit to an area where we may be able to minister in the future. Please pray that God will clearly guide us to where he wants us to serve!

Visa Update: Thanks for praying about our visas! Our current visas expire on April 24, and if not approved for longer visas we would have to leave the area for 90 days! We finally got an answer back on Friday, April 13, and the answer is ... They need more information! We will be sending the information early this coming week. Please keep praying!

Thanks for praying for us and for letting us know how we can pray for you!

No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him! I Corinthians 2:9

Grateful to be in His service,

Mark and Corinne